

Human Service Agency Consortium

FEBRUARY 2011

SAVE THE DATES:

- *Real Dads*
Rock, Feb.
10th &
March 24th
- *Women of Excellence Awards*,
April 7,
2011
- *Champions for Children Walk*, May
14, 2011

HSAC General Meeting

When: Thursday, February 3, 2011

Where: Central Christian Church, *Disciples Room*
650 W. William St.
Decatur, IL 62526

Time: 11:45 am



Click the picture to view the HSAC site!

According to Homeward Bound's 2010 "Point in Time" report, there were 637 adults and 223 children who were considered homeless.

February's topic: "Homelessness"

Please join HSAC as the topic of "Homelessness" is discussed during February's general meeting.

Speakers for the meeting:

- Nancy Rude, *Oasis Day Center*
- Darsonya Switzer, *Homeward Bound*
- Major Robert Gauthier or Jeff Mueller, *Salvation Army*
- Ardena Hunter, *God's Shelter of Love*

Lunch is being catered by Decatur Area Technical Academy

Bow tie pasta with Italian sausage, dinner rolls, assorted desserts & bottled water—\$5 per person.

For those wanting a lunch, reservations need to be made by 4:30pm Tuesday, Feb. 1st by Calling Macy Barnett at: 422-8537, or email: mbarnett@uwdecatur.org

Remember that you are welcome to come to the General Meeting and bring your own lunch or not eat at all.

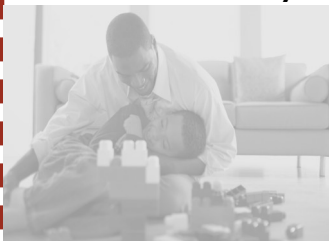
In that case, you are not required to reserve a place or pay.

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Real Dads Rock

Hey Dads ever wonder about how to:



- Quiet a crying baby
- Raise healthy children
- Have fun with your baby

These and other questions moms just seem to know? Learn what every dad always wanted to know about his baby.

Babies don't come with instructions but here is an opportunity to get some tips. Class is limited and registration is required. To register or for more information call 422-6294.

"Real Dads Rock"

Feb. & March

Schedule:

Thurs. Feb. 10th
&

Thurs. March
24th

Decatur

Memorial

Hospital,

Classroom C,

6-8:30pm



Save the Date

For the

Champions for Children Walk Pre-Party

Friday May 13, 2011

&

Champions for Children Walk

Saturday May 14, 2011

**Watch for further details and please plan to participate in one or both of these events to support the Macon County Child Advocacy Center!*





Open House

The Decatur Family YMCA would like to invite the community to come tour the facility on February 20, 2011 from noon to 2 p.m. Many know the YMCA for health and wellness, some even know it as a place for child care, however many do not know the Y is a charity providing for those in need and providing volunteer opportunities. At 1 p.m. there will be an informational program titled: The YMCA as a Charity.

Upcoming Program Information:

Registration for Spring Session I begins February 7th

Camp Sokkia registration starts February 1st

Early Bird Deadline for Soccer is February 23rd

Women of Excellence Awards

2011 Women of Excellence Awards Ceremony:
April 7, 2011

“The American Dream”

featuring guest speaker Cordia Harrington

Sponsored by:

Ameren Illinois

Herald and Review Newspaper

WAND

Neuhoff Media

McDonald's

Richland Community College

Decatur Conference Center & Hotel

St. Mary's Hospital

JtNet

Decatur Memorial Hospital

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For more information about nominations and to get your tickets visit the website at : www.womenofexcellencedecatur.com



Do you have an interest in learning more about domestic violence? Would you like to work with victims of domestic violence and their children?

Areas needing assistance include hotline and shelter coverage, group facilitation, assisting with orders of protection, and clerical work. If you are interested, our next training is just around the corner! It starts on Monday, March 14th and will run each Monday and Thursday evening for 3 weeks, as well as each Saturday, ending on Saturday, April 2. Cost is only \$25.00. We need volunteers in all the counties we serve, please join us now to make a difference in the years to come.

-Teri Ducey, Domestic Violence Program Director

Dates and Times:

Registration meeting, Monday, March 7, 5:00 p.m.

Monday and Thursday evenings, March 14, 17, 21, 24, 28 and 31, 5:00 to 9:15 p.m.

Saturdays March 19, 26 and April 2, 8:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Location:

Dove, Inc. / Anna B. Millikin Home, 302 S. Union, Decatur, Conference Room

Training Fee:

\$25

To Register:

Contact Barbara Blakey, Director of Volunteers and Community Relations at 217.428.6616. Complete the phone interview by noon on March 7. The rest of the registration will take place at the March 7, 5:00 p.m. meeting.

