



**Greenville County  
Foster Parent Association,  
a non-profit 501-c3  
organization**

**Future training events:**

- February 2012**  
SC Education & Health Passport for Children in Care
- March 2012**  
Building a Bridge: Partnering with Birth Parents for Positive Outcomes
- April 2012**  
Working with Schools for Emotional Success
- May 2012**  
Dealing with Stealing: Best Parenting Approaches
- June 2012**  
Connections: Present Safety, Future Support
- July 2012**  
In Spite of: She's Still My Mother
- August 2012**  
Parenting with Cultural Competence
- September 2012**  
Helping Children Deal with Anger
- October 2012**  
Meth-Affected Children in Care
- November 2012**  
Living & Working with Tweens - Yes You Can
- December 2012**  
Membership Meeting

**2012 January**

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***This Months Training Event.....***

**What a difference a Foster Parent can make**

*Tuesday,  
January 24, 2012*

**at Pump it Up**  
*located at 75 Brookfield Oaks Drive, Suite 100 Greenville SC 864-987-9022*

*Don't forget socks for all children who want to play.*

**Sign in begins at 6:15PM**

**Training will begin at 6:30PM.**

We will have a "designated" blow-up for younger children, babies are welcome to stay with a parent or other adult in the meeting room for their safety.

We will need volunteers to help the Pump It Up staff watch our children. One parent at each jump to oversee the activities is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for all that you do to ensure our children's safety.

**Happy New Year!!!**

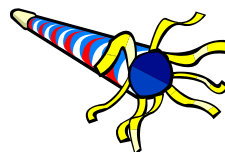


This month we will welcome a guest speaker. A former foster child will relate her experiences and tell us how foster parents helped her to succeed.

It is that time of the year again to renew your memberships! Membership forms will be on the table in the lobby.

The Rotary Club Annual Pancake Breakfast will be March 10th. We ask that everyone think about selling a few tickets. This directly helps sponsor shoe nights for our children. The breakfast will be held at City Range on Haywood Rd.

If you need additional continuing education hours Simpsonville 1st Baptist Church (SBC) is offering a Wednesday night program. For more information contact SBC at 864-967-8591 and ask for Rhonda Littleton.



**Our Purpose**

*To promote cooperation, communication and better understanding among foster parents, foster parent associations, all child caring agencies and community; to cooperate and take necessary actions in improving foster care services; to encourage recruitment and retention of foster parents and other working in the field of foster family care; to inform the membership of this association and others of the general public interested in the field of foster family care of current information pertaining to the well being of all children and in particular children needing foster care services.*

**2012 Membership Dues**

**Dues are \$15 per foster care family. We will accept cash and check. Please make your checks payable to GCFPA.**

**Pancake Breakfast**  
Saturday March 10, 2012  
Tickets are available \$5.00  
Pick yours up at the meeting

**Suggestions and Feedback**

Your input for 2012 will make our organization a huge success, please forward your input to GCFPA at [gscfpa@gmail.com](mailto:gscfpa@gmail.com) or call 864-271-3487.