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## Director's Desk Gaven Ludlow, MSW, MBA

In this time of change, I want to send a special note of appreciation out to our Foster Homes. You have so often proven to be the anchor for the children of Kansas and continue to do it now, as ever. But you are not going through this alone as TFI staff are here to help as always. It is also time to tell you that the Resource Family Services department will be making a name change to Foster Care Services on July 1<sup>st</sup>. This change aligns us with DCF and other organizations in the state. While only a name change, it is symbolic of the change going on in the system as well. So as things go forward and people we have long worked with and known move on, it is important to remember these times both through laughter and maybe tears. Much as the quotes below capture, remembrance is a way to keep things alive.

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."  
[Thomas Campbell](#)

"I have to live if I want to be remembered."  
[Suzanne Young](#)

Finally, I also want to put a reminder out about the Foster Parent Retreats coming in August. Our Overland Park event will be the 10<sup>th</sup> of August and Wichita the 17<sup>th</sup> of August. Each year these events attract Foster Homes for both a day of training but also the opportunity to meet other Foster Homes. Please take some time to look at our website [www.tfifamilyservices.org](http://www.tfifamilyservices.org) for more information. Let me leave you with a last quote that I think helps to sum up what you help do each day with children

The day the child realizes that all adults are imperfect he becomes an adolescent, the day he forgives them he becomes an adult, the day he forgives himself he becomes wise.  
[Alden Nowlan](#)

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## Welcome Resource Families

*Preston and Lisa Scarrow*

*Kelly and Sue Garrison*

*Joseph and Hannah Himes*

*Valeria Dolphus*

*Kathleen Hauk*

*William Cox*

*Robert and Angela Mathews*

*Steven and Donita James*

*Joshua and Ericah  
Chambers/Crough*

*Francisco and Cheryl  
Martinez/Eastridge-Martinez*

*Susan Wyatt*

*Thaddeus and Julie Moberg*

*Kimberly Bieker*

*Rick and Shawn Johns*

*Tom and Kendra Marshall*

*Borch and Nicole Burton/  
Courter*

*Laura Wilson*

# Dear Daisy,

*I enjoy being a foster parent and I talk to my friends and family about fostering all the time. Some of them aren't sure about becoming foster parents, but would still like to help out in some way. Are there ways families who can't be foster parents can still help children in foster care?*

*Signed—Just Want to Help*

Dear Just Want to Help,

The answer to your question is...absolutely! While there is always a need for foster parents due to the number of children in care in Kansas, we also know that not everyone is able to dedicate the amount of time it takes to be full-time foster parents. For those individuals who would still like to help, there is an array of options.

The first is to ease into foster care by going ahead and becoming licensed, but only providing respite or emergency (72-hour) care. Our current foster families sometimes need a break and having other families who are able to provide respite is a great way to help out! Your Resource Foster Care Worker can answer questions for you about respite and emergency care.

Other options don't require becoming licensed at all, but are still very helpful. Of course, monetary donations are never turned away, but that is not the only way to support children in foster care. Friends or family members who have special skills can volunteer their time to share those skills with our kids during a support meeting or at one of our annual events. Individuals can coordinate school supply drives or organize gift-giving around the holidays for children in care. Are any of your family or friends members of a church that would like to organize a "foster parents' night off" and provide free baby-sitting one evening?

These are just a few of the ways Kansas children (and you as their foster parent!) can be helped by their communities. Please feel free to connect anyone who would like to help with one of our Recruiters at (800) 279-9914 or touch base with your Resource Foster Care Worker.

Sincerely—Daisy

## Green Tips

### Sara Willimon, Communication Specialist

It's summer - the prime season to spend quality family time at picnics, barbecues, parks... and bugs! Try keeping bugs at bay with this green tip.

There are many different DIY bug repellent recipes, and some recipes will work better for your needs and body chemistry than others. Most recipes call for essential oils, such as cedar wood or rose geranium. Simply combine your selected essential oil with water or apple cider vinegar. The ratios can vary, but it's recommended to start low, ¼ teaspoon oil to 1 cup water or vinegar, and work up as needed for effectiveness.

If making your own repellent isn't your thing, try looking for natural and DEET-free varieties at the store. Just pay close attention to the guidelines for reapplication as many natural repellents must be reapplied frequently for effectiveness.

