



# DCC Newsletter

May: the bridge between spring & oh, so much fun!

## YOU CAN LEARN A LOT FROM COWS, CHICKENS & PIGS!

**SAT, MAY 5th, 9-2:30PM @OP Church of Christ**

• 5 hrs licensing/2 hrs CACFP credits • prizes • giggles galore! • 119/Pflumm, 13400 W 119th, 66213



Join us for DCC's wonderful, repeated, 5 hr training! This fun learning event is full of what you need... useful & interesting info right for family day care home businesses. Important topics include:

VEGETARIAN DIETS Cindy Johnson, KSDE  
~NOT what you think~

FROM 1 CHICKADEE TO ANOTHER  
Provider Peer Panel  
~powerful AND positive pack of pointers~

### IT'S A BIRD...IT'S A PLANE...IT'S SUPERHERO PLAY

Beth Reeder, Motivational Speaker ~you LOVE her, we got her back~ All this, plus, sharing & support from your fellow providers! Speakers bring warmth, understanding of your profession, as well as extensive education & experience. Enjoy a scrumptious potato bar. Space IS limited. You've all gotten your invitations by now. Please return RSVP form with registration fee or call (913-529-1200) to charge TODAY! Plan now to join DCC'S "funny farm" with this very enjoyable way to complete your crediting hours!

• fire extinguisher checks also available, 8-9AM



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#### TERRIFIC TIP: E-Z PACKING FOR KIDS

• When packing for small kids, put each outfit (with underwear) in gallon-size bag. They only need to pick 1 bag daily, & it all matches. Simply put dirty clothes back in & nothing gets lost.

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#### TERRIFIC TIP: E-Z CORN ON THE COB

• For an easy way to serve/reheat corn on the cob; put cooked ears in gallon bag with desired amt of margarine & salt. Simply shake & serve. Refrigerate leftovers in same bag for effortless warm up.

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#### TERRIFIC TIP: E-Z HELP FOR MEALS

• Move kids' dishes & cups to lowest kitchen drawer. They can then set their own place settings. Not only does this help with 1 less chore, but it gives them a sense of accomplishment & boosts their confidence.

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

Asia Lockett- Fairview  
Katherine Slate- Crestview

### CPR/1st AID @DCC

SAT, MAY 12, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 5/2)

SAT, JUN 9, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 5/30)

SAT, JULY 14, 8:30AM

(RSVP by 7/5)



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

5/1 open- 8PM, 6:30PM tape: "Kindergarten Readiness"  
5/3 4:30PM, MENUS DUE  
5/5 "YOU CAN LEARN A LOT FROM...!" 5-hr trng 8-9AM, fire extinguishers  
5/12 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid  
5/28 DCC closed  
6/2 DCC BEGAN-1982!  
6/5 8:30AM, CPR/1st Aid



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

USDA is an equal opportunity provider.

Gifts don't have to cost money to be from the heart... especially on Mother's Day.

With your little ones gathered, try talking about ideas they could give as Mother's Day gifts which don't come from a store. Suggest giving simple things; a big hug & kiss, making an original card or doing a special chore. Teach them gifts don't have to cost to be from the heart. Tell them Momma likes these things best.



She always left her imprint...



Mary Morris was quite a day care provider. For 21+ years, she gave joy & light to her "adopted" kids. She was a positive soul when she graced our door, always with a smile & eternal optimism, even when her body wasn't exactly cooperating. Sadly, our angel Mary is no longer on earth. There's a dear video on *YouTube* called: Mary's Day Care. It was put together entirely by her past children & is touching & funny, allowing all to see what a truly special caregiver she was.

Take a look & aim high. Can you strive to leave that kind of an imprint yourself?



## VISITORS' VIEWS

DCC Home Visitors extend yet, another wonderful reason to be thankful for all of you. We exist because of each & every one of you. The majority of our funding comes from sponsoring CACFP. Every menu we process monthly brings us the support to provide all our caregiver services.

Needless to say, your entire DCC staff is very grateful for all the potential providers you steer our way. Whether it's a neighbor, a church friend, a relative or a complete stranger; the overwhelming calls we get from someone interested in starting family day care comes to us because of YOU!

## REFERRALS & YOU

DCC is hearing a frustrating fact from parents. We give them caregivers' names. Parents then call & leave a message. And, they NEVER get a response. Even if you're full; please call back as a courtesy. Our reputation is only as good as each day care provider allows us to be. Remember, keep us updated on your openings every 30 days. List them on CACFP Cover Sheet, call (913-529-1200), email [kay@daycareconnection.org](mailto:kay@daycareconnection.org). Thanks for helping.

