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Products and Services

- *Free Job Post (*national*)
- *Activity and TR Resources
- *Forms and Manuals
- *Recreation Department Review Manual (*a must!*)
- *Interdisciplinary Approach to Quality of Life In-Service (*just \$15*)
- *Free Forms and Materials

Fall, 2007 Seminar Raffle Winners

Rec-Room subscribers that registered for Re-Creative Resources seminars in the Fall of 2007, were automatically entered into a raffle drawing to win a gift certificate to attend a Re-Creative Resources Inc Seminar. Two winners were randomly selected.

Congratulations to **Desline Vitto** and **Dana DeRobertis**. This gift certificate is good for two years.

Local Resources to Check Out

GreEn'ergy, LLC

GreEn'ergy are Horticultural Therapy and Garden Specialists who design, develop, and deliver effective horticultural therapy, vocational training, and gardening programs. "Therapeutic Gardening for People of all Ages and Abilities!" Email Pat Czarniecki, Proprietor greenenergy@optonline.net or call (201) 681-5509 (973) 697-6284

HAPPY ACTIVITY PROFESSIONALS WEEK! January 20-25, 2008 "Activities-Believe"



Re-Creative Resources Inc. 2008, Spring Seminars

Re-Creative Resources Inc. has a great line up for the spring. Topics include horticultural therapy, quality assurance

and documentation. Continuing education hours are available for Activity Professionals and CTRS's. The schedule is as follows:

Spring Blooms: Growing Your Horticultural Therapy Program

Speaker: Patricia Czarniecki
Certified Horticultural Therapist, MBA
March 13, 2008
Berkley Heights, NJ
3 CEU's

A Quality Assured Recreation Department: Quality Monitoring Methods for Recreation Directors

Speakers: Kimberly Grandal, BA, CTRS,ACC
May 22, 2008
Clifton, NJ
3 CEU's

Taking the Write Path: Recreation Documentation for Quality of Life (meets documentation requirement for NCCAP track 5)

June 10, 2008
Speaker: Kimberly Grandal, BA, CTRS,ACC
Basking Ridge, NJ
7 CEU's

Heal Through Words

Heal Through Words is a NJ-based Therapeutic Writing Program for Nursing Home and Assisted Living residents. For more information visit www.members.aol.com/healththroughwords or email Denise Lima-Laskiewicz at healththroughwords@aol.com

Jerry Castaldo

Jerry's high energy music programs include fun audience interaction, singing and clean comedy. DJ services are also available for multi-hour events. For more information visit www.jerrycastaldo.com

Mending Music

"Therapy That Lifts the Spirit". Lisa Prokopowicz MT-BC, ACC, owner of Mending Music, is a Christian singer, songwriter and guitarist, as well as a Music Therapist. Most of her music ministry takes place in the Northern NJ area in the United States. For more information visit www.mendingmusic.com

Caring Crafts Inc.

Caring Crafts Inc. is a company that offers beautiful and easy- to- complete craft kits at affordable prices as well as associated supplies and tools. For more information visit www.caringcrafts.com

Changing Images Art Foundation

This NJ-based mural and art company is dedicated to enriching the lives of people in traditional institutional settings by bringing color and comfort through supervised interactive art activities. Contact Arlene at 973-402-0842 or visit www.changingimages.org

New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania Therapeutic Recreation Association

NJ/EPA TRA is a non-profit, professional organization with priority focus on promoting the needs of recreation therapy professionals in healthcare and human service settings. Visit www.njepa-tra.com.

New Jersey Activity

NJAPA Nominations News!

Emily Brown, ADC Award Chair

Dear NJAPA Members,

Happy New Year to you all! It is that time of year when activity professionals take a moment to make a difference in those who have touched the lives of our residents or someone who has contributed to our profession in a special way. Let us recognize them by giving them a rose. The rose you give may be the only rose they may receive in this lifetime. Nomination forms are available at www.njactivitypros.org. Forms must be received no later than January 30, 2008. Thank you kindly!



Resource Swap and Raffle

Laura, a Recreation Therapist in NJ, is brainstorming for 2008 entertainment. She hopes that other activity and recreation professionals would be willing to share their favorite or specialty-type entertainment (i.e. doo-wop, mariachi, luau music, Oktoberfest, etc.) If anyone would like to share their favorite resources (doesn't have to be limited to entertainers) in the tri-state area, Re-Creative Resources will compile a list and post it in a future local edition of the Rec-Room. Please include the name of their entertainer, their contact information and area of specialty.

Enter the "Resource Swap Raffle"

Individuals who submit at least three specialty entertainers, community groups, contracted specialists, or other tri-state area resources, will automatically be entered into the Re-Creative Resources, "Resource Swap Raffle". Simply email Kim your ideas and resources to kim@recreativeresources.com, by January 30, 2008. Two winners will be randomly selected and will win \$20 worth of FREE products from www.recreativeresources.com.

Let the swapping begin!



ProActivity Reports

ProActivity Reports, activity computer software, can help you prove that you comply with the revised F248 Interpretive Guidance to Surveyors and helps you manage your Activity Department more professionally. For more information, visit www.maturesolutions.com. Mention Re-Creative Resources when you purchase the ProActivity software and you'll get an additional two weeks free! (A \$25.00 value!)

Professionals Association

NJAPA was founded in 1986 by Activity Professionals and was formed as a professional organization for Activity Professionals working with geriatric and physically challenged populations in health care settings. To learn more about NJAPA visit www.njactivitypros.org.

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