



Crawford County Kinship Connection

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Happy Thanksgiving



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Our October Support Group Meeting was eventful -the group planned our support group meeting during the day in November and our Christmas party!

November Meeting: Crawford County Job & Family Services - 224 Norton Way - Bucyrus -

Next meeting: Nov 17th at 9am.

We will not have daycare.

We are having our next meeting during the day. Come for doughnuts & coffee!

Here is a picture of our November door prize!



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**Support
Group**

@ 9am

Location:

Crawford Co.
JFS



The Kinship Support Group Members have decided that they want to have a potluck at each meeting so you do not have to cook a meal before you arrive, and it makes it easier to attend the meetings.

The Last Kinship Support Group Meeting for 2011 Dec 1st will be our Christmas Party. The event will be held at the CCJFS building. It will start at 5:30pm. Please come with a dish for our Potluck and the kids will do a craft! **Please call Peggy by November 23rd if you can make it to our Holiday Party.**



We are collecting stuffed animals for our Christmas Party as gifts to all children in kinship homes. If you would like your children to be on this list, please call Peggy. If you can donate any stuffed animals, please drop them off at the CCJFS office for Peggy!

**Kinship Website
www.kinship.ohio.org**



Job Support – CCJFS has a regularly updated Job's Page:

<http://www.crawfordcountyjfs.org/area-hot-jobs.html>

Area Hot Jobs (*more information on the above website):

Route Driver & Service Technician – Crestline, Lorain Music, Crestline is looking to fill the following positions: **Route Driver**: No experience necessary, will train. Will be traveling to different locations to clean and service vending machines. **Service Technician**: On-call, complete repairs on vending machines. Must have mechanical aptitude and some electronics background.*

How to Apply: Email, fax, or mail resume to: mzappa11@yahoo.com Fax: 419-683-1982
Mail: 450 Richard Park Dr., Crestline, Ohio 44827

Dietary Manager & STNA - Shelby & Galion

Galion Pointe & Shelby Pointe Nursing Homes are looking to fill the following:

Shelby Pointe: Dietary Manager. Full time hours, day shift.

Galion Pointe: State Tested Nurse's Aide. Various shifts.

How to Apply: Apply in person: Shelby Pointe - 100 Rogers Lane, Shelby, Ohio 44875
Galion Pointe - 925 Wagner Avenue, Galion, Ohio 44833

Part-time Auto/Diesel Mechanic & Secretary - Galion

Petty's Trucking, Galion is in need of a part-time mechanic, either Auto or Diesel. Mostly weekends, approximately 20-25 hours per week. Must have experience and wage is dependent upon that experience.

Secretary is approximately 35 hours per week and consists of invoicing and bookkeeping for a fleet of 5 trucks. Must be organized, efficient, and have some experience with Quickbooks.

How to Apply: Qualified and interested candidates can email a resume to:
upetty@columbus.rr.com

STNA - Bucyrus

Orchard Park in Bucyrus is looking to hire a Full-time and Part-time State Tested Nurse Aide for their facility. Part-time position is 16 hours/week, nights, every other weekend. Full-time position is 2nd shift. Wage is \$8.00 per hour with bonuses given every six months.

How to Apply: Call 419-562-6080 for an appointment to fill out application/interview.

Cooks & Servers - Bucyrus

Gus's Grill & Grog, Bucyrus is looking to hire an Experienced Cook and several part-time Food Servers. Cook is 20-35 hours per week and Servers are 15-20 hours per week.

Cooks must have family style restaurant experience. Wages are depending upon experience. **How to Apply**: Applications available at the Jobs Plus front desk.



Kinship Family Spotlight

Scott is thinking, "Wish you were here. It is boring without you!"

Here: Job & Family Services has a website to list the available services for our agency.

<http://www.crawfordcountyjfs.org/>

Kinship has a page with updated information

<http://www.crawfordcountyjfs.org/more-services.html#kinship>

November Funny Days:

National Fig Week- 1-7	National Pizza with the Works except Anchovies Day- 12
National Deviled Egg Day- 2	Absurdity Day- 20
Marooned Without a Compass Day- 6	Start Your Own Country Day- 22
Chaos Never Dies Day- 9	National Cashew Day- 23
Forget-Me-Not Day- 10	National Parfait Day- 25

Need Something? Have Something? Call Us!

Need: Playstation I games, twin bed set, crib, walker & playpen, Rocking Horse, heaters, toy box, Girl's dresser, digital camera, End Tables, Bike helmet (10 yr. boy) with elbow & knee pads, stroller, bassinette & swing

Craft: Thankful Tree

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/thanksgiving/thankfultree/>



Need: Construction paper (orange, red, yellow, brown, and other earth tones), Crayons or markers, Scissors & Glue or a glue stick.

Have children trace their hands on construction paper. Then cut out the tracings. These will be the leaves. Have the children write their names and what they're thankful for on each of the handprints. Using brown construction paper, cut out a tree trunk and branches. Glue or staple the tree trunk on a large piece of construction paper (or onto a bulletin board). Then glue or staple the handprint leaves to the tree.

Did You Know? Children 3+ years, with disabilities & Medicaid approved, may be eligible for free home delivery of diapers/pull-ups. 1-800-651-6223@526. www.activstyleforcaregivers.com

Crawford Park District Activities:

Heckert Archeology Dig - Saturday, November 5, 9 AM Heckert NP- A midden needs to be cleaned and a hand-dug well investigated. This will be only the beginning of excavations that will take place. Be prepared to get down and dirty! Fun for the family.

