

KITSAP COUNTY COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

In the Works

Autumn 2010

The Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth

- Advises County Commissioners and residents on issues related to children and families, based on periodic assessments
- Facilitates the coordination of information and services to maximize resources
- Advocates for an environment which fosters healthy, self-sufficient, responsible and productive children, youth and families

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Is published **quarterly** by the Youth Commission for schools, the media, libraries, agencies, and individuals interested in children and families.

Items should be submitted to

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Advocacy

**12TH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE
ADVOCACY CAMP**, Monday –
Wednesday, **October 18 – 20**, Rainbow
Lodge, North Bend, WA. Advocacy
Camp is a three-day interactive training.
This opportunity will help you become a
more effective public policy advocate for
children and families. Develop essential
skills in lobbying, media, and community
mobilization.

Tuition for Advocacy Camp is \$400 per
person (discounted to \$300 for
Children's Alliance members).

Scholarships are available for low-
income applicants. Applications are due
Monday, September 13.

For more information, contact
Emijah Smith at 1-800-854-KIDS or
emijah@childrensalliance.org.



CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE
A Voice for Washington's Children, Youth & Families

**KITSAP COUNTY 2010 YOUTH
CONFERENCE**, Tuesday, **November 2**,
7:30 AM – 3:00 PM, Crossroads
Neighborhood Church, Bremerton.
Sponsored by: RUAD Task Force,
Kitsap Tobacco Alcohol and Other
Substance Abuse Coalition, and MADD
Kitsap. Pre-registration will be required
in order to attend. Group sessions will
address Law Enforcement, Media
Message Development, and Leadership
Skills.

For more information, contact Marsha
Masters, 360-551-6233 or e-mail
maddmasters@msn.com.



Awards

**THE PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF
COMMUNITY AWARDS**, sponsored by
Prudential Financial and administered
by the National Association of
Secondary School Principals, recognize
middle and high school students for
volunteer community service.
Eligible applicants include any young
person in the U.S. who is in grades 5-12
and has engaged in a volunteer activity
that occurred at least partly during the
12 months prior to the date of

application. Local honorees are selected in November, and from these winners two state honorees are chosen in each state and the District of Columbia.

Out of the state honorees, 10 national honorees are selected and announced at a ceremony in Washington, DC, in May of 2011. State Honorees receive an award of \$1,000 and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, DC, for national recognition events.

National Honorees receive an additional award of \$5,000. The application deadline is November 1, 2010. For more details, visit Online: <http://www.prudential.com/spirit/>.

Events

21st ANNUAL BREMERTON BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL

Saturday - Monday, **September 4 -6**, downtown Bremerton. Now you can enjoy three days of music, food, arts & crafts, all in scenic downtown Bremerton. Blackberry events include a Fun-Run, Chalk Art Competition, Bike Ride, Air Show, and more. For more information contact, Bremerton Main Stream Association, 377-3041 or visit Online <http://www.blackberryfestival.org>.

KITSAP DESTRUCTION DERBY ASSOCIATION continues their summer D-Derby series on Saturday, **September 4 & 18**, Thunderbird Stadium, Kitsap Fairgrounds & Events Center. Gates open at 4:00 PM. Time trials are at 4:30 PM and the racing begins at 5:00 PM. Tickets are available at the gate and are \$10 for adults, \$8 for teens age 13-17, seniors and military

with ID, \$6 for children ages 6-12 and free for children 5 and under. Family passes are available for \$30 and include 2 adults and 3 children. For more information, visit Online www.kitsapdestructionderby.com.

POULSBO AMERICANA MUSIC

FESTIVAL, Saturday, **September 11**, 12:00 – 7:00 PM, Raab Park, Poulsbo. The band line up includes: Handfull of Luvin', Kris Orlowski, and Shark Sandwich. Admission is FREE. What better way to celebrate than a late summer concert in the park? Good ole' time fun for kids of all ages! You'll find BBQ, farm fresh foods, and baked goods on offer; or bring your own picnic basket! This musical community day in the sun is organized by The Greater Poulsbo Chamber of Commerce. Proceeds will benefit Eli's Place. For more information, call 360-779-4848 or visit Online www.poulsbomusicfestival.com.

BREAKFAST WITH CHAMPIONS

ANNUAL MEETING, Tuesday, **September 14**, 7:30 – 9:30 AM, Seattle. Join Children's Alliance members at the 2010 Annual Meeting for breakfast and discussion with legislative Champions for children at the Northwest African American Museum in Seattle. The meeting features:

- Light Breakfast.
- Legislative panel featuring this year's Champion for Children.
- Board elections.
- Member recognition.

For more information, call Children's Alliance at 1-800-854-KIDS.



