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annual child care conference

Saturday

March 31, 2012

Sauk Rapids/Rice
Middle School

Keynote Speaker:

Lisa Murphy
The Ooey
Goey Lady

Also featuring:

Cindy Croft &
Steve Roecklein

and many other great
speakers

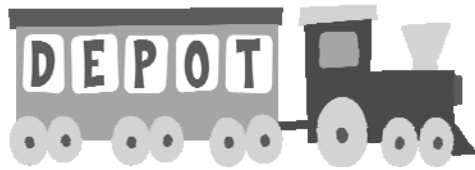
Conference Highlights

- Coming to you live and in person from Upstate New York....The Ooey Goey Lady! Don't miss out on this phenomenal international early childhood speaker!!
- All conference sessions are approved by MNCPD and co-sponsored by:



- The annual Shaken Baby Syndrome video viewing will be offered following the afternoon sessions.
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Conference Schedule

7:00—7:45 AM

Registration, Shopping, & Breakfast

7:45—9:45 AM

Keynote Session

9:45—10:00 AM or 9:45—10:15 AM

Break and Shopping

10:00—12:00 PM or 10:15—12:15 PM

Morning Sessions

12:00—1:15 PM or 12:15—1:15 PM

Lunch & Shopping

1:15—3:15 PM

Afternoon Sessions

Sessions Key:

CC = Minnesota Core Competency Content Area
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Keynote Speaker



Lisa Murphy The Ooey Gooley Lady

Lisa is the founder and CEO of Ooey Gooley, Inc. presenting hundreds of workshops each year to both domestic and international audiences on

dozens of topics related to early childhood education, specifically how to be more play-based in the classroom. She has appeared on NBC TV with science guy Steve Spangler as a part of his Science Mondays program on 9NEWS-Denver and has been featured in various national early childhood publications.

Lisa has authored numerous books and articles and has filmed and produced dozens of teacher training DVD's. As a highly sought after keynoter for educational conferences, Lisa uses humor and real life anecdotes to reach and engage her audiences. Lisa's standing room only seminars have become nationally known for their information, humor, inspiration and energetic delivery. Frequently asked if she has ever been a stand up comic, Lisa practices what she preaches and continues to blend the laughter with the learning! Lisa has become known for her ability to link hands-on activities to educational standards and is dedicated to creating child-centered, play-based early childhood environments. Her commitment to reinforcing the importance of play in the lives of children is obvious in both her professional and personal life.



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Keynote Session

What if Today Was Their Only Day? In this motivational keynote address Lisa shares the powerful story of her first day of teaching. Through active and engaging storytelling Lisa brings you back to her first day, taking you on a grand tour of Miss Mary's Nursery School. And, in the style she has become famous for, she shares many observations, lessons and anecdotes about how early childhood has changed along the way. Lisa will also share the sights sounds and smells of the place where, at the young age of three, she decided to become a teacher and identifies the how, and why, that one day solidified her decision to become an educator. This inspiring keynote gets participants back in touch with their personal how and why. It gets them excited, motivated and thinking: If it WAS their only day, what will they remember?

CC VIII CDA 6

Highlighted Speakers

Cindy Croft



Cindy has been the Director of the Center for Inclusive Child Care, at Concordia University since 2001. She also serves as grant faculty at Concordia University in the College of Education. She has authored *The Six Keys: Strategies for Promoting Children's Mental Health and*

co-authored Children and Challenging Behavior: Making Inclusion Work. Cindy has worked in the early childhood field for over 15 years and over 20 years experience in the disability field.

Steve Roecklein, PhD.



Steve is a licensed clinical social worker working with preschool aged children and their families in Minneapolis. He is a Master Trainer with the MN Center for Professional Development and has been conducting workshops for over 12 years. Steve brings adult learning to a whole new level, using the strategy of engaging the audience and using audience input to form the substance of the training.

Steve's sessions are limited to 30 people so register soon.

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Morning Sessions

- A Fizzle, Bubble, Pop and Wow.** Often our own experience has led us to think that science is hard, difficult and complicated. This workshop will reassure you that you do not need a degree in biology or chemistry to have an engaging science program in your classroom as Lisa demonstrates 6 tables of age-appropriate science activities for young children. Participants will be invited to come up on stage and play with the experiences at the end of the demonstration.

