



Newsletter

January 2010 - Presidents' Message

Happy New Year!

It's a new decade, and I'm patiently waiting for all the futuristic things that were to make our lives easier. My favorite would be the pneumatic tubes in transporting the daycare children (and parents) to where ever you need them sent. Oh...wouldn't that be awesome?!

I look forward to this New Year with excitement; your board has planned fun and educational meetings including the annual Provider Appreciation Dessert. The California Association Family Child Care (CAFCC) is hosting the annual President's Summit and State Conference. Child Care Links and 4C's continue to provide workshops to help us and our business. Las Positas College is hosting Our Focus: The Child Conference at Chabot College.

On behalf of our association, I wish to sincerely thank The Center for Health Training for being selected to receive The Family Child Care Association Development & Training Project Association Grant for 2009. Our association has been able to reach out to new providers, implement a Toy Lending Library, revised our website and logo, and presented a leadership conference. We've offered Mentoring and Scholarships to the CAFCC President's Summit and State Conference.

As your president I would also like to thank the VFCCA board and members for your awesome support these past three years. I have thoroughly enjoyed our time together; networking, meetings, workshops, conferences, dessert and implementing the CHT Grant! As your friend and president I enjoy speaking to you directly listening to your concerns and ideas. Our association represents many voices from Dublin, Pleasanton, Byron and Livermore. It is your voice that deserves to be heard.

This is your profession, your future
Linda Ross
VFCCA President

[Help build our Library! Order Story Time Felts \(see inside for details\)](#)

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Toy Lending Library

To donate or check out toys call or e:mail Lendel and she will deliver within a week.

Phone:925-828-9359

E:mail:
Lendel@comcast.net

All items are featured on our web site or call me for a catalog.

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Up Coming Meetings:

VFCCA Meeting Feb. 23, 2010

Child Care links

7:00 p.m.

1029 Serpentine Lane Ste. 102

Pleasanton, Ca. 94566

We welcome a representative from the 4 C's Food Program.

VFCCA March Meeting 16, 2010 (same address as above)

7:00 p.m.

Swap and Share Meeting

White elephant gift.

Coming in April-provider appreciation and May-elections. (See on-line calendar for details)

2010 Recruiter Recognition

Get 3 people to join by May, and you will get **\$10.00 off** on your membership dues. (more details at Feb. meeting)



Free Tax Preparation Services at 4C's of Alameda County

Call 4C's at 510-690-2141 to see if you qualify and to schedule your free tax

Healthy Families saved for now!

When healthy families funding was cut by \$174 million in the state budget, advocates worried that children would lose their health insurance-and that California would lose federal matching funds. Then First 5 pledged \$81 million to cover the gap and legislators voted to partially extend a tax on health insurance-but the funds are only for one year. For more information contact 510-763-2444

Child Care Links presents The 10th Annual Tri Valley Preschool Fair and VFCCA will be there to represent you!

Saturday Feb. 6, 2010 in Pleasanton at the Senior Center 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

VFCCA extends our gratitude to the Center for Health Training as a recipient of the 2009 Family Child Care Association Grants Award.

Child Care Law Center

For 30 years Child Care Law Center has provided legal services to every child, every family and every community in California. In December they had to close their doors. They are trying hard to find ways to provide their services again by perhaps partnering with allied organizations.



Our Board is here to serve you!



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We are working hard for you, come and join us at the meetings!

Don't miss the
2010 Growth
Conferences
Presidents Summit
Feb. 20,21
The Child Conference
March 13
State Conference
April 23-25

Happy Birthday!

February
1-Jacquelin Sullivan
8-Valerie Morgan
11-Kay West
16-Julie Viscovich
20-Lendel Stanley
March
11-Valli Annamalai
19-Marilyn Glass
21-Deborah Barker/Nancy Mullins
27-Maria D. Romo

Check out our **NEW website!** www.valleyfamilychildcareassociation.com

Providers Needed!
Leaving town? Have an emergency? Call another provider, if they have an opening they can help you.

- Preventing the Flu!
1. Have children and parents wash their hands when they come to work and when they leave.
 2. Teach children to cough into their sleeve.
 3. Wash hands several times a day especially after working with one child so you don't spread it to the next child.
 4. Clean toys regularly.

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Association**

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*Providers have utilized our resources
to improve their child care businesses.*



Our Mission:
To provide educational opportunities, support, networking, and fellowship for licensed family child care providers. Informing and educating our members to encourage the highest quality child care.

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**Join for FREE thru
MAY, 2010. Try us
out and enjoy the
benefits! Tell a friend!**

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See you at our February meeting!