

The Family Connection

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Special points of interest:

- **Come to an Info Session in April and earn a Grub Hub gift card!**
- **Don't forget to vote! Keep an eye on our Facebook page and Vote April 10-17th for this year's sticker contest winner!**
- **A huge thank you to both the Moose Lodge and Theresa for supporting our efforts to provide relative caregivers with bags!**

You can help make a difference: Caregiver Survival Bags

Hello Racine County Community and Welcome Spring!!! I don't know about you, but I'm sure hoping to have some more sun in the upcoming days!

May April not be too showery but still bring much flowery. Whatever the weather, I hope you are prepared, which leads me to this month's awareness topic.

To provide some background, several months ago a young lady, by the name of Theresa, contacted me as she was going to be running for Miss Racine and her platform focused on foster care. Upon meeting with me and learning about our program, Theresa asked what some of our needs were, to which I explained, our relative caregivers are in need of as much support as possible, as these are folks who get thrust into our program without much time to prepare. Relative caregivers are family members who agree to take placement of family and go through the licensing process, however, unlike general foster parents, these family members have made the quick decision to become providers without having time to prepare to have children enter their home. They often times don't have their home set up to meet licensing requirements and need additional support in ways of clothing or toiletries, diapers, etc.

I explained to Theresa my hope was that someone within our community would respond to this need and create Caregiver Survivor Bags. These bags would have the essential items needed to ensure homes were licensable and caregivers didn't have to stress too much about making ends meet to care for their new arrivals in their home. I explained items most needed would be things such as smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, baby safety latches, outlet covers and general household items like diapers and wipes. I explained it would be nice if the bags also had gift cards so providers could run and acquire extra things such as bedding or food, if needed.

Fast forward to the present and though Theresa didn't win Miss Racine, she didn't give up her desire to help our program and has been in partnership

with another one of our community partners, Faith, Hope and Love, who have since guided her as to help make this goal come true. Theresa has since created an Amazon wish list to share with the community to help build these bags.

Here is the link:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2V8Z7ROPQIOH1?ref=wl_share

You as community members are encouraged to help us build these bags by purchasing items on the wish list, which Theresa will have made into our bags to give to our relative caregivers.

Around the same time of Theresa reaching out to me, the Moose Lodge did too and they are this quarter's Foster Hero, which you can read more about on page 22.

This is just another way in which you can help be part of the village and support the foster care community!

Please consider purchasing items to help support our relative caregivers.

Thank you so much to Theresa for not giving up and continuing to pursue this goal of helping our program.

Interested in learning how you can help support our program or get involved? Contact me, Jess Scheeler, jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com

Information Sessions

Racine County Information Sessions



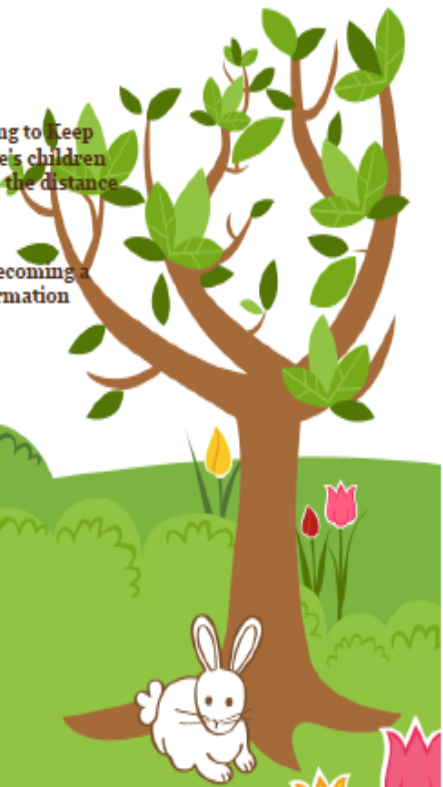
Every 4th Wednesday Night of the
Month



April 26, May 24, and June 28
5:30pm
1717 Taylor Ave. Racine, WI 53403
North Side
Classroom D
Let's Talk about Foster Care:

Racine County needs those interested in helping to keep them Home and become foster parents! Racine's children need those who can step up to the plate and go the distance to help them and their families heal and grow!

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a foster parent and would like to attend an Information Session, please email Jessica Scheeler at jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com



Take a leap in the right direction and spring into becoming a foster parent! Come learn more about Racine County Foster Care!

