NAMI Green County meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at Angelus Retirement Community located at 616 8th Avenue, Monroe, WI in the 2nd floor conference room. Our goal is to educate, support, and advocate for those we know and care about living with mental illness. NAMI is dedicated to improving the lives of persons living with mental illness. Everyone is welcome and participation is always optional and confidential.

For more information:

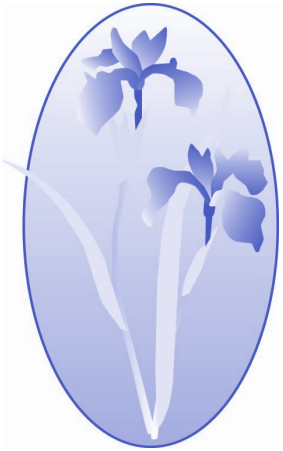
608-328-9376

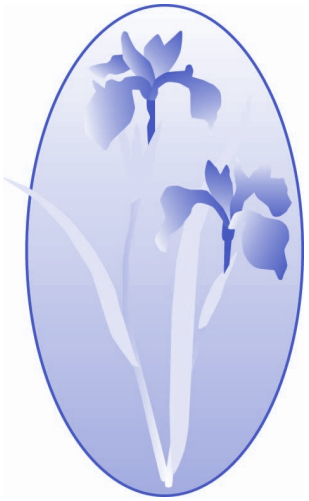
YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES.

"As for me, you must know I shouldn't precisely have chosen madness if there had been any choice. What consoles me is that I am beginning to consider madness as an illness like any other, and that I accept it as such."

Vincent van Gogh
1889, in a letter to his brother, Theo





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Facts About Mental Illness

- Mental illnesses are biologically-based brain disorders. They cannot be overcome through "will power." They are not related to a person's "character" or intelligence.*
- About 6% of Americans, or 1 in 17 people, suffer from a serious mental illness. It is estimated that mental illness affects 1 in 5 families in America.*
- Mental illnesses usually strike individuals in the prime of their lives, often during adolescence and young adulthood. Mental illness can affect anyone at any age, but the young and old are especially vulnerable.*
- Treatments today for serious mental illness are highly effective. With appropriate treatment, individuals have significant reduction in symptoms and improved quality of life.*
- Early identification and treatment of mental illness is of vital importance.*

** Facts about mental illness from www.nami.org, "About Mental Illness"*

What is NAMI?

National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI is the largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and their families living with mental illness. NAMI was founded in 1979 and has become the nation's voice on mental illness. There are NAMI organizations in every state and over 1,100 local communities who join together to educate, support, and advocate for individuals and families affected by mental illness.

NAMI provides consumer and family education classes offered by trained consumers and family members. NAMI also advocates for improved treatments and services to promote recovery and educates the public about issues surrounding serious mental illness. Support groups are also offered throughout the local community affiliates.

For local information, please call 608-328-9376. If no answer, please leave a message. We will return your phone call promptly.

For more information about NAMI please visit www.nami.org. You can also call the HELPLINE at 800-950-NAMI (6264).

How To Join NAMI Green County

Name_____

Address_____

City_____

State/Zip_____

Email _____

Phone_____

NAMI Green County Membership

[ ] Individual/Family	$30.00
[ ] Student/ Limited Income	$10.00
[ ] Professional	$50.00
[ ] Open Door	$3.00

Membership in NAMI Green County allows full participation in voting privileges in our local affiliate. It also includes a membership to the NAMI National organization and a subscription to its quarterly magazine *NAMI Advocate* and to NAMI Wisconsin and its newsletter, *The Iris.*

Send this form along with the appropriate amount to Green County NAMI, Attn: Lisa Bergum, N3152 State Road 81, Monroe WI 53566.

NAMI Green County is a 501 (C)(3) not-for-profit organization. Membership and contributions are tax deductible on itemized tax returns.