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Next Meeting

Our next meeting/listening session is May 15th at the Family Resource Center in the Sears Wing of Oakwood Mall. 6:30 - 8 pm. Bring your laptops or other WiFi devices. There is WiFi available at the mall and we will have the access code. Kari Wallace from our Advisory Board will join us to navigate Facebook. Bring your other questions about internet use.

April Meeting

Good discussions with questions brought in by Cheryl Stahl. It was very purposeful to answer "What do you value most about aging?" before answering "What are your needs?" Of course independence, health and quality of life topped the list, and all needs proceeded from them. We hope Cheryl will continue to give us feedback on the committee work.

Upcoming events:

Parenting Class at Family Resource Center Eau Claire, May 9th 2 - 4 pm. Covering anger management, responsible children, discipline. \$10, call 833-1735

T-Ball date with Dad or Father substitute - May 19th, 12 - 1:30 for preschool age children and dad. Free lunch. Sponsored by The Family Resource Center of Eau Claire and Western Dairyland.

Raising Your Spirited Child - Thursdays May 17, 24, 31 (6 - 8 pm) at River Source Family Center, Chippewa Falls. Free, but register at [715-720-1841](tel:715-720-1841)

Date with Dad - Kite Flying May 16th 6 - 7:30 pm at DeLong Middle School. Free,

with dinner and kites provided. Register through Family Resource Center 833-1735

Bike Rodeo May 9th 5:30 - 7 pm Carson Park Oak Pavilion, bring bikes and try obstacle course, free bike helmet with registration. Light meal served. 852-6878

Assets for May:

May Commitment to Learning

Developing an internal intellectual curiosity and the skills to gain new knowledge is essential for both school and work success. The commitment-to-learning assets reflect how connected young people are to their schools, how motivated they are to achieve, and whether they express their curiosity and work ethic in homework and reading for fun.

To Promote this asset in your child:

- *Encourage your kids to do the best at school, but don't expect perfection, and leave room for mistakes.*
- *Make it a point to attend school conferences and special events.*
- *Provide a quiet, comfortable, well-lit place for your kids to study without distractions. Together with your child, set boundaries about interruptions.*

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