

# Painting Our Children's Future

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Charles County Family Day Care Association, Inc.  
1282 Smallwood Drive West Suite 122  
Waldorf, Maryland 20603

## Calendar of Events

### Board meeting dates and places:

January 8th at 6:30 at Applebee's in Waldorf

All board meetings are open to the public. Please e-mail your president, Wendy Dingus if you plan on attending at [ccfdca@comcast.net](mailto:ccfdca@comcast.net)

### Volunteers Needed:

Adopt A County Road Quarterly Clean Up!

Our Adopt A County Road, clean up will take place in February. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Wendy Dingus at [ccfdca@comcast.net](mailto:ccfdca@comcast.net)

### Volunteers Needed

If you have a special talent or some free time, join a committee and help out. You will receive PAU's for volunteering. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Wendy Dingus at [ccfdca@comcast.com](mailto:ccfdca@comcast.com)

## Your 2014 Board Members

President: Wendy Dingus  
Vice President: Charmin Parks  
2nd Vice President: Clare Foss  
Secretary: Lauren Hall  
Treasurer: Barbara Farmer  
State Director: Rebecca Hancock

## WELCOME NEW & REJOINED MEMBERS

Cho Marie Barnes  
Melissa Brown  
Bonnie Dodson  
Juanita Donahue  
Dena Garrett  
Theresa Morris  
Becky Robertson

Carrigton/Arthur Middleton  
Fairway Village/Mary Neal  
Strawberry Hills/JC Parks  
Brentwood/Diggs  
Laurel Ridge/White Marsh  
LaPlata/Matula

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Hello and Happy New Year to all of you,

We are leaving 2014 with a bang, our conference was a huge success and if you missed it you really missed it. Thank you to all that volunteered their time. We could truly not have put on such a great conference without your help.

2015 is going to be a great year for providers in Charles County. We have secured 5 FREE trainings for the coming year, by using grants that were available to us. These FREE trainings will only be available to members of the CCFDCA, so get your memberships renewed and enjoy all the benefits of these trainings and free gifts that we will be also be receiving.

We will be focusing on the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) for most of our trainings in 2015, along with a SIDS class, and the Food Program.

So mark your calendar for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month for the CCFDCA Trainings. The board decided to go back to only one training a month. If you would like to volunteer on any of the needed committees, please let us know by emailing us at [ccfdca@comcast.net](mailto:ccfdca@comcast.net)

We would love to have your help.

Please be looking at all your information that you will need to know for your business, upcoming changes to licensing regulations, by reading your emails, and Partners Newsletter.

Be aware that many regulations will effect most providers, from supervision to the way you run your daily schedule.

I am so excited about 2015 and I hope you will be to. See you in 2015

Happy New Year – Wendy Dingus – President CCFDCA, Inc.

Hello Providers,

Here we are in 2015. Are you ready to challenge your children and set them up to succeed for the New Year?? Here we go! I wish everyone the best in this New Year.

Don't forget to renew for 2015. Many of you renewed at our wonderful annual Conference in November. There are many benefits to joining our County Association. We still have the Phone Tree and emails to alert you of all our trainings. They are booked for the year - so PLEASE take a moment when you see Wendy to Thank her for all her hard work in setting up our professional trainings.

You will find the Application to renew at the end of this newsletter. You may pay on line via Pay Pal but you must still submit a copy of your OCC license each year upon renewal. If you are able, you may email me a copy of your license, no fax though. Or you may mail your license, application and payment to our P. O. Box listed on application.

This newsletter comes out quarterly so take a moment to read the new members names and network with those that live near you. Let's help each other out to fill our available openings. Don't forget to call me every month to alert me of your available openings. Keep your school district, neighborhoods, phone number and emails updated with me. Accurate information will keep those calls coming to you as I receive them.

Happy New Year,

Clare Foss

Vice President & Membership Coordinator

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301-645-0534

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!**

#### **JANUARY**

Yvonne Bell

Leomie Brown

Yvonne Cooper

Julie Deal

Wanda Howell

Cherie Newsome

Susan Porter

Michelle Reyes

Gwen Tillman

Shakeela Yousfi

#### **FEBRUARY**

Bonnie Dodson

Elsa Graham

Fe Nolan

Ethonia Thompson

#### **MARCH**

Rebekah Brown

Notosha Duckett

Debbie Fikejs

Iraida Gutierrez

Charmin Parks

Mabel Pinto

Katherine Savage

Hello Licensed Child Care Providers,

Welcome to the Brand New Year! You know what they say??? "They Say" Membership Has Its Rewards.