For additional recipes and suggestions, visit: <http://yourmodernfamily.com/diy-bug-repellent/> or <http://www.thedailygreen.com/environmental-news/latest/natural-insect-repellents-460608>





# Care Providers of the Month

## **Bruce and Amanda Vaughn, SE Region**

Bruce and Amanda Vaughn have been nominated as the Southeast Region Care Providers of the Month. They have been foster parents with TFI since 10/2011 and have done a great job. The family has taken 13 placements (short-term and long-term) and they have never had any disruptions. The family transports the children to all of their medical and mental health appointments, whether it is under or over 30 miles. They rarely ask for respite and often they take the children with them to visit family, to concerts, on vacation, etc. They also keep the children involved in the community, whether it be their church or signing the kids up for soccer or other sports.

Recently, Bruce and Amanda had two children placed in their home for over one year until they went for a 30 day home trial in their adoptive home. These two kids have had multiple disruptions and failed adoptions. Unfortunately, the 30 day home trial did not work out but because the Vaughn family saved their beds for these kids, they were able to be placed back with Bruce and Amanda. Fortunately, both kids are thriving and doing well again in part because of Bruce and Amanda's ability to relate and work with placements.

Bruce and Amanda are an asset to TFI Family Services and we are fortunate to have them. Thanks for all of your hard work!

*Submitted by Jennifer Seger, RFW—Independence*

## **Grant and Vanessa Mankin, West Region**

Grant and Vanessa Mankin have been nominated as the West Region Care Providers of the Month. The Mankin family is a new resource family that has jumped right in head first. They have been able to show great flexibility in working with the case management teams and biological parents. They have been a huge factor in assisting on transporting kids to visit with at times very short notice. They took initiative in finding creative ways to communicate the kids' needs and schedules to the biological parents. They were able to work hand in hand with the family to assist in making reintegration as seamless as they possibly could. There were many sacrifices that this family made in order to meet the needs of the children placed in their home and their families. They have easily welcomed the children into their home and into their families. The Mankins continue to be great advocates for the children they bring into their home. They are committed to the best interest of each child that has come into their home.

*Submitted by Mandy Herman, RFW—Wichita*

## **Sheryl Cornell, NE Region**

Sheryl Cornell has been nominated as the Northeast Region Care Provider of the Month. Sheryl and her family have taken placement of three kiddos who are all under the age of four, bringing the total children in her home to six. Despite having a full house, Sheryl makes it all look easy. Through consistency, patience, acceptance and love she has made a home environment that is a safe haven to be in. Sheryl and her husband Tim practice Love and Logic with all of their kids and the kids respond well to this discipline. Sheryl also believes in keeping everyone busy. She takes the kids on bike rides, to the pool and the library often through the week. Sheryl is a true example of what a foster parent should be.

*Submitted by Mary Gillespie, RFW—Manhattan*

# Resource Family Anniversaries

## One Year

*James and Becky Wheeler*

*Sally Burdick*

*Jennie Cooper*

*Jarrett and Shirine Peters*

*Tory and Julie Babcock*

*Travis and Ashley Warstler*

*Benjamin and Audra LeClair*

*LaShawn Miller*

*Jesse and Kara Larimore*

*Marilynn Littlejohn*

*Robert and Tracy Harris*

*Kenneth and Donna Watkins*

*Scott and Lisa Woosley*

*William and Stephanie Mitchell*

*Susan Gaither*

*Jason and Leah Graves*

*Christopher and Teri Battershell*

*Daniel and Tammy Roth*

*Keith and Sheila Kroenke*

*Mark and Wendy Leenerts*

*Prince and Gayle Imonitie*

*Thomas (Ed) Horan*

*Jeffrey and Heather Martens*

*Trence and Linda Robinson*

## Three Years

*James and Sandra Nider*

*Angie Reinking*

*Jason and Melissa Gossard*

*Matt and Shelly Bradford*

## Five Years

*Troy and Cherylan (Susie) Snider*

## Ten Years

*Allen and Norma Combs*

## Juvenile Fire Safety

Every year in America, over 4000 people die and more than 20,000 are injured in fires. Statistically, that may not sound like very many, but if you've ever met a burn victim, you know that you want to do everything in your power to make your home safe, and prevent the possibility of a fire.

Below are some common FAQ's that caregivers ask about juveniles and fires.

### Is it normal for my child to play with fire?

While curiosity about fire is a common issue with almost all human beings (usually in the form of campfires, candles, fireplaces, etc.), the use of fire by children is a very dangerous behavior. A tragic situation can be created the first time a child misuses fire, or the same tragedy could occur after months of misuse. Adults must instill in children the idea that matches and lighters are tools, not toys. If adults lead by their example, children will usually gain a better understanding. This leaves children with the idea that while fire is okay, it is an important tool that is only for adults.