CHILDREN'S ALLIANCE

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MONSTER BASH, Wednesday, **October 27**, Party Begins at 6:30 PM, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton. Princesses, witches and Yoda, oh my! Dancing, food, fun, games and prizes for costumes! Your children will not forget their Costume Fashion Show on stage at the Admiral. This party is best enjoyed by kids six and under (and their parents of course).

Sponsored by: Dentistry for Children. Cost: \$5



For ticket information, call 373-6743 or Foundation Offices, 373-6810.

FALL 2010 STAND DOWN

Saturday, **September 25**, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Kitsap County Fairgrounds, in the Presidents Hall, Bremerton. This event is for Veterans and their families. A variety of free services will be available. Veterans need to bring at least three copies of discharge papers.

For more information, contact Leif Bentsen, 337-4883 or e-mail lbentsen@co.kitsap.wa.us.

8TH ANNUAL HAUNTED

FAIRGROUNDS, Friday

– Saturday, **October**

15/16, 22/23, and Friday

– Sunday, **October 29 - 31**, Kitsap County Fairgrounds, Bremerton. Visit online for complete details.

<http://www.kitsaphauntedfairgrounds.com>.



20TH ANNUAL KITSAP COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE

Friday, **December 10**, Kitsap Conference Center, Bremerton. For more information, contact Leif Bentsen, 337-4883 or e-mail lbentsen@co.kitsap.wa.us.

NUTCRACKER,

Saturday, **December 11**, 7:00 PM, and Sunday, **December 12**, 3:00 PM, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton. Just for Kicks Dance Studio presents, "The Nutcracker." Follow us into the dream world of Clara, where she's empowered to slay a giant Rat King and transform her Nutcracker doll into a prince. Together, they visit a magical land of dancing snowflakes, a Sugar Plum Fairy and a celebration that takes her around the world in a single night. Make a holiday tradition for the family. Reserved Seating: Adults \$16/Students & Seniors \$12.



For ticket information, call 373-6743 or Foundation Offices, 373-6810.

Meeting

ALATEEN MEETING IN POULSBO,

Every Thursday 3:30 - 4:30 PM, Saint Charles Anglican Church, 20295 Little Valley Road NE, Poulsbo, WA 98370-6514. (Located in Poulsbo off of Highway 305, kitty corner from Central Market.)

Facts: Alateen is for teenagers troubled by someone else's drinking. Al-Anon and Alateen groups follow a tradition of 'Anonymity.'

Anonymity Does: Protect the identity of all members. Provide a safe place in which to share and grow.

Anonymity Does Not: Make Al-Anon a secret society, but a fellowship based on confidentiality.

Al-Anon and Alateen groups are **not** allied with any sect, denomination, political entity, organization, or institution.

Al-Anon and Alateen groups are financially self-supporting through their own voluntary contributions. Typically, a participant donates the price of a soda or cup of coffee.

For more information, contact Charles at 206-679-4300 or email solocal@gmail.com. <http://www.al-anon.alateen.org>.

Publications

HEALING INVISIBLE WOUNDS: WHY INVESTING IN TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE FOR CHILDREN MAKES SENSE.

A new report from the Justice Policy Institute, *Healing Invisible Wounds: Why Investing in Trauma-Informed Care for Children Makes Sense*, examines the relationship between childhood trauma and justice system involvement for youth. Of the 93,000+ youth that are currently incarcerated in the United States, between 75 and 93 percent have experienced at least one traumatic experience, including sexual abuse, war, community violence, neglect and maltreatment. According to research, youth who suffer trauma are more likely to develop life-long psychiatric conditions and experience development delays, decreased cognitive abilities, learning disabilities and even lower IQ levels. To read the full report visit http://www.jdaihelpdesk.org/Docs/Documents/10-07_REP_HealingInvisibleWounds_JJ-PS.pdf.



SUITABILITY OF ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS FOR DELINQUENT GIRLS.

OJJDP's latest Girls Study Group Bulletin, "Suitability of Assessment Instruments for Delinquent Girls" is a comprehensive guide to help juvenile justice practitioners determine which standardized assessment instruments should be used when working with delinquent girls. Practitioners can use risk-assessment instruments to identify youth who may recidivate and determine whether youth should be placed in treatment programs or provided other services. You can download the bulletin at the JDAI Help Desk's Gender page.

KEEPING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES FROM CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

In New York Law School Law Review's "The School-to-Prison Pipeline Symposium" edition (Volume 54, Issue 4), Dean Hill Rivkin calls for an universal halt of criminalizing any student for minor school-related misconduct. The article "Decriminalizing Students with Disabilities", specifically discusses how students with disabilities are disproportionately singled out for school exclusion and pushed-out through disciplinary actions, inadequate educational programs, and criminal prosecution. Rivkin examines the case of *Morgan v. Chris L.*, 927 F. Supp. 267 (E.D. Tenn 1994), affd 106 F.3d 401 (6th Cir. 1997), which "curbed" criminal prosecution of students for disability-related behavior and subsequent changes in legislation and related litigation. You can download the article at the JDAI Help Desk Education page.