The Charles County Family Day Care Association has so much to offer. Let me list just a few rewards to remind you what you may be missing.

We have great free or very low cost trainings

Provider Appreciation Day

Annual Conference & Christmas Party

Mentoring providers

Notary Services

Networking and Fellowship at our trainings and events

Web site and phone listings for potential clients

PAU letters for all volunteer jobs including our Adopt A County Road

Occasional Door Prizes

Networking through our large email lists including yard sales and day care sales

Quarterly newsletter & advertising in our quarterly newsletter

Assistance in becoming Credentialed or Accredited

Full Membership to the Maryland State Family Child Care Association.....

GEEE that makes me want to join right away!

Trainings are held at the Huntington Recreation Center at  
3281 Huntington Circle, Waldorf, MD. 20602.

Doors open at 6 PM and classes start promptly at 6:30 PM.

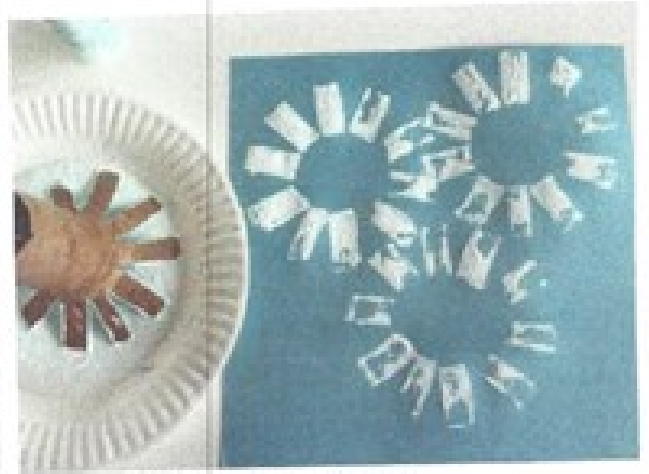
Just use the application enclosed and REMEMBER to include a copy of your OCC license when you renew or join. Call or email me if you have any questions.

Happy New Year to all.

Clare Foss - Membership Coordinator 301-645-0534 or [claresdaycare@yahoo.com](mailto:claresdaycare@yahoo.com)



### Paper Tube Snowflake Stamps



Paper Tube Snowflake Stamps  
[makeandtakes.com](http://makeandtakes.com)

### Easy Kid's Handprint Keepsake Craft Makes A Great Gift



EASY KEEPSAKE CRAFT





Flamingo Valentine cards





shamrock hand print craft



Cherry Blossom Art using a recycled soda bottle



1 Fish 2 Fish Red Fish Blue Fish



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Bj has the 2015 Calender Keepers. These are a must have, see her at trainings to pick one up! \$10.00

Please see Bj Farmer at monthly trainings or call her at 301-645-2189



Do you have any fundraising ideas? Please send any ideas to our President at [ccfdca@comcast.net](mailto:ccfdca@comcast.net).

Our website is now up and running! Please check out your PAL information on the web site at [chcfdc.org](http://chcfdc.org) to make sure your information is correct. If you have any changes please email Clare Foss at

[claresdaycare@yahoo.com](mailto:claresdaycare@yahoo.com)

**MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION, OFFICE OF CHILDCARE**

***Regulations, Requirements and  
Forms***

Providers: Did you know that you are now **required** to have a CPR face mask in your first aid kit? You can now purchase your CPR face mask for \$7.00 from the Association at our monthly meetings.

Please remember to check OCC's website for updated information and changes to the Regulations and Forms. Visit the link below:

[http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child\\_care/child\\_care.htm](http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/child_care/child_care.htm)

## Carpet Cleaning Services

Fredia and Hughie Judge are the owners of United Custodial Services which specializes in **Carpet and Upholstery cleaning**. Other services provided are Office Cleaning, Auto Detailing, Lawn Mowing, Yard Cleanup, Light Hauling and more. If you are in need of any of these services they can be contacted at the numbers listed below.

Office: [301 638-4296](tel:3016384296)

Cell: [301 659-1315](tel:3016591315)

## CPR & First Aid Training Classes

Steve Mandragos 240-508-9063

In order to accomodate work schedules we offer classes during the weekday evenings one month and the next month a one-day weekend class.