### Are some children obsessed with fire?

In very rare instances, children may be afflicted with "Pyromania." This is a very specific clinical diagnosis left to mental health professionals. In the greater majority of cases, children are simply curious and have poor information about the dangers of fire. In some cases, the child is reacting to a crisis or stressors in their life. Whether lack of knowledge or a crisis of some sort, the behavior can typically be tracked back to something other than an obsession with fire. It should also be noted that the longer the child is allowed to engage in the misuse of fire, the more normal it becomes for them and the harder it is to "undo" the behavior. If your child is misusing fire, act quickly to intervene before a tragedy occurs.

### What resources are available for parents who are looking for help?

In most cases, your local fire department should be your best point of contact. However, not all fire departments have chosen to address the problem of children playing with fire. You may find information through your state's State Fire Marshal. Their number will be found in the blue pages of the phone book under "State."

Please remember, if you encounter a program or agency that uses tactics that, you as a parent, do not support, consider a second opinion. While this field has come a long way in the past two decades, there are some who have not chosen to join along. You know your situation and child best.

### If my child sets a fire, does that mean that he/she is an arsonist?

Arson is a misused term. Arson is a criminal definition of a behavior that meets specific criteria (which can differ from state to state). It usually requires the child to be of an age at which they can understand the consequences of their actions. Their actions also must meet certain criteria, such as intent to do damage, etc.

With this in mind, it should be apparent that not all children who set fires can be considered arsonists. It should not, however, be misunderstood to mean that a child-set fire of any type is not potentially dangerous. Some of the most innocent acts with fire by children as young as three have caused the death of another (if not the child themselves). Conversely, even older kids, who are intent on setting fires, may be unsuccessful in accomplishing their goal and have a fire that appears minor.



For after hour emergencies, please call 1-877-921-4114.

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*The size of the fire or age of the child is not a good indicator of the level of concern for the fire setting behavior.*

Only a careful interview that is designed to help determine the child's motivation will begin to find such answers.

**I have a 12 year old son who would like to carry a lighter. Is this safe and/or appropriate?**

Your son is at a very pivotal age where he is ready for more adult and mature responsibilities. These are important, but perhaps not nearly as important as the question of function. Matches and lighters are tools. Regardless of age, this simple issue holds true: just like a sharp knife or power saw, no one should carry or use matches/lighters unless it is for a specific and productive purpose. In most cases, a 12 year old boy will not have a ready purpose, with the exception of things like Scouting. In those cases, training and supervision are built in.

So a better question is what is his intended purpose for wanting to carry a lighter? If his purpose is legitimate and consistent with the tool that a lighter is, then it is probably alright. Keep in mind, however, that he is at an age where peer pressure can influence even the most responsible youth in the wrong direction. Matches and lighters are dangerous and sometimes deadly tools. They should be treated as such by everyone, especially adults, who present the greatest teaching model for kids. To use it otherwise is playing with it or treating it like a toy.

### **Tips for Parents and Caregivers**

#### ***Teach your children about Fire***

- Fire is a tool, not a toy to be played with, and that only a grown-up should use fire.
- Big fires start as small ones and can grow and spread quickly.
- Fire is dangerous and can kill you if not used safely.
- Set a good example when using matches and lighters, and praise your children when they practice responsible behaviors.

#### ***Practice Fire Safety in your home***

- Plan and practice home escape drills with your family.
- Install smoke detectors in your home and test and maintain them regularly.
- Teach your children how to report an emergency to 911.
- Inspect your home for any fire hazards.
- Teach your children to tell you when they find unattended matches and lighters.

#### ***Limit access to matches and lighters***

- Keep matches and lighters out of the reach of children, locked in a cabinet if possible.
- Do not allow anyone to use matches and lighters in an unsafe manner in your home.
- Never leave open flames, stoves or candles unattended, and supervise your children when they are in the area of these items.
- If your child does light a fire, no matter what size the fire is: Don't hesitate, Call 911!

### ***The idea is to focus on the behavior that is desired rather than the behavior that is causing a problem.***

With this in mind, begin providing the child with the necessary knowledge and terms they will need to perform in a safe and successful manner, then check their comprehension of that knowledge. Have the child apply or practice the knowledge and comprehension. Have the child break down and/or analyze the lesson they just completed. Have the child bring the information together by explaining why all of the steps and knowledge are important. A very important step is to have the child form an opinion of what they have learned (based on Bloom's Taxonomy) and be able to communicate (at their level) what the learning meant to them.

