



July 1, 2010

June

The Six Keys (Part A): (1) Early Childhood Mental Health: Why Your Role Matters; (2) Emotional Development: Acquired Skills Needed by All Children; (3) Understand How a Child is "Wired."

Discover ways in which your early childhood role can nurture the emotional development of young children through interactions, practices, and modeling to build secure attachment relationships; learn the six acquired skills needed by all children for positive emotional development; how to use social and emotional development checklists to identify where children are in their development; and look at strategies to support them as they progress to the next social/emotional milestone. (CICC)

Tuesday, June 29 6:30 – 8:45 PM

Cost: \$17.00

Dunn Bros Grill, 14775 Victor Hugo Blvd. N., Hugo, MN 55038

Plan to arrive in time to order a beverage or meal to eat during the seminar. Do not bring in food or beverage from the outside, including Festival Foods.

July

Say Yes to No (2-Part Series)

NEW

Through discussion, videos, and in-class and at-home activities, learn strategies that will make saying NO really work so your children develop the character traits and skills needed to be successful in school and in life. Based on the work of Dr. David Walsh. CC: IV; CDA: 3; CBTA: 7

Wednesday, July 14 (Part I) 6:30 – 9:00 PM

Wednesday, July 28 (Part II) 6:30 – 9:00 PM

Cost: \$42.50 for both sessions. 10% discount for two parents that register together (\$38.25). Must attend both sessions to receive in-service credit.

Giese Memorial Library, 26855 Forest Boulevard, Wyoming, MN 55092

Impact of Grief, Loss, and Trauma (MNCPD)

Gain an understanding of grief, loss, and trauma and the potential academic and behavioral changes related

to these experiences as well as strategies to support children and youth. Helpful for military families. CC: V; CDA: 4; CBTA: 8

Monday, July 19 6:30 – 8:45 PM

Cost: \$17.00

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Networking and Marketing Essentials to Optimize Your Business

Networking and marketing are essential skills you must learn and intentionally implement to successfully grow your business (generate income!). Leave with a personalized Tool Box containing low- and no-cost ideas to create your campaign. CC: VIII; CDA: 6; CBTA: 9

Monday, July 26 6:30 – 8:45 PM

Cost: \$17.00

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August

Building Blocks of Early Literacy

Reading outcomes relate to school and life opportunities. Learn components of early literacy and how to analyze your environment, create a literacy-rich environment using everyday materials, and enlist family support. CC: I, IIC; CDA: 2; CBTA: 4, 5

Tuesday, August 3 6:30 – 8:45 PM

Cost: \$17.00

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Everybody Needs a Home! (MNCPD)

Using literacy, music, social studies, art, physical and other components, learn strategies and activities to successfully introduce children to the outdoors and develop an awareness of animals sharing their neighborhood and the types of homes in which they

live. Participate in several activities and adapt them for your age group(s). Dress comfortably; time may be spent outside. Based on Project WILD. (Additional materials available for purchase.) CC: II; CDA: 2, 3; CBTA: 4, 5

Wednesday, August 4 6:30 – 9:00 PM
Cost: \$21.25
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Language Development PITC Module 3, Lessons 10 - 13

How do infants and toddlers perceive their surroundings and how can we best interact and communicate with them? Join us to find out. Special

Tuesday, August 10 6:30 – 8:45 PM
Cost: \$17.00
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Special Needs: We All Have Them, So Now What?



We all have special needs; some more obvious than others or more 'acceptable.' Examine early history of the Americans with Disabilities Act and how you can sensitively include children and their families with special needs, making your program comfortable for all. CC: II, V; CDA: 2, 3; CBTA: 4, 5, 8

Tuesday, August 24 6:30 – 8:45 PM
Cost: \$17.00
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Including the Infant in Your Curriculum PITC: Module 3

Based on their abilities and interests, explore ways to plan activities for infants through preschoolers. Discuss common misconceptions and how the early learning experiences and interventions you provide impact the child's brain development and future learning. CC: I, II; CDA: 2, 3; CBTA: 4, 5, 7

Wednesday, August 25 6:30 – 9:00 PM
Cost: \$21.25
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Program Services

CDA Advisor/Reviewer If you are ready for your observation or renewal report, contact us to schedule an appointment.