Training Opportunities: Resilient Co-Parenting

These topic specific online classes are designed for parents or caregivers raising children together while living apart. A new topic every month! Register today at <https://bit.ly/3ioqBJr>

RESILIENT CO-PARENTING

A series of topic-specific classes for parents or caregivers raising children together while living apart.

Join us for any or all of the following sessions!

- Feb. 2nd: Families Fighting Fair
- Mar 2nd: Successful Stepfamilies
- April 6th: Navigate Difficult Conversations
- May 4th: Parenting from a Distance
- June 1st: Co-Parenting Teens
- July 6th: Cope with Stress through Transition
- Aug. 3rd: Help Children with Strong Emotions
- Sept. 7th: Relationship Readiness
- Oct. 5th: Self Compassion
- Nov. 2nd: Mindful Money Practices
- Dec. 7th: Forgiveness for Moving Forward

7:00-8:00 pm over Zoom
1st Thursday of each month
in 2023!

Scan code or
use link to
register!



<https://bit.ly/3ioqBJr>

For more info:

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Family and Community Educator
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1072 Milwaukee Avenue
Burlington, WI 53105

Phone (262) 767-2916
WI Relay 7-1-1
New Email Address -
sarah_hawks@wisc.edu
Web site -
<https://racine.extension.wisc.edu/>



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Training Opportunities: Triple P

April Triple P Events



Raising Resilient Children

Time & Date: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Tuesday, April 4th 2023

Location: Zoom

The Power of Positive Parenting

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, Thursday, April 6th 2023

Location: Zoom

Raising Confident, Competent Children

Time & Date: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, Monday, April 10th 2023

Location: Zoom

Self-Esteem

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, Tuesday, April 28th 2023

Location: Zoom

Coping with Stress

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, Friday, April 21st 2023

Location: Zoom

Tantrums

Time & Date: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm, Monday, April 24th 2023

Location: Zoom

Building Teenagers Survival Skills

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Tuesday, April 25th 2023

Location: Zoom

Balancing Work and Family

Time & Date: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm, Tuesday, April 25th 2023

Location: Zoom

For more info:

Jackie Schommer, CHES

Pronouns: she/her/hers
Program Manager –
Community Health and
Education

Children's Wisconsin
Phone: 414-292-4204
childrenswi.org

Triple P teaches families with children 0-16 years of age how to spend less time battling challenging behavior and more time building close relationships. You'll develop positive parenting skills to manage stress and encourage healthy habits, and that can mean more good days for your family.

Register online at childrenswi.org/triplep or scan QR code



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Community Information:

Check out Racine Theatre Guild's 85th Season!

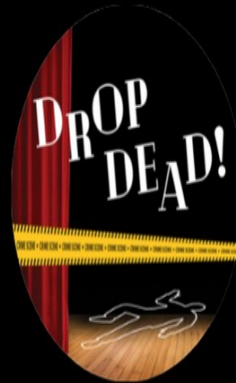
RACINE THEATRE GUILD 2022 - 2023 85TH SEASON



JULY 15 - 31, 2022



SEPT 16 - OCT 2, 2022



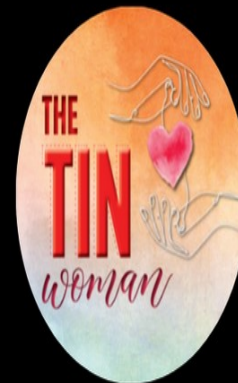
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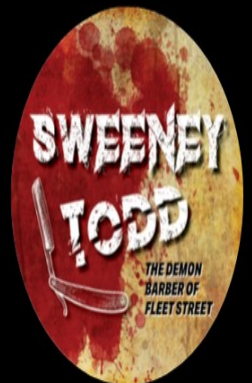
JAN 13 - 29, 2023



FEB 24 - MAR 12, 2023



APRIL 14 - 23, 2023



MAY 19 - JUN 4, 2023

For more info:
[https://
racinetheatre.org/](https://racinetheatre.org/)

2519 Northwestern Ave. | Racine, WI | RacineTheatre.org | 262.633.4218

Training Opportunities: Triple P

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program



Power of Positive Parenting

Chris Schulta, Nurse Practitioner

This seminar introduces parents to the five key principles of positive parenting that form the basis of Triple P.

Date: Wednesday, April 5th

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Westbrook Pediatrics

14755 W Capitol Dr, #100

Brookfield, WI 53005

April is Family Strengthening Month!

