









National Mentoring Month January 1—January 5

SHARE WHAT YOU KNOW...MENTOR A CHILD!















"As a young person involved in sports, my mentor and high school basketball coach at Seymour High School, Lloyd E. "Barney" Scott, fostered my definition of sportsmanship. Barney taught me leadership skills that have been invaluable to my career. He also emphasized that as a team you have to share your successes and give credit where credit is due."

Representative Baron P. Hill

JANUARY 1, 2008

MAKE YOUR NEW YEAR'S MENTORING RESOUTION

Promote Mentoring by encouraging a New Year's Commitment to become involved in Mentoring. Use the insert on next page to publicize making a New Year's Resolution to mentor a child in 2008.

Instructions: Present a mentoring message to the public to mentor a child in 2008. Contact your local AIM (Aftercare for Indiana through Mentoring), Boys and Girls Club, Big Brothers Big Sisters, School Corporation to become a mentor. Publish your commitment to mentor a child your local newspaper, company intranet, or newsletter.

MENTORING FACT

Approximately 3 million adult volunteers are involved in formal, one-on-one mentoring relationships with young people, an increase of 19% (500,000 mentors) since 2002. **<www.mentoring.org/Leaders/FILES/FACTSHEET.PDF.** >





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Make a difference in the Life of a Child VOULUNTEER AS A MENTOR!

FREE OPPORTUNITY!

Date: 01/01/2008

Time: NOW

Begin the New Year with a COMMITTMENT to make a DIFFERENCE in the life of a CHILD! -

AIM (Aftercare for Indiana through Mentoring)

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Boys and Girls Clubs

College Mentors ...and more

SAVE THE DATE JANUARY 1, 2008



"My maternal grandmother, Dorothy Mills, has had an enormous impact on my life. From her I learned the importance of laughter, even when faced with adversity. She taught me about strength and determination. She showed me the importance of enjoying even the simplest moments in life. Though she is no longer with us, her legacy remains. My mother is certainly her mother's daughter and I only hope that I follow in their footsteps. So thank you, grandma, for leading the way."

Erin Wright

JANUARY 2, 2008

PROMOTE PEER MENTORING

Partner with local teachers to encourage students to become involved in peer mentoring. Peer to peer mentoring has proven to be very effective and helps the self-esteem of all involved. Students can see how encouraging fellow students can be a positive experience for them. If it is possible take photos of the pairs and post them on a bulletin board featuring National Mentoring Month.

Instructions: To encourage mentoring for youth to become involved and encourage them that even at a young age they can pass on what they know and they can make a difference in someone's life. Help each other with homework, volunteer at your local Red Cross, have lunch or dinner together, attend a sports game, go to a movie, attend a play, play board games, or just take a walk and enjoy the weather.

MENTORING FACT

While a growing number of youth have mentors, an additional 14.6 million young people could benefit from having a mentoring relationship. This unmet need constitutes the "mentoring gap." < www.mentoring.org/leaders/files/ FACTSHEET.PDF. >





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"Althea Hodge always knew what was important. Though her desk and list of things to do always exceeded the amount of time she had in one work week, plus some, she had joy and was always trusting in God to see her through. When she laughed, her laughter seemed to be rooted from a heart that smiled. She had courage and a faith that was the foundation for all that she did. Every child, colleague, and friend she has knows that her steps will be imprinted in their lives wherever their paths are taken. Thank you Althea for the footprints you left that challenge me to grow even now."

Lara Sprunger

JANUARY 3, 2008



It is the mission of the **Center for Leadership Development** to foster the advancement of minority youth in Central Indiana as future professional, business and community leaders by providing experiences that encourage personal development and educational attainment.

Instruction: Participation in this program empowers students to not only understand the importance of CLD's core principles of character development, educational excellence, leadership effectiveness, community service and career achievement, but are given the tools to incorporate them into their lives today, tomorrow and beyond!

MENTORING FACT

59% of all volunteers who engage in mentoring work full time—a Higher percentage than for volunteers who are not engaged in mentoring (53%). <www.mentoring.org/leaders/files/factsheet.pdf. >





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"I have been so blessed to have several mentors during my lifetime. Each one provided me with the wisdom and guidance that I needed at that particular time. While I want to name each mentor and their impact on my life, upon reflection I know that each was only a messenger of the greatest mentor of all... GOD. For HIS constant presence in my life, it is very easy to say 'Thank You'."

Paula Parker-Sawyers, Executive Director Office of Faithbased and Community Initiative

JANUARY 4, 2008

OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES



LAUNCH WEBSITE

The Give. Receive. Mentor. Website gives access to links of all mentoring partners in the State of Indiana.

Instructions: Use this website to find mentoring agencies, post a thank you to your mentors, learn of activities and events throughout Indiana.

MENTORING FACT

43% of all volunteers engaged in mentoring youth volunteer in or through religious organizations, making religious organizations a primary place to recruit additional mentors. The next most prevalent site for mentoring is educational organizations, at 31%. <a href="https://www.mentoring.com/www.ment





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"My dad, Mitch Sr., was one of the great mentors in my life. Early on, he instilled in me the virtue of hard work, and the importance of starting even the most difficult job as quickly as possible"

Governor Mitch Daniels

JANUARY 5, 2008

"MITCH'S KIDS" and BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

The **Positive** Place For Kids



The partnership between Governor Mitch Daniels and Boys & Girls Clubs has proved to be beneficial to students throughout the state. During the first year of the partnership, participants in the "Mitch's Kids" program have increased their scores by one grade level in both math and reading. "Mitch's Kids" focuses on homework help and tutoring. The program provides Club members with the support, resources and guidance necessary to complete their homework - and start the school day with a sense of confidence and ability.

Instruction: Collaborate with organizations that offer mentoring, promote mentoring for the State of Indiana and give additional opportunities for others to become involved in mentoring through their local organizations.

MENTORING FACT

The average mentoring relationship lasts 9 months. 38% of mentoring relationships last at least one year. www.mentoring.org/leaders/files/factsheet.pdf. >





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