Following such a cycle when teaching will enhance the quality of education and increase the chances of the lesson being remembered in the future.

Resources: [www.firesmartkids.com/home](http://www.firesmartkids.com/home)

[www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org)

[www.safetyresource.org](http://www.safetyresource.org)the consequences of their actions.

## Juvenile Fire Safety Quiz

Please use a separate answer sheet for each parent completing this training.

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please read the enclosed article and answer the following questions for a half-hour training credit. If more than one person wishes to receive credit, he/she must use a separate piece of paper and have their own signature and legal name on that page. To receive credit, please mail your answers in a timely manner to:

**TFI Family Services, Attn: Linda Bell, 618 Commercial, Emporia, KS 66801**

1. True/False: Matches and lighters are tools not toys.
2. True/False: Your local fire department will not help you in dealing with fire safety issues with your teenagers.
3. The idea is to focus on the \_\_\_\_\_ that is desired rather than the \_\_\_\_\_ that is causing a problem.
4. True/False: If your child sets a fire and you think you can put it out, then there is no need to call 911.
5. True/False: You should practice fire escape drills with everyone in the family.
6. TRUE/FALSE: Never leave open flames, candles or stoves unattended.

# Children's Alliance Training Calendar July 2013

**To register for trainings log onto [www.childally.org](http://www.childally.org) or call Children's Alliance at (785) 235-5437 ext. 1**