To celebrate, we will be handing out "Parenting on the Go" bags. Each bag has a variety of age appropriate toys and books to encourage independent play and to make parenting on the go easier! We will be giving event.

Triple P teaches families with children 0-16 years of age how to spend less time battling challenging behavior and more time building close relationships. You'll develop positive parenting skills to manage stress and encourage healthy habits, and that can mean more good days for your family.

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Community Information:

Who We Serve:

We build family-like systems around families experiencing:

- Hospitalization
- Illness or depression
- Unemployment
- Domestic violence
- Homelessness
- Alcohol/drug rehabilitation
- Many other life situations

More Information:

- Safe Families is NOT foster care or adoption. It is a voluntary partnership focused on family preservation.
- We will do our best to connect you to caring and compassionate volunteers who will become family-like support systems.
- Volunteer families are extensively screened with background checks, a home screening, and references.

"Safe Families connected me with a lot of the relationships I have now. Through Safe Families, I've met an extended family. They supported me and my family, while we got back on our feet."

-Safe Families parent

Safe Families For Children

Connecting parents to a network of support through family-like relationships with volunteers



Safe Families for Children *Circle of Support*

- **Family Friends:** provide friendship and support to parents or host families through getting together, encouragement, mentorship, transportation, hot meals, etc.
- **Family Coaches:** walk alongside parents to help them reach their goals and support volunteers while in service.
- **Host Families:** are screened and approved by SFFC to host children for short periods of time (average length is 6 weeks, can range from 2 days to 1 year).



Call for support:
262-725-5199 ext. 1

Or visit:
<https://safe-families.org/get-help/>



For more info contact: **Amy Wolfe**
 Director of Development
 SFFC-Racine and Kenosha
 Cell: 262-757-3365
 Office: 262-725-5199 ext. 700
 E-mail: amywolfe@safefamilieswi.org

Community Information:

**ENROLLING
PATIENTS NOW**
CALL TODAY
(262) 770-3110



The Blue Way Dental Backpack Program



**Provides FREE Dental Care Services to
children and teens ages 5-18**

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To learn more, call Dr. Debbie Reddick at Blue Door Dental
(262) 770-3110



For More Info:
<https://bluedoordental.com>

Community Information:

UMOS
Transitional Jobs

TRANSITIONAL JOBS PROGRAM

Serving Racine County



The Transitional Jobs (TJ) Program helps people gain the skills and experience they need to succeed in the labor market.

- TJ offers unemployed individuals immediate work (with pay).
- TJ enhances employment opportunities for people who have difficulty entering and succeeding in the workforce.
- TJ combines real work experience, skills training and supportive services.
- TJ helps employers find good workers to fill jobs.

If you are **unemployed**, call us to find out more!

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Programs Manager
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Jose Lovo
Employment Coach
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jose.lovo@umos.org

Se habla español!

*See the back of this flier for more information

UMOS Transitional Jobs Racine
1717 Taylor Avenue
Racine, WI 53403
www.umos.org

The Transitional Jobs Program is an equal opportunity program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.



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TRANSITIONAL JOBS PROGRAM

What is TJ?

Transitional Jobs (TJ) is an employment program that offers unemployed residents immediate work. TJ is a program of Wisconsin's Department of Children and Families. The purpose of TJ is to enhance employment opportunities for people who have difficulty entering and succeeding in the workforce. The TJ employment strategy helps individuals overcome employment barriers and transition into work by using wage-paid, short-term employment that combines real work, skills training, education and supportive services. TJ also offers job coaching, employability planning, life skills development, and limited vocational training, as well as job search assistance.

TJ promotes self-sufficiency by providing time-limited, publicly funded, wage-based jobs in public, nonprofit, or for profit settings. The goal is to help eligible residents gain a foothold in the labor market with jobs that are available in the public and private sectors. TJ's combination of training, work experience, case management, and supportive services will produce positive results for Southeast Wisconsin's job seekers and the employers who "hire" program participants.

Who Qualifies?

