TEDDY BEAR By- Cheri Torbico

If this darn pen will write I will write a poem tonight Share the story of my fight Yes I have Cancer alright I was Cancer free For 10 years you see Now a new type of Cancer Has come to visit me He wants to stay-But it's not ok Wreaking havoc with my brain The Depression and the pain Off he goes in the wind Never to see him again On my plate- No more heartache Plate- I don't have a plate So my friends say "I have way too much on my plate" I threw it out the window It got too heavy to hold So I lighten my load Vanishing all the problems of my world-Yes I am free No plate for me To put my troubles on Nothing to weigh me down Watching them disappear I am free to begin again With what a platter Oh does it really matter I broke the platter My friends gave to me Through the cracks I see Gods light shining on me Warming my soul Love reaching for me Someone there- Someone who cares Who will always be there With a hand to hold And a heart of gold A thousand pieces fill the air **Rainbows everywhere** Washing over me Yes I am free of Cancer I believe in Recovery So look for the light- In your fight With all the love to share Be that teddy bear Not a grizzly bear There's so much to share So many who care Yes I am throwing him out And while I blinked My pen ran out of ink

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NEWSLETTER

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS at LIVINGSTON CMH?

The Livingston County CMH Consumer Advisory Panel is hosting a learning session with our local Rights Officers

Wednesday November 15th 4:00 to 6:00 pm at Genesis House 1137 East Grand River Ave. Howell

light snacks will be served Call Amy Johnson 517-546-4126 to RSVP

> Find us on Facebook at Livingston County Community Mental Health Authority

Update- Since writing this poem, Cheri is now Cancer free!

HELP GET THE WORD OUT

A vending machine for free naloxone is in the lobby at our main building 2280 Grand River Ave. Naloxone is a life saving medication that temporarily reverses the dangerous side effects of an opioid overdose. Lobby hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8am-5pm Tuesday 8am-7pm



SELF CARE FOR FALL

Self-care can help you manage stress, lower risk of illness & increase your energy. Here are some fun things you can do this fall for self care.

- Cuddle up with a blanket
- Enjoy a warm drink
- Take a walk outside
- Watch a fall movie
- Visit a park
- Wear cozy clothes
- Enjoy the smells of fall
- Listen to a fall music playlist