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RAEYC Mission Statement

We value the professionals in our communities who teach and nurture our children. We profess this value through our commitment, interest, recognition, and support of the contributions made by Early Childhood Educators. We seek to advance the efforts to improve and raise the standards by which acceptable child care is measured. We believe that the potential for children's success can be positively shaped by early influence.

Letter from RAEYC President, Margaret Oberg

Welcome to this Fall edition which also marks a new school year for most of our members. Many students and educators are feeling the anticipation of challenges ahead. Many are anxious about whether their efforts will be successful. I would like to share some words of wisdom from one of my favorite authors, Mister Rogers: "Some days, doing 'the best we can' may still fall short of what we would like to be able to do, but life isn't perfect -on any front- and doing what we can with what we have is the most we should expect of ourselves or anyone else." I hope each of you finds a feeling of accomplishment in whatever you set out to do this Fall. RAEYC is anticipating some great events – both learning opportunities, and time to honor those who work so diligently for children. Please find details included in this newsletter about what is coming your way this Fall.

-- Margaret

Save The Date - 2010 Fall Events

A Dinner to Discuss NAFCC
Accreditation for Home Care
Providers

Thursday, September 16th

Join us from 6:00 to 8:00pm at the
Professional Development Center
680 S. Rock Blvd, Reno

For information or
to RSVP contact Martie
Fine: **682-8491**,
mfine@unr.edu



2010 ECE Celebration

“Simply a Celebration”

Friday November 19th, 2010
7:00-10:00pm
Hidden Valley Country Club
Reno, Nevada



Come join early childhood
professionals in our community for a
fun filled evening featuring desserts
and dancing!
We will recognize and celebrate the
incredible work you do on behalf of
children and families in Northern
Nevada!

Please contact Stephanie Wyatt for
more information: **pete@unr.edu**



RAEYC's Annual
Mini Conference!

Saturday, October 23rd

At TMCC's Dandini campus
Want more information or want to
volunteer? Contact Rechelle Murillo:
RMurillo@washoe.k12.nv.us

Announcing RAEYC's “Childcare Funny” Contest!

Do you have a cute or hilarious story about the kids you care for? Share your story with us and the winning story will be published in our quarterly newsletter, and receive a **\$25 cash prize!**

Type it up (125 word max) and send it to Jenn Tappan: **JennTappan@gmail.com**

Please include your name, phone number, and address with your submission.

The Family Care Contract Network

The UNR Family Care Contract Network is a quality enhancement program for licensed family child care providers in Northern Nevada.



Goals of the Network

- Make available enriching care for the children of University of Nevada, Reno students, staff and faculty.
- Expand the number of places parents may seek quality care for their children.
- Develop professional support systems for providers through financial assistance, information, program planning and technical assistance.
- Educate parents about quality child care and enhance their ability to make a quality choice.

The Network Provides:

- Personalized child care referrals for university students, staff and faculty.
- Direct support from our child development staff, such as:
 - Access to the toy lending library, access to the curriculum resource library, help through hotline, monthly newsletter, monthly home visits.
- Professional growth opportunities through Network-based trainings and workshops.

**For more information contact:
Campus Child Care Connections
775-784-4400**

Provider

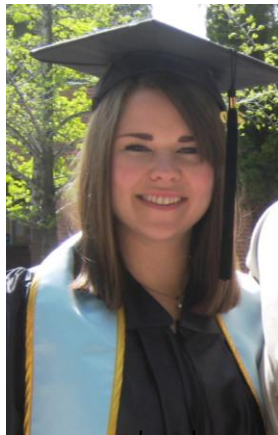
Requirements:

- Welcome monthly visits from the Network's child development staff.
- Participate in reviews of your home environment.
- Meet program requirements in a clear consistent manner.
- Attend additional hours of training with each year of participation.

Michelle Gehlert has recently accepted the position as coordinator for the Family Care Contract Network - Campus Child Care Connections at UNR. She has a BS in Human Services Management and Associates in Child Development. She has worked in the field of Early Childhood for over 20 years. She has held different positions in the field of ECE as a WCSD special ed. aide, teacher, program director, center director, family child care provider, coordinator for the PEACE Project and the first New Baby Centers in Nevada. It is her passion to educate children through fun and exciting hands-on learning experiences; as well as educate and inspire adults to further their professional development in the field of Early Childhood

RAEYC Board Member Highlight

My name is Lisa M. Cohen and I am the former UNR Student Member Section President. The club is looking for new members and new officers for the 2010-2011 school year, so if you know anyone or you yourself are interested in joining, please contact me.



I just graduated from the University with a BS in Early Childhood Education and a BS in Human Development & Family Studies. I will be completing my Student Teaching as graduate level credits in the spring. I am very excited, but in the meantime I am a substitute teacher and a sales associate at Levi's. I enjoyed working with RAEYC so very much as the student representative that the board has voted me into a new position.

As Hospitality chair, I will be providing the board meetings with refreshments which will help create a fun and relaxed environment. I am pleased to continue working with the wonderful women of the board and establish a career in the early childhood field. If any teachers are in need of a substitute or a good pair of jeans please let me know.

Respectfully,
Lisa M Cohen
Hospitality Chair, RAEYC
Substitute Teacher
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lisamcohen@att.net

Public Policy Update

Important Dates for the Upcoming 2010 Nevada State Election:

Last Day to Register to Vote: October 3rd
Early Voting: October 16th – 29th
General Election: November 2nd

Don't Forget to Vote!

And when voting, please keep in mind Nevada's youngest and most vulnerable constituents. For more information on all candidates for the upcoming 2010 election, please visit:

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Research/VoteNV/index.cfm>



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