PARENT TO PARENT NETWORK INC.



August 2023

Newsletter

National Picnic Month and Family Fun Month

AUGUST IS :

SPECIAL DAYS IN AUGUST:

- 2nd)-National Ice Cream Sandwich Day
- 4th)—National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day
- 6th)—Friendship Day; National Forgiveness Day
- 9th)—Book Lover's Day
- 11th)-Son and Daughter Day
- 12th)-Middle Child's Day; National Garage Sale Day
- 13th)-Left Hander's Day
- 25th)-National Banana Split Day
- 31st)-National Eat Out Day

FUN THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR KIDS

- 1. Go for a walk and turn it into an adventure with a scavenger hunt.
- 2. Play water balloon dodgeball.
- 3. Picnic at the park and feed the ducks or go on a bug hunt and search for critters.
- 4. Wash the car together with your kids and expect to get wet!
- 5. Try star gazing and point out constellations.
- 6. Play cards and classic childhood board games.
- 7. Go on a bike ride together and enjoy the outdoors.



SELF-CARE CHALLENGE

As we expand the use of Facebook and our website, we would like you to participate in our self-care challenge. It is really easy to earn points. You only have to check us out and make comments. Points will accumulate each month. At the end of the month, if you have accumulated 50 points, you will receive a \$10.00 gift card to Walmart. Points are as follows:

- 1) Refer someone to Parent to Parent—20 points
- 2) Attend a Parent Support Group—10 points
- 3) Respond with a message from Facebook—5 points
- 4) Respond to an email—5 points
- 5) Respond to a phone call—5 points

Please consider participating in this challenge. It's a great way to get to know one another and get a chance at a \$10.00 gift card! **Good Luck!**

Office Hours: M-F 9:00-4:30

(after 4:30 by appointment)

(Sat. & Sun. by appointment)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

*Norfolk Police and Nebraska State Patrol "National Night Out" Free Community Event, August 1st, 6:00-8pm, Central Park.

*Norfolk Farmers Market, every Tuesday and Thursday in August, River Point Square, 3rd & Norfolk Ave, 4:30-6:30pm.

*JCPenney's Creative Art Project, Free, Design a custom tote (while supplies last) Saturday August 12th, pickup from 11:00am-12:00pm, Sunset Plaza Mall, JCPenney Store. *Coloring for Kids, Norfolk Public Library, Wednesdays in August: 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

at 2:15 pm.

Active Parenting Class

Parent to Parent Network Inc. offers the Active Parenting Publishers curriculum to help parents improve their parenting skills. Here is a list of curriculums offered through Parent to Parent Network Inc .

<u>Active Parenting: First Five Years</u>—Your child's first few years are so important! Learn how to make the most of them with **Ac**tive Parenting: First Five Years, a program for parents and other caregivers. Written by parenting expert (and dad) Dr. Michael Popkin, this course will show you how to nurture your child with a "just right" combination of freedom and nonviolent discipline. Millions of parents have achieved success with Active Parenting—and you can, too!

<u>Active Parenting 4th Edition</u> Millions of parents have achieved success with Active Parenting—and you can, too! Written by parenting expert (and father) Dr. Michael Popkin, this class is designed for parents of children ages 5 to 12. It will help you learn ways to raise responsible children who are able to resist negative peer pressure. Over the course of six sessions, you'll learn non-violent discipline techniques plus effective communication and encouragement skills to build a solid foundation for the upcoming teen years.

Families in Action— Parent Class: Active Parenting of Teens is a comprehensive parenting program for parents of preteens and teens. The skills you learn in this class will give you confidence and courage to meet the challenges—and savor the joys—of your children's teen years. Teen Class: Teens in Action is a six-session program that will help you make the most of being a teenager and figure out where to go from here. Each session is packed with not-boring activities, not-lame discussion, and not-stupid videos on topics that actually matter. Even better...you'll learn skills you can start using now to make positive changes in your life. Parent & Teen Class: is a lively program that gives families critical tools for the challenging teen years: communication, conflict resolution, encouragement, and more. Plus powerful information about preventing problems with drugs, alcohol, sex, and violence.

<u>Cooperative Parenting and Divorce</u> Learn to make a peaceful transition from parents to co-parents with this helpful course. *Cooperative Parenting and Divorce* uses helpful video scenes to demonstrate common co-parenting challenges and solutions. Each workshop allows plenty of time for group discussion and activities.

<u>Crossroads of Parenting & Divorce</u> is a seminar lasting 4-6 hours that uses enlightening video scenes to demonstrate common co-parenting challenges and solutions.

Please Call (402) 379-2268 or Email chogancamp@parent-parent.org for more details.

Parent to Parent Support Group

We have a great group of parents attending our Parent Support Group. We have great socialization, informational activities and delicious food. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Parent to Parent (402)379-2268. We meet this month on Saturday, August 12th from 5:30—7p.m. at Westridge United Methodist Church, 2000 W. Norfolk Ave. Please consider this as part of your calendar.

All of the above services are offered for the following counties: Antelope, Boone, Boyd, Brown, Burt, Butler, Cedar, Cherry, Colfax, Cuming, Dakota, Dixon, Dodge, Hamilton, Holt, Keya Paha, Knox, Madison, Merrick, Nance, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Rock, Saunders, Seward, Stanton, Thurston, Washington, Wayne and York.

We are a non-profit organization created for families in Northeast Nebraska and who are raising, or are primary caregivers for, children with behavioral/emotional challenges including social, emotional, mental, substance use and gambling.

Our goal is to help these families with their challenges navigate through the system to find the help that they need. We have trained Certified Peer Support Specialists that provide lived in experiences raising children with these behavioral health challenges.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

www.parent-parent.org

