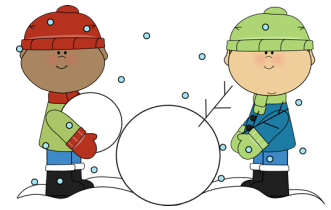




Delta County Great Start Parent Coalition Newsletter

January 2019



The Delta County Great Start Parent Coalition meets monthly from 6-7:30pm

Our next meetings: January 17th & February 21st at the Delta-Schoolcraft ISD, Escanaba

*Our VISION is a community where all children come first by empowering parents with knowledge and skills.
Our MISSION is to create a team of parents, working together, to provide families with information,
a supportive network, and the chance to make a positive difference in Delta County.*

January Community Family Events

1/3/19 **\$1 Bowling Night** 4pm-9pm at Bowl-a-Rama. Affordable bowling for families \$1 per game, shoe rentals, pizza slices and pop. First Thursday of each month. Visit Bowl-a-Rama on Facebook for more details.

1/5 & 2/2/19 **Happy Tails Story Time & Open House** 10:30am -11:15am at the Delta Animal Shelter meets on the 1st Saturday of the month for kids ages 3-5 years old. Features animal related stories, activities and an opportunity to meet some animal guests. deltaanimal.org

1/6 - 2/17/19 **Co-ed Youth Basketball** for boys 1st-4th Grade and Girls 1st-5th Grade held in the Y gym. Grades 1st-2nd 1:00-2:00pm, Grades 3rd-5th 3:00-4:00 pm. Practices begins the week of Jan 7th (date/time TBA by coaches). Games held Sundays beginning Jan 20th at 1:30pm \$32 Members/\$64 General Public. www.nlymca.com

1/7 - 2/17/19 **Basketball Cheerleading** ages 5-10 yrs. Practice Mon & Wed 5:30-6:30pm. Games Sundays at 3:00 at HIT Room in the Wells Sports complex. www.nlymca.com

1/9/19 **Grand-Families Support Group** 5:30pm-7:30pm at 1905 South 21st St. A group for grandparents raising grandchildren. Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month. Meal included. Call 789-0997 ext 101 to RSVP.

1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31/19 **Toddler Art and Music at the Bonifas** Thursdays, 9:30am-10:15am Ages: mobile to 3yrs and their caregivers led by professional teacher/musician, Lorne Watson. Combines fun and learning to nurture imagination, problem solving and motor skills. \$5 per session. Walk-ins welcome. www.bonifasarts.org

1/10, 1/21, 1/24/19 **MOPS** (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets 10am-11:30am, Thurs 1/10 & 1/24 and Mon 1/21 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at New Life Church in Escanaba. Childcare available. Find them on Facebook (Delta County MOPS) for the most up to date information and events.

1/11/19 **YMCA Parents Night Out** 5:30pm-8pm. Bring your kids ages 5-12 years to the YMCA for games, swimming, pizza and fun while you enjoy a night out. \$10members/\$15 gen public. Register at www.nlymca.com

1/12/19 **YMCA Nerf & Turf Night (3rd-8th graders)** at the HIT Room, Hannahville Ice & Turf Room, 1647 17.4 Road, Escanaba (inside Wells Sports Complex). The Y provides the space, obstacles, supervision and fun. Kids bring their own NERF gear: guns, bullets (must be Styrofoam with rubber ends), vests and goggles. (3rd-4th grade play 4-5:30pm/5th & 6th graders play 5:30-7pm/7th & 8th graders play 7-8:30pm). \$5 Members \$8 General Public www.nlymca.com

1/12/19 **Lego Club** 10:30am-12pm at the Escanaba Library. (Out of this World) for children ages 5 and up with caregiver. Have your child bring gallon sized zip lock bag of Legos and create together. There is a drawing for 2 Lego sets at the end of each Lego Club session. No registration required. www.escanabalibrary.org

1/15/19 **Child Find** Do you have concerns about your child's development? Want to make sure they are on track? Free developmental screenings for children 0-5 years old at the DSISD. Call 906-786-9300 ext 201 to schedule an appointment.

1/15-1/19/19 **1st Aid and CRP Training** 6pm-8pm at the YMCA. This Red Cross course consists of 6 hours of basic CPR training for adult and pediatric First Aid & AED training. Learn how to help in emergency situations. Ages 14 & up. All classes are mandatory. \$125 Members \$200 general public. www.nlymca.com

1/16/19 **Great Start Family Fun Night at Escanaba Library: Wonky Donkey** 6:30pm-7:30pm FREE! See how humor engages children in reading! Families will enjoy stories, a craft and snack. This is a pajama friendly event. Bring a gently used book to exchange to keep your home libraries exciting. Space is limited. Please register at tinyurl.com/ycfvatma or Contact Laurie Mold at 419-320-5542 with any questions.

1/17/19 ***NEW* Kinder-Light Play Group** 10:30-11:30am on the 1st & 3rd Thursday every month through May 10th in the Y gym. This play group is for families of little ones ages 0-5years to play and socialize with others. FREE to Members /\$10 General Public Family. www.nlymca.com

1/17/19 **Delta County Great Start Parent Coalition Holiday Party** 6pm-7:30pm at the Delta-Schoolcraft ISD. Audra Buchmiller from Delta County Pregnancy Services explains how they help women through crisis pregnancies. Learn about their free services that support families from parenting classes to the ability to earn diapers. Free dinner and childcare are provided. Please RSVP to 906-786-9300 ext 111 or lmold@dsisd.net with the number of adults & children attending.

