

**Friday, June 7, 2013, 11:30 – 1:00**  
**Pre-Conference PNCBank Supported LUNCHEON**

AU Hotel & Conference Center Ballroom A  PNC BANK

**Under the Big Top with Jim Gill**  
**A Soup Opera**

**The importance of**  
**Fine Arts in Preschool Programming**

**(Ticketed event; pre-registration and pre-payment required \$17.50 for lunch.)**  
**1.5 hrs CD/QCC (DHR); CGD/LEE (Core); 2/3/8 (CDA)**

**Discover musical ideas every provider can use!**

Jim Gill will share a variety of interactive and enriching activities including music play, bookmaking, and book dramatization that providers can incorporate into their repertoire. He explains how certain literacy “building blocks,” such as auditory acuity and phonemic and phonological awareness, are best developed through active engagement in word play and rhyming games. And he demonstrates that a playful approach to sharing the joys of language and books needn’t end after kindergarten. Through music and play utilized with preschoolers as well as with infants, toddlers, and parents, the audience will learn about the many correlations between music play, literacy and various domains of early childhood development. Connections between music and early literacy become clear as Jim Gill shares clever word play and rhymes in the context of active movement games.

Participants will find many new ideas to enhance story times and children’s programming and will leave the session with a play-based approach to literacy that offers unique learning opportunities for all children during the early years of life.





**Friday, June 7  
1:00 PM**

**Join us “Under the Big Top” as we kick off our conference with a message from your state association leadership! Everyone is welcome to our opening event!**

**Our Silent Auction, 50-50 Raffle, and Door Prize Entries will begin during this session, so don't be late!**



**The Vendor/Exhibitor Hall will be open for business immediately following our kick off.**

**Featured vendors include Books Are Fun, Fun Science, iWOW, M.A.T.S., and Hand-in-Hand Learning.**

**While there will be vendor vouchers available again this year (for licensed providers and their registered assistants), remember to bring some extra spending money!!**



# WORKSHOP SESSIONS

## CHOOSE ONE FROM EACH TIME SLOT

### Friday 1:45 – 3:15

#### **101 Protecting and Expanding Your Emotional Health**

**Presented by Dr. Ellen Abell, Executive Director of Family Child Care Partnerships at Auburn University**

**Advanced level; 1.5 hours in HS (DHR); HSN (Core); 1/ 5 (CDA)**

Caring for children is an emotional experience and requires “emotional labor.” High amounts of emotional labor can take a toll, leaving us feeling exhausted and spent. Learn how to protect your emotional health through increasing your emotional self-awareness and developing strategies that reduce emotional distress.



#### **102 Growing with Kids in the Garden**

**Presented by Peter Miller, M. Ed., Owner, Family & Home Solutions**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours in CD/QCC (DHR); CGD/LEE (Core); 2/8 (CDA)**

Gardening with children can help you meet many accreditation standards. In particular this workshop will provide intentional, multi-disciplinary teaching techniques and everyday math and science activities using inside, patio, and backyard gardening. Come grow with us! \*This workshop will include special materials provided by PNCBank sponsorship both during the session as well as a bonus module that will be mailed to you in July. Space is limited to no more than 35 participants.

### Friday 3:30 – 5:00



#### **201 Building Your Best Team**

**Presented by Patty Blankenship & Shirley Reynolds, Officers in the Alabama Family Child Care Association**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours in CCPF (DHR); PPD (Core); 6 (CDA)**

“Building Your Best Team” will show you how to build and develop a supportive, active membership specifically geared to your organization’s goals and objectives. The purpose of teambuilding is to

- improve coordination efforts of all members in your association
- increase the effectiveness of your association
- enhance the specific areas of your association

Additionally, participants in this session will learn about effective ways to increase membership and active participation.

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**202 More than ABC's Language and Literacy Development**  
**Presented by Lisa Kirkland, Owner, Hand-in-Hand Learning**  
**Basic level; 1.5 hours in QCC/LD (DHR); LEE (Core); 2 (CDA)**

This session is designed to help participants learn more about “Language and Literacy in Early Childhood” in the family child care setting. In addition to providing participants with an overview of the topic, this session will offer practical tips on how best to support children in family child care homes.

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## **Accreditation Celebration!!**

**Friday, June 7 6:00 – 8:30 PM**

**Featuring Daphne Cole & Alabama's Accredited Providers**

**Auburn University Hotel and Conference Center Ballroom A**

**(Ticketed event; pre-registration and pre-payment required \$35.00.)**

**2 hrs CCPF (DHR); PPD (Core); 6 (CDA)**



**Join us for dinner as we recognize and celebrate providers who have achieved national accreditation and those who are actively seeking accreditation in Alabama. This event sponsored by**



**Association/Leadership Networking Breakfast  
Saturday, June 8 7:00 – 7:45 AM**



**AUHCC Ballroom A**

**Sponsored in part by PNCBank**

**(Pre-registration and pre-payment required if you would like to eat during this session. A breakfast meal ticket is \$10.  
No outside food or drink allowed in the Ballroom.)**