MAX Open House

to Meet new Coordinator

Dr. Rev. Stacey Brohard

Friday afternoon February 4,

from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Presentation at noon

Monday evening February 7,

from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Presentation at 6:00 p.m.

At

Decatur First United Methodist Church

201 W. North St.

Corner of North and Church Street

R.S.V.P. needs your help!

RSVP will be delivering Valentine greetings to the military men and women who reside at the Illiana Veteran Medical Center in Danville. We are asking you to purchase a Valentine card, or display your artistic talents by making your own card, and express your thankfulness to them for having served our country and our community. We will also be delivering books, puzzles and toys.

Please join us in wishing Happy Valentines Day to these special individuals with your cards and donations. In order to insure they will be delivered by Valentine's Day, all items must be delivered to the RSVP office, 302 S. Union, Decatur, by Wednesday, February 9. If you have any questions call the RSVP office at 428.6616.




Big Brothers Big Sisters



BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

Macon County Bowl for Kids' Sake 2011

Pla-Mor Lanes
 Decatur, Illinois

Friday March 11th
 Saturday March 12th
 Sunday March 13th



Bowl for Kids' Sake is Easy!

Just register as a team or as an individual, recruit friends, family and co-workers to participate with you, raise \$100 or more/bowler and then come out to your selected date and time to bowl and have fun! Each lane can hold up to 6 bowlers; have more than 6? Just let us know and we will put you on adjacent lanes to create one big party for you and your friends!

Pick a Date to Knock Down the Pins

Pick your date and time to bowl:

- ☑ Friday, March 11th 5:30-7:30 & 7:30-9:30 PM
- ☑ Saturday, March 12th 8:00-10:00 PM & 10:00 PM-12:00 AM
- ☑ Sunday, March 13th 4:00-6:00 PM

Call Big Brothers Big Sisters to Register

Call the BBBS office at 217-428-4240 to register your team or register online at <http://bbbs.kintera.org/2011>

Support Big Brothers Big Sisters and Win Prizes

All individuals who raise \$100 in donations get:

- ☑ A free Bowl For Kids' Sake T-shirt
- ☑ Two free games of bowling with shoe rental
- ☑ Free food from Pizza Hut
- ☑ A chance to win door prizes from area merchants
- ☑ Raise more money to win more prizes!
 - \$100 - T-shirt
 - \$250 - T-shirt & Long sleeve t-shirt
 - \$500 - T-shirt, Long sleeve t-shirt & Hooded sweatshirt
 - Top 5 fundraisers of over \$1,000 choose in order from TV, Xbox Kinect, iPad, Kindle, or iPod touch.

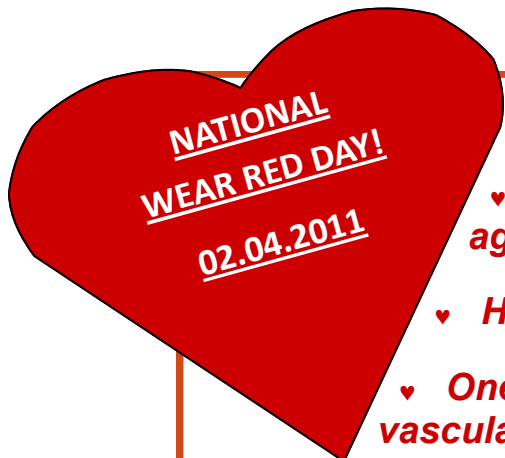


Start Something for Kids in Your Community.



Macon County Health Department

“Wear Red and Save Lives”



Did you know?...

- ♥ *Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women age 20 and over, but is largely preventable.*
- ♥ *Heart disease is not just a man's disease.*
- ♥ *One in three women has some form of cardiovascular disease.*

Go Red For Women is dedicated to building awareness of heart disease among women.

For more information, visit: www.goredforwomen.org/ or visit the Macon County Health Department website: www.maconcountyhealth.org.



Click the picture to the right to visit the website!

DECATUR-MACON COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Trained AARP Volunteers will provide Income Tax preparation assistance at the Decatur-Macon County Senior Center from February 1, 2011 until April 18, 2011. For assistance, please call the Senior Center at 429-1239 to schedule appointments. Appointments are available from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. Please remember to bring a picture ID, social security card, last year's tax return, SSA-1099 from Social Security, W-2's, all 1099's from interest and dividends and any other income statements. The tax returns are filed electronically. This service is provided free of charge for those with low to moderate incomes with an emphasis on people 60 years of age and older.



