

Relatives as Parents Newsletter

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The North Idaho R.A.P. Relatives/Grandparents as Parents Newsletter

“We’ve Got Stuff” Free Furnishing For Families

We’ve got stuff is the only free household furnishing service in Kootenai County. All household items are supplied for families in need or who have lost all their household belongings to negative circumstances. We’ve Got Stuff is a ministry of the New Life Community Church dedicated to ministering to all those in need. Due to today’s poor economy the poverty level is rapidly rising in North Idaho. Anyone can experience life’s circumstances spinning out of control. Basic items like silverware to eat with, a bed to sleep on and an appliance to cook food on becomes very important to those who have lost everything.

Donations of gently used household items, (no clothing) from forks to furniture are happily accepted. Cash donations are used to cover gasoline expenses. For more information contact: Molly at 208-659-3177. People in need are encouraged to contact their caseworker to get a referral, or call 208-687-3606.

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Boo!



Mission is to:

“Build healthy families by promoting broad-based community collaboration and coordination to combine resources to reduce substance abuse, increase literacy, and to reduce the duplication of services.”

Kootenai County Kin-Care Committee c/o KACF

610 W. Hubbard, Ste. 123
Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814
www.kootenaialliance.org

New Relatives As Parents Group in Bonners Ferry

Are you a grandparent, aunt, uncle, cousin or sibling raising a relative child that is not your own child in the Bonners Ferry Area? Do you know all the resources available to you? Would you like to meet others in your area raising relative children? Bring the kids and join us for a no cost pizza dinner and explore if this would be of interest to you and your family.

When: October 7, 2011 at 5:00 pm

**Where: University of Idaho Extension Office
6447 Kootenai Street
Bonners Ferry, Idaho (park in the back)**

For more information call:

**Dena Rifle 208-267-8166 or
Glenda Weaver 208-769-7096**



R.A.P. Meeting
2nd Thursday of the month, 10/13, at the Jewett House 1501 E Lakeshore Dr Coeur d'Alene, ID
A light lunch will be served and childcare provided at no cost. We will have a speaker from Safe Place about an after school program for youth from ages 12 through 18 years.

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Margo Peebles
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Bonnars Ferry RAP Meeting Friday, October 7, 2011 at 5 pm at U of I Extention Office located at 6447 Kootenai Street. Bring the kids for a no cost pizza dinner.
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Glenda 208-769-7096



The weather is starting to cool and now is the time to start thinking about joining Just Between Friends upcoming sales event. Join the fun! On Saturday October 8th, 9am -5pm there is a \$3 admission with children 12 and under FREE. Sunday, October 9th, 9am- 2pm, is half price day and admission is FREE. This event will take place at the Kootenai County Fairgrounds.

Sign up today to become a consignor. Sell your outgrown children's items and earn up to 70% of the selling price (less \$10 consignor fee). Join the team to become a volunteer. Mix and match with 2 hour, 4 hour or 6 hour shifts and a variety of tasks. The more hours you volunteer, the earlier you get to shop! You do not have to be a consignor to be a volunteer.

For more information call Susan Moore @ 208-699-0447 or email her @ SusanMoore@jbfsale.com

Love and Logic Parenting Class

ICARE a program of St. Vincent de Paul presents a love and logic parenting class for parents and relatives raising relative children of all ages. As we know, kids don't come with an instruction manual...or do they?

- Has your child ever had a "melt down" in the grocery store, and you've found yourself thinking, "There's got to be a better way?"
- Is getting your kids ready for school in the morning a fight?
- Is getting your child to bed an exercise in frustration?
- Do you fight with your child to do homework & chores?

Love and Logic is a fun and logical approach to parenting and it really works!

Sign up today!! Registration is required & class size is limited. Call ICARE at 208-676-1515

Upcoming class dates:
Saturdays, October 15 & 22nd at 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Church of Nazarene
4000 N. 4th Street
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Class Cost: \$25 includes Parent Notebook

If you are a relative raising a relative child contact Glenda Weaver at 208-769-7096 and RAP will cover your cost.

Festival of the Teas a Fundraiser for Relatives as Parents

On Sunday October 30, 2011 at the Coeur d'Alene Public Library located 702 E. Front Street from 1:00 - 3:00 pm will be a Festival of the Teas fundraiser for Relatives As Parents. This will be a ladies tea and antique wedding gown fashion show. All ages are invited! Bring your daughters, nieces, mothers, grandmothers, aunts or the lady next door. Shirley Young, a great grandmother, raising her four great grandchildren, will show

some dresses from her antique wedding gown collection and provide the history of each wedding gown. Tea, cookies and tea food will be provided. Table sponsorship is \$40 for a table up to 8 ladies. Decorations should include a tablecloth for 60" round table, tea set, dessert dishes, napkins and a center piece that will be donated to be raffled off with the proceeds going to the RAP Support Group. All relatives raising relative children will be able to attend at no cost if they contact 769-7096.



Halloween Cookie Recipe

Nutter Butter Ghost Cookies

What You Need:

1 package of Nutter Butter Peanut Butter Cookies (shaped like a peanut)

White Chocolate:

Chocolate chips or chocolate melts
Or thin white frosting glaze

Licorice whips or small mini chocolate chips

1. Put the chocolate chips or melts in a glass dish and melt it in the microwave. (If a child is doing this have an adult help with this step.)
2. Dip or pour melted chocolate over cookies. If frosting...frost cookies with white frosting.
3. Snip small pieces of licorice for eyes and add to "ghosts".
4. Let dry completely before serving.

Social Security & Couples

Tuesday, October 4th at 4:00 pm will be a free webinar to help you get more out of your retirement benefits. AARP's free webinar "Social Security and Couples," can help you decide when to claim your retirement benefits. Whether you are married, divorced or a surviving spouse, your claiming decision can impact the monthly benefits your dependents receive.

During this free online seminar they will address common questions including:

- The benefit amount for a spouse
- How to qualify for a divorced spouse benefits
- The effects of multiple spouses on benefits.

Register today on the AARP website.



The power to make it better.

Grandparents
Raising
Grandchildren
www.aarp.org

Idaho KINCARE Coalition
Mission:
"To promote social and legislative change through education and advocacy and to provide the social supports needed by grandparents and other relatives raising the children in their care"



KINCARE Coalition Leadership Committee's Work Plan: Support the development of community partnerships that will develop strong relationships with kinship families and work in partnership to improve, expand and sustain programs and services to kinship families.
www.idahokincarecoalition.org

Are You A Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, Cousin or Sibling Raising a Relative Child?

KACF | Kootenai Alliance for Children and Families
Kerri Wilfong, Executive Director
610 W. Hubbard, Suite 123
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814



Join our RAP or GAP Support Group if you need a listening ear or some new ideas. Join us at:



RAP Mission is to:
Make the world a better place for those children whose parents are unable or unwilling to assume the legal & moral responsibilities of parenthood.

The [CdA RAP Support Group](#) meets the second Thursday of the month at:

Jewett House
1501 E. Lakeshore Drive
Coeur d'Alene, ID
Noon - 2 o'clock

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The RAP groups provide information & support to kinship care givers through sharing information and guest speakers. We stay aware of the laws and proposed legislation that impacts kin care givers & children.

The [Post Falls RAP Support Group](#) meets the first and 3rd Fridays of the month from 10 to 11:30 am at:

Head Start/Across from the library
106 West 9th Street
Post Falls, ID

Robbie Eaton 208-773-6164

The [Rathdrum RAP Support Group](#) meets the second Wednesday of the month from 9:30 to 11:00 am at:

Early Mountain Head Start
14790 Kimo Court
Rathdrum, ID

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