**Join your State Leadership in an informal discussion session over coffee! Do you have an issue or situation that has impacted your business or children in your care? Not sure who to tell or what to do about it? This is your time to ask questions, bring issues to the forefront, and get to know those involved in leadership activities on behalf of family child care in Alabama.**

## **WORKSHOP SESSIONS**

**CHOOSE ONE FROM EACH TIME SLOT**

**Saturday 8:00 – 9:30**



**301 Associations: Why Join Them?**

**Presented by Gwen Wilson, Accredited Provider & NAFCC Region 4 Representative**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours CCPF (DHR); PPD (Core); 6 (CDA)**

How does being a member of NAFCC benefit and support you as family child care educators in Alabama. Come receive a better understanding of how we can be partners in the welfare of family child care. \*This workshop will include special materials provided by PNCBank sponsorship. Space is limited to no more than 35 participants.



### **302 Exciting Backyard Science Activities**

**Presented by Kelly Mumper & Jessica Burgess of Child Care Central Talladega  
Intermediate level; 1.5 hours QCC (DHR); LEE (Core); 2 (CDA)**

Bugs, dirt, and flowers, oh my! These are all naturally attractive to children, but they are also central to science. Family child care providers can get children started on track to loving science by doing simple backyard science with them. This training will explore backyard science activities to do with young children.

### **303 Art, Not!**

**Presented by Carol Samuel, Accreditation Specialist, Family Child Care  
Partnerships**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours CD/QCC(DHR); LEE (Core); 2 (CDA)**

Come explore and experience ways to identify and provide developmentally appropriate art experiences that allow children to explore their feelings, practice creativity and problem solving, and develop fine motor skills. Learn about the differences between child-directed and teacher-led activities, process versus product, and how to make accreditation style comments about children's work. \*This workshop will include special materials provided by PNCBank sponsorship both during the session as well as a bonus module that will be mailed to you in July. Space is limited to no more than 35 participants.

### **304 Hold the Stress! Take Care of WHO? ME?**

**Presented by Stacey Henderson , Accredited provider, & Amy Sively, FCCP  
Provider in Process of Accreditation**

**Basic level; 1.5 hours HS (DHR); HSN (Core); 1/5 (CDA)**

As family child care home providers, we experience more stress than most. Come learn how to take care of you, first, with techniques to prevent burnout and relieve stress in many different ways. Yes, it is possible!

### **305 Using Themes Throughout the Month, Week, & Day**

**Presented by Joanna O'Donnell, Program Specialist, Family Child Care  
Partnerships**

**Advanced level; 1.5 hours CD/QCC (DHR); CGD/LEE (Core); 2/3/8 (CDA)**

In this workshop, we will explore different ways to incorporate thematic, intentional teaching into your program. We will review curriculum and content webs as well as different types of brainstorming tools. We will explore different types of curricula available for free or purchase on the internet and how to determine which materials will allow you to meet best practice standards. Come on the journey to explore ways to use FCCP theme kit concepts as we demonstrate how to use these kits as a starting point/model/springboard, add to it, explore resources to support extending and adding to it, and discover what children learn through these intentional learning experiences.

## **BREAK (9:30 – 10:00)**

**Come visit our vendors and exhibitors!  
Remember to get your 50-50 raffle tickets and check on  
your silent auction bids!**

### **Saturday 10:00 – 11:30**

#### **401 Selling Play to Parents**

**Presented by Shawnta Fulton, Child Care Central Huntsville**

**Basic level; 1.5 hours in QCC/CCPF (DHR); ICFC/PPD (Core); 4/5 (CDA)**

In this session, participants will learn how to market their family child care programs by helping parents make connections between the power of play and learning. Additionally, participants will discuss how play is incorporated through routines and everyday experiences.



#### **402 Cooking with Kids**

**Presented by Melinda Carlson, Accredited provider**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours in CD/QCC(DHR); CGD/LEE (Core); 2/8 (CDA)**

When children learn to cook, I mean really cook, they learn skills needed for life! Learn how to bring children into the kitchen and see how to incorporate lesson ideas and teach academics, social skills, food preparation, cooking and hosting skills for preschool chefs! Special tie-ins to science and math will be included to show you ways to meet a variety of accreditation level standards. \*This workshop will include special materials provided by PNCBank sponsorship both during the session as well as a bonus module that will be mailed to you in July. Space is limited to no more than 35 participants.

#### **403 Creating a Home Style Environment**

**Presented by Gloria Sutton, Mentor, Family Child Care Partnerships**

**Basic level; 1.5 hours in QCC (DHR); LEE (Core);1 (CDA)**

Is your learning environment child friendly? This workshop is designed to show “Many Right Ways” to create exciting learning environments that capture the feeling of home for children. This workshop is packed with practical visuals and suggestions from other family child care providers in Alabama. Come take a tour of some of the most creatively arranged spaces around the state!

