



Family Child Care, Incorporated

Quarterly Newsletter

2012~July, August, September~

www.fccimn.com

FCCI is an organization of licensed family child care providers committed to developing and promoting high quality child care in our community through education, resources, and support.

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Workshop Location

Redeemer Lutheran Church
869 7th Avenue SE
Rochester MN 55904

Please use the main entrance and proceed to the lower level. The entrance door is on a security timer and is unlocked ½ hour before and after the start of the workshop.

Upcoming Workshops

*Members, please be prepared to show your membership card.
Non-members, be prepared to pay a \$15 training fee.*

July 17, 2012
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

NOTE: There is no workshop in July.



August 13, 2012
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Giggle Wiggle Clap & Learn!

Presenter: Jane Kitson

Learn more about Jane www.janekitson.com

Children are natural wigglers and this energy can be used as a learning experience! This enthusiastic presentation includes dozens of hands-on, easy activities that foster language development coupled with kinesthetic learning. Participants will be doing NEW activities that they can immediately use in with children, fostering important skills such as rhythm, repetition, and rhyme. Perfect for those who are looking for new ways to start each fun filled day with young children! Wear comfortable clothing and join the fun! Each participant will leave with ideas they can replicate the very next day and a **FREE CD** too!

September 10, 2012
7:00 pm-9:00 pm

Kitchen Scientist Presenter: Bev Herr

Get ready to see what can happen with common cooking ingredients. Mix up all kinds of science experiments from ingredients found in your kitchen. It's the perfect place to make some exciting discoveries about the world of science. Come and explore the wonders of simple science and learn easy, effective activities to use in your program tomorrow!

2012 Workshop Calendar

July 17, 6pm, Nita's house	Summer Potluck Picnic – Everyone Welcome!	
August 13, 7pm-9pm	Giggle, Wiggle, Clap, & Learn...Move Your Body & Your Brain!	Jane Kitson
September 10, 7pm-9pm	Kitchen Scientist	Bev Herr
October 8, 7pm-9pm	Crabby Masters	Becky Undlin
November 12, 7pm-9pm	Question and Answers with Olmsted County Licensing	Olmsted County licensing
December	Happy Holidays! No Workshop	

Sales and Purchasing items are available from
6:30pm-7pm. Die cut pre-orders are available on-line at
www.fccimn.com Sales Table closes at 7pm

Workshop Sale Items

Seasonal and themed die cut packages, felt board activity kits, teaching tools, and literacy combinations are available for purchase before every workshop, except January and May.

View sample items on-line at www.fccimn.com in the Provider Page.

Provider Marketplace

Sales table are available to providers with a second business at the monthly workshop. So, whether it's cosmetics, jewelry, children's toys, scrapbooking, etc. We invite you to share your second business. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator to register for a free table. A door prize donation is requested.

***New Baby? In the Hospital?
Getting Married? Special Celebration?
Death in the Family?***

Our members are important to us!

If you know of a special event or time of concern for a fellow FCCI member, please contact Julie, 288-1064 or email, fccihospitality@gmail.com so she can let that person know that their friends at FCCI are thinking of them!

**Keep informed locally:
Sign up for FCCI's monthly
E-news; send your request to
fccimn@gmail.com
And with your state association
Minnesota Licensed Family
Child Care (MLFCCA.org)**

Shaken Baby Video: Available at the February, March, April, June, August, September, October and November workshops, 6:30pm. Check-in at the membership table. Video also available on-line: www.fccimn.com
Click on the Community tab and then click Olmsted County Licensing.
Watch the video on line, and then notify your licensor.

2012 FCCI Board of Directors Calendar

Board meetings are held 6:30-9pm at Redeemer Lutheran Church, unless otherwise noted.

July 17, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20, December TBA.

All members are welcome to attend, observe, or participate in the open comment period. Contact the president for open comment guidelines. fccimn@gmail.com

Message from 2012 President

Hello Everyone!

*It is a great start to summer! I am sure you all are enjoying this beautiful weather with you little friends! There is a lot going on in everyone's summer days, but I hope that many of you will come to the 2nd Annual Provider Summer Potluck Picnic on July 17th. Details are on the flyer inside.