TJ Participant/Candidate	Employer Host/Worksite
➤ Must reside in Racine County.	➤ Must interview candidate(s) and may select the most appropriate person.
➤ Must be at least 18 years old at time of enrollment.	➤ Must provide adequate supervision.
➤ <u>Childless adults age 18 to 24:</u> Not required to be under a child support order, a child welfare reunification plan, or be an ex-offender.	➤ Must provide a work opportunity that offers skills development and/or training in a demand occupation.
➤ <u>Adults age 18 to 24 with children:</u> MUST have a child support order, be under a reunification plan, or be an ex-offender; or be a youth in foster care and expected to age out of care, or have aged out of foster care.	➤ Must provide at least 20 hours of work per week, but no more than 40 hours per week.
➤ <u>Adults age 25 years and older:</u> MUST be the biological or adoptive parent of child under age 18; or the relative & primary caregiver of child under age 18 years.	➤ Must report hours worked to UMOS on a predetermined schedule.
➤ Must have been unemployed for the last 4 consecutive weeks prior to enrollment.	➤ Must maintain contact with UMOS in an effort to enhance the success of the TJ worker.
➤ Must have an annual household income below 150% of federal poverty guideline for household size.	➤ May be for profit, nonprofit or public sector.
➤ Must be ineligible to receive unemployment insurance.	➤ Has no obligation to retain the TJ worker beyond the subsidized employment period.
➤ Must not be participating in a Wisconsin Works (W-2) employment position.	➤ Must NOT use a TJ worker to supplant regular/laid-off/on strike employees of same position.

For More Info:

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 Employment Coach
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 Racine, WI 53403
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To find out if you are eligible, contact UMOS at:

(414) 791-4318 or
 (262) 638-6660

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Community Information:



For more info contact:

Shemayah Paige
 Facilitator and Community
 Outreach Coordinator
 1717 Taylor Ave- Third Floor
 Racine, WI 53403
 Office: 262-638-7797
 Email: Shemayah.Paige@EquusWorks.com

This informative and empowering workshop is designed to help job seekers with criminal backgrounds learn to address this barrier during all stages of the job search process.

Activities include:

- how to address the background question on an application
- discussing it effectively during an interview
- creating a turnaround packet
- learning about available resources

Contact your Talent Development Specialist to be scheduled.

DATES, TIMES & LOCATIONS

1717 Taylor Street
 Racine, WI
 Classroom E

*Sessions available by
 Appointment*

*See your Case Manager to
 schedule*



This institution is an equal opportunity provider

Community Information:

REGION 1

KENOSHA COUNTY JOB CENTER
8600 Sheridan Rd Kenosha, WI 53143
262-697-4500

RACINE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER
1717 Taylor Ave Racine, WI 53403
262-638-6312

WALWORTH COUNTY JOB CENTER
400 County Rd H Elkhorn, WI 53121
262-741-5195

REGION 3

WAUKESHA COUNTY JOB CENTER
327 E Broadway Waukesha, WI 53186
262-695-7800

OZAUKEE NON PROFIT CENTER
2360 Dakota Dr, Grafton, WI 53024
262-376-5272

WASHINGTON COUNTY JOB CENTER
2200 Green Tree Rd West Bend, WI 53090
262-335-5300

WHAT IS FSET?

The FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET) program is a free program that helps FoodShare members build their job skills and find jobs. FSET will assess your strengths, needs and preferences to help you with getting a job.

For more information visit:
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/fset/>

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To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at:

<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

mail:
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

fax:
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

email:
Program.Intake@usda.gov

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For More Info:

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HOW TO ENROLL IN FOODSHARE

If you are not receiving FoodShare but think you might be eligible due to low income or unemployment there are several ways to find out:

You can apply online at the following website: www.access.wisconsin.gov or

You may talk to someone about eligibility and enrolling by calling:
888 - 794 - 5820 (Racine/Kenosha)
or **888 - 446 - 1239**

(Waukesha, Ozaukee, Walworth & Washington Counties)

or
You can also apply in person or by mail. The phone numbers listed above can be used to find out more information about these application options.

HOW TO BE REFERRED TO FSET

DO YOU CURRENTLY RECEIVE FOODSHARE?

Contact the Equus office in the county you reside in and we will obtain the referral for you.

You must apply and be approved for FoodShare prior to being referred to FSET.

