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PCANV News

Pinwheels for Prevention 2016 Statewide Summary

This year's "Pinwheels for Prevention" activities were a statewide success! Overall, 11 COUNTIES reported their participation in about 35 Pinwheels for Prevention events by either planting pinwheels in parks or courthouse lawns, or displaying them and sharing the pinwheel message, as well as involving school teachers, children and parents in the festivities.

Pinwheel organizers got their local community members involved by displaying pinwheels in local businesses, engaging local policy makers and public figures. They also collaborated with statewide service providers to build awareness of preventative measures that can be used to stop child abuse and neglect before it ever happens through community resource fairs, press conferences, and tabling at other events statewide.

[See the Preliminary Summary Here!](#)

Join Our Groups!



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PCANV Highlights

Save the Date!

StepUp *for kids*

is coming to a city near you
this September!

Save the Date!

Las Vegas Event:

September 26th ~ 3pm-7pm
at The Springs Preserve

*Details on Step Up for Kids Day
Events in Reno, Carson City, and
Elko COMING SOON!*

[Check the Website for more
information.](#)

PCANV Biannual Webinar

Thank you to those that joined
us for the

*"Elevating Your Organization's
Issue During an Election Year"*
Webinar last month!

Part 2 of this webinar series will
be coming in December!

We hope you will join us!

Free Community Trainings

Prevent Child Abuse Nevada is proud
to offer a variety of FREE trainings
for parents, youth, organizations and
the general community.

Many of our presentations are
available in English and Spanish.

Everyone has a role to play in
preventing child maltreatment. By
taking a class with us you are
learning how to keep the children in
our state safe. We are booking up
fast so contact us to schedule one
today!

Email or call us for more information
and to schedule a training with us at
preventchildabusenevada@unlv.edu



Fun Ideas for Families

Fireworks with the Family

July 4th fireworks symbolize a time of year when families and friends get together and enjoy each other along with watching fireworks. The loud bangs and booms of the Fireworks are exciting to watch and truly an amazing experience for children. However, the true symbolism for this day is often forgotten. On the 4th of July, the American nation began this holiday tradition as a way to celebrate our freedom. This day is known as Independence Day, and the celebration is not complete without the July fireworks lighting up the night sky.

Please consider the dangers of fireworks and leave lighting them off to the pros. See the Do's and Don'ts of firework safety.

**Find a family friendly show near you below!
Click your region for more info!**

Clark County Shows:

- July 3rd: **Stratosphere** @ 9pm
- July 2 & 3: **Caesars Palace**
- July 4th: **Green Valley Ranch Resort** @ 9pm
- July 4th: **Red Rock Resort** @ 9pm
- July 4th: **Boulder City** @ 9pm
- July 4th: **Henderson** - Mission Hills Park @ 9pm

Washoe County Shows:

- July 3rd: Star Spangled Sparks at **The Nugget** @ 9:45pm
- July 4th: **Aces Ballpark** after the game @ 6:35pm
- July 4th: The Reno Phil at **Wingfield Park** after concert

Northern Nevada Shows:

- July 3rd: **Kings Beach Party** at North Tahoe @ 9:30pm
- July 4th: **Virginia City** after dark
- July 4th: Lights on the Lake at **South Lake Tahoe** @ 9:45pm
- July 4th: Red, White & Tahoe Blue at **Incline Village**
- July 4th: **Tahoe City Commons Beach** @ 9:30pm
- July 4th: **Ely Northern NV Railway Museum** @ 9pm

[See ALL our Trainings in English & Spanish Here!](#)

PCA America Highlights

Our Partners at PCA West Virginia

Jim McKay, State Coordinator at PCA West Virginia had a few words to say about what our country should be outraged about.

A blurb reads:

"Instead of blaming each other and being outraged at the most recent sensational headline, it's time we enact laws and public policies that remediate child and family poverty. It's time that we increase efforts to meet children's basic needs. It's time that we develop partnerships with families and respect culturally diverse practices. It's time that we address our flawed systems of racial and socioeconomic disparities in this country."

[Read the complete article here!](#)

Parenting Tips for 2016

Safe Summer Road Trips!

If you are taking to the road this summer, follow these tips to help ensure you get to your vacation destination and back home safely:

1. Vehicle Maintenance

Tires - Make sure all tires (including the spare) are properly inflated. Inspect them for signs of excessive or irregular wear and, if necessary, have them rotated or replaced.

Belts, hoses and wiper blades -

Inspect and replace any that show signs of wear.

Fluid levels - Check your vehicle's coolant, brake, power steering, transmission and windshield washer fluids levels. Get an oil change if it is time for one.

