


The Heart of PAMI

The success of PAMI is dependent upon involvement and support of organizations and community groups such as churches, schools, state and local agencies, and businesses, as well as individuals working together to benefit children, families, and the community.

Level of participation can range from:

- ◆ Display PAMI poster
- ◆ Distribution of PAMI bookmarks
- ◆ Vendor specific products, services, and information on the wellbeing of the family and community
- ◆ Resolutions/declarations by councils, boards, commissions, supporting PAMI
- ◆ Conferences, programs, forums, fairs
- ◆ Themed family events
- ◆ Events to showcase local youth talent
- ◆ Parents featured in local media
- ◆ Restaurant placemats with PAMI symbolism
- ◆ PAMI-centric message products/services exhibited at the PAMI Kick-Off Breakfast or other community events
- ◆ Underwriting of featured family event
- ◆ Select a "Parent of the Year" for your group, organization or business
- ◆ And other parenting themed activities and events as elected that tie to the public awareness goal of PAMI

Visit the IPI, Inc. website for more details.



Countdown to
April 2010

Host/sponsor a family-center event or activity at your church, organization, school, Library or agency.

Need planning assistance? Call 219-714-2772
Support Indiana families.

Parenting Awareness Month Indiana
Celebrating People Raising Children.
2010 Theme: Help a Parent. Save A Child

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CELEBRATE PARENTING

PAMI

APRIL IS PARENTING AWARENESS
MONTH INDIANA



Mommy, Daddy and I . . .

**"CELEBRATING PEOPLE
RAISING CHILDREN IN
NW INDIANA."**

A PUBLIC EDUCATION FORUM.



Celebrating PAMI Since 2007

Celebrating people raising children in Northwest Indiana began in April 2007 with the first celebration of Parenting Awareness Month in Gary, Indiana.

Each year since then, the Indiana Parenting Institute, Inc. (IPI, Inc.) has collaborated with and engaged businesses, schools, churches, organizations, state, and local agencies in coming together to acknowledge the vital role parents perform in raising children to become productive citizens of our communities given the opportunity to reach their full potential through effective and responsible parenting.

Over the years, we have acknowledged and celebrated parents as role models worthy of emulation as well as business leaders and organizations dedicated to advancing and preserving the wellbeing of children and families.

We have sought to educate and inform the community about the need for effective and responsible parenting through our public radio program, community forums, public engagements, participation, and sponsorship of community events in collaboration with other groups.

We have sought to educate, inspire, and uplift parents and families through socially innovative evidence based skill-building parenting and relationship education programs.

The Need is Great...

In reports published by the Center for Disease Control, child protective services investigated 3.6 million reported cases of child neglect and abuse in 2006. More than 900,000 (12.1 per 1,000) children were classified as victims. Nearly 80 percent (79.9%) of perpetrators were the parents of children birth to eighteen years.

A caring, supportive, and involved community is a major force in protecting the wellbeing of Indiana's most precious resource, our children.

PAMI

PAMI is but a public message of recognition, appreciation, and encouragement to parents and families to persevere because it is through them that our society is strengthened.

Purpose

The purpose of PAMI is to educate and engage parents and the community in celebrating people raising children and to promote public awareness of the need for effective and responsible parent education and community resources that protect the wellbeing of children and strengthen families in Indiana.

The celebration of PAMI takes place throughout the month of April each year. Organizations, clergy, parents, schools, state and local representatives, and individuals take it upon themselves to commit their active involvement through sponsorship and hosting of initiatives that educate parents and engage others in advocating for and preserving the wellbeing of children and families.

PAMI Resource Center

The Indiana Parenting Institute, receiving feedback from those who sponsor and host activities and events during PAMI, provides reproducible marketing materials to promote PAMI. This information is downloadable free from the IPI, Inc. website and includes, posters, flyers, bookmarkers, etc. Other pay-for-purchase PAMI items include PAMI t-shirts, pens, tote bags, and caps.

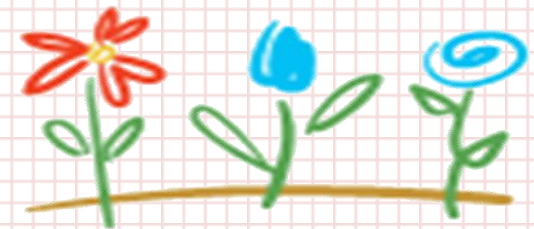
Kick-Off Breakfast

On April 1 of each year, the Indiana Parenting Institute hosts a kick-off breakfast for all PAMI participating organizations and volunteers. This event also bestows our coveted "From-the-Heart Community Service Award" to parents and community leaders who have consistently demonstrated their commitment to advance and preserve the wellbeing of children and families through their work and role as parents. Noted guest speakers heighten the core message of the PAMI mission.

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PAMI is a community initiative that acknowledges and celebrates people raising children in Indiana.