*We have ***two fantastic opportunities*** lined up for the August 13th workshop. First, **Jane Kitson**, also known throughout the nation in early childhood as Mother Goose is coming to train at our workshop all the way from Georgia! Each provider in attendance will receive a free CD from Jane too! Second, **FCCI has partnered with Fire Safety USA** to provide you with the convenience of having your Fire Extinguisher pressure tested while you attend Jane's workshop! See the flyer inside for those details. The August workshop will be one you want to highlight on your calendar! Also, **FCCI is now a part of the MNCPD training registry**. We will work to have all our trainings approved on the registry and your training certificates will reflect that in the future. The workshop sign in sheet is updated and will ask for your Registry ID and email address so we can add your attendance to the MNCPD registry, without your information it will be up to you to enter your FCCI training. If you want to learn more about the registry, visit www.mncpd.org or contact Barb Wilson at Child Care Resource and Referral, 507-287-2020.

*The 39th annual **FCCI provider banquet was celebrated on May 14, 2012** with a delicious Italian meal catered by Canadian Honker. It was attended by 93 family child care providers in our area, and 28 volunteers were recognized for the support they give to our organization at workshops, making die cuts, and representing FCCI at community events. We were pleased to have Mayor Brede present to read the proclamation for the Week of the Family Child Care Provider. We are also grateful for the organizations that support family child care and were happy to have representatives from CCR&R, MLFCCA, and the Olmsted County licensors join us in celebrating our very special Week of the Family Child Care Provider. Thank you to the members of the banquet committee and a special thanks to "The Tile Store" for their donation of ceramic tile on which the committee hand painted a commemorative plaque for each provider.

*On a serious note, there have been a series of news articles in the Star Tribune reporting on the **increase in infant deaths in child care**. These articles are linked at www.fccimn.com (from the Provider page ~Links and Articles). These tragic stories are drawing the attention of the public and legislators and will have an impact on the upcoming legislative session. Remember Rule 2 which defines the regulations of licensed family child care is created through the legislative process. All providers (FCCI members and nonmembers) are invited to learn more about these articles and their potential impacts at an **"Information and Conversation"** meeting on **Wednesday, August 15, 6:30 pm** at Redeemer Lutheran Church. **RSVP your attendance to fcciadvisor@gmail.com** Take a moment as well to read the response printed in this newsletter from MLFCCA, our state child care association.

****FCCI volunteers are awesome*** and all that happens in our association is because *providers just like you support FCCI with their time and energy!* There is an opportunity that can work for each one of you. Volunteering is fun, easy, and can be as simple as staying a few minutes late to pass out certificates at the end of a workshop. We have many kinds of volunteer opportunities available, even for those who don't have a lot of time. It is also a great way to connect with other child care providers. All active volunteers (active=a minimum of 2 volunteer experiences) receive a complimentary meal and recognition at our banquet in May. If you're not already signed up to volunteer, please email us and let us know how you're available to help at **fccivolunteer@gmail.com** or fill out the lower half of your workshop evaluation.

~Nita Higgins, FCCI 2012 President

You are invited to enjoy a relaxing evening with other child care providers and FCCI members!

What: FCCI Annual Provider Potluck Picnic

When: July 17, 6 pm

Where: 4665 Windslow Lane NW, Rochester, MN 55901

What to Bring: A chair and a salad or desert to share!

Dinnerware and beverages will be provided.

RSVP: Email fccinewslettereditor.com or to Stacy at 356-4972

See you there!



*2 hours of licensing
approved training*

We are really excited to share this fun evening with you and recognize that when providers come together we have a wonderful opportunity to share information about our individual business and learn about how each one is traveling in their professional development journey. Licensing approved 2 hours of this evening as part of your professional development. The FCCI board looks forward to meeting you and sharing with you some of the amazing opportunities available for your continued growth and learning in the area of professional development.