To view this email online, paste this link into your browser:

<http://e2ma.net/map/view=CampaignPublic/id=1407740.6721121131/rid=89879edcf5c3875e7470deee259a465b>.



Training

KIDS FIRST PARENT SEMINAR



Saturday, **September 11**, at 8:30 AM
 Thursday, **September 23**, at 5:00 PM
 Saturday, **October 2**, at 8:30 AM
 This four hour seminar focuses on children's unique needs prior to separation, during divorce, and in other family residential changes. Learn about developmental stages, the grief process, positive ways to communicate with your child's other parent, parenting plans and much more.

The seminar is approved by the Kitsap County Superior Court for parents involved in divorce, legal separation, or paternity actions.

The full tuition is \$70 for participants with monthly income over \$30,000 per year. In case of financial hardship, a reduced fee is available.

For more information call, 360-307-6155 or register online at http://www.kitsapdrc.org/Kids_First.php.

OREGON PREVENTION

CONFERENCE, Wednesday – Friday, **September 15 - 17**, Eugene, Oregon.

This conference will provide participants with the latest research, prevention strategies, and best practices regarding the prevention and health promotion across disciplines. The goals for this conference are to:

- Highlight Oregon and the Pacific Northwest's outstanding research and data.
- Increase knowledge on current research and provide evidence-based strategies and

tools that will assist communities in strengthening new and existing programs that decrease adverse health effects.

- Expand collaboration among partners across disciplines.

For more information, call 541-346-4135.

SCHOOL'S OUT WASHINGTON MINI-CONFERENCE, Friday, **September 17**, 8:45 AM – 2:00 PM, Seattle.

Morning Session: 9:00 – 11:00 AM Planning and Reflection. Participants will explore the ways that they are currently supporting youth in making plans and reflecting on experiences.

They will play and practice with a variety of strategies for both planning and reflecting. Participants will learn about the roles that these elements play in an experiential learning cycle.

Lunch: 11:00 AM – Noon

Afternoon Session: Noon – 2:00 PM Reframing Conflict. Participants will learn a step-by-step method of conflict resolution. They will examine their own outlook towards conflict and the roles they play in challenging situations.

Participants will come away with new insights into the way that reframing conflict can turn stressful situations into opportunities for growth.

Cost: \$60 per person, includes two workshops and lunches. For more information, contact 206-323-2396 or 1-888-419-9300 (toll-free in Washington State). To register, visit online at <http://www.schoolsoutwashington.org>.



COUNSELOR CAMP 2010, Friday – Sunday, **September 17 – 19**, Cispus Learning Center, Randle, WA. This event is designed to offer the best evidence-based theory and time-tested practice from a variety of professionals from our own backyard.

The camp setting and unique collection of local presenters also provides the opportunity for rest, renewal, and healing for those 'doing the work.'

Cost: \$125, includes room & board. For more information, contact Julie Adams, 425-485-7396 or Julie@riteofpassagejourneys.org.

THE ART AND SCIENCE OF EVALUATION: Sound Methods for Assessing Policy and Environmental Change – Webinar, Tuesday, **September 21**, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. This webinar is sponsored by the Convergence Partnership, a collaborative partnership that includes the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a technical advisor. In this session, panelists will discuss key questions for measuring success in community environments.

For more information, contact Shireen Shireen@policylink.org. To register: <http://here.doh.wa.gov/trainings-events/the-art-and-science-of-evaluation-sound-methods-for-assessing-policy-and-environmental-change-webinar>.



WASHINGTON ALLIANCE FOR HEALTHY AGING ANNUAL SUMMIT

Friday, **September 24**, 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM, Holiday Inn, SeaTac. This event is sponsored by the Washington Alliance for Healthy Aging. It will bring together teams of older adults, caregivers, and professionals from a wide variety of fields who share the same mission “to create communities where all can age well.” Cost: \$75 for professionals, \$25 for retired adults 65+.

For more information, contact Candace goehrCS@dshs.wa.gov. To register: <http://here.doh.wa.gov/trainings-events/washington-alliance-for-healthy-aging-annual-summit-seatac-washington/?searchterm=None>.

2010 REGIONAL TAPESTRY EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE

Saturday, **September 25**, Olympia. Sponsored by the South Sound Association for the Education of Young Children. Keynote: Children With Special Needs – Determining “A Good Fit.” A panel of mothers of children with special needs will share their experiences in finding care for their children and answer questions from the audience. Emphasis will be placed on helping providers understand how to determine if a child is a good fit in their program/home and with the other children in their care.

