



# Menominee County Great Start Parent Coalition



Great Start Parent Newsletter December 2016

## FREE PARENTING SERIES CONTINUES



### CONSCIOUS DISCIPLINE

#### FREE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS & TEACHERS

From the teachings of Dr. Becky Bailey  
Presented by Donna Russotto

Whether attending one or all in this series, participants will learn effective ways to build positive, loving relationships with children of ALL ages.

This series will cover topics like:

- What to say when your child does not want to listen
- How to use a positive approach when your child challenges you
- Helping your child make choices
  - How to be calm during a tantrum
  - And much more!

#### FUTURE DATES:

DEC. 6; ~~-CANCELLED-~~  
 JAN. 10; 10-11:30 am  
 FEB. 9; 4-6 pm  
 MAR. 9; 4-6 pm  
 APR. 13; 4-6 pm  
 MAY 11; 4-6 pm

#### LOCATION:

Menominee Early Childhood Center,  
 N1329 US Highway 41  
 Menominee

#### REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

CALL 906-863-7588  
 by the day before the event

FREE TRAINING  
 FREE CHILDCARE  
 LIGHT REFRESHMENTS  
 DOOR PRIZES



**GREAT START and EARLY ON FREE PARENT & CHILD PLAYGROUPS**  
 In Menominee at Spies Public Library from 10:30—noon on most Mondays  
 (call 906-863-5665 ext. 1018 for details).

We Play, Learn and Grow... Together!

**PARENT CAFÉS AT MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY IN STEPHENSON!**

Parent cafés at Menominee County Library in Stephenson will be held on Friday 1/6 and Friday 2/4 (more dates to follow) at 10:00 a.m. Bring your children to the library's story time while you enjoy coffee, refreshments, and discussion.



**DID YOU KNOW?:**  
 Your child can earn a Kids Cash for getting their well child check at Northreach Pediatrics in Marinette or Daggett! For the most current



distribution and redemption locations, visit [www.greatstartmenomineecounty.org](http://www.greatstartmenomineecounty.org).



## Menominee County

### ONGOING EVENTS IN MENOMINEE COUNTY:

#### MOPS and MOMSnext

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, 8:45 am @ North Shore Baptist Church, 511 47th Ave., Menominee. For more information, contact [christy.casale@nshorechurch.org](mailto:christy.casale@nshorechurch.org)

#### Library Story Times

##### Spies Library -

##### Menominee

Wednesdays @ 10:30am and Thursdays @ 10:30 am - for more information, please call 906-863-3911

##### Menominee County

##### Library - Stephenson

Fridays - 10am - for more information, please call 906-753-6923

##### Stephenson Library -

##### Marinette Itsy Bitsy

(Ages 0-3) Wednesdays at 11 am and Preschool

(3-5) Tuesdays at 10 am and Family Night

Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for more information, please call 715-732-7570



## PLACES TO GO/THINGS TO DO



December 7

**STORY HOUR @ MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY, HERMANVILLE BRANCH** - 11:00 am - story and craft

December 9

**STORY HOUR @ MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY, STEPHENSON BRANCH** - 10:00 am - story and craft

December 10

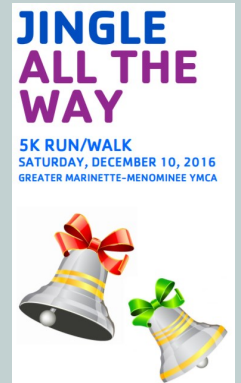
**HOLIDAY BAKE AND CRAFT SALE.** Held from 9 a.m. to noon at the First Presbyterian Church, 923 5th St. and 10th Ave., Menominee.



Participants should use 5th Street entrance

**HOLIDAY CRAFT AND VENDOR SALE.** Held by St. John Paul II Catholic Academy, 2701 17th St., Menominee, across from Resurrection Parish from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a craft area for kids and light food and refreshments will be available. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will also make an appearance. People may call 906-863-3190 with questions.