Visit us at gamechangewi.org

SERVICES EQUUS OFFERS

JOB SKILLS TRAINING

- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Childcare Certification
- Commercial Driver's License
- Community Based Residential Facility
- Entry Level Construction
- Forklift Certification
- OSHA 10 (Occupational Safety Health Administration) Certification
- CNC (computer numerical control)
- And more

EDUCATION

- English as a second language courses
- LinkedIn Learning - Learn business, creative and technology skills at your fingertips and by industry recognized professionals
- GED/HSED (High School Equivalency
- Diploma) preparation & testing
- The Academy over 4000+ career enhancement courses
- Training for over 100 workforce industries certificates of completion available for many courses

JOB READINESS & PLACEMENT SERVICES

- Career Accelerate Workshop which creates and develops soft skills including professional communication, customer service and employer expectations
- Fresh Start Workshop for Justice Involved
- Resume Assistance
- Game Changers
- Hiring Events & On Site Recruitments
- Talent Market
- Work Experience / Internship
- Career Pathways Explorer

MORE SERVICES

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

We may be able to assist you with:

- Clothing for Interviews
- Transportation Help
- Clothing needed for Employment (Uniforms)
- Training Materials & Books
- Course Registration Fees
- And more

JOB RETENTION SERVICES

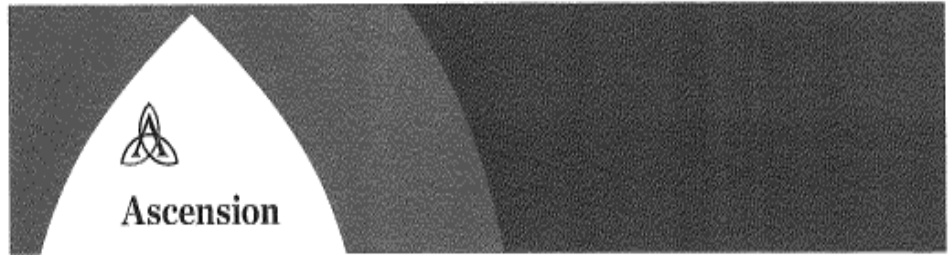
Transitional services may continue for up to 90 days after finding new employment. Examples include:

- All Supportive Services as Listed Above
- Reviewing Workplace Demands & Employer Expectations
- Strategies to Stay Empowered
- Crisis Resolution
- Continued Education & Training as related to Employment
- One-on-one with Job Developer



<https://gamechangewi.org/>
<https://www.facebook.com/GameChangeWI>
<https://www.instagram.com/gamechange>

Community Information:



Greetings!

We are excited to announce that we have a new adolescent day treatment/partial hospitalization program for teens ages 13-17. Please see attached brochure.

- The Adolescent Day Treatment (ADT) program provides group treatment Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 2:00pm.
- Participants are encouraged to share their thoughts, feelings, and struggles and to learn healthy ways to successfully cope with life's stressors.
- Family and Individual sessions are incorporated into the daily schedule.
- Treatment team includes: psychiatrist, nurse practitioner, registered nurse, occupational therapist and clinical therapist.

We also offer a 60 minute Dialectical Behavior Therapy Skills group for teens. During group sessions, teens have the opportunity to learn and practice skills that can help them deal effectively with daily emotional struggles.

This group offers education on DBT skills, such as:

- Emotion Regulation
- Distress Tolerance
- Interpersonal Effectiveness
- Mindfulness

If you have questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact us at 262-687-2222.

Thank you,

Mental Health and Addiction Care Team

For more info contact:
262-687-2222

Community Information:

The Kids Bowl Free Program is a great opportunity for kids ages 2-17 to get 2 free games of bowling a day during the summer. The Lanes in Racine is a participating alley, however, there are locations throughout the State that participate in the program. Attached is a link to the website where someone can sign up and get more information. A great resource to help keep kids busy doing something fun and positive.

www.kidsbowlfree.com

For More Info:

www.kidsbowlfree.com



Community Information:

2ND ANNUAL RCOC CAR SHOW



**JUNE 17TH 2023
9AM - 4PM**

- *FOOD* BEVERAGE***
- *RAFFLES***
- *CHILDREN'S AREA***
- *VENDORS***



PRIZES AWARDED TO TOP VEHICLES IN EACH CATAGORY



**FOR ENTRY INFO, VISIT OUR
EVENTS PAGE @ WWW.RCOC.US
OR FIND US ON
FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM**



4214 SHERIDAN RD. MOUNT PLEASANT, WI. 53403

*For more info contact:
<https://rcoc.us/car-show>*

Community Information:

Come check out Belle City Learning Center's Easter Egg Hunt Event:

A postcard for an Easter Extravaganza event. The postcard has a light blue background with a black and white dashed border. It features several colorful Easter eggs: a yellow one with white stripes, a pink one with white swirls, a green one with white zig-zags, a purple one with white stars, and a blue one with white polka dots. A white bunny with pink ears is peeking over the bottom edge. In the top right corner, there is a small black square with a white bunny illustration. The text on the postcard includes the event title, date, time, location, and a list of activities.