Cost: \$65 by September 3rd, \$75 after. Lunch is included in the cost of registration.

For more information, contact Laura at 360-459-2273 or via e-mail to Nancy@ccacwa.org.

2010 CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS CONFERENCE, Monday and Tuesday, **October 4 - 5**, Yakima. This annual conference brings together chemical dependency, criminal justice, mental health, and developmental disabilities professionals to learn how to effectively respond to individuals with Co-occurring Disorders. Track workshops will cover a variety of topics, including best practice models, post traumatic stress disorder and trauma, updates in pharmacology, depression and substance abuse in older adults. Cost: \$130.

For more information, contact Ruth Leonard via e-mail ruth.leonard@dshs.wa.gov.

INCLUSION AND ADOLESCENT TRANSITION IN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS, Tuesday – Wednesday, **October 5 - 6**, Seattle, WA. Paula Kluth, Ph.D. and Peter Gerhardt, Ed.D. will present this two day training featuring group activities, real-world stories, and tools you can bring back to the classroom immediately. Participants will learn practical ways of supporting students with autism spectrum labels and other disabilities within a general education classroom. Fees:

2 Days: \$205
1 Day: \$140

For more information <http://www.spectrumtrainingsystemsinc.com/seattle.html>.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN (WAEYC) 34th ANNUAL CONFERENCE, LOOKING THROUGH THE KALEIDOSCOPE, Thursday – Saturday, **October 14 - 16**, Spokane. Each fall WAEYC's Annual Conference offers nationally known keynoters, over 100 sessions, in-depth seminars, coordinated tracks, exhibits, curriculum and resource displays, program tours and networking opportunities. STARS, college credit and clock hours are available. Register online at <http://www.waeyc.org/conference.htm>.**2010 BECCA CONFERENCE, “Constructing Pathways to Success,”** Thursday – Friday, **October 14 – 15**, Red Lion Hotel, Pasco, WA. Sessions include:

include:

- Dropout Retrieval – Community Collaboration.
- Heeding Early Warning Signs With Appropriate Interventions.
- Powerfully Using Relationships Effectively.

Cost: \$85. prior to September 15, \$95 after September 15. Fee includes lunch. Make your hotel reservations at <http://www.redlion.rdln.com>.

For more information, contact the Center for Children & Youth Justice at 206-696-7503.

2010 PREVENTION SUMMIT, Friday and Saturday, **October 15 - 16**, Yakima. This annual summit provides support and education for the development, implementation, and continuation of prevention programming throughout Washington State. It also offers opportunities for youth to share thoughts and ideas on how to intervene with



peers who are facing destructive decisions.

For more information, contact Sarah Mariani at 206-272-2190 or mariase@dshs.wa.gov.

THE BRIDGE FROM SCHOOL TO AFTERSCHOOL AND BACK 2010 CONFERENCE, Igniting Minds and Passion, Monday – Tuesday, **October 18 – 19**, Vancouver, WA. This conference provides a platform for participants to explore different points of view, cutting-edge research and the latest applications which benefit young people across the country. Effective partnerships should be the vehicle for leading national efforts to support change! Cost: \$325 per person.

For more information visit online at <http://schoolsoutwashington.org> or call 206-323-2396 or toll free 888-419-9300.

CAREER PLANNING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS, Monday – Tuesday, **November 1 - 2**, Spokane, WA. James Emmett, M.S. will present this two day training covering all the essentials for successful career planning. Topics such as career assessment, career portfolios, workplace social communication, and business collaboration will be highlighted. James will focus on key strategies that will help individuals with autism spectrum disorders find not just jobs, but long-term career success. Fees:
Thru September 20: \$175
After September 20: \$205

For more information <http://www.spectrumtrainingsystemsinc.com/spokane.html>.

“Save the Date”

11TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON STATE NONPROFIT GOVERNANCE

CONFERENCE, Friday, **November 5**, Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center.

For more information, contact 253-272-5844 or <http://www.npcenter.org>.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES HEALTHY YOUTH CONFERENCE, Thursday – Friday, **November 18 – 20**, Houston, Texas. This conference is designed for and by youth practitioners as a place of community development, inspiration, strengthening, and connecting.

Conference Registration Fees:
Early Bird Rates – before October 2
Adults \$525/Youth \$375/Seniors \$375
Regular Rates – after October 2
Adults \$575/Youth \$395/Seniors \$395.

For more information, contact the Search Institute at 612-376-8955 or 800-888-7828 or visit Online at <http://www.search-institute.org>.



GRANTMAKERS' ROUNDTABLE, Thursday, **December 2**, 7:30 – 10:00 AM, Hotel Murano (Bicentennial Pavilion), Tacoma. Meet with regional grantmakers to learn firsthand their priorities and procedures for funding. This is a “musical tables” event during which each participant will be able to sit at a table with four different grantmakers during the morning. A list of grantmakers will be posted in November.