| Date                         | Training Title  | Begin Time | End Time | Sponsor                   | Street Address                 | City        | Comments   |
|------------------------------|---|------------|----------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Jan 1, 2012 to Dec 31, 2013  | PS-MAPP Update Online   | 6:00am     | 10:00pm  | Children's Alliance       | ONLINE                         | ONLINE      | This is a SELF-PACED Online class. You may enroll and start it any time. A copy of your final assessment will go to your caseworker or supervisor. You will receive a certificate upon completion. |
| Dec 14, 2011 to Dec 31, 2013 | ONLINE: Ethics Self-Study   | 12:00 am   | 12:00am  | Children's Alliance       | ONLINE                         | ONLINE      | Self-Directed online course. You must have a valid email address to take this class.   |
| Jan 1, 2012 to Dec 31, 2013  | Medication Administration Online Training                                 | 12:00 am   | 12:00am  | Children's Alliance       | ONLINE                         | ONLINE      | Self-Directed online training. You must have a valid email address to enroll.  |
| Jan 1, 2012 to Dec 31, 2013  | Universal Precautions Online Training                                     | 12:00 am   | 12:00am  | Children's Alliance       | ONLINE                         | ONLINE      | Self-Directed online training. You must have a valid email address to enroll.  |
| Jul 1, 2013                  | Drug Awareness Training   | 6:30pm     | 8:30pm   | DCCCA                     | 121 College                    | Winfield    |  |
| Jul 1, 2013                  | Common Diagnosis and Treatments in Child Welfare                          | 9:00am     | 4:00pm   | The Salvation Army        | 350 N. Market                  | Wichita     |  |
| Jul 2, 2013                  | Confidentiality and Ethics  | 1:00pm     | 4:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1711 S. Longfellow             | Wichita     |  |
| Jul 6, 2013                  | Understanding With Clarity and Empathy Attachment Issues of Foster Care   | 8:00am     | 1:00pm   | St. Francis               | 1000 E. 6 <sup>th</sup> St.    | Pratt       | CANCELLED!   |
| Jul 8, 2013                  | Child Welfare Trauma Training Tool Kit                                    | 7:00pm     | 9:00pm   | Youthville                | 950 S. Franklin                | Colby       |  |
| Jul 8-Jul 9, 2013            | Managing Aggressive Behaviors (MAB)                                       | 9:00am     | 4:00pm   | The Salvation Army        | 350 N. Market                  | Wichita     |  |
| Jul 8-Jul 29, 2013           | Healthy Relationships   | 6:00pm     | 8:30pm   | Children's Alliance       | 1321 E. 7 <sup>th</sup>        | Winfield    | Foster and Adoptive Parents only. Training is 4 days—July 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> , 22 <sup>nd</sup> , & 29 <sup>th</sup> . Participants must attend all sessions.                      |
| Jul 8, 2013                  | Infant Sign Language  | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | KVC Behavioral Healthcare | 513 S. 13 <sup>th</sup> St.    | Leavenworth |  |
| Jul 9, 2013                  | American Red Cross First Aid  | 6:00pm     | 9:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 217 SE 4 <sup>th</sup> St.     | Topeka      |  |
| Jul 9, 2013                  | Sex Trafficking   | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | KCSL                      | 615 Gillespie Dr.              | Manhattan   |  |
| Jul 9, 2013                  | I.E.P.s and You   | 6:30pm     | 8:30pm   | Wichita Children's Home   | 810 N. Holyoke                 | Wichita     |  |
| Jul 9, 2013                  | Fostering Acceptance  | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | KVC Behavioral Healthcare | 21350 W. 153 <sup>rd</sup> St. | Olathe      | CANCELLED  |
| Jul 10-23, 2013              | ONLINE: Multiple Intelligences and Children's Learning Styles             | 12:00am    | 12:00am  | KCSL                      | ONLINE                         | ONLINE      | You must have a valid email address to enroll in this course.  |
| Jul 10-23, 2013              | ONLINE: Finding Perspective: A guide to Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders  | 12:00am    | 12:00am  | Children's Alliance       | ONLINE                         | ONLINE      | You must have a valid email address to enroll in this course.  |
| Jul 10, 2013                 | Ethical Practice for Foster Parents                                       | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 217 SE 4 <sup>th</sup> St.     | Topeka      |  |
| Jul 11, 2013                 | Psychotropic Medications  | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | St. Francis               | 217 E. 32 <sup>nd</sup>        | Hays        |  |
| Jul 11, 2013                 | Psychotropic Medications  | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | St. Francis               | 1508 Main St.                  | Great Bend  |  |
| Jul 11, 2013                 | Life Strategies: Community Resources for Older Children with Disabilities | 9:00am     | 1:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1711 S. Longfellow             | Wichita     | In order to hold this class, there must be at least 12 participants enrolled.  |
| Jul 11, 2013                 | Psychotropic Medications  | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | St. Francis               | 1999 N. Amidon                 | Wichita     | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 11, 2013                 | The Impact of Trauma  | 6:00pm     | 8:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1702 State St.                 | Iola        |  |
| Jul 12, 2013                 | American Red Cross First Aid/CPR/A,C,I/UP                                 | 8:00am     | 2:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 217 SE 4 <sup>th</sup> St.     | Topeka      |  |
| Jul 12, 2013                 | Confidentiality and Ethics  | 1:00pm     | 4:00pm   | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 618 Commercial                 | Emporia     |  |
| July 13-Jul 27, 2013         | Healthy Relationships   | 9:00am     | 3:00pm   | Children's Alliance       | 230 E. 9 <sup>th</sup> St.     | Hays        | Foster/Adoptive/Kinship Parents Only. Training is 2 days. Participants must attend both days.  |
| Jul 13, 2013                 | Common Sense Parenting—Session 1  | 10:00am    | 12:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 1223 Corse Ave.                | Larned      | Childcare provided for those that request it by 7/8/2013. Please contact Lisa Marx at 785-841-4138 ext 132 or <a href="mailto:lisa.marx@dcca.org">lisa.marx@dcca.org</a> .                         |