EASTER POSTCARD
EXTRAVAGANZA

April 7th From 1-3pm
520 Goold St,
Racine, WI 53402

1:00-2:15
Photos with the Easter Bunny!
Face Painting
Arts & Crafts
Games & Prizes

2:15-3:00
Easter Egg Hunt!

For More Info:

Cheyenne Vernezze
Cross Categorical SPED Teacher
262.664.8400 Ext. 8433

Community Information: Mitchell LIFT Programming 2022-2023

Individual Counseling

Sexual Assault Services' Bilingual Therapist (Kari Wilder) can provide counseling sessions for male or female, middle school-aged sexual abuse survivors in English or Spanish. These sessions will occur once a week during the school day.

Support (Therapy) Group

Two staff members, including at least one Master's-level therapist, will facilitate an approximately 10-12 week support group for middle school-aged female survivors of sexual abuse. The group will consist of activities, discussions, and art projects intended to make connections between participants and facilitate healing. The group is offered in English only.

Educational Groups

SAS's Bilingual Therapist (Kari Wilder) and SAS's Family Support Advocate (Christa Dasher) will facilitate a 10-session educational group called My Life My Choice. This group is intended for female-identifying adolescents who are identified as survivors of or at-risk for human trafficking. The curriculum of My Life My Choice is aimed at vulnerable girls and is intended to provide them with a safety net of proven solutions, grounded in evidence, to protect them from predators and exploitation. See <https://www.mylifemychoice.org/> for additional information. This group will be offered in English only.

SAS staff will offer an approximately 12-session educational group called Making the Peace. This group is intended for male-identifying adolescents and utilizes videos, activities, and discussions to address the root causes of vio-

lence in our society. The lessons in Making the Peace encourage young men to be active bystanders and upstanders, teaching them to safely intervene if they see someone in an unsafe situation.

This group also plants seeds of knowledge and compassion in the hopes that the effects will ripple out from each participant, creating safer communities in the future. This group will be offered in English only.

Educational Sessions

SAS staff will offer brief educational presentations for parents. These presentations will be centered around prevention of sexual abuse, warning signs of sexual abuse, and being a good support person for a child who has experienced sexual abuse.

For more information about any of these services email [in-fo@beleafsurvivors.com](mailto:info@beleafsurvivors.com) or call (262) 619-1634

SAS Staff

All staff can be reached by phone at the Racine office: (262) 619-1634
*denotes Spanish-speaking staff

Email Contacts:

Executive Director, Karen Fetherston:

kfetherston@beleafsurvivors.org

Program Director, Samantha Sustachek:

ssustachek@beleafsurvivors.org

Bilingual Therapist, Kari Wilder*:

kwilder@beleafsurvivors.org

Rural Services Coordinator & Therapist, Vicki Biehn:

vbiehn@beleafsurvivors.org

Family Support Advocate, Christa Dasher: cdasher@beleafsurvivors.org

Bilingual Outreach Advocate, Annabell Bustillos*:

abustillos@beleafsurvivors.org

SCAN Prevention Educator, Luna Dodge:

ldodge@beleafsurvivors.org

For More Info:
Samantha Sustachek (she, her, hers)
Program Director
Sexual Assault Services
2000 Domanik Drive | Racine, WI 53404
P: 262.619.1634 Ext. 112 | F: 262.619.1638
SAS 24/7 Hotline: 262.637.7233
Spanish Warmline: 262.424.3134
ssustachek@beleafsurvivors.org



Community Information:

FREE Early Head Start and Head Start!

Programs for Children
6 Weeks-5 Years Are Enrolling Now!

- K4 Available (must be 4 years old by September 1st to be eligible and registered with RUSD or Burlington School District)
- Full Day & Extended Day (CCA required)
- Year- Round Programs
- Our Trained Staff Will Help Get Your Child Ready for Kindergarten

NOW HIRING! Go to www.accelero.net/careers

Grand Avenue
3 Years Old to 5 Years Old
1032 Grand Avenue, Racine WI 53403
(262) 456-2054

Burlington-Waller Elementary
3 Years Old to 5 Years Old
195 Gardner Avenue, Burlington WI 53105
(262) 289-0940

Green Street
6 Weeks Old to 5 Years Old
1923 Green Street, Racine WI 53402
(262) 456-0014