For more information, call the Nonprofit Center at 253-272-5844 or visit online at <http://www.npcenter.org>.

Volunteer

KITSAP COUNTY TEEN ACTION GROUPS (TAG)

Youth between the ages of 13 – 17 have an opportunity to earn valuable volunteer experience by getting involved in one of Kitsap County's four Teen Action Groups (TAG). The Commission on Children and Youth initiated the formation of TAG Groups to build new youth leaders through leadership training, mentoring and community involvement. Organizations coordinating TAG Groups include the American Red Cross, The Arc of Kitsap and Jefferson Counties, Kitsap Youth In Action and the YMCA in Bremerton.

For more information, contact Gay Neal at 337-4879.

KITSAP COUNTY COUNCIL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

Interested applicants from Commissioners' Districts 1 and 3 are encouraged to apply for this opportunity to promote awareness and equitable treatment of all citizens. The council works to reduce prejudice through public forums, education and other activities. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. Complete and submit the application and Human Rights Council Supplement that follow.

http://www.kitsapgov.com/volunteer/boards/human_rights.htm.

Complete the HRC supplemental application form.

For Your Calendar

September

- 4/6 **21ST ANNUAL BREMERTON BLACKBERRY FESTIVAL**, Bremerton. Information, Bremerton Main Stream Association, 377-3041 or <http://www.blackberryfestival.org>
- 4 **KITSAP DESTRUCTION DERBY**, Thunderbird Stadium, Kitsap County Fairgrounds, Bremerton. Gates open at 4:00PM. <http://www.kitsapdestructionderby.com>
- 11 **POULSBO AMERICANA MUSIC FESTIVAL**, Raab Park, Poulsbo, 12:00 – 7:00 PM. Information, 360-779-4848 or <http://www.poulsbomusicfestival.com>
- 11 **KIDS FIRST PARENT SEMINAR**, 8:30 AM
Information: Dispute Resolution Center, 360-307-6155
- 12 **WINTER PREP & WINTER GARDENING**, Bremerton, 2:00 - 4:00PM. Information: WSU Kitsap Extension Office, 360-337-7724
- 14 **BREAKFAST WITH CHAMPIONS ANNUAL MEETING**, Seattle, 7:30 – 9:30 AM. Information: 1-800-854-KIDS
- 15/17 **OREGON PREVENTION CONFERENCE**, Eugene, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM. Information: 541-346-4135
- 17 **SCHOOLS OUT WASHINGTON MINI-CONFERENCE**, 8:45 AM – 2:00 PM. Information: 206-323-2396 or <http://www.schoolsoutwashington.org>
- 17 **YOUTH WORKER METHODS TRAINING**, Seattle, 8:45 AM – 2:00 PM. Information: 206-323-2396 or <http://www.schoolsoutwashington.org>
- 17/19 **COUNSELOR CAMP 2010**, Randall. Information: Julie, 425-485-7396 or Julie@riteofpassagejourneys.org
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Information: Dispute Resolution Center, 360-307-6155
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- 25 **2010 REGIONAL TAPESTRY EARLY CHILDHOOD CONFERENCE**, Olympia. Information: Laura, 360-459-2273 or e-mail nancy@ccacwa.org
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Information: e-mail ruth.leonard@dshs.wa.gov
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<http://www.spectrumtrainingsystemsinc.com/seattle>
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- 14/16 **34TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION FOR THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN CONFERENCE, LOOKING THROUGH THE KALEIDOSCOPE**, Spokane.
<http://www.waeyc.org/conference.htm>
- 15/16 **PREVENTION SUMMIT**, Yakima. Information: Sarah Mariani, 206-272-2190 or mariaase@dshs.wa.gov
- 15/16 **8TH ANNUAL HAUNTED FAIRGROUNDS**, Bremerton
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- 18/20 **12TH ANNUAL CHILDREN’S ALLIANCE ADVOCACY CAMP**, Rainbow Lodge, North Bend. Emijah Smith, 1-800-854-KIDS or emija@childrensalliance.org
- 22/23 **8TH ANNUAL HAUNTED FAIRGROUNDS**, Bremerton
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- 27 **MONSTER BASH**, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 6:30 PM.
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Information: Marsha Masters, 360-551-6233 or maddmasters@msn.com
- 5 **11TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON STATE NONPROFIT GOVERNANCE CONFERENCE**, Tacoma. Information: 253-272-5844 or <http://www.npcenter.org>
- 18/20 **HEALTHY COMMUNITIES HEALTHY YOUTH CONFERENCE**, Houston, Texas. Information: Search Institute, 612-376-8955 or <http://www.search-institute.org>

