

## NATIONAL WHITE WREATH DAY

29TH MAY

## IN REMEMBRANCE OF ALL VICTIMS OF SUICIDE

National White Wreath Day is held by the White Wreath Association on May 29 in remembrance of all suicide victims. Services are held nationally to commemorate this important event. Thousands of white wreaths are laid in remembrance of each individual who has died tragically by suicide circumstances.

We have to come to terms with the trauma of thousands of men, women and children suiciding every year. The hurt felt by those left behind by these tragedies is no less traumatic than other kinds of medical and social tragedies; yet society's response and the help offered is vastly different. It seems that most people do not care or understand that the families and friends of suicide victims are just as deserving of understanding and respect. White Wreath has been creating an awareness in the wider community on misconceptions about suicide/mental illness and the lack of appropriate treatment readily available to people who feel suicidal.

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED?

On White Wreath Day on May 29 we invite people who have lost loved ones or close friends by the tragic means of suicide to lay wreaths and include photographs, flowers, poems and sentimental memorabilia to honour their loved ones. White wreaths and tags will be available at the services in your state. Visit our website, **www.whitewreath.com** or email **white.wreath@bigpond.com** if you wish to make a donation.

WE ARE CONTACTABLE 24 HOURS A DAY FOR ASSISTANCE AUSTRALIA-WIDE ON

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