#### **404 Helping Children Cope with Stress**

**Presented by Tiffany Conner & Caroline Martin, Education Specialists,**

**Alabama Public Television**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours CD/HS (DHR); CGD/HSN (Core); 1/2 (CDA)**

This is a new 2 hour workshop designed by Alabama Public Television to help meet a need in our state to address natural disasters, loss, and other life-changing events in children’s lives that could be traumatic. This workshop is based on educational materials produced

by Sesame Workshop to teach participants emergency preparedness, possible child behaviors to look for after a traumatic event, concrete age-appropriate ways to support children dealing with loss, and the importance of monitoring child exposure to media following a troubling event.

**405 The Art of the Dance** 

**Presented by Kelly Mumper, Child Care Central Talladega with special assistant MaryAynne Miller, iWOW**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours in CD/QCC/PDG (DHR); CGD/LEE (Core); 2/3/8 (CDA)**  
Come dance with us and explore ways to integrate classical dance and music into your learning experiences for the children in your care. The art of dance transcends many aspects of child development including social and emotional well-being. We will follow Sophie as she learns about ballet, Swan Lake, and that determination can help you achieve your dreams. \*This workshop will include special materials provided by PNCBank sponsorship both during the session as well as a bonus module that will be mailed to you in July. Space is limited to no more than 35 participants.

**Lunch Break (11:30 – 12:30)**

**On-site lunch can be purchased for \$20.**

**There are 15+ restaurants within walking distance of the conference venue.**

**No outside food or drink allowed in conference area.**

**Please consider purchasing an on-site lunch ticket and use this time to network or visit our vendor/exhibitor hall.**





**All-Conference Session**  
**Saturday, June 8 12:30 – 2:30 PM**  
**Join Us in the Auditorium for Announcements,**  
**Recognitions, Jim Gill, and more!**  
**Don't be Late! Door prize tickets will be given**  
**out to those who arrive on time!**

2 hrs CD/LD/QCC (DHR); CGD/LEE(Core); 2/3/8 (CDA)

**Play is a Child's Art**  
Presented by  
**JIM GILL**  
Music Play For All Young Children

Although it is common to refer to play as “a child’s work,” in this lively and thought-provoking session Jim Gill reminds us that play is also a child’s **art**.

Jim discusses the dynamic and improvisational nature of play. Jim also shares his energizing music play activities that he has created for young children and discusses how his books and his music are most often creations **with** children.

In his humorous and straightforward manner, Jim will address the many benefits of play and, in particular, music play.



## Saturday 3:00 – 4:30



### 501 Paperwork, Shmaperwork

Presented by Kay Gillock, ALFCCA Secretary, with special assistant Gloria Day, Mentor, Family Child Care Partnerships

Basic level; 1.5 hours CCPF (DHR); PPD/MA (Core); 5(CDA)

Feeling overwhelmed by all the paperwork in family child care? This session will give you a general overview of what paperwork you need for families, DHR, and general recordkeeping. The methods presented will keep you organized and professional. Handouts, door prizes, and samples!!!

### 502 Space Exploration

Presented by Tiffany Conner & Caroline Martin, Education Specialists, Alabama Public Television

Basic level; 1.5 hours QCC (DHR); LEE (Core); 2 (CDA)

Join us as we learn all about the sun, moon, and stars with some help from some of our favorite PBS Kids characters. We will explore these concepts using programs from PBS Kids, hands-on activities, as well as children's books. Each participant will leave with some great ideas to use in his/her program as well as some wonderful resources.

### 503 Music Play with Purpose

Presented by Jim Gill

#### FEATURED PRESENTATION

Jim Gill explains the purpose behind his play. Active music play provides a context for children to develop abilities, such as self-regulation, essential to school success. Jim's clever word play and rhymes in the context of active movement games also provide broad opportunities for literacy development. Educators, care providers, and librarians leave each session with a repertoire of music play activities that can be put to immediate —and purposeful— use in their program. **Best of all, they leave the session understanding that play is a teaching tool that inspires, in children, agility in thought and a love of learning.** 1.5 hrs CD/LD (DHR); CGD/LEE (Core); 2/3/8 (CDA)



**504 The Way I Feel: Promoting Children's Emotional Health**

**Presented by Dr. Ellen Abell, Executive Director of Family Child Care Partnerships at Auburn University**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours in CD/PDG (DHR); CGD/COA/LEE (Core); 1/3/7 (CDA)**

Young children learn emotional self-control one interaction at a time. Adults who understand and model emotional literacy are better prepared to engage in interactions that support children's growing self-control skills. Become better prepared and learn about activities that help children develop emotional literacy and emotional self-control.

**505 Understanding and Including Children with Autism**

**Presented by Shea Thompson, Project Coordinator, United Cerebral Palsy of Central Alabama, Childcare Enhancement with a Purpose**

**Intermediate level; 1.5 hours in CD (DHR); CGD/DIV (Core); 1/3 (CDA)**

This presentation will offer participants a look into the world through the eyes of a child with autism and help them to discover adaptations and strategies for working with children with autism. Caregivers will gain a better understanding of ways to truly include children with autism in the home childcare setting.

**4:45 – 5:15**

**CLOSING SESSION**

**Announcements**

**50-50 Raffle Drawing**

**Silent Auction Results**

**Grand Prize Drawing**

**SAFE TRAVELS!**