MLFCCA 1821 University Ave West , Suite 324 South, Saint Paul MN 55104 mlfcca.org

The recent Star Tribune series of articles by Brad Shrader and Jeremy Olson on SIDS deaths have described the intense pain and devastation of losing a child. After great success in lowering the incidence of SIDS since the mid-nineties, in the last five years the state of Minnesota is seeing an upward trend in SIDS deaths in both the child's home and care programs. There is not one simple answer. Reactions by the public and legislators to articles such as these must be well informed. Well intentioned solutions can have unintended negative consequences and this is why I feel compelled to write this opinion article.

Over the course of Mr. Shrader's work on the article, I met with him and a videographer at an accredited family child care home to demonstrate what a safe, high-quality environment looks like and to dispel the unfounded tone and direction his articles have taken against the family child care profession. I shared many possible solutions and important points that were not included in his article.

The Minnesota Sudden Infant Death Center report states that over the past five years, there were 419 infant deaths referred to them. Of those deaths, 47 were in licensed family child care, 2 in licensed centers and 27 in other non-parental care. In the previous five years 358 infants deaths were referred. Of those deaths, 21 in licensed family childcare, 1 in a licensed center, and 22 in other non-parental care, reflecting an increase in infants deaths in all areas. While ninety-nine percent of licensed family child care providers caring for over 100,000 children have not had a serious incident in their home, the tragedy lies in the small percent that do have a serious incident. Minnesota does have safe sleep regulations and required safe sleep training for licensed child care providers. There must be further analysis of the individual cases to understand all the factors contributing to the increase in SIDS deaths both in the child's home and in a care setting before solutions can be effective.

Solutions that address conflicting messages that arise when doctors advise tummy sleeping based on a medical need and/or parents choosing tummy sleeping and are legally able to direct the provider to do otherwise are a first step. Reigniting a back to sleep campaign that removes these mixed messages and those delivered via major marketing companies showing cribs filled with soft materials and pictures of babies sleeping on their tummies are real and essential.

Solutions that address inadequate funding that support high quality early child care programs are another step. We know that for every dollar spent on children in the early years, \$17.00 dollars is saved to the taxpayer in later expenses. We know that most of the brain is formed by age five, yet Minnesota spends only 1% of its budget on early care and education. Where are our priorities and where is the fiscal responsibility to the children? Funding for county licensing, the agency that monitors family child care homes, has been dramatically cut over the past years and generally reduced a licensing visit to licensed family child care homes once every two years or when a complaint is made. Solutions do not simply add regulations or mandate lower ratios. Mandates such as these require fully funded licensing units for without them, these kinds of mandates have the unintended consequence of placing even more children in unregulated and illegal care.

Solutions that support fully funding early childhood care and education initiatives like those offered through the Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care Association (MLFCCA) bring long-term benefits to child care professionals dedicated to our community's children. The Parent Aware initiative is excellent for both parents and providers, but limited in capacity. The Race to the Top funds sound like a lot of money, but when we are looking at the vast numbers of children needing to benefit from it, it is only a few hundred dollars per child on a one time basis.

Solutions that improve access for parents to information needed when choosing child care is important. Minnesota's Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies are a wealth of knowledge yet underutilized. The Department of Human Services currently offers a sign up for daily emails of all correction orders made in licensed facilities. Go to <http://licensinglookup.dhs.state.mn.us/Subscribe.aspx>

MLFCCA's mission is to support the highest standard of care for children in Minnesota's diverse licensed family child care homes through education, resources, recognition and advocacy. MLFCCA will continue to advocate for solutions based on all the facts that support high quality child care.

As difficult as the Star Tribune's articles have been for grieving families and the vast majority of quality providers in the state, the reporters missed the opportunity to look for solutions that will support high-quality care in all child care programs. It is our hope that future investigative reporting will look at what the most current pediatric research shows to understand the long and complex list of what we could be doing to lower infant deaths and how dollars can be reallocated to implement possible solutions.

Katy Chase
Executive Director, MLFCCA
Jackie Harrington
Family Child Care Provider; MLFCCA Board Member

Family Child Care Mentors

- *New to Family Child Care?*
- *Have questions about your contract and policies? What to include, how to write them?*
- *Are you struggling with a child's behavior?*
- *Do you feel your business skills need help?*
- *Do you have a to-do list from licensing and don't know where to begin?*

A Family Child Care Mentor is ready to help you get your family child care business set for success!

