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Parent Connection welcomes you to:

**Dancing for Little Stars**

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**Event Schedule**

6:30 pm - Registration, Cocktails & Hors d’oeuvres, Silent Auction

7:30 pm - Welcome from Family Services and Parent Connection

8:00 pm - “Dancing for Little Stars” Competition and Community Awards Presentations

10:00 pm - Winners Announced

10:15 pm - "Afterglow" with more music, more dancing and more fun!

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Parent Connection is a parent education and early learning program that **Encourages, Strengthens** and **Supports** families in the Oshkosh area. Services include Parents as Teachers™ Home Visitation, Family Wellness Workshops, Teen Parent Programs, Dads Programs, Family Fun Events, Supervised Visitation and more. Your support helps to ensure that our local children are safe and thriving, and given the best start possible.

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Thank You to Our Sponsors:

Parent Connection Community Awards

Congratulations to the recipients of Parent Connection’s 2016 Community Awards:

2016 Good Heart Award
Stacey Otto
The Good Heart award recognizes the efforts of individuals who continually make a difference in the lives of children and families in the community.

Since 1997, Stacey has been employed at Winnebago County Department of Human Services as a clinical social worker providing individual and family counseling to children and families who have experienced trauma. In 2015, along with Elizabeth Pupeter, Stacey created Nurturing Connections, a trauma-informed service program that provides consulting, educational workshops and intervention services to children, families and professionals. That same year, she started consulting with Family Services’ Healthy Families program with the Home Visiting Reflective Practice Project. Stacey is deeply passionate about sharing what she has learned and has provided a variety of presentations and workshops on trauma and attachment throughout the state, sharing her knowledge and experience with others.

2016 Cherish the Child Award
Oshkosh Community YMCA
The Cherish the Child award recognizes outstanding service by honoring area professionals who go above and beyond to provide care and support to children and families in our community.

Lisa Nething is the Family and Special Events Director for the Oshkosh YMCA, a position she has held for the past 10 years. Lisa’s dedication to providing quality programming for families in Oshkosh is evident in programs she administers such as Wiggles and Giggles, YMCA Family Nights, Healthy Kid’s Day, Safety City, Daddy and Daughter Dance, Mother and Daughter events, Family Bingo Nights, and so much more! She is very passionate about preschool children and offers a variety of programming in arts, music and dance.

Angie Flanigan has worked for the Oshkosh YMCA for 14 years, most recently as the Senior Program Director. Working with children has always been Angie’s passion. Her desire to make a positive impact in the community defines the kind of person she is. Angie was instrumental in creating a mentoring programming at Jacob Shapiro school through the Partners at Learning Program. She also pioneered the Strong Moms program through the generous support of the Women’s Fund. Angie is always looking to improve and expand programming to meet the needs of those in our community.
Meet the Dancers

Yellow Rock Cloggers


Instructor: Jan Adams

The Yellow Rock Cloggers of Oshkosh formed in 1984, directed by Jan Adams and currently has 28 members between the ages of 7 and beyond. It’s a family oriented group comprised of sisters, grandmothers, mothers and daughters. They perform at many events including fairs, festivals, church functions, nursing facilities and many more social events.

Clogging is an American Folk Dance of individual expression. The word “clog” comes from the “Gaelic” and means “time”. This percussive dance with rapid-fire footwork including double taps on the toe & heel to create loud rhythmic tapping sounds. Keeping time with the downbeat of the music, clogging can be done with all types of music.

The Yellow Rock Cloggers are proud to be a part of the Dancing for Little Stars event and believe Parent Connection is a great organization to support.

High School Reunion

Dancers: Erin Martin, Holly Foster and Anna Allen

Salon Services: Mane Attraction

After an appearance at Dancing for Little Stars 2014, Anna, Holly, and Erin are back at it. The trio took a brief 2015 hiatus as they welcomed 2 more children into their collective brood. Today, Anna continues her admirable work as an educator in the Howard Suamico School District; Holly works tirelessly to raise her four amazing children, and Erin manages executive forecasting for facial tissue at Kimberly Clark. Anna, Holly and Erin are dancing again this year to show their tremendous respect and support for the important work Parent Connection does to benefit our community.

Oshkosh SW Rotary

Dancers: Jim Chitwood, Jon Dudzinski, Mike Dunn, Shelly Hurzeler, Scott Peck, Brennan Pollnow, Griffin Pollnow, John Rowe, Kari Seefeldt and Pete Weidner

Instructors: Julie and Lacey from Julie’s Touch of Silver

Southwest Rotary is proud to participate in a large number of events and projects within our community including Battle on Bago, Partners at Learning, Little Oshkosh, Meals on Wheels, Oshkosh beautification projects, Parent Connection’s Christmas Party, Celebration of Lights, Celebrate Education, Shared Harvest and many more. Southwest Rotary is also proud to be involved in International Service in Kenya and Peru. Helping the growth of future generations through educational programming is at the core of Southwest Rotary’s community involvement and one of the many reasons why they are proud to support Parent Connection.