Help Babies Sleep Safely!

In 2008, Macon County had 6 infant deaths that were related to SIDS or co-sleeping.

Help make a difference in YOUR community!

Enjoy dinner at Pastabilities on
Tuesday, February 8th from 5 to 8 p.m.
Pastabilities will donate up to 20% of your
pre-taxed bill to the
"This Side Up—In My Own Bed" Safe Sleep
for Babies Awareness Project.

All funds raised stay right here in *your* community to purchase safe sleep packets to be given to every baby born in Macon County. Help keep the babies safe that belong to you, your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, and church.

Make a difference—all you have to do is eat!

For more information about this project and/or to make a donation, please contact Brandi Binkley at the MCHD at (217) 423-6988 ext: 1114.

*Babies should sleep on their backs and
in their own beds!*



February 2011 (B.E.S.T. Calendar)

BEST CLASS TOPICS
7-8pm



February 1
Parenting Series Part 1,
Jennifer Durand, NLPC Volunteer

February 8
Parenting Series Part 2
Jennifer Durand, NLPC Volunteer

February 15
Parenting Series Part 3
Jennifer Durand, NLPC Volunteer

February 22
Parenting Series Part 4
B.G. Nevitt, gt Church

BABY TALK TIMES every Tuesday
night—Kim Johnson, Baby TALK

Doors open at 6:30pm. Client & one support person (17 yrs. & up) per client **MUST** be on time & attend **ENTIRE** class to receive care cash (for use in NLPC Blessing Boutique).

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 B 9:30am-2:30pm 6:30-8pm	2 B BRIGHT START PLAY GROUP 10:00-11:00am	3 B 9:30am-2:30pm 	4
7 B 5:30pm-7pm 	8 B 9:30am-2:30pm 6:30-8pm	9	10 B 9:30am-2:30pm 	11
14 B 5:30pm-7pm 	15 B 9:30am-2:30pm 6:30-8pm	16 B BRIGHT START PLAY START 10:00-11:00am	17 B 9:30am-2:30pm 	18
21 B 5:30pm-7pm 	22 B 9:30am-2:30pm 6:30-8pm	23	24 B 9:30am-2:30pm 	25
28 B 5:30pm-7pm 				

TUESDAY NIGHT CHILDCARE & TRANSPORTATION:

Nursery (Ages 0 – 4) **Super Kids Club** (Ages Kindergarten – 11)
Due to safety issues, it is a **MUST** for you to call and make reservations the day of class for your children. Space is limited. Mothers may bring infants up to 4 months of age to class, but need to sit in the back of the classroom out of respect for the others in the class. If child gets noisy, please exit the room quietly until child is calm. Transportation is available as a free service. However, you **MUST** call NLPC between 9:00 AM-2:30 PM the day of class at 872-5556, as space is limited.

Listen to WSOY to hear about any class cancellations.



BIBLE
Discussion Topics:

Monday evening: Doing It God's Way

Thursday afternoon: To Tell The Truth

For all Bible discussions, childcare reservations **MUST** be made on the day of class by calling NLPC at 872-5556, starting at 9am. Space is limited. Transportation is not available.



BLESSING BOUTIQUE
"use your care cash here"
NLPC reserves the right to limit all purchases.

Special Topic:
Nurturing Fathers
(for men only)
6:30-8:00pm





First Call for Help

First Call for Help, is a program/service of the United Way and partially sponsored by HSAC. First Call for Help offers access to information and services to people in need. If your organization is in need of something, if you are working with an individual/family in need, or if you have an item to donate, please call Kristin at First Call for Help 475-2255, or visit our searchable database on our website at: www.firstcalldecatour.org.

How to Submit an Article:

HSAC produces a monthly newsletter with local agency information. At the beginning of the month, I will be soliciting articles with news, information, updates, corrections, etc. If you would like to include your agency's latest happenings for the upcoming month, simply email me with a write-up, or a flyer with all of the pertinent information. Since I receive many emails, please specify in the subject line (for example): "HSAC March Newsletter." Keep in mind "news" must be time sensitive as the newsletter will usually go out the Thursday prior to the next HSAC meeting, and due to space limitations, it may be necessary to edit. If you have any questions call me at 475-2255 or email: kholder@uwdecatour.org

*Harness the power
created when we work
together to collaborate on
human service issues.*