Monday

- 1st** **CAMP FIRE BOYS & GIRLS BOARD MEETING**
5:30 PM. Terry Schroeder, 475-3571
- 2nd** **KITSAP COUNTY JUVENILE DEPARTMENT MENTORING PROGRAM TRAINING.** 5:00 – 7:00 PM. Pam Martin, 337-5409
- 2nd** **KITSAP COUNTY ASSN FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG CHILDREN (KAEYC)**
6:00 PM. Karen Kennedy, 475-7194
- 3rd** **STANDUP FOR KIDS,** 6:30 PM. **Silverdale Community Center,** Jo Clark, 360-479-2389
- 3rd** **P-FLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays),** 7:00 PM. Marcie Mathis, 888-636-0652,
- 3rd** **KITSAP COUNTY SAFE KIDS COALITION**
8:30 AM. (Bi-Monthly Jan. Mar. May. July Sept. Nov.)
Michele Jennings, Mary Bridge, 662-1198
- 3rd** **H.E.A.R.T. (Honoring Equity and Respecting Tradition),** 7:00 PM. Mick Sheldon, 360-297-2040
- 4th** **WORKFIRST ADVISORY BOARD**
2:00 PM. Meets bi-monthly. Paul Coover, 337-4722

Tuesday

- Every Tues.** **KITSAP PARENT SUPPORT GROUP**
7:00 PM. Terri Chicko, 360-297-4639
- 1st** **INFORMATION & REFERRAL SERVICES NETWORK**
Noon. Cyndi Foye, 415-5816, Cyndi@kmhs.org
- 1st** **KITSAP FOSTER CARE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS,** 5:30 PM. Rick Williams,
<http://www.kitsapfostercare.org>
- 1st** **ETHNIC UNITY COALITION**
5:30 PM. Information, 782-0544
- 1st & 3rd** **COMMUNITY FAMILY CLUB MEETING,** 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Information: Jessie 434-618 or Kelley 779-4074
- 2nd** **RESPECT (Relationship Education Strengthens & Provides Empowering Choices for Today's) Kitsap Youth,** 9:00 AM.
Candy Cardinal 337-5256
- 2nd** **KTASC COUNCIL (Community Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition),** 2:30 – 4:30 PM. Liz Wilhelm, 360-337-5258
- 2nd** **KITSAP COUNTY HIV AIDS FOUNDATION (KCHAF)**
5:30 – 7:00 pm. Natalie Bryson, 698-3335
- 2nd** **CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders),** 7:00 PM. Kerry Miller, 697-3922
- 2nd** **KITSAP COUNTY COUNCIL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**
6:00 PM. Leif Bentsen, 337-4883
- 3rd** **NORTH KITSAP LIFE IS VALUABLE SUICIDE AWARENESS TASK FORCE, 7:45 AM.** Kelly Chatwood, nk_lv@comcast.net
- 3rd** **SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY BOARD** 3:30 PM.
Betsy Bosch, 337-4880
- 3rd** **COMMUNITY VOICE,** 7:00 PM, Pat Lovett, 698-4668

Wednesday

- 1st** **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD** 5:00 PM.
Kelly Oneal, 337-4624
- 1st** **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE NETWORK**
11:30 AM. Joan Taie, 373-5392
- 2nd** **KITSAP COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY TASK FORCE,** 10:00 AM.
KCSO Silverdale, 337-4647
- 2nd** **KITSAP SAFE SCHOOLS NETWORK,** 5:00 PM
Silverdale, KCHAF, Arlis Stewart, 1-800-503-7615
- 3rd** **KITSAP CONTINUUM OF CARE COALITION MEETING**
2:30 – 4:00 PM, sally.santana@wavecable.com
- 4th** **KITSAP FOSTER CARE ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING,** 6:00 PM. <http://www.kitsapfostercare.org>
- last** **KITSAP SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCE**
3:00 – 4:30 PM. Barbara Smithson, 337-5250
KitsapSPTF@comcast.net