Next Generation Now
6 Weeks Old to 5 Years Old
1220 Mound Avenue, Racine WI 53404
(262) 635-1920

Some Documents are Required:

1. Immunization Record
2. Medical Card
3. One of the following:
W-2 Statement-OR-SSI/SSA Award Letter-OR- most recent tax return-OR-paystubs showing year-to-date totals
4. Most recent physical, dental and lead exam reports
5. Proof of Child Care Authorization (if applicable)



Use this QR code to enroll

Or use this link to enroll:
<https://familyapplication.shineinsight.com/accelero>



Head Start for the Best Start

For more information about Acelero Learning Head Start Programs, visit www.accelero.net

For more info contact:

Lori McLaughlin | Executive Assistant to Family Services and Health | **Acelero Learning Wisconsin** | Walton Center
7833 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee WI 53222 | C: (262) 221.6621 | E: lfritz@accelero.net | Website: www.accelero.net

Community Information:

BEGINNING 1/4/23

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
SERVICES OF RACINE
COUNTY

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

For those that lost a loved
one from a violent crime,
accident or overdose

EMOTIONAL, MENTAL
AND SPIRITUAL
SUPPORT TO RACINE
COUNTY RESIDENTS

1717 Taylor Avenue,
South Entrance
Racine, WI
1st and 3rd Wednesdays of
the month
5:00pm to 6:00pm
Adults - 18 or older



*For more information
contact:*

Behavioral Health Services
262-638-6744

Community Information:

SPECIAL NEEDS RESOURCE FAIR

Tuesday May 2, 2023 4:30-6:30PM

WATERFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL,
100 FIELD DRIVE, DOOR 19, WATERFORD, WI

**FREE ICE CREAM FOR CHILDREN (while supplies last) FIRE TRUCK K9 UNIT
CHILD CARE FROM 4:30-5:30PM FREE TOTE BAG (while supplies last)
CHANCE TO WIN A DOOR PRIZE FREE FOOD (while supplies last) RESOURCE INFO**

Come learn about local disability services and connect with resources available to you and your family, such as financial resources, respite, recreational ideas, job training, education, living arrangements beyond the home, and more!



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For more info:

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Lyons Center
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(Cooper) 262-763-0180 Ext 2224
(Waller) 262-763-0185
(Dyer) 262-763-0220 ext 2226
(Winkler) 262-539-2726
(Lyons) 262-763-5380
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FERIA DE RECURSO DE NECESIDADES ESPECIALES



martes 2 de mayo, 2023 4:30-6:30PM

WATERFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL,
100 FIELD DRIVE, PUERTA NUMERO 19, WATERFORD, WI

**HELADOS GRATIS PARA LOS NINOS (HASTA AGOTAR EXISTENCIAS) CAMION DE BOMBEROS
UNIDAD CANINA DE POLICIA CUIDADO DE NINOS DE 4:30-5:30PM INFORMACION DE RECURSOS
COMIDA GRATIS (HASTA AGOTAR EXISTENCIAS) OPORTUNIDAD DE GANAR UN PREMIO DE ENTRADA
BOLSA GRATUITA (HASTA AGOTAR EXISTENCIAS)**

Venga a informarse aprender sobre los servicios locales para discapacitados y a ponerse en contacto con recursos disponible para usted y su familia, como recursos economicos, relevo, ideas recreativas, entrenamiento laboral, educacion, arreglos de vida fuera del hogar, y mucho mas!

*Patrocinado por los
diversas distritales escolares
del condado de Racine y ADRC*

Un interprete que habla español tambien estará disponible en el evento

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Community Information:

Youth connection

Racine Women's Resource Center

A Safe and confidential place for
youth 10-18 to learn about healthy
relationship skills, discuss challenges.

Group is FREE

Please contact Ashley to register

ahess@racinewrc.org

262.865.4791

Tuesday's
5:00pm- 7:00pm

For more information contact:

Ashley Hess
Youth Specialist/ Safe Start
Coordinator
PO Box 1764, Racine WI
53401

Business Phone:
262.633.3274 ext. 107
Cell: 262.865.4791
Text line: 262-221-0058
Fax: 262.633.5523
Crisis Line: 262.633.3233

Community Information:

