

NEWSLETTER



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Changes in BFTS

The major purpose of an association is to network and share news in our field. Well, the biggest news right now is that Bright From The Start (BFTS) is moving forward in demanding more education for all child care providers. Even though, it has been expressed that this will be only required of new registrants I would urge all to take advantage of any program available to get your certificate or degree, like Scholarships and Incentives Program. The suggested rule is that new applicants must supply documentation of increased college level education in early child care, i.e. CDA, Child Development Associate.

Mark your 2009 Calendars

Our First meeting will be on **Saturday, January 24th** our topic will be **Scholarships & Incentives Program** from Care Solution's Erica Goldthorp. This would be a great opportunity for all to get the inside scoop on the program and actually complete applications. For instance this program is open to and has awarded all providers and professional in early care and learning. The next deadline for application submissions for this State sponsored program will be in February. All

industries are feeling the pinch and we are no exceptions. Please take advantage of all the opportunities out there. This program could bring you as much as an extra \$1,000 yearly. All members in attendance will receive their SCAPCC official membership certificates with membership cards which can be used as verification in with grant application submissions. At this time location is still to be determined. The Lovejoy library will not have their January calendar ready until the new year. I will let you know of location in the January Newsletter.

CPR & First Aid Training

If your training is about to expire we will have training available in January. Our own **Lois Walker** will provide this training at her home. We have suggested **Saturday, January 17th** as the date for this training. Please give Lois a call at **770-473-4564** for more details.

New Inspectors and More...

The Department of Early Care and Learning have hired more inspectors to help Georgia be up-to-code on their annual inspections. So don't be surprised in 2009 if you actually get seen by your

anniversary date. Also, the case loads will be shifted so there is a high possibility that you may not have the same inspector that you are used to. Finally, because of the struggling economy there has been an increase of FDCH applicants. Many people are trying to get an income from home, which means that there will be more competition within your area than usual.

It has been Great!



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"Striving to Do More"

I hope that you have enjoyed what we have accomplished this year. Our tagline is "Striving to Do More" and I hope that you feel that we are doing just that. **SCAPCC 2009 membership fee is \$40.00**, this fee will be due by our January 24th meeting. You can submit prior to that date just let me know.

**Seasons Greetings
Happy New Year!**

**May 2009 be filled
with blessings for
you and your
family.**