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# Keeping Kids Safe

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

Keeping Kids Safe, Inc. is devoted to provide safe loving foster and adoptive homes for children. We are dedicated to model and teach Christian values and morals while empowering children to thrive emotionally, socially, cognitively and physically.

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A Look Ahead

**Kids Corner** 

# School Is Out

School is out and summer is almost here. At least the weather is finally warming up! Please remember to turn in your child's final grade card to your caseworker. Also, copies of any certificates or awards that your child may have received also needs to be given to their KKS caseworker.

If you have signed your child(ren) up for summer camp, please make sure to use KKS as an emergency contact and inform you KKS caseworker of which camp and when they will be attending.

Finally, with school being out, the caseworkers will be reorganizing their home visit schedule. Please do your best to accommodate them with earlier home visit times.



# Camps

Keep your child active this summer and enroll them in day camps, sport camps, and church camps!

Just remember to make Keeping Kids Safe as an emergency contact. Also remember the custodial county will need to sign ANY liability form!

If you send your child to church camp, please remember they can not get baptized without prior consent from their parent and/or county!!

#### **State Audit**

Keeping Kids Safe will be having their recertification state audit. This audit is scheduled for June 13-17th. Yes, it will be an entire week! I will also be contacting foster parents for the state to do home visits. It is very important that foster parents turn in all their paperwork, including but not limited to:

Documentation, med logs, expense logs, updated driver's license, auto insurance, and pet vaccinations,

Please turn them in ASAP to ensure we have enough time to get them filed.

If your home is selected for the State Audit home visit, please be sure to have the following:

Fire extinguisher / updated
Evacuation Plan
Emergency Numbers posted
Medications Locked up
Guns locked and ammunition locked separately

Beds / cribs for the number of children you are licensed for

Chemicals / cleaning supplies locked up or put up high

Baby gates if applicable This is just a reminder list. I will let you know as soon as I know which homes the state will visit.

### **Kings Island**

Keeping Kids Safe is planning their 6th Annual trip to Kings Island! This is scheduled for July 8th, so mark your calendars now! We are currently working on obtaining confirmation of those of you who will be attending this trip. Remember this includes the water park and the roller coasters. As always, we will need chaperones to attend as well. We hope EVE-RYONE can attend, even if you don't have a foster child placed with you!!



"A creative man is motivated by the desire to achieve, not by the desire to beat others." -By: Ayn Rand

# **Outside Training**

The following trainings are held at Lucas County CS Conference and Learning Center, 711

Adams St., Toledo. \*\* To Register for Lucas County Trainings, please call 419-213-3578.

Tues., June 7th (6pm-9pm) "Sobering Thoughts: Substance Abuse in Adolescence "- Substance use disorders among adolescents are a significant public health problem in the United

States.

Sat. June 11th (9am-4pm) "Relax! It's Only a Crisis" -Foster parents will learn the stages and patterns of a crisis. Caregivers will learn ways to manage their own behavior to improve out-

Sat. June 11th (1pm-4pm) "Teen Dating Violence: Recognition and Response " - Help foster and adoptive parents to recognize and respond to violence within adolescent dating relationships

Wed., June 15th (9am-4pm) " Correcting Thinking Errors: Beyond Crime and Punishment " - discover how to teach youth skills that will help prevent thinking errors (and the negative

behavior that often emerges from thinking errors).

Sat., June 18th (9am-4pm) "Seeing Red: Specific and **Practical Points to Dealing** with Anger " - .This workshop will help participants take a look at their anger and how it impacts their work.

Sat, June 25th (1pm-4pm) "The Self-Injurious Child "-A closer look at a growing phenomenon recently called "the new age anorexia" - intentional self-injury: the act of deliberately harming one's body, such as cutting or burning oneself

The following training is held at Wood County CS. 1928 E. Gypsy Ln. Rd., Bowling Green, Contact Rachael Benson @419 -352-7566 Ext: 8486

No training this month

The following training is held at Erie County CS 221 W. Parish St., Sandusky. Contact Tina Kreuger @ 419-626-6781 Ext 6334

No TRAINING This Month.

The following training is held at Wyandot County CS 120 E. Johnson St., Upper Sandusky. Contact Becky Greene @ 419-294-4977 ext. 257.

Sat., June 4th (9am-12pm) "Understanding Munchausen by Proxy Syndrome "-Caregivers will come to know the causes, indicators, and prevalence of the disorder, how it is diagnosed, and preferred treatments.

