

april is child abuse prevention month

presented by Prevent Child Abuse-Sonoma County and Child Parent Institute

In 1989, the Blue Ribbon Campaign to Prevent Child Abuse began as a Virginia grandmother's tribute



to her grandson who died as a result of abuse. As part of this campaign, our local council, **Prevent Child Abuse-Sonoma County**, hosts a series of free parenting classes and awareness events throughout the month to recognize the importance of child abuse prevention. Although April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, **every day of every month** should be dedicated to stopping child abuse.

In 2014, there were 5,723 reports of child abuse or neglect made to Family, Youth and Children's Services. Of these, 1,459 reports of child abuse were serious enough to require a face- to-face investigation to determine if allegations of abuse were substantiated, and 202 children were removed from unsafe and abusive homes.

During the month of April, Child Parent Institute will be offering FREE parenting workshops! To register for workshops please visit www.calparents.org/classes. If you are interested in hosting any of these workshops at your school or business please contact Grace Harris at <u>graceh@calparents.org</u> or 585-6108 ext. 1103

Positive Parenting Seminar (2-12 years) Thursday, April 2, 6:00-7:30pm

Mindfulness for Parents (all ages) Tuesday, April 7, 6:00- 7:00pm

Parenting your Teen (13-19 years) Wednesday, April 8, 6:00 - 8:00pm

Healthy Eating for a Better Brain (all ages) Wednesday, April 22, 6:00-8:00pm

Building Self-Worth with Children (all ages) Tuesday, April 21, 6:00 – 7:30pm

Praising Children and Their Behaviors (all ages) Wednesday, April 29, 6:00 – 7:30pm



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Santa Rosa Memorial • Petaluma Valley

Mandated Reporter Training for Professionals Monday, April 20, 12:30 – 1:30pm

Classes in Spanish

Como disciplinar sin Estrés - Todas las Edades 16 de Abril, Jueves - 6:30 - 8:30pm

Criando Niños Seguros de Sí mismos - Todas las Edades 23 de Abril, Jueves - 6:30 -8:30pm

El Polder de la Paternidad Positiva - Todas las Edades 29 de Abril, Miercoles - 6:30 - 8:30pm

Como Manejar mi Enojo y el de mis Hijos 30 de Abril - Jueves - 6:30 - 8:30pm



THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

To find out how you can help please call Prevent Child Abuse-Sonoma County at 707 585 6108 x 1101 or visit our website at www.preventchildabuse-sonomacounty.org



annual blue ribbon training and luncheon

Thursday, April 23, 2015

Mary Agatha Furth Center • 8400 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA

training • 8:30am-11:00am, \$35 registration fee: Childhood Trauma in California: Science and Solutions

Training presented by Jane Stevens

Jane will be covering the unified science of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), and how people, organizations, agencies, systems, and communities are implementing trauma-informed and resilience-building practices based on the ACEs research.

Luncheon and awards ceremony • 11:30-1:30pm, \$30 registration fee Blue Ribbon Award Presentation

Master of Ceremonies: James Gore, Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Keynote: Celebrating the Uniqueness of Each Family, by Naomi Haines Griffith

Naomi will talk about how EVERY family has a special flavor, uniqueness, and personality of its own. The risk factors we often identify such as poverty, lack of education, migrant status, or even homelessness, do not necessarily condemn a family to fail. Our goal as a community must be to value the individuality of each family regardless of presenting problems. We must systematically identify and build on family strengths, providing appropriate services to ensure success. Although we have verbalized our belief in this concept, we have not turned this commitment into an approach that can truly serve each individual family. This keynote will present a "call to action" for families utilizing a differential response to delivery of services.

To enroll in the training and/or luncheon please visit www.preventchildabuse-sonomacounty.org or email tiffanim@calparents.org or call 707-585-6108 x1120



CEUs Available CCRE is a State Bar of California approved MCLE provider. Provider #12690. This course meets the qualificiations for 2.5 hours of MCLE credit. An additional 1 hour of MCLE credit will be available for the luncheon talk. Attendance certificates will be available.

This course meets the qualifications for 2.5 hours of continuing education credit for MFTs, LPCCs, LEPs and/or LCSWs as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences Provider No. PCE2834. An additional 1 hour of credit will be available for the luncheon talk

about the presenters



Naomi Haines Griffith, MSW is a popular professional speaker and consultant on child welfare issues, speaking at conferences throughout the United States and Canada. A well-known storyteller and family systems specialist, she uses humor and her own experiences to challenge and inspire audiences in business, education, juvenile justice, mental health, child abuse prevention, and family violence systems. Griffith is a true Southerner, having grown up in Alabama and Mississippi. She holds a BS from the Uni-

versity of North Alabama, an MA from George Peabody College of Vanderbilt University, and a Masters in Social Work from the University of Alabama. JANE ELLEN STEVENS is founder and editor of the ACEs Connection Network, comprising ACEsTooHigh.com, a news site for the general public, and its accompanying community-of-practice social network, ACEsConnection.com. The sites focus on research on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), and practices based on that research. The sites are supported by funding from the Robert



Wood Johnson Foundation and The California Endowment. A long-time health, science and technology journalist, Stevens has written for the Boston Globe, the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times and National Geographic. For several years, she specialized in violence epidemiology. She began reporting about the ACE Study and research related to childhood adversity in 2005.