Thursday

- Every** **ALATEEN,** 3:30 – 4:30 PM, *Poulsbo. Charles, 206-679-4300 or solocal@gmail.com*
- 1st** **KITSAP COUNTY COMMISSION ON CHILDREN & YOUTH,** 4:30 – 6:30 PM. Gay Neal, 337-4879
- 1st** **P.O.W.E.R. (People Organized Working for Ethnic Reality),** 7:00 PM. Robert Boddie, 792-0637
- 1st** **BOY SCOUTS DISTRICT MEETINGS**
7:00 PM. Kevin Hancock, 373-9400; Brady Taylor, 373-5393
- 1st** **WOMEN BUILD COMMITTEE, Habitat for Humanity**
6:30 PM. Sheila Marie, 360-550-2452
funddeveloper@hitsaphabitat.org
- 2nd** **SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE GROUP MEETING**
5:30 – 7:00 PM. Melissa Spaulding 265-1110 or
swimgirl682004@yahoo.com
- 3rd** **INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL**
10:00 AM. Kathy Avery, 373-2536
- 3rd** **NORTH KITSAP VIOLENCE INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION PROJECT**
9:00 AM. Cindy Simonson, 297-7070
- 4th** **KITSAP FOSTER CARE ASSOCIATION**
6:00 PM. Rick Williams, 876-1994
- last** **FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS PARENT SUPPORT GROUP**
6:30 – 8:30 PM. Christine Njoroge, 475-3527
NYCH300@dshs.wa.gov
- Every** **THE Q CENTER, LGBT YOUTH 14-19 DROP-IN CENTER,** 6:00 PM. Silverdale. Michael Goodnow, 698-3335.
<http://www.theqcenter.org>

Friday

Saturday

- 1st** **ANGER MANAGEMENT CLASS,** 9:00 AM – 5:30 PM
Bremerton. Cost: \$80. Dr. O.J. Hogan, 698-3250
- 3rd** **KITSAP COUNTY'S FATHERS' NETWORK**
10:00 AM. Doug Stauner, 692-4670

What's In The Works For You?

Please print:

Event/Project Title:

Purpose:

Sponsor(s):

Target Audience:

Date:

Time:

Where:

Cost:

Reservation Required:

Other Details/Comments:

Contact person:

Phone:

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT CHANGES IN YOUR ORGANIZATION, such as program additions or deletions, new address/phone number, key personnel, etc.

Other information or comments which could be helpful to others:

Contact person for more information:

Phone:



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"It's Time for Kitsap Kids" Developmental Asset Initiative

"It's Time for Kitsap Kids" promotes the concept of [developmental asset](#) building and actively works on community awareness, activities, networking, and training that nurtures positive, caring and responsible young people.

<http://www.kitsapcaresaboutkids.org>

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Vision: As "Friends of Assets," each of us serves as a builder, partnering with youth to participate, develop, and grow through family, school, work, and community. We envision a community where all young people know they are valued, have hope for the future, and possess the resources to achieve their goals.

Building Assets--Reducing Risks (BARR) Program

What Is the BARR Program?

The BARR Program is a new evidence based program that can help ensure 9th grade students adjust successfully in school. The BARR program, built on the Developmental Assets® framework, is grounded in research, evaluated by several external evaluators including the Minnesota Institute of Public Health, and has demonstrated results in reducing alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; academic failure and truancy rates, and decreasing the number of disciplinary actions taken with regard to ninth graders.

What Does BARR Do?

Ten years ago, 44 percent of all 9th graders at St. Louis Park High School were failing one or more of their classes. By the 2005–2006 school year, less than 21 percent were failing one or more classes.

The BARR program gets results.

Imagine if your school could

- cut failure rates by 50 percent;
- increase 9th grade attendance;
- decrease drug and tobacco use.

Search Institute's BARR training provides the skills, materials, and ongoing support you need to

- strengthen school-wide relationships among students and teachers;
- create a close-knit support system for ninth graders;
- enforce school boundaries;
- increase student engagement in school;
- meet No Child Left Behind criteria for academic improvement;
- employ strategies on every level: teachers, staff, students, and parents.

To get more information on bringing the BARR Program and Implementation Training to your school or community, call Search Institute Training & Speaking at 800-294-4322. You can also check out our [BARR Program and Implementation Program](#) page.

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Search Institute

<http://www.search-institute.org>

has identified the following building blocks of healthy development that help young people grow up healthy, caring, and responsible.

Support:

1. Family Support
2. Positive family communication
3. Other adult relationships
4. Caring neighborhood
5. Caring school climate
6. Parent involvement in schooling

Empowerment:

7. Community values youth
8. Youth as resources
9. Service to others
10. Safety

Please tell us the impact the developmental asset approach has had in your life, the children you touch, or in your organization.

Just e-mail Gay Neal

gneal@co.kitsap.wa.us

to request the one-page, online response form. Your comments will be added to the story of how asset building is changing the face of our community.

Asset #27 – Equality and Social Justice

At Home

- As a family, discuss your views about equality and social justice. Choose one cause to follow and help.
- Volunteer with your family at a soup kitchen, homeless shelter, or food pantry.
- Visit museums that address issues of equality and social justice.

At School

- Offer a unit of study on people who have made a difference in the world through activism and service.

In the Community

- Give young people responsibility and leadership for service projects. Let them prove to themselves that they can make a difference.
- Post fact sheets about hunger, poverty, inequality, and injustice on bulletin boards

Asset #28 - Integrity

At Home

- Model integrity in your daily life. Talk openly about what you believe and value, then act on what you say. When it comes to building positive values, *you* are your child's most important teacher.
- Comment on people's actions in the news and how they show (or don't show) integrity.