Oshkosh area Rotary Clubs will launch “Wisconsin’s Best Ribfest” at Menominee Park. Watch for more info to come!
Meet the Dancers

Team Ridiculous
Dancers: Julie Olk, Katie Spaulding, Alyssa Curns and Janelle Ramirez
Instructor: Zumba, Choreography by 4Js

We are a group of women who like to have fun and stay fit. We may not be the best at what we do but we have fun and enjoy life. Parent Connection is wonderful. Some of us have been touched by this group and our lives are better because of it. We would not be the fun, loving, and wonderful people we are today if Parent Connection did not touch our lives in some way. Life is hard and there are many bumps along the way. Everyone needs help at some point in their lives and Parent Connection will hold your hand and help you step over that bump. We are so glad to be able to give back and help someone else with their journey in life. Stay strong, be positive and have FUN!!!!

Family Values Hair Salon
Dancers: Teri Stern, Samantha Clark, Leah Koon, Kellie Schmick, Robin Knoll and Aubyn Yogel

Salon Services: Family Values Hair Salon

Family Values enjoys being a part of the community. We service a diverse group of people in the salon and realize the impact that abuse and the effects that it can have. Every child deserves warm clothes on their back, a roof over their head, and a loving environment to support their growth. We are a family focused environment.

Bella Academy
Dancers: Stacy Martin, Julie Pamenter, Holly Holm, Rilla Cargile, Hailey Richter, Jessica Anderson, Nicole Getshke and Abby Berger
Instructor: Bella Academy Dancers
Salon Services: Bella Academy

Bella Academy dancers are honored to be part of Dancing for Little Stars fundraising event again this year. We are always looking for ways to assist in our community and very much enjoy helping Parent Connection. Besides this wonderful event, Bella Academy students have also provided Hair and Make up for the contestants for the Miss Oshkosh Pageant, and the MDA Summer Camp Prom. The Oshkosh YMCA also invited the Academy to a Tea Party where we taught little girls to style their hair. The students enjoy donating their time to helping others.

Meet the Dancers

Oshkosh Firefighters
Dancers: Matt Sommerfeldt, Matt Herbst, Steve Kraus, Kevin Putzer and Casey Wangard
Instructors: Julie & Lacey from Julie’s Touch of Silver

The Oshkosh Fire Fighters are too hot to handle in this competition! Being such an integral part in keeping our community safe, the Fire Fighters are happy to strut their stuff to raise money for child abuse prevention.
Meet the Dancers

**Wedding Crashers**

**Dancers:** Beth Stubing, Elizabeth Last, Elissa Kraynik, Melanie Phillips and Amy Burton

**Salon Services:** Mane Attraction

These five Parent Connection Staff members of Wedding Crashers have worked for Parent Connection for a combined total of over 22 years, and have worked with children and families in Oshkosh and Fox Cities area for a combined total of over 84 years! Beth is our Fox Cities’ Program Manager. Liz coordinates our Family Wellness Program in Oshkosh, which provides parenting classes and special events to all families in Oshkosh and surrounding areas. Elissa, Melanie and Amy provide Home Visitation services to first-time parents and high-risk families.

Text to Vote!  
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Tonight’s Raffle Items

1) **Roundtrip Airfare** Book your vacation now! Two tickets to anywhere JetBlue flies in the Continental United States! Purchase a box of Oaks Chocolates to win. $20 each, only 100 chances will be sold!

2) **Jordy Nelson Autographed Football** Own a piece of NFL history with this football autographed by elite receiver, #87 Jordy Nelson! $20 per ticket, only 52 tickets will be sold!

3) **Fitbit Blaze** Get fit in style with this smart fitness watch, complete with PurePulse heart rate, Connected GPS, on-screen workouts, call, text and calendar alerts. Syncs to over 200 devices. Purchase a Blue Ribbon Pin to win. $20 each, only 100 chances will be sold!

Winners will be announced tonight following the dance competition. See a volunteer attendant for your chance to win!

Thank You

Tonight marks the 9th and final Dancing for Little Stars event to benefit Family Services’ Parent Connection program in Oshkosh. On behalf of the staff and participants of Parent Connection, we would like to thank you for your support. Over the last 9 years, we have not only raised crucial funds that allow us to serve families in the Oshkosh area, we have also increased awareness of child abuse prevention. Although this year will be the final year for Dancing for Little Stars, we are not done! Next year, we will bring you a brand new event that will allow us to continue to bring services and programs to the Oshkosh community. To learn more or to volunteer for Parent Connection, fill out the card at your table.

“Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children.”

~ Charles Swindall ~

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