

## SAVE THESE DATES:

**April 6 & 7, 2017**

**Author, National Speaker, Dr. Paula Kluth**

As part of Autism Awareness Month, Florissa and Kreider Services will host Nationally known speaker, Dr. Paula Kluth. The two day training will be held at Sauk Valley Community College and is geared towards professionals, teachers and parents. The topic on the 6th will be "We Thought You'd Never Ask: Voices from the Spectrum" and the 7th will be "You're Going To Love This Kid." CEU Credits will be available. Specific details will be provided in the next calendar of events.

**April 29, 2017**

**Florissa Family 5K "Steps To Tomorrow"**

is a NEW 5k Family Walk / Run that will support programs at Florissa. The event will be held in the AM at Sauk Valley Community College on Saturday, April 29th. More details will come as information becomes available.

## Support the Mission

If you support the work of Florissa and the mission of Kreider Services, please consider making a financial gift or a donation of your time.

You can send donations to:

Kreider Services  
c/o Florissa  
500 Anchor Road  
Dixon, Illinois 61021  
(815) - 288-6691

or make electronic donations through our website by using PayPal at [florissacenter.org](http://florissacenter.org). Thank you for your support.

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Florissa is a centralized service facility for children (0-18 years of age) with behavioral, developmental, social and emotional needs. The opening of Florissa in spring of 2015 was assisted in part by a federal grant Kreider Services received from the Health Resources and Services Administration /Office of Rural Health Policy.

The main goal of Florissa is to provide the opportunity locally for evaluation, diagnosis and treatment under one roof. Florissa is collaborating with a pediatrician of KSB Hospital and staff of Sinnissippi Centers to provide a multi-disciplinary approach to evaluation and treatment, while streamlining the intake and referral process for children's services.

In addition to Kreider Services, KSB Hospital and Sinnissippi Centers, Florissa is partnering with The Autism Program at Kreider Services, Lee County Health Department, Lee County Special Education Association, Ogle County Educational Cooperative and parents.

## Florissa

101 East First Street · Dixon, Illinois 61021

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[www.florissacenter.org](http://www.florissacenter.org)

### Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

or by appointment

Florissa is supported by the HRSA of the U.S. Department on Health and Human Services under grant # D06RH26838-01-01 and Rural Health Network Development Program for the amount of \$887,522.86. An additional 37.8% of the entire project has been provided by Kreider Services, The Autism Program of Illinois, KSB Hospital, Sinnissippi Centers and donations.



# Florissa

*Where children & families flourish.*



## Calendar of Events

**FALL 2016**

September, October, November, December

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## FALL 2016

For additional information on programs and activities at Florissa call 815-288-1905.

### **SEPTEMBER 2016**

#### **Parent Café: Laughter and Lattes**

**September 6 - Tuesday / 6 -7:30 pm**

Meets the first Tuesday of every month. An encouraging time & space for parents, grandparents and family caregivers. Call Lois at Florissa if you need child care.

#### **Yoga - "Family Welcome"**

**September 15 - Thursday / 5:30 - 6:30 pm**

Third Thursday of each month. Yoga mats will be provided. Parents are required to supervise children as needed.

### **OCTOBER 2016**

#### **Parent Café: Laughter and Lattes**

**October 4 - Tuesday / 6 - 7:30 pm**

Meets the first Tuesday of every month. An encouraging time & space for parents, grandparents and family caregivers. Call Lois at Florissa if you need child care.

#### **Friendship Group: The High School Years Peer Group**

**October 6 - November 3, Thursdays / 4:30 - 5:30 pm**

Explore social skills, self-awareness and appropriate behavior with peers. For youth in 9th through 12th grades. Cost is \$60 for five sessions. Snacks will be provided.

#### **Yoga - "Family Welcome"**

**October 20 - Thursday / 5:30 - 6:30 pm**

Third Thursday of each month. Yoga mats will be provided. Parents are required to supervise children as needed.

#### **Music & Art Therapy**

**October 17 - December 5, Mondays from 4 - 5:30 pm**

**No group on Halloween**

Seven weeks of art and music therapy. Classes will be grouped by age and ability into two 45 min. sessions. Classes taught by certified instructors; Stacey Barber MAAT, LCPC, Art Therapist and Laura Siebert, certified Music Therapist. Cost is \$80 for 7 weeks of one therapy / \$140 for both art and music. Call Janet O'Donnell to register. Parents are welcome to stay for a special Parent Café.

#### **Crafts 4 Kids Halloween Spook'tacular**

**Sunday, October 30 / 1 - 3 pm at the Post House Ballroom**

Bring the kids for an afternoon of crafts and fun. All ages welcome. Lunch will be provided.

#### **El Trick or Treat**

**October 31 / 10:30 am**

Early Intervention will be going trick or treating. Check with Kiley Johnson on details of this fun day. Come in costume!

### **NOVEMBER 2016**

#### **Parent Café: Laughter and Lattes / Dinner**

**November 1 - Tuesday / 5 - 6 pm**

This group will be the training below, and a light supper will be provided at 5:00 pm for those interested. Call Lois at Florissa if you need child care.

#### **Equip for Equality Training - Free Event**

**"Discipline Procedures and Behavior Intervention Plans under the IDEA" November 1 - Tuesday / 6 - 8 pm**

#### **Friendship Group: The Elementary Years**

**November 10 - December 15 (no meeting on 11/24)**

**Thursdays / 4:30 - 5:30 pm Five weekly sessions**

Explore social relationships and appropriate behaviors with peers. For Children in 1st - 4th grades. Cost is \$60 for all five sessions. Snacks will be provided.

#### **SibShop**

**November 17 - Thursday / 5:30 - 6:30 pm**

Third Thursday of each month.

For siblings of children with any type of special need, guided by Connie Davis, certified SibShop facilitator, includes FUN activities and discussion.

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### **November 24 & 25**

Kreider Services and Florissa are closed for Thanksgiving.

### **DECEMBER 2016**

#### **Dixon Christmas Walk - Santa and Mrs. Clause**

**December 2 / Friday night 6 - 9 pm** Visit Santa at

Florissa as part of the Dixon Christmas Walk. Enjoy refreshments with the elves.

#### **Parent Café: Laughter and Lattes**

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