

## Marion County Children's Alliance Monthly Meeting Wednesday, April 7, 2010

### **Invocation:**

Given by Ken Nelson, Interfaith, Food4Kids program.

### **Introductions:**

Mr. Scott Hackmyer welcomed all.

### **Minutes:**

The March minutes were approved as written.

### **Coordinator's Report:**

Mike Jordan announced that the Summer Activity Guide should be distributed around the middle of May.

This month's meeting will be a little different presentation. We will have a speaker until 12:40, then break and reconvene at 1 p.m. for a second session.

The ribbons being handed out are for April which is Child Abuse prevention month.

During the month of May the Alliance will host a Board meeting. All are welcome and remember there is no meeting in June. In July the speaker will be Shelley Mickle an author. For a peek preview her website is: [www.shelleymickle.com](http://www.shelleymickle.com).

FYI – 3-4 years ago Sylvia Miller and Howard Moon started the Autism and Other Disabilities Workgroup and are expanding their efforts with disabilities to include young adults and adults. This Workgroup will now be called *Marion County Disability Alliance* and meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at noon at ARC. Their mission is somewhat changed but will be more effective.

### **Speaker:**

Scott Hackmyer welcomed Cyndi Schuler, CEO Kids Central, Inc. to introduce the speaker.

Gary Eagleton is from Houston, Texas and has been a driving force in “creating climate for change.” Some of his many affiliations include: SEARCH Institute, Dr. Ruby Payne's “A Framework for Understanding Poverty,” Families and Schools Together, National Network of Partnership Schools (Johns Hopkins University) and OneStar Foundation. He completed his undergraduate degree in Behavioral Sciences at the University of Houston and holds a Graduate School Non-Profit Executive Management Certificate in Social Work. In his spare time he enjoys landscaping and container gardening. He and his wife have four grown children and six grandchildren. Let me introduce Mr. Eagleton who is making a R-E-A-L Impact among youth at Kids Central, Inc.



Gary G. Eagleton

<http://6seconds.com/>  
[www.search-institute.org](http://www.search-institute.org)  
<http://prepared4life.org/public/pag1.aspx>  
<http://cisfl.org/>  
<http://www.casel.org/>

- 1) Whatever organization you are a part of – How does it define success?
  - 2) How does your organization measure success?
  - 3) Do you have the critical component?
- EQ (80%) responsibility, character & life skills vs. IQ (20%) academic (standards & mandated)

**Roundtable:**

- \* Meghan Shay, the Centers, 291-5462 – Tuesday, May 11, Hilton 6 p.m. “What is Your Dream?”
- \* Joy Williams, College Road Baptist, 237-5741 or [www.collegeroad.org](http://www.collegeroad.org) – Saturday, April 10, 11 a.m. will host the Egg-Citing Event.
- \* Susan G. Mehaffey, author, 620-0621, [www.diaryofasmallfarmer.com/](http://www.diaryofasmallfarmer.com/) - summarized journal of a small farmer and new business ideas.
- \* Elgin Carelock, Simon Properties (Paddock Mall) 237-1223, Mom’s Nite Out, Thursday, May 6 starting at 6 p.m. [www.momsniteout.com](http://www.momsniteout.com)
- \* Howard Moon, 427-5935, the Marion County Disability Alliance will have a big meeting on Tuesday, April 13, noon, ARC. Please join us.
- \* Cynthia Graham, CDS, 629-0055 x293 – Check out [www.hotjobs.com](http://www.hotjobs.com)
- \* Rev. Jim Bullock, Faith Community Volunteer, 438-5997 – the Faith Community Network’s next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 14, noon, Ocala Police Department Community Room.
- \* Patricia Sokol, [psokol@clmworkforce.com](mailto:psokol@clmworkforce.com) – the Green Jobs program will provide training and placement services to 665 eligible people over two years within green industries. Although the target zip codes are 34474 and 34475 others are encouraged to apply if living in an area of high poverty, are unemployed, a recent high school dropout or have a criminal record. Call 849-5700 x 5550 or visit [www.clmworkforce.com/](http://www.clmworkforce.com/)

- \* Lorelei Loudis, Youth Reach, 624-2001 – 2 Safe Programs are continuing.
- \* Kristin Foltz, Youth Family Alternatives - Open House is held on the 3rd Monday of each month for people interested in adopting. Call 352-547-3750 for more information.
- \* Brian, 804-2026, The Samaritan Corporation has a summer program starting up at Howard Academy, room 8 on June 28<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Loretta Jackson, 291-2900, Sheltering Arms will have a program at Howard Academy this summer. Visit <http://www.sayep.org/>
- \* Karen Keep, 875-8326, The Vines Hospital - community event on Wednesday, April 28 on Keeping Our Youth Safe from 8:30-11:30 at the Marion County Builders Association.
- \* Julie Linhart, 694-4425 x1821, Girl Scouts of West Central Florida will host “Uniquely Me” starting next month through August and need expert resources to help with middle and high school girls on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday.
- \* Monica Bryant, 438-5993, Marion County Children’s Alliance, Inc. – newsletter deadline is this Friday.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Future Alliance Meetings

Safe Kids Coalition	Friday, April 9 – 9:00 a.m., Health Dept. Coleman Ctr.
Family Violence Prevention	Monday, April 12 – 11:00 a.m., Sheriff’s Office
Marion County Disabilities Alliance	Tuesday, April 13 – noon., ARC Marion
Faith Community Network	Wednesday, April 14 – noon, OPD
Mentoring Workgroup	Wednesday, April 21 – 11:30, Jail Admin. Conf. Room
Tobacco Coalition	Thursday, April 22 – 4:00 p.m., Health Dept. Coleman Ctr.
Grant Advisory Workgroup	Thursday, April 22 – 11:00 a.m., OPD
Childhood Nutrition	Thursday, April 26 – 9:00 a.m., Health Dept. Coleman Ctr.
Alliance Board Meeting	Wednesday, May 5 – 11:30 a.m., Jail Adm. Bldg.
Alliance Monthly Meeting	Wednesday, July 7 – 11:30 a.m., Jail Adm. Bldg.

**NO Monthly Alliance Meeting in June**