Nature Hike - Sunday, November 6, 1PM Sears Woods -Program will look at the changes taking place in the season of transition. Meet Warren Uxley at Sears Woods to see what this year will bring.

Flint Knapping - Saturday, November 12, 1 PM L-V Park - Join Jeremy Snyder as he demonstrates the art of flint knapping. Enjoy his historical accounts, techniques and knapping materials.

Bird Walk - Sunday, November 13, 3PM Sears Woods - Every year conditions in the North determine what bird species will be moving into our woodlands and fields. Meet Warren Uxley at Sears Woods and find out what birds can be found in our forests this year.

Gobble, Gobble - Tuesday, November 15, 6 PM L-V Park -Flock on in to the Nature Center to hear Joy Etter-Link talk turkey. Nature information and a Gobblin' good craft will await you. Targeted for kids up to 5th grade.

Walk and Woof - Wednesday, November 16, 5 PM Heckert NP- What better way to spend a fall evening than in the woods with your favorite pooch! Join CPD volunteer, Dee Meadows, and hike the trails for a relaxing fun filled event. All ages and breeds welcome.

Clothing Closet: There is a clothing closet located at the Good Hope Lutheran Church, 129 W. Charles St. in Bucyrus – across from Pisanello's Pizza. Open on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30pm.

There is an updated Ohio Resource Guide for Relatives Caring for Children:

<http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/file.asp?id=1779&type=application/pdf>

This is an online guide to that gives information on Finding help with expenses, medical services, educational services, & legal services.

It is available during the support group meetings if you do not have internet access.

Here Are Some Area Training* Options:

Please call Peggy if you are interested in attending this training session.

*Attending any of these training sessions is dependent on the availability of open seats.

TAKING STRESS AND STRAIN IN STRIDE - Date: Saturday, November 12, 2011

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. - **Trainer:** Susan Stasiak - **Location:** Marion County CSB, 1680 Marion –Waldo Road, Marion

Description: An adoptive or foster parent faces many sources of stress in addition to parenting and managing a household. This workshop enhances skills in organizing, setting priorities, and determining what to take action on and what to let go. Participants will gain an understanding of the value of a calm and organized home life, especially in relation to its influence on the children in their care. “Consistency and calm yield comfort” is the mantra parents will learn and experience during the training. Specific stress challenges will be addressed, and participants will develop a plan of action.

EDUCATIONAL ADVOCACY: HELPING YOUR CHILD TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN SCHOOL

Date: Saturday, November 12, 2011 **Time:** 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. - **Trainer:** Brian D. Lowery

Location: Richland County CSB, 731 Scholl Road, Mansfield

Description: As sure as parents and caregivers are children's most important teachers, children's ideas about education and its significance begin with parents and caregivers. Therefore, foster parents have a responsibility to participate actively in their children's education. This class will offer caregivers an opportunity to enhance their own skills to assist children with their academic pursuits. This course also serves as a basic introduction to understanding special education and surrogate parenting.

BOUNDARIES WITH KIDS - Date: Saturday, November 19, 2011 - Time: 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. (6 hrs.)

Trainer: John Ward - **Location:** Richland County CSB, 731 Scholl Road, Mansfield

Description: This class will give you the help you need for raising kids who take responsibility for their actions and emotions. You will learn the ins and outs of establishing boundaries in your parenting and instilling the kind of character in your kids that will help lead to balanced, productive, and fulfilling adult lives. Learn how to:

- Set limits and still be a loving parent;
- Bring control to an “out-of-control” family life;
- Apply the “ten laws” of boundaries to parenting; and
- Define appropriate boundaries and consequences for your kids.

IMPACT OF CHILDHOOD TRAUMA - Date: Thursday, December 1, 2011

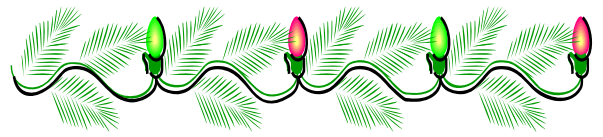
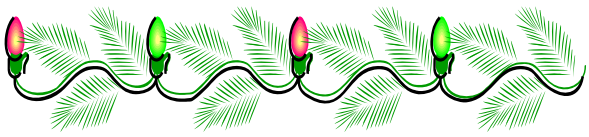
Time: 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. (3 hrs.) - **Trainer:** Erica Boller - **Location:** Marion County CSB, 1680 Marion –Waldo Road, Marion

Description: When trauma occurs early in life, children do not develop the capacity to regulate their experience; to soothe themselves, to interact in appropriate ways with other people, to learn from their behavior. Learn about these issues and how to offer hope and help to these children in your care.

CHILDREN GRIEVE, TOO - Date: Thursday, December 8, 2011

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. (6 hrs.) - **Trainer:** Maggie Foulk - **Location:** Morrow County JFS, 629 W. Marion Road, Mt. Gilead

Description: This workshop will begin by taking class participants on the journey our children often face when being removed from their families. Participants will discuss the different things that children grieve for when coming into foster care. They will recognize ways to help children through those trying times. Participants will be engaged in a hands-on activity that they can do with their children at home. The activity will help children verbalize and release.



Holiday Giving

*Crawford County Kinship
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stuffed animals for
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