Lights - Test the headlights, brake lights,

Make a Solar Oven!

Summer is here!
Why not use the heat to make a tasty treat?!

Here's what you'll need:
a pizza box, aluminum foil, box cutter (or knife), permanent marker, ruler, Elmer's glue, plastic ding wrap, black construction paper, and tape.

[Watch this short video with step by step instructions on how to make your solar oven!](#)

Have fun cooking!



Summer Reminders!

Beat The Heat, Check The Backseat!

Those hot temperatures are back! Whether you're a parent, caregiver or bystander of a child left in a car, it's important [to understand risk factors](#) contributing to child heatstroke!

Always remember to look twice before locking your vehicle.



Pool and Swim Safety

Swimming pools and spas are great places for family fun.

It's important to ensure that everyone follows these simple safety steps to stay safer in and around the water.

[Watch this short video about how you can make sure your kids are safe at the pool this summer.](#)

Never leave a child unattended in or near water.



Policy Updates

Nevada Policy Updates

Did you participate in Nevada's Primary Elections on June 14?

[Find all the results HERE!](#)



hazard lights, turn signals and interior lights to make sure they are in working order.

Roadside assistance - Keep a well-stocked emergency roadside kit in your vehicle at all times.

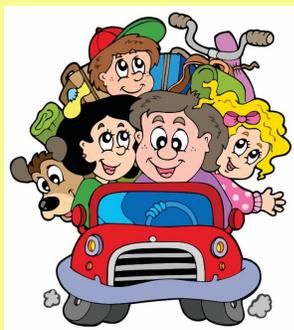
2. Driver and Passenger Safety

As people age, they begin to experience physical and cognitive changes that can affect their ability to drive. The following tips from can keep older drivers safe while keeping the road tripping experience stress-free:

- Travel in the daytime if you have trouble with night vision or glare.
- Don't solely rely on your mirrors. Turn your head often if you have diminished peripheral vision.
- Add a larger rear view mirror for increased visibility.
- Driving long distances can cause fatigue. Be sure to take frequent breaks to rest and eat.

When stopping at rest stops or gas stations, never leave family members or pets in parked vehicles. Even with the windows left open a few inches, the temperature inside a vehicle can reach dangerous levels within minutes.

Don't forget to Have Fun!



**adapted from ComforCare*

PCA NV Resources



Prevent Child Abuse Nevada has resources and trainings available to parents, educators and our partners. These resources are available digitally

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General Election is on November 8, 2016!

Are you registered to VOTE?

Online voter registration is now available for residents of all Nevada counties.

Eligible voters can register to vote and update their voter registration information online, including change of address and party affiliation. A DMV issued Driver's License or ID is required.

[Click Here For All The Information](#)

All counties now offer online registration but if you prefer to register using the Fillable Voter Registration Form, click the link above to find the form!

National Policy Updates

Bipartisan House, Senate Leaders Announce Proposed Child Welfare Legislation

The Family First Prevention Act of 2016 was recently made public. This is a bold and groundbreaking step forward to shift current funding priorities to allow for investment in frontend prevention services. The bill opens up Title IV-E entitlement funds for mental health, substance abuse and in-home services for children. The bill allows states to use the federal foster care dollars to pay for up to 12 months of family services to prevent children from needing to enter foster care. Biological families, adoptive families, and families where a relative is caring for the child would all be eligible for services, if needed to keep the child safely at home. Only prevention services classified as "promising," "supported," or "well-supported," would be eligible for reimbursement.

These services would include:

- o Mental health services;*
- o Substance abuse services and treatment; and*
- o In-home parent "skill-based" programs (parent training, parent education, and individual and family counseling)*

[Read More Here!](#)

National Child Abuse Coalition:

[The latest news on children and families...](#)

From Washington DC.

In exciting news, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services (CMCS) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) recently released an Informational Bulletin, [Maternal Depression Screening and Treatment: A Critical Role for Medicaid in the Care of Mothers and Children](#). In it, CMCS clarifies that since maternal depression screening is for the direct benefit of the child, state Medicaid agencies may allow the cost of such screenings to be claimed under EPSDT at a well child visit. States may also cover maternal depression screening for non-Medicaid eligible mothers during the well-child visit. In addition, states must cover any medically necessary treatment for the child as part of the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit. I think this is a positive direction policy-wise in terms of a two-generational approach.

via our website at

www.preventchildabusenevada.org

For more information or to request materials or trainings, you may contact us at 702-895-5053 or by emailing us at preventchildabusenevada@unlv.edu.

This is something Prevent Child Abuse America has been advocating for on the Hill and with the Administration for the past few years and I am glad to see guidance on this issue.

[Read more here!](#)



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