

Region 2 Relatives as Parents Newsletter

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and Lewis County

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Free Clothing Giveaway Jan 16th at CAP!!

On Monday Jan 16th
there will be a
clothes give away at
Community Action
Partnership at 124
New 6th Street
Lewiston Id at 1:30
to 4pm!!

In accordance with
the Martin Luther
King Jr. Day of
Service, volunteers
will be giving FREE
clothing items.
Come pick out some
free clothes!

Would you like to
have a support
group for relatives
as parents? Learn
more about the
help you could
receive. Call
Mandy 208-799-
4385!!

Tax Time!! Free Tax Services Available!

Kincare providers raising their relative children may not realize that they may qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC). Tax counseling for the elderly, (TCE), sponsored by the Internal Revenue service, provides seniors and low-income families with free tax filing assistance. The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) provides services through its Tax Aide Program.

To find the nearest tax Aide Program, call AARP at 1-888-227-7669. You can also go onto their website to find nearest locations for tax aide at www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Qualified Children

Did you know you could claim a grandchild on your taxes? These are the qualifications. The child must:

- Be a son or daughter, stepchild, foster child, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, or a descendant of any of them. (An adopted child is treated as the taxpayer's biological child. A foster child is any child placed with the taxpayer by an authorized placement agency, or court.)
- Be under the age of 19 or under age 24 and a full-time student at the end of the year. (A qualifying child may be any age if he or she is permanently and totally disabled.
- Have lived with the taxpayer in the U.S. for more than half of the year.
- Only one person may claim a qualifying child for the EITC. You can get more information can be found on IRS Publication 596. Also there are many websites. One is www.irs.gov/eitc and select EITC assistant.

Want to learn where to go to get your taxes prepared? Give me a call and I will find out for you! Mandy at 208-799-4385!!



FOOD BANK NEWS

Palouse CARES Is a network that truly cares about getting food to the rural areas of the Palouse. Call Rick Minard to find out what resources are available in the Palouse region! 208-310-1745 www.palousecares.org

What's going on in Riggins Idaho??

Assembly of God Church is actively trying to stop hunger in the Riggins area. Every second Thursday of the month, Idaho Food Bank's Mobile Food Pantry delivers food to the Assembly of God Church's parking lot from 11:00-1:00pm 1015 S Main Riggins, ID. Call Cliff for more information at 208-630-4444.

PARENTING WITH LOVE AND LOGIC *PUT THE FUN BACK INTO PARENTING!*

Develop better relationships with your children! Neutralize arguing and teach responsibility! Help children learn from their mistakes! Stop using anger, threats and lectures! Doug Brandt is the instructor of this invaluable class on parenting.

Lewiston classes will be held Wednesdays Jan 18, 25, Feb 1, 8, 15 at the Episcopal Church at 731 8th St. from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

Moscow classes will be held Jan and Feb and will be 6 Thursdays, February 2, 9, 16, 23, March 1 & 8 at West Park Elementary 6:30 to 8:30.

To register mail your name, address, email address and phone number to Doug Brandt. dougbrandt747@gmail.com. OR call me to get registered at 208-799-4385!! Fees may be waived if you are a kincare provider!!

Lewiston Youth Volunteer Program!!

There are many opportunities for youth to get involved in a variety of volunteer jobs, such as tutoring, helping the handicapped, Natural Resources (such as working on Lewiston City Parks and the environment) helping Senior citizens, office help and more!

To get an application go to Lewiston Community Center and ask at the front desk. For more information about the program, you can talk to Brenda Goldammer at 746-9179. The Lewiston Community Center is located at 1424 Main St. Lewiston, Id You can always call me and I can send you an application! 208-799-4385



Department of Labor Youth Program (Workforce Investment Act or WIA)

Department of Labor is hard at work trying to get people jobs in this tough economy. The government has funded a program for youth ages 16-21 to get services to train, educate, provide work experiences for youth that will get them more employable for future upcoming jobs. The training is also provided for those who have dropped-out of high school that are in need of a job or completion of their diploma through an alternative school.

Other services that WIA for youth provides is summer employment opportunities, short term occupational skills training, leadership development, support services such as transportation, childcare assistance, assisting getting a drivers license, as well as assisting in obtaining work clothing.

The WIA program also has adult mentors available who can provide guidance and counseling. There are follow-up services for up to one year for individuals who have completed the program.

If you are interested in this program for youth ages 16-21, please come down to Department of Labor at 1158 Idaho Street in Lewiston Idaho.

Or contact Brenda Anderson at 208-799-5000 ex 3531

KRLC QUILTERS GROUP ARE HARD AT WORK MAKING QUILTS!!!

I talked with Sandi Peck from the KRLC Quilters Club and the group is busy making quilts for those in need of warmth this winter! The quilters work out of the Church of New Hope at 1423 Powers St. in Lewiston. They have quite an assembly line of sewers who all “piece together” the blankets with materials that have been donated by the community. Materials can be dropped off at the KRLC radio station at 805 Stewart Ave.

The quilters have donated their quilts to various social service agencies, such as the Red Cross, Northwest Children’s Home, Salvation Army, and Head Start to name a few!

Sandi has offered to donate a quilt to raffle off at a Valentine’s Day event for Kincare families coming up this spring!

Stay tuned for more information on this fun Valentine’s Day event coming up!! If you would like to be a part of helping with this event please call Mandy at 208-799-4385!!



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**Free Lunch at Williams Conference Center on LCSC campus for
Martin Luther King Jr. and Idaho Human Rights Day!!!**

**You are invited to attend a free lunch at noon on LCSC campus on
corner of 4th and 9th street in Lewiston on January 16th with a
presentation about Martin Luther King including a film and music!!**

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