Our area credentialed mentors are family child care providers trained in best practice and will meet with you one on one. They are ready to answer the many questions you have as you enter into the child care profession and guide you through many facets of family child care.

Contact Barb Wagner to arrange a mentor for you.

651-636-1989 ext. 10 or barb.wagner@mlfcca.org

Local and State Associations are here for your *support, resources, training, networking and advocacy*. Become a member today to begin your professional development in the child care field.

Olmsted County Association



Olmsted County Child Care Association

www.fccimn@gmail.com

Contact: Kayla Abrahamson

507-529-1842

fccimembershipcoordinator@gmail.com

State Association



www.mlfcca.org

Contact: Pat Gentz

952.985.5437

Fire Extinguisher Inspection at the August 13 2012 workshop

FCCI in partnership with Fire SAFETY USA offers you the convenience of having your fire extinguishers' annual pressure test at the FCCI August 13, 2012 workshop.



- Bring your extinguisher and \$3.50 (per extinguisher) cash or check for the service.
- Fire Safety USA will present a demonstration and information regarding fire safety
- While you are enjoying the workshop, your fire extinguisher will be serviced.
- Fire Safety USA is not able to provide the hydro-test on-site. This is required for your extinguisher every six years.
- Fire Safety USA technicians will advise you if your extinguisher needs further service.
- Fire Extinguishers will be available for purchase.



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ROCHESTER, MN
PHONE: 507-529-8444

CCR&R Outreach Notes

Dear Providers,

Attending the 2012 MLFCCA Banquet was quite a profound experience for me. As I watched and heard about the providers being recognized from various communities around the state, I began to reflect upon the profession of early childhood and how the paradigm is certainly shifting. It is a great day to be a child in Minnesota, as we were awarded a Race to the Top: Early Learning Challenge Grant, Parent Aware is expanding state-wide, business leaders are investing and advocating for early childhood education, and providers are being recognized for their most important work.

I am extremely honored to know that I was nominated for Child Care Advocate of the Year, by Olmsted County's Family Child Care Association, FCCI, and my fellow colleagues. Locally, we have created some tremendous collaboration in working together for military families, implementation of the First Steps School Readiness Study and advocating for our youngest citizens. So, I would like to take a moment to thank all of you for the essential work that you do for the good of all children in Minnesota!

Peace,

Taran Schneider
CCRR/First Steps Outreach Liaison
2012 MLFCCA Child Care Advocate of the Year



Dear Providers,

Due to a misunderstanding at the training we offered on March 12, 2012, we want to take this opportunity to clarify the use of antibacterial wipes. At a point in the presentation, we questioned the alcohol content in products such as Clorox and Lysol wipes in regard to the Rule II regulation. Be sure to check with your county licenser regarding the use of these products in your child care.

As far as the food program, we strongly recommend, using hot soapy water to clean food prep and food service areas or the recommended bleach solution and let the area air dry. As always, for proper hand washing, when available, warm water and soap are best!!

We want to thank FCCI for allowing us to be part of the wonderful trainings they offer the child care community.

Have a great summer ~

***Marlene Jehnke, CACFP Director
Shelby Ellis, CACFP Representative***



The Minnesota Child Care Credential

Enrolling August 2012

Minnesota child care professionals, grow your quality, show your quality!

The Minnesota Child Care Credential offers training in all aspects of caring for and nurturing children. Join a community of caregivers learning the latest, striving for more and graduating to the next level of the profession. The Minnesota Child Care Credential lasts for a lifetime and establishes you as a professional committed to ongoing learning.

- Build a strong foundation in early childhood with the most current research and teaching strategies
- Grow your program through concentrated intentional quality improvements that coordinate with Parent Aware
- Enhance the quality of the education you offer the children in your care, so they are better prepared to enter school
- Qualify for level 4 of Parent Aware, once you have also taken the *Early Childhood Indicators of Progress*

You've earned your Minnesota State Child Care Credential, now get your National CDA credential with the same training! Use all of your training to increase your credentials and enhance your quality!