1/18/19 **YMCA K-3 Sock Hop** 5:30pm to 8pm for ages 5-9 years. While the D.J. spins the music, kids will bop, jump and jam. Dancing, contests and food. Lots of fun on a cold winter night! \$8 members/\$12 general public. www.nlymca.com

1/19/19 **Escanaba Public Library Story Hour** The 3rd Saturday of the month Oct-May, 1:30pm in the Children's Library. FREE for children 4 years and older. No registration is required. Includes stories, crafts, and occasionally a book-related movie or special guest. **Toddler Time** meets **Wednesdays** at 10:30am. **Lapsit** for babies meets **Fridays** 10:30am. Registration required for these times. www.escanabalibrary.org

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1/19, 1/26, 2/2, & 2/9/19 **Y Warrior** 6-8pm in the Wells Sports complex HIT Room. Find your inner warrior by completing an indoor obstacle course designed to test physical and mental fitness. Compete in all 4 challenges and receive a warrior T-Shirt. Ages 6-11 compete on a smaller, kid friendly course. Age groups 6-11 and 12 & Up (\$8 Members/ \$12 General Public . www.nlymca.com

1/20-2/17/19 **Little Dunkers Basketball** Sundays 12:15pm-1pm for ages 4 through Kindergarten to learn basketball fundamentals. Includes free t-shirt. They need volunteer coaches! \$31 for members \$62 for gen public. Contact Boston Hood at 906-789-0005 or bhood@nlymca.com

1/24-/26/19 **Forest Roberts Theater presents East of the Sun, West of the Moon** 7:30pm, 1pm matinee on 1/25. \$15 adults/\$10 students. This full length never before seen ballet is a fairytale which lies "east of the sun and west of the moon." Can the girl find the troll kingdom and save her prince? Her breathtaking, magical journey comes to life in this stunning original production. www.nmu.edu/forestrobertstheatre/east-sun-west-moon or call 906-227-2082 for ticket info.

1/26/19 **Sibshop** 10am-1pm Sibshops are recreational workshops providing support and friendship for children ages 7-13years old who have a brother or sister with special needs. Contact Laurie Mold at 419-320-5542 or lauriemold@gmail.com to register and for more information.

1/26/19 **Fayette Lantern Lit XC Ski/Snowshoe/Hike** 6pm to 8pm at Fayette State Park in Garden. A 1.5 mi Bluff Trail will be lit with kerosene lanterns for an evening of snow fun. A warm bonfire marks the beginning and ending points. Marshmallows & hot chocolate behind park contact station. Dress warm. Recreation passport required. Call 906-644-2603 for more information.

1/30 & 2/13/19 **Snowshoeing and Skiing with SAIL Adaptive Recreation in Escanaba** 5:30pm-6:30pm **FREE** People of all abilities and ages are welcome! Registration required by contacting Mo at 906-228-5744 and Location and event details given upon registration. www.upsail.org

1/31/19 **Acoustic Duo: D & Chi** 7-8pm at Bay College Besse Theater. This Dallas Indie pop duo showcase what's sure to be hit songs that'll be stuck in your head. Tickets \$5 www.baycollege.edu

2/9/19 **YMCA Father/Daughter Sweetheart Dance** 5:30pm-8pm for ages 4 & up at the Terrace Bay Inn. Tickets sell out! On sale 1/2/19 - 1/30/19 as available. \$50 members, \$60 non-members, \$25 per additional daughter. Visit www.nlymca.com for details.

YMCA SAFE SITTER CLASSES

Safe sitter prepares kids to be safe when they are home alone, watching younger siblings or babysitting. Students learn life saving skills, including CPR. Runs from 9am to 2pm.



Upcoming dates are January 5th, March 27th, and April 19th. The cost is \$66 for members or \$100 for the general public with lunch included. Held at Bay College (room TBA).

Call 906-789-0005 to register

Great Start Family Fun Night

The Wonky Donkey

Wednesday January 16th, 2019

6:30pm-7:30pm at the Escanaba Public Library

Enjoy a super silly evening with your kids! We can all use a good laugh. Humor is good for your health and engages children in reading.



Free event features stories, craft, and snack.

Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/ycfvatma>

This is a pajama friendly event. Bring a gently used book to exchange!

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Sibshops is a free program for kids 7 to 13 year olds who have a brother or sister with special needs.

Sibshops are full of fun activities that will keep kids engaged while celebrating the important role siblings play with peers who can relate. Providing opportunities for fun & friendship in a supportive kid friendly format.

Sibshops will be held monthly on Saturdays from 10:00am-1:00pm at Webster Elementary in Escanaba

January 26th
February 9th
March 9th
April 6th
May 11th

Register by contacting Laurie Mold, Sibshop Facilitator at 419-320-5542 or lauriemold@gmail.com



Delta Schoolcraft IUSD Special Education Parent Advisory Committee



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