**YMCA JINGLE ALL THE WAY 5K RUN/WALK.** Held at The Greater Marinette-Menominee YMCA. People may register alone, with a friend or create a four-person team. Create a team name and have it put on the back of your shirt when your whole team registers by 11/18. Day of registration is available 7:15-7:45 a.m. Race will start at 8. Donations will be accepted for local school food pantries. People may print off a brochure at [www.mmymca.org](http://www.mmymca.org) under events and stop in or mail in a registration form with payment.



**CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS.** A program to share the birth of Jesus



Christ, with children ages 4-10. Daycare will be provided for children ages 1-3. Held from 9 a.m.-noon at Trinity Lutheran School, 1216 Colfax St., Marinette. Pre-registration is required via e-mail [secretary@trinitymarinette.com](mailto:secretary@trinitymarinette.com) or phone 715-732-9868. People may also visit, [www.http://trinitymarinette.com](http://www.trinitymarinette.com). Enrollment is limited and will be done on a first-come, first-served basis.

December 12



**PARENT/CHILD PLAYGROUP** Sponsored by the Menominee County ISD - Great Parents Great Start Program and Children's Trust Fund. Held @ Spies Library from 10:30-noon

December 13

**LITERACY NIGHT @ SPIES PUBLIC LIBRARY - 6-7pm** - story and fun with trains. Polar Express/train theme....wear your pajamas, robes, and/or slippers!

December 14

**STORY HOUR @ MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY,**

**HERMANVILLE BRANCH** - 11:00 am - story & craft



**MENOMINEE COUNTY GREAT START**

**COLLABORATIVE MEETING** - noon-1:30pm @ the Menominee County ISD, 1201 41st Ave - join us and help to give the children of Menominee County a "great start". For more info., please contact Sarah Hansen at 906-863-5665 ext. 1038





## Menominee County

### 1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM:



Free to children before they enter Kindergarten! Register at Spies Public Library at any time or call for more info!

940 First St.  
Menominee

(906)863-3911



Above, Arijanah & Maylyn pose for a picture at Spies...they are both well on their way to their goal with Arijanah beyond the 200 book level & Maylyn beyond the 100 book level!



## Places to Go/Things to Do (continued)

December 29

**CHILD AND BABYSITTING SAFETY COURSE.** Offered at the Greater Marinette-Menominee YMCA, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., for ages 11 and older. \$50 per participant, includes lunch, materials and certificate. People may register at the YMCA Welcome Center or email [ivys@mmymca.org](mailto:ivys@mmymca.org) for more information.



December 30



### YMCA K-3 BOYS AND GIRLS YOUTH BASKETBALL CLINIC.

This one-day only clinic will be held at the Greater Marinette-Menominee YMCA from 9:30-11 a.m. Kids will work on skills like dribbling, passing, shooting and defense. The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for the general public. For more information or to register, please call the YMCA @ 906-863-9983.

### ONGOING EVENTS

**FREE TUTORING PROGRAM.** Every Thursday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. for children in grades K-6, at Christ Lutheran Church, 613 11th Ave., Menominee. Snacks are provided. For more information, please call Len Welling, 906-863-2366 or the Rev. Cole, 906-863-3095.

**YMCA AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM (FIVE SITES).** Off-site at Central School, Trinity Lutheran, First United Methodist Church, Marinette Middle and Peshtigo Elementary. Monday through Friday 3-6 p.m. Marinette Middle School Monday through Thursday 3-5:30 p.m. Please call the YMCA for more information and price, 906-863-9983. The YMCA After School Program does not operate on the weekend, full days off of school or days off due to inclement weather (half or full days).



**DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENINGS.** Menominee County Intermediate School District will conduct Early Childhood Developmental Screenings for children from birth through age 5 (if not attending school). Screenings are held from 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Menominee County Intermediate School District, 1201 41st Ave., Menominee. Arrangements can be made for children located in the Carney-Nadeau and North Central school districts. Appointments are required. Please call the Menominee County ISD, 906-863-5665 ext. 1010 for more information.