**Get BOTH your MN State Child Care Credential
AND the National Child Development Associate
Credential (CDA)!**

Call CCR&R Professional Development TODAY!

Barb Wilson 507-287-2020 x 1592

National CDA (Child Development Associate)

A National CDA (Child Development Associate) is a credential issued by the Council for Professional Recognition.

In keeping with its goal to meet the growing need for qualified early child care and education practitioners, the Council administers the Child Development Associate® (CDA) National Credentialing Program. The CDA Program is designed to assess and credential early childhood education professionals.

The Council recognizes and credentials professionals who work in all types of early care and education programs - Head Start, pre-k, infant-toddler, family child care, and home visitor programs.

BENEFITS OF EARNING A NATIONAL CDA

This nationally respected credential offers valuable knowledge on meeting the needs of children. Child care professionals who earn their National CDA credential receive increased professional recognition—find your time to shine!

Other benefits include:

- Eligibility to receive child care assistance dollars at a higher reimbursement rate
- Eligibility to receive \$1,000 as an additional R.E.E.T.A.I.N. program bonus.
- ***MN Child Care Credential training qualifies for CDA training requirements!***



Olmsted County Licensing Notes

Family Child Care Providers:

We hope this newsletter finds all of you enjoying your summer and your family vacations!! With licensing now being at full staff, we have made some changes to how we will be conducting our visits from year-to-year.

Off year visits—Beginning in the second half of 2012, we will begin doing off year visits with our providers. These visits will be conducted by either your licensor or our Case Aide, Tammy Schettl. For those of you who have been doing licensing for a number of years, you will understand this process as it will be the same as it was in past years. We will be coming out in the same month as your re-licensing month but on the opposite year of re-licensing. For example, if your re-licensing visit is September 2013, then you will have an off-year visit in September of 2012. At this visit, we will be inspecting all of the same items that would be inspected at a re-licensing, minus the paperwork and fees. These visits will be **Unscheduled**, so please let your licensor know if you will be unavailable at anytime during your off year visit month.

Letter to providers from DHS—All of you should have received a letter in early May from DHS. You may be aware that Minneapolis Star Tribune recently featured several articles on the deaths of infants in Family Child Care. Because of the number of deaths and the number of violations related to safe sleep practices, providers will be issued a correction order and then recommended to receive a fine from DHS. So, if you receive a correction order for these issues, your licensor will fax the correction order to DHS and they will prepare and issue fines to you. Your license will not be renewed until the fines are paid. Call your licensor if you have any questions.

Chemical Abuse Policy forms—All of you should have received a letter from Licensing along with Chemical Abuse Policy forms. If you have not written your statement and returned the forms, please do so immediately. Thank you!

Substitutes—If any of you have substitutes that you are using that would be willing to be used by other people for various reasons, e.g. appointments, jury duty, school events, etc., please call or have your subs call Victoria Hale to have their names and numbers added to the sub list. This list will then be maintained by licensing for other providers to use. Background checks will need to be done in order to be used by other providers. Since one background check has already been cleared, they should not have to wait to be used for other providers.

Licensors:

Victoria Hale—328-6423

Keith Lewis—328-6421

Dawn Schenk—328-6882

Tammy Schettl—328-6219

Regional Grants: Are you looking for grant money to purchase items within the learning environment, for health and safety or to grow your professional skills? If so, there is grant money available to you! Child Care Resource and Referral, Inc. in cooperation with the Department in Human Services is pleased to announce the availability of grant funds!

Grant application deadlines

Grant applications will be available September 1, 2012 and with a deadline of September 25, 2012. Applications will be available on line at www.c2r2.org beginning September 1, 2012.

