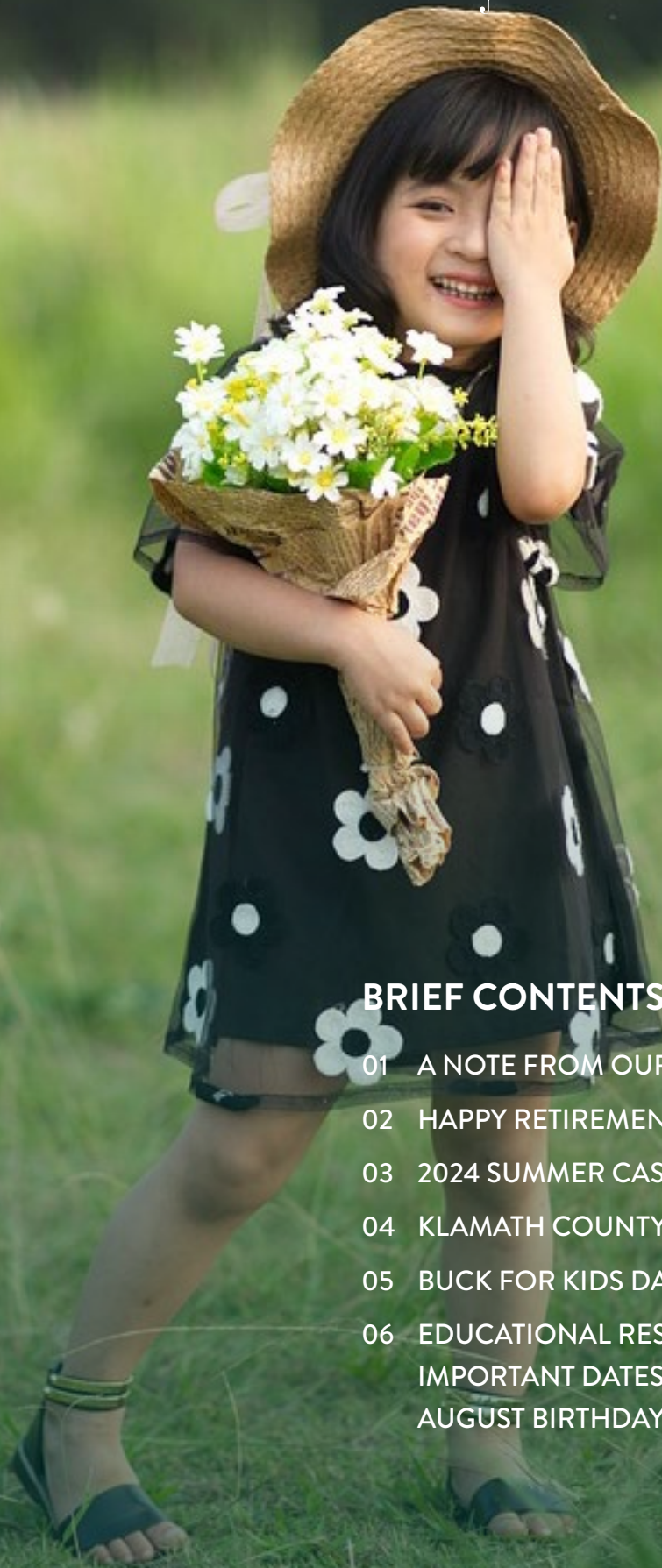


AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER

CASA for Children of Klamath County



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A NOTE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Happy August!

We can't believe we are already approaching the end of summer. I hope you all are surviving these hot, smoky days.

Thanks to our amazing donors and all of you, our CASA Kid Fund has covered summer camps and activities expenses for many of our kids. If your kids are interested in getting involved in any activities before summer ends, please let us know.

As the beginning of school approaches, please remember the CASA Kid Fund is also available to help with back-to-school supplies, clothes, and other extracurriculars.

Our next Pre-Service Training starts next Tuesday, August 6th. It's not too late to join the class, so if you know anyone who is interested in becoming an Advocate, please contact the office.

We have included information on the upcoming Klamath County Symposium which will be held on August 20th and 21st. Both days consist of the same content, so you only need to attend one day. This year is focused on trauma. This is a great way to connect with others in our community who work in child welfare.

Finally, on a bittersweet note, please join us in sending Jim Brown lots of love and gratitude. After years of being such an instrumental part of our CASA team he has decided to retire. He will be sorely missed and he will always be a beloved part of the CASA family.

We hope you enjoy the rest of your summer and thank you for all that you do to make our program a success!

Warmly,



HAPPY RETIREMENT

Thank you, Jim Brown!

Please join us in celebrating and thanking James “Jim” Brown for his incredible dedication to CASA over nearly a decade of service.

Over the years, Jim has volunteered for several organizations, including The Blues Society, Kinetic Challenge, and Trivia Nights at Mia & Pia’s, just to name a few. While he withdrew from those positions in the last few years, he remained with CASA, devoted to advocating for local children in foster care.