Course costs, please contact [Info@lifesaver-training.com](mailto:Info@lifesaver-training.com) to obtain the current pricing.

January 10, 2015 Saturday same times 8 AM CPR 10:30 AM First Aid

February 21, 2015 Saturday

March 14, 2015 Saturday

All classes will be held at:

2350 Hamilton Road  
Waldorf, MD 20601

**Charles County Family Day Care Association, Inc. (CCFDCA, Inc.)****1282 Smallwood Drive, West Suite 122****Waldorf, MD 20603****PAL Line: 301-645-0534****[www.chccfdca.org](http://www.chccfdca.org)****One year Membership Application - (January 1st - December 31st)****Waiver & Provider Access Line (PAL) Registration**

Our goals are to promote the professional growth of family childcare providers and to increase and improve public awareness of Family Child Care Providers as Professionals. Because we have taken an initiative role of advocate for our profession, we now have an active voice with County, State, and Federal Legislators in the State of Maryland.

There are many benefits in becoming a member of the CCFDCA. We pledge to assist you in initiating your family childcare business, through networking and support in the areas of advertising, contracts, and other related childcare issues. We encourage professional growth and development by advocating and initiating low cost or free training. We will be mentors, provide support, and serve as champions on behalf of our members. We will keep members abreast of changing issues and current events in childcare, including meetings, training, and social activities. We offer a free notary service, and quarterly newsletters. We encourage the use of the "Providers Access Line (PAL) (a current certificate of registration must be on file), where your information is provided to help you increase your businesses enrollment. We will also include your name and business in an area provider directory. A portion of your yearly membership fees includes your membership into the Maryland State Family Child Care Association (MSFCCA).

Associate Members are those who have not completed the registration process through the Maryland State Department of Education, Office of Child Care (OCC). However, they may benefit from participating in our trainings, meetings, social activities and other limited benefits of a registered member. They may not hold office, vote, or participate in "PAL", or information on the website.

A one-year membership is **\$45.00** for all members. Members who hold a dual registration are required to pay **\$45.00** for the first person and **\$40.00** for each additional co-provider. These fees may be paid by cash Pay Pal, money order or personal checks. There will be a return check fee of \$30.00 plus the amount of the check for returned checks. A copy of your current MSDE, OCC certificate of registration, a completed membership application, and membership fees should be mailed to:

CCFDCA, Inc. C/O Membership

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Make Checks payable to: Charles County Family Day Care Association, Inc. (CCFDCA, Inc.)

One-Year Membership Application, PAL Registration, & Waiver Form

One Year Membership Application - January 1st thru December 31st

**A COPY OF YOUR OCC REGISTRATION MUST ACCOMPANY THIS PAYMENT**

Please Print:  New Member  Renewing Member  Associate Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Date of Birth (Month)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Child Care Facility

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address

City \_\_\_\_\_, State \_\_\_\_\_, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER, TRAININGS AND OTHER INFORMATION**

**Current Openings:**  Under 2  Over 2  Both

**Neighborhood(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**School District(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

Hours of Operation: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you Accredited: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you Credentialed: \_\_\_\_\_ Level \_\_\_\_\_

Other Types of Approved Care (**Circle all that apply**) Weekends Evenings 24 Hour Part Time

Drop-In 4 Infants Substitute Care Planning Council (Food Program) Social Services Special Needs

I \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant the CCFDCA, Inc. permission to place generic/general information regarding my family child care business on their webpage and to give out the same information over the telephone for the Provider Access Line (PAL). I understand that this is for the sole purpose of providing potential clients an additional avenue of contacting me regarding childcare services. By signing this wavier, I agree not to hold the CCFDCA, Inc. or the CCFDCA, Inc. board accountable or responsible for any actions resulting from the release of my information.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not wish for my information to be listed on the CCFDCA, Inc.'s Webpage.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not wish for my information to be given to parents that may call for the Providers Access Line (PAL).

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Provider's Signature** **Date**

How can the CCFDCA, Inc. assist you? \_\_\_\_\_

What contributions can you offer CCFDCA? (Volunteer, Special Skills, Interest, etc...)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Would you like to volunteer for Phone Tree, Snacks, assisting with Annual Conference or Provider Appreciation Day?

\_\_\_\_\_  
**CCFDCA USE ONLY** **DATE RECEIVED** **MEMBERSHIP DATE**

**CHECK # OR CASH** **LICENSE #** **LICENSE EXP.** **STATE CARD #**