Grant Workshops:

Date: Thursday, August 9, 2012

Time: 6:30p- 8:30p

Location: Winona

Date: Thursday, August 16, 2012

Time: 6:30p- 8:30p

Location: Red Wing

And

CCR&R Offices, O'Konski Rm, Rochester

Date: Saturday, August 18, 2012

Time: 9:00 AM- 11:00AM

Location: Waseca

and

Time: 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM

Location: Mankato

Date: Thursday August 23, 2012

Time: 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM

Location: Fairmont

For more information, please contact:

Dawn Eckhoff, Southern District Grants Coordinator
507-424-1525 or 1-800-462-1660 extension 1525

REMEMBER! DO NOT wait to take your training; plan ahead and finish early!

Check Eager-to-Learn for Online Grant Workshop opportunities! www.eagertolearn.org

**Are you new to the business of Family Child Care?
Join this class for those new to the profession!**

Family Child Care is a Business and Tom Copeland's Taxes & Record Keeping

This class is designed to help family child care providers grasp the basics of owning a business. Providers are given tools on how to begin a family child care, including start-up cost, how to write contracts and policies, marketing, insurance, legal risks, record keeping, taxes, and budgeting. CDA: 5 CC: VII

Date(s)	Time(s)
Tuesday, September 20, 2012	6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Tuesday, October 16, 2012	6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Tuesday, November 20, 2012	6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Instructor: Lori Hameister

Location: CCR&R, Rochester

This training is for brand new providers and providers who have been in the business a year or two and have not had previous business Training. Family Child Care is a Business is a part of the MN Child Care Credential Course.

NEW!

Register through Family Child Care Inc. (FCCI)

Please contact Jackie Seifert to register:

fccitrainingcoordinator@gmail.com

Cost: \$40

(Cost of class includes 1 year membership to FCCI, Inc.)

Must be a new Family Child Care Professional (2 years or less) to receive this special rate!





Bugs, Birds, Bears: Explore "Project WILD" and Nature's Creatures with Young Children: MNCPD

Project WILD connects children with nature through language, literacy, math, science, music and more! Learn the benefits of nature, experience Project WILD's hand-on activities, and how to connect children with nature in your unique child care program. CDA: 1

Thursday July 19 6pm-9pm and Wednesday, July 25 6pm – 9pm

****must attend both sessions to receive training certificate**

****training is approved by MNCPD **meets CCRR's Progressive Learning standard**

***4 hours of training meet a portion of the requirement for Parent Aware in the following content areas:
Social Emotional Development, Language, Literacy, Mathematical Thinking and Physical Development.**



Trainer: Jackie Harrington, harrington.jackie.ffy@gmail.com 507-282-1799

Training fee: \$45; no refunds for cancellations after July 13, 2012

Location: 900 10th Street SW Rochester, home of Jackie

Registration

Upon receipt of your registration you will receive an email with additional details about the training.

Name: _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

County: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Type of Care you offer: (FCC, CCC, etc) _____

Complete and return \$45 training fee to:

Jackie Harrington
900 10th Street SW
Rochester MN 55902



Give Army Parents a Break!

GIVE A BREAK...

Calling child care providers to serve. Join forces with CCR&R to support our community's Army Families.

- ★ Receive \$10/hour in compensation for your time.
- ★ Give Army parents here at home a break while allowing those on the front lines peace of mind.
- ★ Join a national initiative of child care professionals giving back to our service members.



...TAKE A BREAK

Army parents, what would you do with a little time off? You are invited to take a break while your children enjoy time in a high-quality child care program.

You've earned our support!

Your community appreciates the enormous sacrifices you are making and we've teamed up with licensed child care professionals to give you a well-deserved break. Pay bills, run errands or simply take a break.



Give Army Parents a Break offers geographically dispersed Army Recruiters, Drill Sergeants, ROTC Cadet Cadre (trainers) and deployed Army National Guard and deployed Army Reserves paid child care (8-16 hours per month, per child).



www.nacrra.org/
MilitaryPrograms/army/



AMAZING AUGUST 13th TRAINING!



FCCI is extremely excited to bring JANE KITSON, A.K.A. "MOTHER GOOSE," TO ROCHESTER!

AUGUST 13TH FROM 7:00-9PM REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

EVERYONE WILL RECEIVE A FREE CD FROM JANE FOR YOUR CHILD CARE!