At School

- Highlight men and women in history and current events who acted with integrity. Find examples in literature and discuss them as a class.
- Encourage and expect all faculty and staff to model integrity.

In the Community

- Model integrity in your daily life – at home, in the workplace, in public, and wherever you go. Support and affirm youth when they act with integrity.
- Sponsor speeches, seminars, presentations, and roundtable discussions on the topic of integrity. Be sure to include children and teens.

Asset #29 – Honesty

At Home

- Catch your children being honest.
- When you fudge the truth, admit it and apologize.
- Encourage and expect family members to be honest with themselves and each other. Honestly acknowledge feelings. Honestly admit to successes and mistakes.

At School

- Include honesty in your school's stated and posted values and expectations.
- Make it easier for students to be honest than to be dishonest.
- Encourage and expect all faculty and staff to model honesty.

In the Community

- Make honesty a community value. Hold public officials and local celebrities to high standards of honesty. Remind them that they are role models.
- Feature stories in the media about people who acted honestly.

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Boundaries & Expectations

11. Family boundaries
12. School boundaries
13. Neighborhood boundaries
14. Adult role models
15. Positive peer influence
16. High expectations

Constructive Use of Time

17. Creative activities
18. Youth programs
19. Religious community
20. Time at home

Commitment to Learning

21. Achievement motivation
22. School engagement
23. Homework
24. Bonding to school
25. Reading for pleasure

Positive Values

26. Caring
27. Equality and social justice
28. Integrity
29. Honesty
30. Responsibility
31. Restraint

Social Competencies

32. Planning and decision making
33. Interpersonal competence
34. Cultural competence
35. Resistance skills
36. Peaceful conflict resolution

Positive Identity

37. Personal power
38. Self-esteem
39. Sense of purpose
40. Positive view of personal future

Resources you can use: Free materials, training, presentations, assistance!

Contact the Kitsap County Commission on Children and Youth at 360-337-4879 or gneal@co.kitsap.wa.us

Pamphlets available in limited quantities

- 150 Ways to Show Kids You Care (poster style leaflet)
- 40 Ways Anyone can Build Assets (poster style leaflet)
- The Asset Approach (Adults)
- Making Change for the Better: The Importance of Youth Giving
- Take It to the Next Level

Book Available in single copy only, limited quantity available

- What Every Child Needs to Succeed from Birth to 8
- Giving Kids What They Need to Succeed (for adult presentations)

Local Library Resources with Asset Reference Materials

- Kitsap Regional Library
- Olympic Educational Service District (for school district personnel) OESD website <http://www.oesd.wednet.edu>



The Parenting Place “The Family Education Center” Fall 2010 Schedule

**Classes may be cancelled due to low enrollment*



Name of Class	Day	Time	Dates	# of Sessions	Location	Cost	Childcare Available
Helping Children Who Witness Domestic Violence Perpetrator	Tuesdays	6-8:15 pm	Sept. 7-Nov. 23rd	12	Please call for location	\$ 250.00	NO
Parenting & Beyond Infant ~Toddler	Wednesdays	6:00- :8:00pm	Sept. 22-Nov.10th	8	KCR 1201 Park Ave Bremerton	\$ 165.00	No
Raising a Challenging spirited child	Wednesday	6:00 –8:00pm	Sept.29—Nov.17th	8	KCR 1201 Park Ave Bremerton	\$165.00	NO

To Register for a class call **The Parenting Place**
360-473-2134 or Fax 360-473-2114

~A class may be cancelled and rescheduled due to inclement weather or less then 15 students enrolled ~

Class Description Fall 2010

Parenting & Beyond Infant

The first year of an infant's life is an important time for everyone in the family. Parents often feel overwhelmed, frustrated & isolated. This class is designed to give strategies to cope with those feelings while increasing self-image & confidence to parent successfully. Topics include: child development, recognizing cues & signs from your baby, techniques to sooth a fussy baby, establishing a strong bond with your baby, as well as focusing on health, nutrition & safety.

**For parents with
children Ages
0-3 yrs old**

Raising Your Spirited Challenging Child.

Is your child stubborn, willful, strong - willed & defiant perhaps they are lively, creative & energetic with a strong assertive personality? Join others in this class as we see that they are the same child, only our approach to their behaviors is different. Learn positive approaches to dealing with your spirited child & gain support from other parents as they face some of the same issues that you do.

**For parents with children
Ages 3 & Up**



Helping Children who Witness Domestic Violence Perpetrator

This 12-week class is designed to help understand the effects that DV has on children and everyone involved; learn & practice new problem-solving techniques with children; help find support & counseling for yourself and your children.

***For parents with children
of All Ages***