



# DCC Newsletter

Open hearts... open hands... for our caregiving community!

## Chat & Chew with Your Chums- **ROCK AROUND THE CROCK!**

**THUR, FEB 22nd, 7PM @OP Lutheran**



- 2 hrs licensing/CACFP credits
- FREE
- 7810 W 79th, 66204

Come to a guaranteed 50's rockin' good time! We'll have sample tasting, fun plans for busy providers, kid-pleasing recipes & as always, giggles galore. Join Kelly, Nancy & Kathy as they don their bobby socks to show "fix & forget" tips.

Plan TODAY to bebop on by. This is the annual fun time to see those crazy Home Visitors in action!

• RSVP: [valerie@daycareconnection.org](mailto:valerie@daycareconnection.org) or 529-1200

### Welcome these Providers to Our DCC "Family"!

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### CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, MAR 3, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 2/21)

SAT, APR 7, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 3/28)

Course is excellently given by Tiffany Saturday, EMT. Send \$70 check to DCC, 8853 Long, Lenexa, KS 66215, with preferred date on memo line OR call & use credit card, 529-1200.



- 6 hrs licensing (please bring lunch)
- non-refundable fee

### Calendar Reminders

- 2/3 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid
- 2/5 4:30PM, MENUS DUE
- 2/6 open-8PM, 6:30PM video: "Combat the Fat!"
- 2/19 DCC closed
- 2/22 7PM, **ROCK AROUND THE CROCK!**
- 3/3 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid
- 3/6 open-8PM, 6:30PM video: "Clearing Up Your Clutter"



**We don't "babysit"!**

*USDA is an equal opportunity provider.*

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### DCC'S 2018 ACTIVITY & RECORD KEEPING CALENDAR

- complete resource guide for family day care tax & business needs
- excellent system to track financial records
- wonderful learning activities • super recipes

Call or drop by today!

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### TOM COPELAND'S RECORDKEEPING GUIDE

- new format carrying wealth of info from THE "Tax Guru" of our family day care industry

\$21 @DCC

*(Be sure to give parents your Tax ID # or Social Security # for tax records. It's the law!)*

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### REMINDE PARENTS OF THE U.S. EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

- special tax benefit for working parents who earn below a certain amount
- if qualified, they owe less in taxes & may get cash back

call IRS: 800-829-1040

## USDA has updated 2 things in food program meal rules.

### Do read this Q/A:



**Q-** Are Sun Chips now creditable to serve on CACFP to kids 1 year of age & older?

**A-** Yes, they're now allowed & meet the Whole-Grain (WG) rich standard. The product ingredient list meets this criteria as the first ingredient is a whole grain (whole corn).

**Q-** Can providers claim weekends & major holidays any more?

**A-** **NO!** Since our Home Visiting staff doesn't work these 6 major holidays & therefore, can't truly monitor meals, they're no longer allowed to be claimed. This refers **ONLY** to: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving & Christmas.



### VISITORS' VIEWS

DCC Home Visitors have kept you aware of a somewhat stronger enforcement of existing food program rules. These all help to maintain the integrity for future funding decisions! So, please...please, make sure to:

- fill in your Menus & Daily Attendance Roster completely every day. It's amazing to our staff how many times haste costs caregivers \$.
- e-mail or call if you don't do care. This is a required mandate many forget.
- get your required 2 hrs, annual nutrition training done by summer's end. We truly make ALL our trainings interesting AND fun.

### REFERRALS & YOU

Did you know you can help yourself & your business by participating in all types of training opportunities? Make sure parents know you attend. (DCC's workshops are authorized by JoCo Health Dept & KS Dept of Education. Our topics are what our caregivers tell us they want to see addressed ... NOT what we tell you to come learn.) Even the best child care business will stay childless if parents aren't aware what services you employ &/or what skills you continually enhance.



### things to *kindly* remember

- ▶ NUMBERED MENUS- Use our new numbered menus for all children, (babies or older kids). Don't use any old numbers.
- ▶ BABIES- They have to stay on formula + iron (F+I) or breastmilk (BM) until 12 mos old. When served "same" food as older kids, this can't include: pb, hot dogs, honey, grapes.
- ▶ YOUR OWN KIDS- On Attendance Roster, days they're present must also be checked just like day care kiddos.