Jane is the author of 350 original songs and finger plays that have been shared with over 100,000 early childhood professionals in 47 states. She was a classroom teacher of children ages 2-7 and now is an onsite consultant for the last 29 yrs.

www.janekitson.com

FOCUS ON THE CHILDREN



The 2013 Focus Conference will be held on April 12-13, 2013. Visit the "Focus on the Children Conference" Facebook page for more information and to stay informed as planning moves forward. This is the largest Early Childhood Professionals Conference in Southeast MN and it offers 7+ hours of MNCPD approved training. We hope to see you all there! 

LEARN MORE OR REGISTER TODAY!

www.mnchildcare.org • (888) 291-9811

**Check out what is
happening in child care
across the state...**

MLFCCA's quarterly
newsletter is linked on the
FCCI website Provider Page



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child care business



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Name FCCI (9004)
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US Consumer Safety Commission

www.cpsc.gov

or

1-800-638-2772



Child & Adult Care Food Program

Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care Association Food Program

- FREE Minute Menu Kids Software
- ECIPS Birth-3 & 3-5 years handbook
- FREE FUN activities for children in your care
- CREATIVE ways to introduce new foods
- CHILDCAREPAY for electronic payments from parents
- FREE access to online Calendar-Keeper

Minnesota Licensed Family Child Care Association

Member Benefits & Recognition | Mentorship & Professional
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Join Today

Contact MLFCCA

651-636-1989 | 800-652-9704

www.mlfcca.org



Child Care Liability Insurance

Craig L. Ward, CIC

*Independent Agent with 30 years experience.

*Over 200 policies in effect throughout the Midwest.

*Representing over 40 Insurance companies with same
day quotes from most companies

*Reasonable rates and monthly auto pay.

*Immediate coverage.

*Personalized coverage tailored to your needs

*Property

*Liability (including Professional liability, Abuse and
Molestation Coverage)

*Auto Liability (covering child care vans and personal auto)

*Workman's compensation (covering injured employees)

*Umbrella Liability (higher liability limits)

Craig L. Ward, CIC

1-800-354-9273

craigward@tds.net

Family Child Care, Inc 2012 Membership Registration

Annual Individual Membership Fee - \$40.00

Please make checks payable to: FCCI

FCCI memberships are January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012

- ☐ I am a licensed provider and new FCCI member
☐ I am a licensed provider and a renewing FCCI member
☐ I am unlicensed or a community member and am an Advocate Member

NAME _____ County _____

BUSINESS NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE(____) _____ E-MAIL _____

____ Yes, add my email to FCCI's monthly E-news

____ No, do not add my email to FCCI's monthly E-news

How will you volunteer with FCCI in 2012?

- ____ Board Member Position
____ Volunteer @ meetings
____ Preparing Die Cuts
____ Banquet Committee
____ Community Events
____ Donation of a door prize

For office use
Membership _____
Database _____

Do you want your licensed family child care business listed in the On-line Provider Directory?

- ☐ Yes...please complete the information on the right panel.
☐ No thank you.

Please note: Your directory information must be renewed each time your membership is renewed or purchased. If a membership is renewed or purchased and an on-line directory form for the current year is not included, the previous years' on-line directory listing is removed during the annual clean sweep in January.

Mail Membership and Directory forms to:

Kayla Abrahamson
1231 Harbor Drive SE
Rochester, MN 55904

Family Child Care, Inc. 2012 On-line Provider Directory Form

Current members of FCCI can list their licensed family childcare business on the FCCI's website Provider Directory by filling out the following information or by submitting your listing on-line at www.fccimn.com. *If you do not have a computer, simply call the Membership Coordinator listed in your newsletter.*

Your Name: _____

(As it is to appear on the Internet)

City and/or Section of Town: (ie Rochester, NW) _____

Business Name: _____

Ages of care: (check all that apply)

- ____ Infant/toddler only
____ Preschool only
____ Infant-preschool only
____ School age only
____ All ages

Elementary School: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Website: (if applicable) _____

How do you want to be contacted?

- ____ Telephone only
____ Email only
____ Both

Is this an update to your current 2012 provider directory information?

- ____ Yes ____ No



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