Sat., June 4th (Ipm-4pm) "Before the First Breath: The Impact of In-utero Alcohol and Drug Use on the Developing Child "-Alcohol and other chemical substances introduced to the child in-utero can impact important developmental processes, causing lifelong physical and behavioral problems for the child

The following training is held at Hancock County CS 7814 CR 140, Flndlay. Contact Tricia Wagner @ 419-429-8065.

No TRAINING This Month





Keeping Kids Safe continues to provide On-Going training to foster parents on a monthly basis. Keeping Kids Safe training is scheduled for the second Monday of the month, however, it is subject to change.

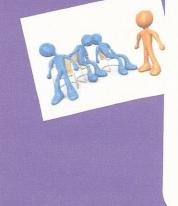
All of Keeping Kids Safe On-Going training is held at the First partake in the meal. Presbyterian Church on South Main St., Findlay. .

Monday, June 13th (6pm-8pm)

Please arrive at 5:30pm if you plan to

Keeping Kids Safe will provide the main course! Please call and confirm your attendance at this training to ensure we

have enough food!



#### **June Highlights**

June 1st-Flip A Coin Day

June 2nd—National Bubba Day

June 3rd—Repeat Day

June 3rd-National Doughnut Day

June 4th-Hug Your Cat Day

June 5th—World Environment Day

June 6th—National Yo-Yo Day

June 7th— Chocolate Ice Cream

June 8th-Best Friends Day

June 9th-Donald Duck Day

June 10th-lced Tea Day

June 12th-Red Rose Day

June 14th—Flag Day

June 15th-Smile Power Day

#### **ODJFS Rule of Month**

June 17th-Eat Your Veggies Day June 18th-National Splurge Day June 19th-Father's Day June 20th-Finally Summer! June 23rd—National Pink Day!

June 24th—Take Your Dog To Work Day

June 26th —Forgiveness Day

June 29th—Hug Holiday June 30th-Meteor Day



2-7-11(F) ... A foster child shall not be baptized or submitted to any religious procedures without prior consent of the child according to their age and functioning level and prior approval of the foster child's parent, guardian or custodian



# Happy Birthday!!

Keeping Kids Safe would like to wish the following people a HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAY!!

Brad H.-June 1st Autumn-June 2nd Jessica Myers-June 6th Kylie Hiser-June 8th

Chase Long-June 8th Chris Livingston-June 10th Bradley H—June 11th Blaize W-June 14th Wyatt W-June 14th





#### RSVP's

RSVP-is French and means "répondez, s'il vous plaît,", or in English, please respond! Why is it important to RSVP? Because the coordinator of the event needs a definite head count for the planned event, and needs it by the date specified on the invitation./ notice.

Without an RSVP, we tend to spend too much money on food, transportation, tickets, etc. On the contrary, we may not have enough food, transportation, tickets, etc. This then causes frustration and difficulties for the people that did take the time to RSVP. For trainings, this causes lack of food, set up for seating, and lack of certificates for those who did not

RSVP. This than causes disruption prior to or during the training.

In addition, I know some foster parents have appointments, work schedules, traffic related problems, etc that may delay them in getting to training on-time. Please be courteous and arrive prior to training starting.

Please remember. you are a role model for that child and if you aren't displaying promptness, how can you expect them to display promptness to appointments, etc.

I do appreciate each and everyone of you and the efforts you put forth in making the difference in the life of a child!

So please, respond whether you ARE or ARE NOT able to attend the event!, including training!



#### Thank You

II would like to thank all the foster parents who attended or supported David on his graduation! We had such a great foster parent turnout for his graduation party! He was so happy and very thankful for his gifts! Keeping Kids Safe has AWESOME SUPPORT-IVE FAMILIES! You guys ROCK!!!



Is it a boy or a girl? We do not know and neither does Meg or Mike! Either way, it's a baby and we are having a baby shower! This has been rescheduled, and is now scheduled for <u>Friday, July</u> <u>15th!</u> This will be at the office from 2-4pm. Please RSVP if you are planning to attend.



### **Kids Corner**

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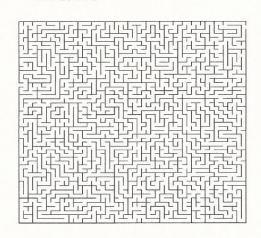
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