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CURRICULUM VITA

EDUCATION

Loyola University-Erikson Institute

Master of Arts, Early Childhood Development
Infant Specialization-1992

**Mundelein College
University of Illinois**

Master of Arts, Liberal Studies-1988
Bachelor of Arts, English-Social Studies, Education Minor - 1964

EMPLOYMENT

**The Family Resource Center
of Iowa County, Inc**

Director-2001-2004

Coordinate, plan and implement program including classes, workshops, family support programs. Supervise all financial activity. Supervise staff and volunteers. Coordinate and Support Board of Directors. Develop and maintain community involvement.

Kinsight/Moon Lodge

Co-Founder of Personal Growth Seminar-1998-2003

A full day seminar that provides support, connection and opportunity for growth to mothers

Fine Art Consultant and Dealer

Stephen Byer and Associates-1994-2002

Assist in sales and administrative efforts

College of Lake County

Language Development in Young Children-1992-1995

Child Growth and Development-1993 – 1995

College Instructor for preschool teachers and parents

Virginia Frank Child Center

Internship-Therapeutic Nursery - 1990-1992

Individual family support and intervention

Preschool program educational therapist

Evanston Shelter for Battered Women

Outreach Coordinator-1988-1989

Public education of domestic violence awareness

Schedule all presentations

Write and develop all appropriate materials

Presentations Given to Great Lakes Naval Base, Suburban police departments, therapists, school personnel, etc.

Byer Museum of the Arts

Co-Founder/Director-1981-1985

Coordinate volunteer and docent activities

Prepare special exhibits

Event planner

Des Moines School District

English Teacher/9th Grade-1964-1967

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community Outreach

Illinois State Social Workers Convention
Parents' Concern
Family Network Inc.
Libertyville Family Circle
Libertyville Cooperative Nursery
Far North Chapter of Chicago AEYC
Adoptive Families Today

Writer and Presenter – 1982 - 1999

“The Value of Parent Groups”
“Passages and Reflections”
“Developing Social Skills in the Three Year Old”
“Separation Issues” and “Raising boys and Girls in the 90’s”
“Academics in the Pre-School” and “The Importance of Play”
“Building Rapport Between Parents and Staff”
“Avoiding Power Struggles”

Personal Growth Seminar Facilitator

The Women’s Circle – 1997-2000

Staff and facilitate weekend retreats for women

Court Appointed Special Advocate

Lake and Cook County Programs - 1993-1994

Child advocate and support
Home visits
Family intervention

Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health

Board Member - 1988-1992

Secretary
Newsletter Editor

Evanston Shelter for Battered Women

Crisis Line/ Parent Group Leader/ Legal Advocate - 1987-1988

Emergency intervention
Create and facilitate parent support groups for victims
Support advocate for court appearances
Lobbyist in Springfield for protective legislation

Evanston Hospital Infant Care Program

Sibling Tours and Parent Group Leader - 1986 - 1990

Support program for new and second time mothers
Support program for families experiencing loss

Peer Groups For Parents

Co-Founder-1980-1985 / Community Parental Support Group

Van Gorder -Walden School

Co-Founder/Director-1973-1975

Fund raising chairperson

Near North Montessori School

Board Member -1970-1973

President, Secretary, Fund raising chairperson

CURRENT FOCUS

ALS WORLDWIDE

Co-Executive Director
ALS Advocate/Coordinator

Writer

Bedtime Stories for Moms
Burnt Chocolate Blog
Essays