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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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MARCH 2016

Happy St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day is an Irish religious holiday that has been celebrated for over 1000 years.

St. Patrick was a pagan until the age of 16 when he was sold into slavery by a group of Irish marauders that raided his village. During the time he was held captive, he became a Christian. He

became quite successful in converting Pagans into Christians. He set up schools and churches that would aid him in his indoctrination of Irish country into Christianity.

The three leaf Shamrock became a symbol that St. Patrick used to describe the trinity. He used the Shamrock in his sermons to demonstrate how the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, could all exist as separate elements of the same entity.



Easter Party

Keeping Kids Safe is having their annual Easter Party on Saturday, March 19th.
The party will be held at the Brugeman Lodge (Riverbend) from 11am—2pm. The lodge is located at 9250 Township Road 208, Findlay,

Please bring a hot and a cold dish to share. Contact your Caseworker or the agency to sign up the food that you are bringing to ensure we do not have duplicate food items. Table service and drinks will be provided.

We will also have games and activities for all ages! Plan on attending and having fun!

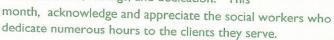
National Social Workers Month

March is National Social Workers month. The goal of a Social worker is to enable children, adults, families, communities, and groups to function and develop to their potential improving their quality of life.

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The social work field has the highest burn out rate above many other professions. Social work is a demanding field that impacts ones emotions, feelings, and dedication. This



KKS CO-ED Softball Team

Keeping Kids Safe is putting together a Co-Ed softball team. Games will be Sunday afternoon in Findlay. If you are interested in being on the team, please contact Brandon by email Bhutton@keepingkidssafe.org or call / text his cell phone—419-889-5390. by April 1, 2016.

We need to have a minimum of 5 girls and 5 guys! Practice will be starting in April with games starting in May.



The Lives of Others

"If you want happiness for a lifetime, help the next generation." —Chinese

Proverbs

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.

Sat., March 12th (9am—12pm)
"Runaway Foster Youth" This workshop focuses on two
specific areas: recognizing and preventing runaway behavior as well as
responding to and coping with
runaway behavior.

Sat., March 12th (Ipm-4pm)

"Maximizing Honesty and Honest Behaviors in Foster Children" -Help caregivers shape honest behaviors and advance moral reasoning and problem-solving skills in children

Sat., March 19th (9am-4pm)
"Trauma Lab" This workshop
will give hands-on approaches to
caregivers which can help their
foster and adoptive kids work
through trauma related issues."

Wed., March 30th (9am-4pm)

"Re-parenting the Wounded
Child" - Learn how to seize every
opportunity to cement the attachment relationship rather than focusing on winning the battle.

The following training is held at Hancock County CS. 7814 CR 140, Findlay. Contact Tricia Wagner @419-424-7022 Ext: 8065.
NO TRAINING

The following trainings are held at Seneca County JFS, 3362 S. Twp Rd., 151, Tiffin, OH 44849. Contact Crystal Brady at 419-447-5011.

NO TRAINING

The follow trainings are held at **Wood County JFS**, 1928 E. Gypsy Ln. Rd., Bowling Green, OH 43402. Contact achel Benson at 419-352-7566 ext.. 8486

NO TRAINING

The following trainings are held at <u>Erie County JFS</u>, 221 W. Parish St.,, Sandusky, OH 44870. To register contact Tina Krueger 419-627-4484.

Wed., March 10th (5pm-8pm)
"Maximizing Honesty and
Honest Behaviors in Children" - This workshop will
help caregivers shape honest
behaviors and advance moral
reasoning and problem-solving
skills in children

The following trainings are held at **Wyandot County JFS** 120 E. Johnson St., Upper Sandusky, OH 43551. To register contact Becky Greene at 419-294-4977 x257.

Sat... March 5th (9am-4pm)"Rebuilding Trust and Affectional Bonds: " - Caregivers will examine the importance
of parent-child bonding to the
development of a healthy and
strong personality while learning
how the loss of such connections impacts the child's sense of
trust, security, and self-identity.





Agency Training

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.

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

Monday, March 14th (6pm-8pm)

"r Love."

Please arrive at 5:30pm if you plan to partake in the meal.

Keeping Kids Safe will provide sandwiches!

Please call and confirm your attendance at this training to ensure we have enough food!

March Highlights

March Ist—National Pig Day March 7th—Employee Appreciation Day

March 4th—Holy Experiment Day March 5th—Multiple Personality Day

March 6th—Dentist Day

March 6th—Employee Appreciation Day

March 11th-Johnny Appleseed Day

March 12th-Girl Scout Day

March 13th—Daylight Savings Day (Spring forward 1 hour)

March 14th—National Pi Day
March 14th—National Potato Chip

Day

March 15th—Incredible Kid Day

March 15th—Ides of March

March 17th—St. Patrick's Day

March 19th—KKS Easter Party

March 20th—Proposal Day

March 22nd—National Goof Off

Day

March 25th—National Waffle Day

March 30th—National Doctor

Day

March 30th—I Am In Control

ODJFS Rule of Month

5101:2-7-05(F) ... A bunk bed in use shall be equipped with safety rails on the upper tier for a child under the age of ten or for any child whose physical, mental, or emotional condition indicates the need for such protection. A bed shall not be bunked higher than two tiers. A child under six years of age shall not sleep on the upper bunk of a bunk bed.



McKenna D— March 20th Emrey Marcum—March 27th



"No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted."

— Aesop

Happy Birthday!!



Keeping Kids Safe would like to wish the following people a HAPPY MARCH BIRTH-DAY!! Mary Buchanan—March 3rd
Jerzie H - March 7th
Milo George March 9th
Preston Snoke—March 9th
Delphia Roberts March 10th
Jason Roberts March 12th
Arlene George March 18th
Brayden D—March 19th

Daylight Savings

Daylight savings begins on March 13th this year. Don't forget to "spring" forward one hour!

This is also a good time to change your clock batteries as well as your smoke alarm batteries!



Kroger Reward

Link your Kroger Plus Card

to our agency and Kroger's will donate 5% of the total sales every quarter to our agency! Register online at: krogercommunityrewards.com

Spread the word to family and friends and have them link their Kroger Rewards card to Keeping Kids Safe too! This is an easy way to raise money for the agency!!

Make sure to have your family and friends link their Kroger Plus Card to our agency as well!



It's A

Keeping Kids Safe would like to congratulate Meg & Mike Schroeder on their pregnancy! Meg is due August 22nd! We will have a baby shower on Friday, June 3rd at the office.



FP Appreciation Dinner

Keeping Kid Safe will be holding its Annual Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner on <u>Friday, May 6th.</u>

The agency has arranged babysitting through Upper Room Church of God in Findlay as a Youth Fundraiser.

The agency will deduct the cost of babysitting from your check and submit one check to the church. The amount will be \$10 per child for the evening, which will include dinner, drinks, activities and of course,

supervision! We will
need a count of children
who will utilize the church
for babysitting to ensure
they have enough adults / staff.
This dinner is for adult foster
parents only! Plan NOW!
Come and enjoy an evening of
fun, food and laughter!

Kids Corner

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BACON PARADE

CABBAGE PINCH

CLOVER POTOFGOLD

GREEN RAINBOW

IRELAND SEVENTEEN

IRISH SHAMROCK

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"I've learned people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

—Maya Angelou



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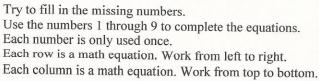
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