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| Jul 13, 2013       | First Aid and CPR Certification                           | 1:00pm  | 5:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 1102 S. Rouse                               | Pittsburg     |  |
| Jul 13, 2013       | Non-Violent Crisis Intervention                           | 9:00am  | 3:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 12351 W. 96 <sup>th</sup> Terrace, Ste. 300 | Lenexa        |  |
| Jul 13, 2013       | Non-Violent Crisis Intervention Refresher                 | 3:00pm  | 5:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 12351 W. 96 <sup>th</sup> Terrace, Ste. 300 | Lenexa        |  |
| Jul 13, 2013       | Parenting Teenagers                                       | 10:00am | 12:00pm | DCCCA                     | 421 Van Buren                               | Topeka        |  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 180 W. 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | Colby         |  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 129 S. Main                                 | Kensington    |  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 705 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave., Ste. C            | Dodge City    | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 501 N. Monroe                               | Hutchinson    | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 423 SE 10 <sup>th</sup>                     | Newton        | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 400 S. Main                                 | Pratt         | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 1421 W. 8 <sup>th</sup> St.                 | Wellington    | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 2330 N. Kansas Ave.                         | Liberal       | Daycare provided.  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 1515 E. Kansas                              | Garden City   |  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | 316 Lincoln St.                             | Sabetha       |  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Psychotropic Medications                                  | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | St. Francis               | Mod D, 509 E. Elm                           | Salina        |  |
| Jul 15, 2013       | Preventing and Managing Aggression                        | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 629 Poyntz Ave.                             | Manhattan     | In order to hold this class, there must be at least 12 participants enrolled.  |
| Jul 16, 2013       | Focus Group—Discussing Issues Faced by Teen Girls Today   | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | KVC Behavioral Healthcare | 1223 Meadow Lark Lane                       | Kansas City   |  |
| Jul 16, 2013       | From Place to Place: Movie and Forum                      | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | KCSL                      | 3545 SW 5 <sup>th</sup>                     | Topeka        |  |
| Jul 16, 2013       | Domestic Violence and the Child Welfare System            | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1906 Main St.                               | Parsons       |  |
| Jul 17, 2013       | First Aid and CPR certification                           | 1:00pm  | 5:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 1319 W. May                                 | Wichita       |  |
| Jul 18, 2013       | American Red Cross First Aid                              | 6:00pm  | 9:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1709 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.                 | Chanute       |  |
| Jul 18, 2013       | American Heart Association Heartsaver Pediatric First Aid | 6:00pm  | 9:00pm  | Youthville                | 4505 E. 47 <sup>th</sup> St. South          | Wichita       |  |
| Jul 18, 2013       | FAS/Brain Damage: The Link to Behavior                    | 9:00am  | 4:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 8300 College Blvd. Ste. 301                 | Overland Park | In order to hold this class, there must be at least 12 participants enrolled.  |
| Jul 19, 2013       | Managing Aggressive Behaviors (MAB)                       | 9:00am  | 3:00pm  | St. Francis               | 305 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.                  | Hays          |  |
| Jul 20, 2013       | First Aid and CPR Certification                           | 1:00pm  | 5:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 911 Andover Rd.                             | Andover       |  |
| Jul 23, 2013       | Children's Health and Safety                              | 1:00pm  | 4:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 3101 C North Michigan                       | Pittsburg     |  |
| Jul 24, 2013       | Ethical Practice For Foster Parents                       | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1709 W. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.                 | Chanute       |  |
| Jul 24, 2013       | Children's Health and Safety                              | 9:00am  | 3:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 1711 S. Longfellow                          | Wichita       |  |
| Jul 24, 2013       | First Aid   | 9:00am  | 12:00pm | Associated Youth Services | 803 Armstrong                               | Kansas City   |  |
| Jul 27, 2013       | Non-Violent Crisis Intervention                           | 9:00am  | 3:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 1319 W. May                                 | Wichita       |  |
| Jul 27, 2013       | Non-Violent Crisis Intervention                           | 3:00pm  | 5:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 1319 W. May                                 | Wichita       |  |
| Jul 27, 2013       | First Aid and CPR Certification                           | 9:00am  | 1:00pm  | DCCCA                     | 12351 W. 96 <sup>th</sup> Terrace, Ste. 300 | Lenexa        |  |
| Jul 27, 2013       | Working with Sex Offenders                                | 9:00am  | 12:00pm | DCCCA                     | 3312 Clinton Parkway                        | Lawrence      |  |
| Jul 30, 2013       | Personal Hygiene for Children and Youth                   | 6:00pm  | 8:00pm  | TFI Family Services, Inc. | 217 SE 4 <sup>th</sup> St.                  | Topeka        |  |
| Jul 31-Aug 1, 2013 | TOT: Partnering for a Successful Court Process            | 9:00am  | 4:00pm  | Children's Alliance       | 627 SW Topeka Blvd.                         | Topeka        | This is a training of trainers. Please DO NOT register unless you plan to facilitate future trainings on this topic. Participants must attend both days of training. |



# Recruitment Moment

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Recruitment Manager**

The 2013 Foster Family Retreats are upon us!

The retreats this year will be held on August 10 at the Doubletree in Overland Park and August 17 at the Marriott in Wichita. Our theme is “Survivor: Strength, Resilience, Perseverance” and we are excited about the presenters we will be bringing to you. You will hear a story of survival, learn about the four primary causes of misbehavior, and receive information on understanding the impact of trauma on child development.

You will receive six hours of training credits for attending a retreat and, as always, we have a wide variety of fun activities planned to keep your children busy while you learn!

Be on the lookout for your registration brochure. It will be in the mail to you soon and will contain the details of each training topic, as well as registration information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

