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## Book of the Month



## Danny's Mom

by Elaine Wolf

HMTC is pleased to recognize Elaine Wolf's most recently published novel, Danny's Mom, as our May Book of the Month. Danny's Mom is set in a high school where the title character, Beth Maller works as a guidance counselor. Like many of us, it takes a tragedy (the death of her son Danny in a car accident) to jolt her into the recognition that life is too precarious and too precious to leave for tomorrow. Upon returning to school after her son's death, Beth witnesses bullying and homophobia among students, teachers, and parents. No longer willing to remain quiet, Beth steps in to speak up for those who have been targeted.

Wolf recently addressed a large audience at our annual Tolerance Benefit & Auction. The recipient of our Community Upstander Award, Wolf spoke to the importance of standing up in whatever way you can. For Wolf, it is through writing. Danny's Mom explores issues that sit at the very core of HMTC's mission. We are proud to be working alongside Wolf to spread the message of Tolerance.