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Association for the Education of Young Children of Missouri

NAEYC Membership Renewal



Just a reminder for many that your membership expired on Dec 31, 2011. Don't miss one day of your membership benefits. Go to NAEYC (www.naeyc.org) to renew today!!

AEYC-MO Seeks Nominations for Board Positions

The AEYC-MO board still seeks nominations for the positions of Treasurer and President-Elect. Elected officers will assume their position in the summer of 2012. The position of Treasurer is a two year position and the position of President-Elect is a one year position, (followed by two years as President, and one year as Past President, for a total commitment of 4 years). Complete Job Descriptions can be found on the AEYC-MO website (www.aeyc-mo.org) under the "Get Involved" / "Volunteer" links on the homepage. If you would like to nominate someone from your local Chapter, or if you are interested in one of these positions yourself, please contact Lynda Snuffer at lsnuffer@mail.ncmissouri.edu. Nominations will be accepted until January 18, 2012.



"Growing Missouri's Leaders" Conference



September 21-22, 2012
Springfield, MO

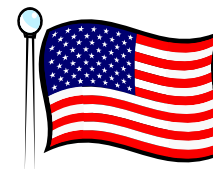
SAVE the DATE

The AEYC-MO Board has set the dates for their third annual "Growing Missouri's Leaders Conference. It will be held on September 21-22, 2012, in Springfield, MO. Mark those calendars now and make plans to attend.

We will be looking for presenters to provide a wide variety of workshops based on the skills and competencies identified as important for Early Care and Education professionals. Conference registration fees for up to two presenters per session will be waived for the day of presentation. If you are willing to share your expertise and time with other early childhood professionals, please consider submitting a proposal. If you know of others who may be interested, please pass this information on to them, too. The CFP will be placed on the AEYC-MO website (www.aeyc-mo.org) by March 1, 2012.

"Give ARMY Parent's a Break" Program Offered in Missouri

Child Care Aware[®] of Missouri, the state Child Care Resource and Referral Network, is joining forces with the National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NACCRRA) to promote "Give Army Parents a Break," a project designed to provide child care to Families of geographically dispersed Army Recruiters, Drill Sergeants, ROTC Cadre, and deployed Army National Guard, and deployed Army Reserve soldiers in Missouri.



Funded by the U.S. Army Child, Youth & School Services (CYSS), "Give Army Parents a Break" allows Army Families to access from 8 to 16 hours of free child care per month at a Missouri State licensed and annually inspected child care program. For official guidelines and to register for the services go to www.mo.childcareaware.org or call 866-892-3228.



Kathy Thornburg 2011 Scholarship Recipient Named

The 2011 recipient of the 5th annual Kathy Thornburg Leadership Scholarship was named in September at the annual conference. Elysia Contreras of Kansas City was selected to receive the scholarship, with Mike Abel serving as her mentor. The \$500.00 Scholarship is awarded each year to an applicant who works with a mentor of their choice for the following year to look at growth and leadership opportunities. Part of that process is using the funds to attend a conference or training that supports leadership development. More info and the application form are on the [AEYC-MO website](http://www.aeyc-mo.org).

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