CPR and First Aid Seminars *We have now received several requests for a class, so watch for an August date.*

CPR and First Aid Seminars on the Road Schedule your own! No need to wait for us to put it on the calendar. Join us for your initial certification or re-certification. Select from: Adult or Pediatric CPR, AED (automated external defibrillator), First Aid, and BLS (Basic Life Support – required for medical professionals). Gather your colleagues, family, friends, and neighbors for a day or evening session. Call for pricing options. (Suitable for Rule 2 and 3 child care professionals.) *Currently available only in the seven county metro area.*

40-Hour PITC Caregiver Certification Cohort Interested in joining a cohort to learn more about infants and toddlers? Gather with others for a comprehensive study of children age birth to 5 years. We will meet over several weeks at a convenient location. A minimum of ten is needed to hold this series, which is based on materials from the Program for Infant Toddler Caregivers. Upon completion, participants will receive a certificate for 40 hours; all 40 hours are acceptable for licensing and grants. Call or email for pricing and scheduling options. *Currently available only in the seven county twin cities area.*

Other Opportunities

If you have submissions for this category or ETC., please email info@pla-inc.org.

(Download flyers for the following opportunities at www.pla-inc.org.)

Take a Day Off!

There's a world of fun and adventure awaiting you and your family at various Minnesota state parks. You don't need to drive far, spend a lot of money, or be an expert outdoorsman. Test your aim at a laser shooting range, learn about shooting safety, paddle a canoe, learn how to fish from shore, go geocaching, try archery, learn about local plants and animals, and lots more. Get hands-on instructions in a variety of outdoor activities. No experience necessary; equipment provided. All events are free, but a vehicle permit is required to enter the park. Visit www.pla-inc.org

inc.org to obtain a flyer.

Saturday, July 10 **Wm. O'Brien State Park**
Activities: 1:00 PM – 5:30 PM
Ice Cream Social and live music: 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Cost: Free

Saturday, August 14
Activities: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Stearns County Mississippi River Park
Cost: Free

Living on Less

The Forest Lake Partnership for Families is again sponsoring this event on **Wednesday, August 11** from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at Maranatha Assembly of God Church in Forest Lake. There are several ways you can help.

Service Providers: Help identify and/or recruit service providers to participate in this event. For more information, please contact Tovah Marek at 651-464-3685 or Tovah.Marek@ysblakesarea.org.

Door Prizes: Help find items for door prizes to be given out the day of the event. For more information, please contact, Janet Rosauer at 651-464-5438 or cruzerette@hotmail.com.

School Supplies: Help gather donations of school supplies to be given out at the event (cash and/or supplies). For more information, please contact Krista Armitage at karmitage@forestlake.k12.mn.us or 651-982-3226.

Background notes: We have received several generous donations already, however specific needs still exist. Contact Krista with your ideas.

Lunch: Help identify individuals/organizations that might be willing to donate bulk and/or prepared food items to serve for lunch. For more information, please contact Jenny Sheridan at jennifer.sheridan@co.washington.mn.us or 651-430-8332.

Event Volunteer: Help out on the day of the event (set up, take down, greet people, serve lunch, etc.). Please contact one of the planning group co-chairs (below) or any member of the planning group.

Publicity: Help get the word out about this event through your organization. We will be getting a "Save the Date" notice out sometime during May. For more information, please contact Laurie Drolson at ldrolson@forestlake.k12.mn.us or 651-982-8334.

Activities for Kids: If you have ideas for activities that kids can participate in during the event, especially activities related to fitness and/or safety, please contact one of the planning group co-chairs (below) or any member of the Living on Less planning group.

Carolyn Carr Latady, 651-982-8350
Laurie Drolson, 651-982-8334
Tovah Marek, 651-464-3685

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The seminar schedule is updated throughout the month, so be sure to check it often for seminars and other events that may have missed the newsletter's publication date.

Etc.

Benefit for John Lorenzi Family – Friday, July 16th
Sharry Lorenzi is a child care professional in the Chisago City area and an active member of her community. She and her husband John have three children. John passed away on May 7, 2010 from a previously undiagnosed autoimmune disease. John was in the ICU on life support for two weeks, before succumbing to the disease. The family is struggling emotionally and financially and your contribution can and will make a difference in helping them through this difficult time. There will be food, live music (Savanna Blue), games, silent auction, bake sale, and raffle. Silent auction items are needed by July 2; smaller items can be bundled with other donations. Bring baked goods on July 16. Entry prices: \$20 for adults; \$10 for kids; kids under 5 years are free. Chisago City Community Center, 10825 Lake Blvd., 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM. See flyer at www.pla-inc.org. Direct questions to: Liz Alldritt, tlcalldritt@msn.com.

Child Care Going-Out-of-Business Sale Colleen Cassidy is closing her Columbus business after over 25 years. Her Going-Out-of-Business Sale is Wednesday, June 30 (5:00 PM – 9:00 PM) and Thursday, July 1 – Saturday July 3 from 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM. Call 651.464.1006 for details and directions.