Jim was sworn-in in March of 2015. He completed training with Dana and was in one of our largest classes to date. Last year, Jim received the CASA - Myron Gitnes award for “CASA Volunteer of the Year,” adding to his collection.

As a CASA, Jim has advocated for 22 children. As a Peer Coordinator, he has advocated for an additional 13 children, totaling 35 children. He has been a part of 18 cases during his time as a CASA. His longest case transpired over the course of two years, but thankfully the child was reunited and is currently doing very well.

Jim has volunteered his time and skills to CASA in many more ways than just advocacy. From working outreach events to hand-crafting our beloved camel race tracks, Jim has been an upstanding volunteer and cherished part of our team.

Jim, we wish you the very best going forward. We will truly miss your vivacious energy and giving spirit. Thank you, from each of us, for choosing to spend your time with CASA.

All our love,

Karin Nancy Dana Kami



2024 CASA Pre-Service Training

All training takes place online from
5:30PM - 8:00PM PST.



August Schedule

8/6	Chapter 1	Volunteer Role, Competencies, Parameters, Child Welfare Law/System
8/8	Chapter 2	Children's Needs, Attachment, MSL, Best Interest, Abuse and Neglect
8/13	Chapter 2.5	ACES, Communication, Interview, Effective Recommendations
8/15	Chapter 4	Mental Illness, Poverty, Confidentiality, Case Notes
8/20	Chapter 5	Substance Abuse, Culture, Diversity
8/22	Chapter 6	Domestic Violence, Culture and Perceptions, Advocacy
8/27	Chapter 7	Resilience, Concurrent Planning, Educational Challenges, Advocacy Across Ages, LGBTQ Youth
8/29	Chapter 8	Review, Local Documents, Panel of Volunteers, Support

Note: Training dates that land on holidays will be offered as independent study or makeup.

In addition to the virtual classroom sessions and some work on your own, prior to case assignment, you will need to have at least 3 court hearing observations and tour the DHS Office.

Virtual Hours: 20
Pre-Work Hours: 10

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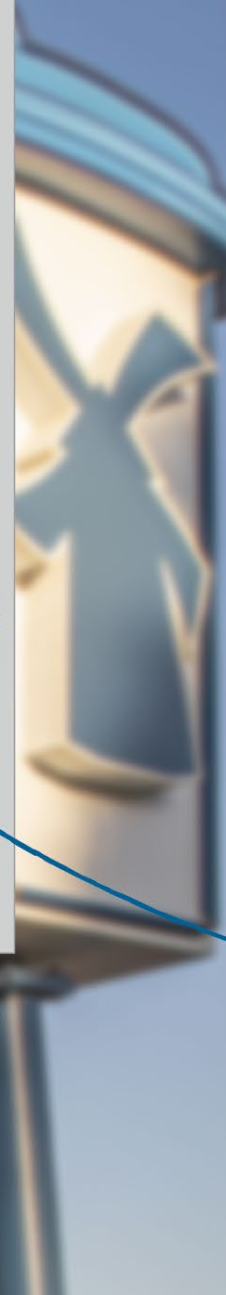
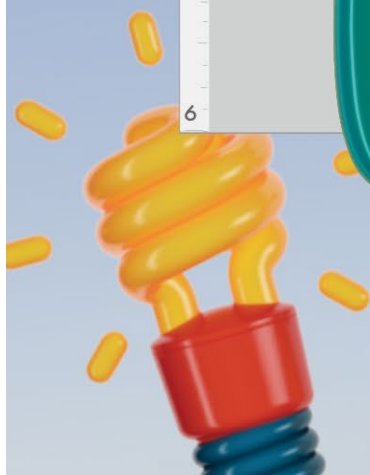
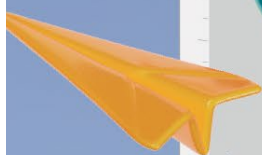
SAME CONTENT BOTH DAYS
OREGON TECH CAMPUS
8:30AM - 4:45PM

bit.ly/klamathsymposium2024



[FRIDAY, SEPT. 15TH]

**BUCK
FOR
KIDS**



EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Web Trainings

- [August 13: Advocating for Kids in \(or At Risk of\) "Temporary Lodging" Training \(AM\)*](#)
By Oregon CASA Network
- [August 14: Advocating for Kids in \(or At Risk of\) "Temporary Lodging" Training \(PM\)*](#)
By Oregon CASA Network

In-Person Trainings

- [Klamath County Symposium*](#)

**Clickable Link*

Please remember to track your educational hours on Optima.



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IMPORTANT DATES

August

- Family Fun Month
- National Wellness Month
- 8/12 International Youth Day
- 8/13 Advocating for Kids in Temporary Lodging Training (AM)
- 8/14 Advocating for Kids in Temporary Lodging Training (PM)
- 8/15 Third Thursday
- 8/17 National Non-Profit Day
- 8/20 Klamath County Symposium
- 8/21 Klamath County Symposium

September

- 9/15 Dutch Bros Buck for Kids Day

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 8/10 Brian Fitz Gerald
- 8/13 Brittany Montjoy
- 8/17 Jay Otero
- 8/18 Jim Brown