Presenter: *Lisa Murphy, The Ooey Gooy Lady*

CC II CDA 2

- B Managing Behavior When My Buttons are Getting Pushed.** How do we keep it together when our "buttons" are being nudged, pushed, or slammed? Come and review methods of managing children's behaviors when your patience is being tried and tested. We will examine our own caregiver behaviors and seek ways to remain responsive and not reactive. *This session is limited to 30 people so register early.*

Presenter: *Steve Roecklein, PhD*

CC IV CDA 3

- C I'm Sad, I'm Mad!: Tools for Building an Emotional Vocabulary.** A child's healthy emotional development depends on their ability to express emotions to peers and adults and to understand the feelings of others. In this workshop, participants will have the opportunity to explore strategies to build 'emotional literacy' skills for young children, including using books, story-time, and props.

Presenter: *Cindy Croft*

CC IV CDA 3

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Morning Sessions

- D Have Fun Teaching Spanish.** Explore and create everything you will need to excite your children with this fun, Hispanic multicultural theme. We will experience art, music, dramatic play, learning centers, cooking, stories, Spanish words, and pre-reading activities. Go home with more than enough activities and resources to have fun for a whole week with this curriculum.

Presenter: *Amy Timm*

CC II CDA 2

- E Quiet Time Activities for School Aged and Non-Nappers.** Kids need things to do that not only keep them quiet during nap time, but to quiet their minds and spirits. This class will talk about activities for school age children and give you ideas to use that other children will enjoy.

Presenter: *Ella Smith*

CC II CDA 1

- F Not Just Infants & Toddlers.** Join us in this session as we learn how infants and toddlers develop, how they communicate and how they grow. You will have an opportunity to view and share ideas and discuss behavioral practices and activities that make infants and toddlers so unique. Leave with new ideas and activities to use with infants and toddlers in your program.

Presenter: *Karin Ihnen*

CC I CDA 8

- G SERVING UP SAVINGS.** *(This session was offered last year but we're bringing it back by popular demand)* Are grocery prices drilling a hole through your pocketbook? During this session we will learn ways to help stretch your food dollars; share tips on comparing prices; and discuss ways to plan ahead to save time and money preparing meals. You'll leave this session with many great recipes as well.

Presenters: *Lori Doll & Kerri Bitz*

CC VI CDA 1

Afternoon Sessions

H The Importance of Early Experiences: How playing IS Kindergarten readiness!
During this session Lisa will identify the seven things we need to do with children each day in order to encourage a love of life long learning and create the foundation which will support future school success. And what is that foundation? Why playing of course! This workshop is designed to reinforce the importance of hands-on, play-based learning in the early years and discusses how playing is "getting them ready." It has become one of her most popular and oft requested workshops.

Presenter: *Lisa Murphy, the Ooey Goey Lady*

CC II CDA 2

I Working With Parents of Child Care Children.
(This session was offered last year but we're bringing it back by popular demand). How is it that some parents seem so easy to relate with and understanding while others can be pushy, critical and never seem satisfied? Let's take a look at the parent and service provider relationships and the skills of Emotional Intelligence that are helpful in these situations with parents. Please bring examples of parental interactions that have bothered, hurt and frustrated you, as well as some that have been effective with parents.

This session is limited to 30 people so register early.

Presenter: *Steve Roecklein, PhD*

CC V CDA 4

J Learning to Listen, Listening to Learn.
Children's listening habits/skills are good predictors of oral language proficiency, reading and writing skills and later school success, but good listening skills do not come naturally - they must be taught and practiced. This course will help providers improve their own listening skills and those of children by understanding the components of listening and applying strategies. Children are ready to learn to become good listeners.

Presenter: *Cindy Croft*

CC IV CDA 3

Afternoon Sessions

K Toddler Art. There is a big difference between Art and Crafts. This class will help you understand those differences and why those wiggly little toddlers are ready for Art. Art is so so so fun for Teachers. We will be experiencing the fun with the activities and participating with you to take home with ideas they can use Monday.

Presenter: *Lisa Smith*

CC II CDA 1

L I Want Mommy: Emotional Coaching Techniques. Crying, uncooperative, and fighting? Join us as we learn how to effectively use the techniques of emotional coaching to calm children who are experiencing separation anxiety and behavior issues. Learn also how to use this technique to communicate with parents who are upset or distraught. You'll discover this really works!

