

Childhood Matters Radio Show December, 2005 Show Descriptions

Tune in to *Childhood Matters* every Sunday from 9:00 – 10:00 AM on 98.1 KISS-FM or 540 KRXA-AM for information, resources, and advice for parents and others who care about kids.

We want to hear from you! Call host Rona Renner, RN, with your questions or comments at **(877) 372-KIDS**. Or log onto **www.childhoodmatters.org** to learn more and listen to all our past shows.

December 4, 2005 – Growing Up With Dyslexia

What is dyslexia? How can parents and teachers identify the early signs of this learning disability and help children be successful in school and feel good about themselves? Join Rona and guests, **Henry Winkler**, award-winning actor, director and co-author of the book series, *Hank Zipzer: The World's Greatest Underachiever*, inspired by his true-life experiences growing up with undiagnosed dyslexia, and **Chris Voll**, independent educational evaluator and school psychologist with the Albany Unified School District, as they discuss resources and opportunities available for children and families.

December 11, 2005 – The Many Faces of Childhood Neglect

When a child's physical and emotional needs are not met, their healthy development is impacted. Join Rona and guests, **Ken Borelli**, LCSW, Deputy Director of the Department of Family and Children Services in San Jose, and **Kathy Truax**, MFT, Director of the Pregnancy and Early Parenting Center at the Family Service Agency of Marin, as they address the issues surrounding neglect and the cultural and life circumstances that contribute to the various ways children are cared for in our communities.

December 18, 2005 – Family Values During the Holidays

The holiday season can be overwhelming and can cause us to lose sight of what's most important to our families. Join Rona and guests, **Janis Keyser**, teacher in the Early Childhood Education Department at Cabrillo College and author of *Becoming the Parent You Want To Be*, and **Dr. Josh Sparrow**, supervisor of inpatient psychiatry at Children's Hospital, Boston, and Associate Director of the Brazelton Touchpoints Center, as they offer suggestions for how to stay calm during the holidays, manage the financial and emotional stresses of the season, and focus on the values and traditions you'd like to pass on to your children.

December 25, 2005 – No Show

In observance of the Christmas Holiday, there will be no Childhood Matters Radio Show on this Sunday. We wish you and your families a wonderful holiday season.