



Kitsap FOSTER CARE ASSOCIATION

Serving and Supporting Kitsap Foster Families

Holiday Party!

It time to think about the KFCA Holiday Party.

Saturday December 10th from 1-3 pm
at the Lincoln Ave Bible Church
1250 Lincoln Avenue—Bremerton

foster, adopted, relative placement and bio children
included

You must register
before Dec. 1
So give Luanne Vail a call 360-876-5207.

www.KitsapFosterCare.org

November— December 2011

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

Dinner meetings 3rd Wed of the month

NOVEMBER

Dinner Meeting

November 16 6-8 pm
Lincoln Ave Bible Church
1250 Lincoln Avenue—Bremerton

DECMEBER

Holiday Party

December 10 1-3pm
Lincoln Ave Bible Church
1250 Lincoln Avenue—Bremerton

JANUARY

Dinner Meeting

January 18th 6pm
Lincoln Ave Bible Church
January 16,17,18 PNW Conference

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Due to limited funding The DREAM Project will now be accepting applications only from KFCA members and only while funds are available. For more info, please go to www.kitsapfostercare.org

Abraham's House of Port Orchard has partnered with KFCA as a clothing resource for kids in care.

Please read the following carefully.

If you have an immediate need you may come in and shop during the hours of donation.

Tuesday 12pm to 6pm, Wednesday 3pm to 7pm, Thursday 12pm to 7pm

Please bring your foster parent ID and picture ID, sign in and shop. Most clothing items are stored in boxes and are identified by size and or gender so a little time will be needed for shopping. Abraham's House is open to the public the 2nd Saturday 10am to 1pm. Please let them know you are a foster parent.

Abraham's House located at Christian Life Center, 1780 SE Lincoln Ave, Port Orchard WA 98366

**KFCA has duffle bags!
Please DO NOT send your foster child off with his/her belongings in garbage bags.
Call Phyllis at 360-275-5725**

Luanne Vail is the foster parent liaison for Kitsap County. She is here to help you with any problems or issues that you have. She is here to answer your questions and get answers for you. 360-475-3516. 360-990-9995 liaison@kitsapfostercare.org Call if I you need her to assist you. Don't forget to sign up for the holiday party while you have her on the phone.

Trainings:

Effective 10-15-11, Licensed foster parents must complete in-service training as follows:

First licensing period (years 1 - 3): 36 hours of Parenting Plus in-class training:

At least one licensed foster parent in the home must complete the entire course.

Foster parents licensed after 10-15-2011 must be enrolled within their first year of licensure and complete Parenting Plus by the end of their second year of licensure.

Foster parents licensed prior to 10-15-2011 must complete Parenting Plus by 10-15-2015.

Licensees who completed a 60-hour Foster Parent Scope training are exempt from the Parenting Plus requirement.

Foster parents licensed after 10-15-2011 must have at least one parent in the home complete the 3 hour So You Have Your First Placement within the first year of licensure.

Second consecutive licensing period (years 4 - 6): 30 hours of in-service training

All subsequent licensing periods (year 7 and beyond): 24 hours of in-service training every three years.

Note: The in-service training requirement for the second and subsequent consecutive licensing periods may be met by one or both parties on a license, in any combination. That is, one party on a two parent license may complete all required training hours or two people on a two parent license may each complete part of the required hours as long as the total number of hours meets the requirement.

For information on trainings go to:
<http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents/training.asp>

Resources

Info and programs available for youth (13-21) in out-of-home care www.independence.wa.gov

CPR/1st Aid/BBP www.keepthebeatcpr.org or 1-888-704-6074

Adoption Referral & Information Service
www.adoptionreferralservice.com

Free bikes for foster kids www.bicycles4kids.com

The Pacific Northwest
Caregiver's Conference
January 16-18, 2012
Great Wolf Lodge in Grand Mound, WA
Hosted by
Foster Parents Association of Washington
State
&
Gateways for Youth & Families
for information, registration and scholarships
go to
WWW.FPAWS.ORG

Scholarships for 2012 Pacific Northwest Caregiver's Conference

KFCA is offering \$100.00 Scholarships for the Pacific Northwest Caregiver's Conference.

KFCA has a limit of \$2000.00 for scholarships.

You must be a paid member of KFCA.

All foster families, caregivers and adoptive families who are paid members of KFCA are eligible to apply for a scholarship. This will be on a first come basis and will be limited to one per family unit.

You must register your intent with KFCA to attend the conference.

Then turn in a receipt to the treasurer for reimbursement. FPAWS is having a silent auction at the Night of a Thousand Dreams.

Please contact Phyllis @ pjsfullhouse@aol.com

ILS is moving

As of November 1st

New mailing address is: P.O. Box 867, Poulsbo, WA 98370
New physical address is: 10125 NW Frontier Pl., Silverdale, WA 98383

The phone number will remain the same: 360.377.1899

The fax number is changing: 360.779.1618

Emails will remain the same.

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W/TH 8:30-2:30

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Region 5 Recruitment & Retention

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Are you aware of the clothing closet in the Bremerton DSHS office? If you take a placement in need, the closet has diapers, formula, pull ups, pj 's, socks, underwear and other clothing necessities to help get by for a couple of days. Have something to donate?

The 2011 Ghost Train was a FRIGHTENING SUCCESS! The Kitsap Foster Care Association would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the wonderful volunteers, vendors and attendees at this year's event. Special thanks to: Kitsap Live Steamers; Biri Ibarra & the Kohl's Associates in Action; Community and Family Services Foundation - Celeste DiFlaviano was an outstanding help, Jennie Brusco, as always a wonderful witch; Foster Care Resource Network, Larry Benson and gang, thanks for bringing 'Jerry'; Jeannie Johns of Traceyton United Methodist Church; Kitsap County Sheriff's Cadets - you are awesome!; Boys and Girls Club Staff Mr. Ryan & ; Silverdale Kiwanis Club; Central Kitsap Key Club; South Kitsap Key Club; The Charboneau Family of the Candy Shoppe; Liz Hoepfner and the Burwell Car Wash Aliens; Katrin Askew of Kumon Tutoring; Young Family Chiropractic & their newest editon - what a trooper; Sheila Cline of the Jingle Bell Run + family and friends; Kitsap Park and Recreation Department; Bill Barnum & Bikers Against Child Abuse; KFCA Board and Foster Kids; Charlie and Terry - you two were great!; Tanya for decorating the Train Station - what a great job!; Andrea & Brandon ; John VanGesen, Kitsap County Sheriff's Office; Bobbie-Jo Sydorko & Alyssa Valentine of DCFS; Andrea Thieme and the Manpower folks; That One Place - Craig and Evalina Kenady and Donna & her wonderful family for the Scary Clown scene; Fred Meyer and Nephrology Associates for donations; Coffee Oasis; Rick Williams for helping out; Straight Up Racing for the California Kid Monster Truck -driver Ed Miller; Bethel Towing for bringing the Cal' Kid to the park @ no charge - very cool and much appreciated
THANK YOU and we look forward to 2012!

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