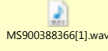




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LINKS Mat Su Parent Resource Center is having our annual CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE December 16th from 10am-3pm

Come and join us for food, drinks and fun!



SANTA CLAUS will be visiting us from 12-2pm!
Come and have your picture taken with him and his elves will be sure to email it to you!

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LINKS Mat-Su Parent Resource Center

Holiday Events

- Dec. 2 @ 8pm Friday night is the Santa Cop Barn Dance at Raven Hall on the Alaska State Fairgrounds. Great music, fun dancing, good food, and a silent auction.
- Dec. 3 - Saturday The Josh Fryfogle and Meggie Aube Concert will be at 6:00 or 8:00 at the Mat-Su Cinema. Just \$15, call 373-2698.
- Friday Dec. 9 & 10 - Palmer's Colony Christmas. Friday night it is the Holiday Ball at the Fairgrounds.
- Saturday there are lots of great events in Downtown Palmer including a Mat-Su Special Santa Open House at Colony Inn from 10-4. We will have a Festival of Mini-Trees for sale. The 18 inch to 3 feet trees will be beautifully decorated. They will be part of the silent auction that will be going on throughout the day. We will also have 3 vendors with cookies for sale, fused glass and handmade silk scarves. Special Santa will be collecting toys and other donations throughout the day as well.
- A parade at 5:00 and fireworks following will bring a fantastic closure to the day.

Secret Santa

LINKS has applications for the Secret Santa program. There are income requirements which you can call and find out about or email. Santa requests need to be turned in by December 9th. We are open from 9-4pm Monday through Friday.

LINKS Conference

We have a date!! Start planning for April 20th and 21st at the Best Western Lake Lucille. Now is the time when parents and professionals can offer suggestions for class speakers or subjects that they would like to be addressed. Please email or call in your suggestions. We are planning on having two days of classes related to disabilities and teaching methods. Join us to get new information, continue your education and become the best advocate for your children.

Classes

RSVP 373-3632

December & January Classes

- Tammy Peria is offering Advocacy Training on the 15th of December from 12-2pm
- January 11th Dr. Keene is offering a Vision Therapy Presentation from 11-1pm lunch will be included
- January 12th Tammy Peria is offering Resources 12-2pm
- January 26th Tammy Peria is offering Person Centered Planning 12-2pm

Yea! Technology!

LINKS has been connecting with our National Alliance Center and will soon be offering online classes and webinars. Webinars will be advertised on our webpage with nationally recognized speakers. Facebook is our friend and we have been placing Tammy Peria's classes on our facebook page. If you have a minute please go check out the classes, they are well worth your time. We will also be getting a Youtube account where classes will be placed so that individuals will be able to view them when it is convenient to best serve the needs of parents.

Looking Forward:

Family Development Camp for Foster and Adoptive families addressing Reactive Attachment Disorder with Nancy Thomas May 13-19 2012

Contact Laura Wagner or Crystal Loncle Alaska Attachment and Bonding Assoc. 376-0366



**Merry Christmas and
Happy Holidays from the
Staff at LINKS**

Continuing Education

The Trust Training Cooperative offers free and accredited classes available at different times in different locations throughout the state. Parents and professionals can sign in and attend classes individually or through LINKS.

Website: <https://www.ttclms.org/>

Please also view www.pacer.org for free classes on different disabilities.

Local Events

MSSCA is hosting a semi formal Christmas Dance at Palmer Moose Lodge December 9th, 7-10pm free with snacks and refreshments.

Hope Community Services has recycle Bingo on every Tuesday except the 2nd Tuesday of the month call Beth Earl 631-3708

Dorothy Page Museum Sat. December 3rd 1:30-4pm Free to the public Wasilla Community Christmas, activities, hayrides, contests and cocoa and cookies.

Thank You Volunteers!

Special thanks are due the following volunteers:

Social Group for making our gift bags for the open house (yummm!)

Austin for shredding

Jacob, Kena and Janet for keeping our office clean

Melanie for office support