Presenter: *Amy Timm*

CC IV CDA 3

M Sharing Stories, Changing Lives: Powerful strategies to help children ages 3 to 9 value diversity and confront bullying and bias. Young children notice differences and experiment with teasing, bullying and exclusion. By the time they are six months old they notice differences in race and gender, by age 2 they may have developed racial preferences and by age 4 they are already experimenting with teasing and leaving kids out. Research shows that talking to children about differences and teasing can rapidly make a difference! Come talk about how to make a differences in children's lives by talking with them about differences and bias using children's books, dolls and art materials.

Presenter: *Nancy Michael* *CC II CDA 3*

N Sugar, Salt & Fat, Oh My! What's the real scoop on sugar, salt and fat and how does it effect our children's health. During this informative session we will take a look at becoming more Sugar Savvy, Salt Smart, and Fat Informed. Leave with ideas on how to reduce sugar, salt and fat intake and recipes to take home.

Presenters: *Martha Kollman and Corinne Lyon*

CC VI CDA 8

Conference Information

Registration: PLEASE REGISTER EARLY! Earlybird registration deadline is **Friday, March 23rd**. (Conference may fill before this deadline so register early.) Conference registration fee is **only \$55.00** if you register by March 23rd! Registration includes breakfast, lunch, 6 hours of training and shopping. Registrations postmarked *after* March 23rd will be at the higher rate of **\$65.00**.

Registration confirmations are sent if an email is provided on the registration form.

Remember breakout sessions are filled in the order that registrations are received. Please submit your registration as soon as possible.

Training Hours: You will receive a training certificate for six hours of training if you attend the entire conference. *All training sessions are approved by MNCDP and co-sponsored by Midwest Child Care Resource & Referral.*

Package Drop-off Area: Child Care Choices offers a secure place for you to leave your purchases until the end of the day. There is no cost for this service.

Meals: A light breakfast will be served and bag lunches will be provided. Please let us know if you have any special dietary needs **BEFORE** the conference and we will try to accommodate you.

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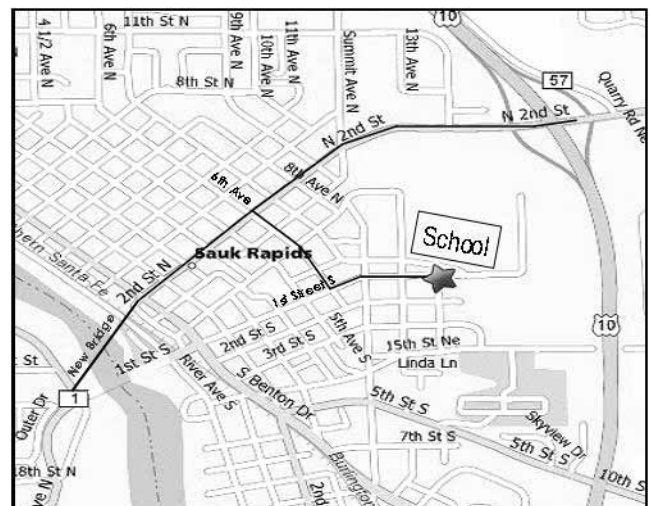
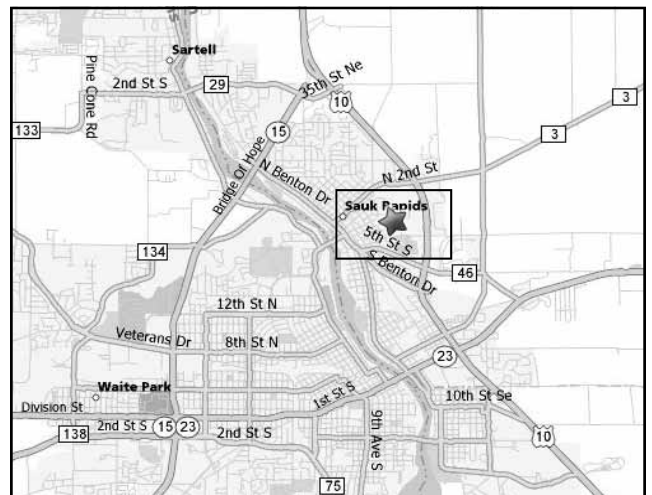
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Sauk Rapids Middle School 901 1st Street South—Sauk Rapids.

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From Hwy 15 Take Benton Drive/Sauk Rapids exit, taking a left onto Benton Drive. Go through Sauk Rapids and take a left onto 1st Street South (by Coborn's). The school will be on your left.

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- Little Learner's Depot
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