



Mission Statement

We are a community resource center with an inviting, encouraging and caring atmosphere focused on the needs, hopes, goals and gifts of everyone who comes in our door.

Through outreach, education and active programming, we seek to be both a refuge and a beacon for all those whose lives have been affected by mental illness.



JAK's Place is a project of NAMI — Door County
(National Alliance on Mental Illness)

Volunteer Opportunities:

Garden

Planting, general care, harvest
Overseeing other workers

Fund raising events

Greeting, telling people about JAK's Place

House and yard work

Cleaning, fixing, painting

Newsletter

Folding and preparing to mail, a monthly chore

Teaching – everyone knows something that someone else doesn't.

Just being there

Greeting visitors
Giving tours
Answering the phone
Listening!

Volunteering is:

- ◆ A way to show that you care, that you are part of a community
- ◆ Getting out of yourself, leaving your problems behind for a while
- ◆ Helping others without interfering in their lives
- ◆ Learning
- ◆ A step up on the way to getting a job

JAK's Place



820 Egg Harbor Rd.
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

JAK's Place is a drop-in social and resource center for anyone whose life has been affected in any way by mental illness.

Open 1-5 Monday through Friday

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Background

JAK's Place opened in September 2006 as a community resource for those whose lives have been touched by mental illness.

The center is named after **Jonah Andrew Klapatch**, who lost his life to the unpredictable effects of mental illness in 2005.

JAK's Place operates under the direction of NAMI Door County – an affiliate of the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

The center has evolved through a dedicated group of Door County citizens committed to seeing a central point for education, information, support and advocacy related to mental illness.

Staffing and Programming

JAK's Place is staffed by trained and dedicated individuals who are ready to assist people in locating resources, connecting with others, learning new skills and contributing talents.

JAK's Place offers:

- ◆ Books and videos on mental illness are available in the Lockwood Family Library, supported by NAMI Door County.
- ◆ Gathering space in a comfortable living room, dining area, and the Clare Anne Jacobsmeier Meeting Room.
- ◆ Open support group and a *Faith In Recovery* support group.
- ◆ Family style dinners on Tuesday at 5pm.
- ◆ *A Garden of Hope* project for those with green thumbs.
- ◆ Computer support and Internet access.
- ◆ Social and creative activities, including arts & crafts, games, music, writing, movies, and holiday gatherings.
- ◆ A monthly newsletter & calendar for all members.

There is no membership fee – we are here for all members of the community. Drop in and see what we're about!

Visit us on the web at
www.jaks-place.com