**ZUMBA.** Free classes for everyone at any age, any fitness level. Held Saturdays, from 8:30-9:30 a.m., at North Shore Church, 511 47th Ave., Menominee. For more information, please call Kristine, 814-397-4769, or North Shore Church, 906-863-3212.



December 19 to February 6

### AODA (ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE) FAMILY

**EDUCATIONAL SERIES.** Marinette County Health and Human Services-ADAPT announces the next series open to the public. Presentations will be Mondays from 6-8 p.m., for 6 weeks. All sessions will be held in the basement conference room at 2500 Hall Ave., Marinette. Participants must register by calling 715-732-7760 or 1-888-732-7549 & reserve space—space is limited. No cost to the participants. Participants expected to attend all 6 session to be eligible for a Certificate of Completion.



Menominee County

**WINTER FARMERS MARKETS**



These locations in Menominee will continue to hold Farmers Markets during the colder months. Don't miss out! Held Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon inside the M&M Plaza by Mighty Pet and at the Menominee Senior Center, 905 10th St.



**A PEEK AT OUR GREAT START READINESS PROGRAM CLASSROOMS:**

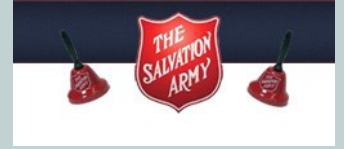
4-year old students in Carney's GSRP classroom..focused on learning through play!  
**ORANGE ROCKS!**



## Places to Go/Things to Do (continued)

### Here's How You Can Help Our Community...

**THE SALVATION ARMY'S RED KETTLE AND BELL RINGING.** Spots are still open and need to be filled – please sign up at [www.samarinette.org](http://www.samarinette.org).



**TRIPLE C RIDERS TOY COLLECTION.** Held for the locally hospitalized children. The toys are given to the children in Bay Area Medical Center, Marinette; Bellin Hospital, Oconto; and the St. Clair Hospital; Oconto Falls. Toys are given out during the holiday season as well as throughout the year. The collection sites are located in the following communities: Crivitz - Piggly Wiggly and Dan & Tim's Riverside; Marinette - Apple Jack's, Cozzy's, Jack's Fresh Market, Loopy's 2, Terry's Last Stop and the Marinette Welcome Center; Menominee - Schloegel's Restaurant and Schooner Pub and Grill; Stephenson - Camp Shakey and Shakey Lakes



### Free Meals for Area Families

**THE LORD'S DINER.** An evening meal program held every Wednesday, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Pierce Avenue and University Drive. The Lord's Diner serves a variety of hot meals and includes a food pantry. Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul, First United Methodist Fellowship/Faith Baptist Church, Community Covenant Church, St. Paul's Church, St. James Church, the Christian Motorcycle Association and Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Volunteer servers and food donations are welcome.



For more information, please call the Our Savior's office, 715-735-3101

**FREE COMMUNITY MEAL PROGRAM.** Monday, Tuesday and Thursday (except holidays) from 4:30-5:15 p.m. at the Salvation Army, 80 W. Russell St., Marinette. Anyone is welcome. For more information, please call 715-735-7448.

**DAR BOYS & GIRLS CLUB FREE MEAL.** Meals are available 3:45 p.m. Monday-Friday on school days. For more information, please call 906-863-9512

### Menominee Recreation Department Activities

**Santa's Mailbox:** Santa has set up a mailbox at the Menominee Recreation Department! Children up to age 8 are welcome to mail their letters to Santa in care of the Recreation Department and Santa will reply. Letters must be received by Monday, December 19th in order to give Santa plenty of time to respond. Program is free, but make sure to include a self addressed stamped envelope with your letters. Mail to: Santa's Workshop Attn: Rec. Dept. 2515 10th Street, Menominee, MI 49858



**"Happy Holidays" coloring contest!** The contest is open for boys and girls in grades K-3. The coloring page may be picked up at the Recreation Department (2515 10th Street) or printed by clicking the happy holiday coloring contest button. Entries will be judged according to grade level. Coloring pages may be submitted by mail or dropped off to the Recreation Department by Tuesday, December 27th before 4:00.