UW-Parkside is hosting an Environmental Explorer's camp during Spring Break this year for middle school youth (ages 11-14). The program will run from April 11-13 from 9 am - 12 pm and will be held on the UW-Parkside campus and is run by UW-Parkside faculty! We also have **scholarships** from DPI that will cover the full cost of the camp! In order to qualify for the scholarship, the student just needs to be receiving Free or Reduced Lunch. Parents/Students should apply for the scholarship prior to registering for the camp. Once their scholarship application is approved, a code to register will be sent that will allow them to register for free. They can apply for the scholarship here: <https://hipaa.jotform.com/230394561887164>. The application is HIPAA compliant. They can also access the scholarship application, as well as registration on our website: <https://www.uwp.edu/learn/continuingeducation/youth/stem.cfm>



For more info:

Mallory Evans

Outreach Program Manager
Professional and Continuing
Education

Pronouns: She, her, hers
evansm@uwp.edu | 262-
595-2402

Apr 11-13 | 9 am-12 pm | \$199
In-Person | UW-Parkside Campus

With a mix of in and out of laboratory experiences, we encourage middle schoolers who have a passion to be outside to investigate their surroundings. With activities based on geology, ecology, microscope use, dissection, and soil studies, the environment will be a new frontier for your child's investigation.

Visit uwp.edu/youth to learn more and apply for scholarships, view full camp details, and register today!



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WISCONSIN **PARKSIDE**

Foster Care Hero Quarter 2, 2023: Racine Moose Lodge

Foster Parent Hero Quarter 2, 2023: Racine County Moose Lodge #437/Chapter #631

Spring has sprung and with it, a renewed sense of purpose and growth! However, spring doesn't have to come for this foster hero to display those attributes. This organization exists to have purpose and provide growth within their community. This quarter we give a very many thanks to the Racine County Moose Lodge #437/Chapter #631 as during their Mid-Year Conference, they choose us, Racine County Foster Care, to support! They donated a total of \$3,900, a \$3,200 check to our organization, as well as, \$700 in gift cards, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, diapers and wipes and other household items to support our relative caregivers and finally, donated over 30 pre-made Easter Baskets and the remaining basket supplies so children in care could be visited by the Bunny!

Their generous donation helped us achieve our goal of providing our relatives with the additional support they need, as well as, children in care the opportunity to celebrate Easter, which is a first for us!

If interested in learning what more you can do to either support our providers and/or become a foster parent?

Contact Jessica Scheeler:

jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com or 262-638-6595 for more information. Or attend an Information Session on either April 26th, May 24th or June 28th at 5:30pm at 1717 Taylor Ave.



"The most difficult thing is the decision to act, the rest is merely tenacity." -
Amelia Earhart

Yum Yum for Your Tum Tum Chocolate Peanut Butter Chia Protein Pudding

Ingredients

- 1 scoop (~34g) chocolate peanut butter protein powder (I used Trutein, plain chocolate works fine as well)
- 1/4 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup unsweetened vanilla almond milk
- 1 tbsp chia seeds
- stevia drops to taste (I used 4 drops chocolate stevia)
opt: 1 tbsp peanut flour for a more "peanuty" taste, dark chocolate shavings for garnish

Instructions

1. Combine all ingredients in small glass container or cup (except chocolate shavings)
2. Cover and refrigerate for at least 30mins (or overnight) to allow the chia

seeds to expand and thicken the mixture

3. Enjoy! Optionally (but highly recommended), you may add some dark chocolate shavings on top!

4. This should last 2-3 days covered in the fridge!



**RACINE COUNTY
FOSTER CARE**

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<https://racinecounty.com/residents/bring-them-home-3113>

<https://www.facebook.com/racinecountyfostercare/>

Racine County Foster Care Unit is a team comprised of dedicated staff ensuring the safety and stability of children placed in out of home care. As well as, educating the community on the need for foster providers and what the foster care program is, our staff is also responsible for screening, interviewing and licensing all our prospective foster home. Additionally, the Racine County Foster Care unit is responsible for maintaining exceptional customer service with our families, to ensure all needs are being met, by providing support to our homes to ensure they succeed. The Unit is also responsible for placement of all children who enter out of home care. We are the family connection.

<https://racinecounty.com/government/human-services/youth-and-family/foster-care>

We Need You!

Knock, knock...

Whose there?

It's no joke....

Racine County ain't foolin' around, we are in need of more homes!

When asked whose there, will you answer the knock?

Spring into action and become a Racine County foster parent!

Attend an upcoming Info Session, April 26th at 5:30pm!

Contact Jess to register: 262-638-6595 or jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com

