

SCOTT COUNTY LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION - MN

Holiday Edition 2016

SCOTT COUNTY PROVIDER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

Each year, 2 providers are

chosen from Scott County and honored through our association. All nominated providers will also be recognized by the SCLFCCA.

Just a reminder that **December 31, 2016** is the last date to get a nomination form sent in to be eligible for the 2017 Scott County Provider of the Year.

You can send the link to your families to have them fill out or if you know a provider that has been inspirational to you and your child care you can nominate a fellow provider.

Here is the link to the nomination form https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLS cEQtYJZN5js2Zw01-E0pkya3ipaX7oJEC-C0D3I5_MbXIbvw/viewform



Provider of the Year recipients must:

- Be licensed a minimum of 3 years
- Have not received this award in the last 10 years
- Must be in good standing with licensing

If you have any questions please email Kara at scottcountyprovideroftheyear@gmail.com

SCLFCCA TRAINING CORNER

SCLFCCA Newsletter

Thank you to those of you who attended our trainings this past fall! As we round the corner into the New Year, please watch for the Spring 2017 Training Catalog which will be out later this month!



- Please fill out your registration forms <u>completely</u> (i.e. include address & phone number each time)
- Always include your **DEVELOP number**!

How do I get a DEVELOP number? Go to <u>www.developtoolmn.org</u> and click on the register icon that looks like a pencil. Click on "Register as an Individual". Fill in the necessary information. Complete account set-up & click on the box to affirm the Privacy Policy. Success! Your Develop ID number & password will be sent to the email address you provided.

http://www.sclfcca.com/Training.htm

? GOOD QUESTION

Q: What's Deductible About Christmas?

A: Here's what Tom Copeland says, according to a 2015 blog post on this topic:

"...Family child care providers celebrate Christmas with the children in their care in a variety of ways. If you do, you are probably spending money that you can claim as a business deduction..."



"...Expenses for Christmas, New Years,

Chanukah, etc. can be considered ordinary and necessary expenses. That's because you are using these holidays to teach the children in your care about celebrations, traditions, and their meaning."

Expenses may include: Ornaments children make, a Santa visit, decorating gingerbread houses, serving snacks at a party, decorating jingle bell bracelets for a Christmas concert put on by the kids, a Christmas tea breakfast, a Polar Express Party, a family potluck for clients, and annual book exchange...and the list goes on and on. Visit Tom's blog at

http://tomcopelandblog.com/ for other great

answers to your tax questions! learning about Parent Aware?



Did you miss all of the Parent Aware information sessions, but are still interested in learning about Parent Aware?

Quality coaches would be happy to set up a time to meet with you one-on-one for an informal meeting for you to get your questions answered about Parent Aware. You can choose the place and the time. If your evenings are busy, but you have time during naptime, we would love to find a date that we could come to your home.

Another option is, you can choose a date to host an information session for yourself and other provider friends at your home. If you do this, and have at least one other provider attend, we will bring out gifts for all.

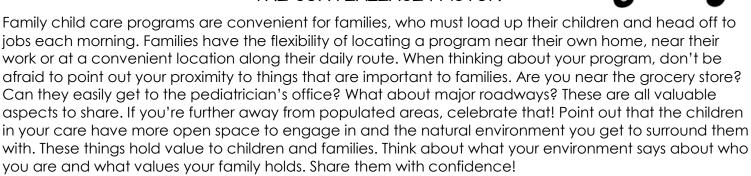
The deadline for applying for the January cohort of Parent Aware is approaching fast.

Call or email to set up a time! All of your questions will be answered by our quality coaches and staff.

Call/email Linda Poikonen to register today! 612-254-3717 or lpoikonen@capagency.org

SCLFCCA'S: WHY FAMILY CHILD CARE?

Component #3 THE CONVENIENCE FACTOR





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Family Child Care Pathways to Success Fall 2016





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Savage Kelly Cross & Ashley Bertrand



Jordan Lizelle Shell



File Folder System to organize your Family Child Care Business.



Belle Plaine Megan Bjerga & Diana Sotamba





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The next series of Family Child Care Pathways to Success Classes begin January 20. 2017

If you are a new provider in business less than 1 ½ years or know of someone in process of licensing, please share this opportunity with them. For more information contact Deloris Friske at <u>friske@frontiernet.net</u> or 252-492-3827