Project Play Day Applications Due June 30 Learn more about Child Care WORKS' Project Play Day at <http://tinyurl.com/2bo2snq>, an opportunity to get involved in a service project helping a child care provider or program make facility improvements, or an opportunity for your child care program to apply for help from our team! Project Play Day is a service initiative of Child Care WORKS; applications are due **June 30**. Contact: Chris Breva-

Erickson at cbreva@childcareworks.org or 612-455-1055 x13.

New Business Openings If you are a new child care professional, let us welcome you! Tell us your name, business name or employer, city, and county. We'll list it here.

New Website Check out www.whopooped.org for interesting activities about farm animals and what we can learn from their poop. Sponsored by the Minnesota Zoo. Suitable for preschool to about third grade.

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The toolbar is free to download and allows you to raise money for PLA virtually every time you search or shop online! Once added to IE or Firefox, each time you shop at more than 1,400 stores (from Amazon to Zazzle!), a percentage of your purchase will automatically be donated to PLA - at no cost to you. You may even save money as the toolbar also provides you thousands of discount coupons and free shipping offers! The toolbar also has a search box and each time you search the Internet, about a penny is donated to PLA. And, please pass this along to all of your friends. The two minutes it takes to add this toolbar to your browser can make a lifetime of difference for PLA. Get the toolbar NOW!

<http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/professional-learning-alternatives-pla>

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More Kids Dying in Hot Vehicles Temperatures are rising as are reports of youngsters trapped in hot vehicles. Never leave a child in an unattended vehicle or allow them to play in cars and trucks. Many of the recent cases involve children who climbed inside an unlocked vehicle on a hot day and then couldn't get out. Eighteen kids have died so far this year.

Recalls The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) has announced recalls for several brands of cribs. Call (800) 638-2772 for information on these recalls or visit www.cpsc.gov. You can search by product, date, company, hazard, or category.

Awareness Dates

July:

National Make a Difference to Children Month
Disaster Education and Awareness Month
UV (Eye) Safety Month

www.eymd.org or www.geteyesmart.org

National Cell Phone Courtesy Month
National Culinary Arts Month
Social Wellness Month
Family Reunion Month
National Grilling, Ice Cream, and Horseradish Month
Blueberries Month
Alzheimer's Awareness Week (6 - 12)
Rabbit Week (15 - 21)
National Ventriloquism week (16 - 19)

July 1: Second Half of the Year Day; Zip Code

July 4: Independence Day

July 5: Tour de France

July 7: Chocolate Day*

July 10: Teddy Bears' Picnic Day

http://www.ehow.com/about/4745168_tedd-y-bear-picnics.html

July 15: Gummi Worm Day*

July 16: Get to Know Your Customers Day

July 17: National Hot Dog Day

July 19: National Hug Your Kid Day

July 20: National Lollipop Day*

July 24: Tell an Old Joke Day

July 25: Parents Day

<http://www.parentsday.com>

July 28: National Milk Chocolate Day*

July 29: Lasagna Day

July 30: Father-in-Law Day

Visit www.FamousBirthdays.com

Visit <http://www.candyusa.com>*

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Please note seminar dates. Payment is required prior to each seminar. Thank you.

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(Please use a separate form for each person.)

Name _____

Address _____

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County (Work) _____ Email _____

Daytime Phone () _____ Evening Phone () _____

Facility Name _____

Name of Seminar	Date	Cost of Seminar	
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You have several options to register:

- 1). Mail Registration Form and check payable to: [PLA-INC.](#), 8244 177TH Lane, Forest Lake, MN 55025.
- 2). Fax completed Registration Form and credit card information to 651.286.0885.
- 3). Call 651.464.8777 with contact and seminar information, credit card number, expiration date, and CVV code.
- 4). Register online at www.pla-inc.org. Click on Seminar Schedule, then on registration link for your seminar.

Credit Card: Visa Master Card (circle one)

Print name (exactly as on card) _____

Address (if different from above) _____

Card # _____ **Exp. Date:** _____ **CVV Code:** _____

Signature _____ **TOTAL: \$** _____

Cancellation and Refund Policy Cancellation and Refund Policy

Register at least 3 business days in advance to ensure enrollment. Payment must accompany registration. In the event of cancellation, you will be notified and your funds will be held for a future seminar. No credits will be issued for seminars without 24 hours notice by participant. Refunds are provided only in the form of credits for future seminars. A minimum number of participants is required to hold the seminar. In addition, without advance registration, you will not be personally notified of changes or cancellations. Changes are also noted on the Seminar Schedule page of our website, www.pla-inc.org. If you have questions regarding your seminar, you are encouraged to contact our office.

