

Colville Office Caregiver News



What's Happening in Stevens & Ferry Counties

Upcoming Telehealth Trainings:

Mt. Carmel Hospital, Colville, WA and Republic Hospital, Ferry County
3rd Tuesday of the Month; 5:30p.m.-7:30p.m.

Monthly Topics:

July 20: How to handle behaviors like spitting, lashing out, children's anger and their effects on you as a parent.

August 17: No training (Summer Break)



Article by Pam Clifner facilitator of the Looney Lakers Support Group

Wow! What an amazing group of foster parents/kids/caregivers/relatives/siblings and grandparents we have attending our group. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month, at 6pm and begin with a meal.

As the facilitator for this group, my husband and I have faced our own challenges of raising children with so many needs. Many of you reading this are on the journey of an emotional roller coaster and treading to stay ahead of the next melt-down, rage or other significant road blocks that comes in the way of healing broken hearts, including our own. My husband and our family were able to attend an amazing Healing Hearts Camp in Oregon last year. Nancy Thomas, Families by Design, was the main speaker. Her and her husband have worked with severely disturbed children (for the past 30 years) with an 85% success rate.

The one week Family Camp was designed to help families to bond and help children with ADD, ADHD, RAD, ODD, OCD, PTSD, Tourette's and Bipolar disorder. With RAD so common and such a huge issue we have mainly focused on those children but many have multiple diagnosis. The focus of the camp is to increase love, laughter, bonding, self control, and conscience development in the family. The goal of the Camp is to teach parents of emotionally disturbed children how to help their child to be successful.

Our support group is glowing with hope and help from this experience. We have been studying "Mastering the Steps" with Nancy Thomas DVD series with great results in ALL our homes. Nancy has given Lonny and I permission to share this DVD series in our support group. We would love to share it with you! Please call for directions and we can have appropriate child care provided.

Sincerely,

Lonny & Pam Clifner; 509-937-2067

Loon Lake Support Group



Foster Homes for Teens Still Needed!

We are still looking for Foster Homes for Teens. It is in high demand!!! If you know of anyone who would be the perfect family to do this, have them call for more information.

1-888-KIDS-414 or call direct 1-509-442-2433.

Did you know??????

Did you know you can get DSHS Forms and Training Information off of the Regional FP Association website at www.fpas.org. Not only do they have valuable information-they also have the newest copy of the Region One Newsletter and the Caregiver Connection.

