



FAMILIES FIRST

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Calendar of Events:

- **Meet and Eat Parenting Class:** First and Second Tuesday of the month, Sept. '24-May '25, 12-1pm
- **Evening Parenting Class:** Fall 2024 Dates TBD
- **Fall Book Bash:** November Date TBD
- **Family Gingerbread House Making Event 2024:** December 6
- **Father Daughter Dance 2025 (K-5):** Date TBD
- **Mother Son Fun Night 2025 (K-5):** Date TBD
- **Thursday in Pella 2024:** June 6

For more information and to register, go to www.familiesfirstofpella.org

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FIRST THURSDAY IN PELLA

#gamenight

Thursday, June 6

6-8pm

Uptown on the Square

No cost to attend

Bingo

Entertainment

Thank you to Leighton State Bank and PACE for sponsoring the night!



LEIGHTON STATE BANK



Bring the family uptown for some fun and entertainment on June 6th!

Inflatables!



Facepainters!



Bike Rodeo!



Stop by the Families First booth for popsicles and fun!



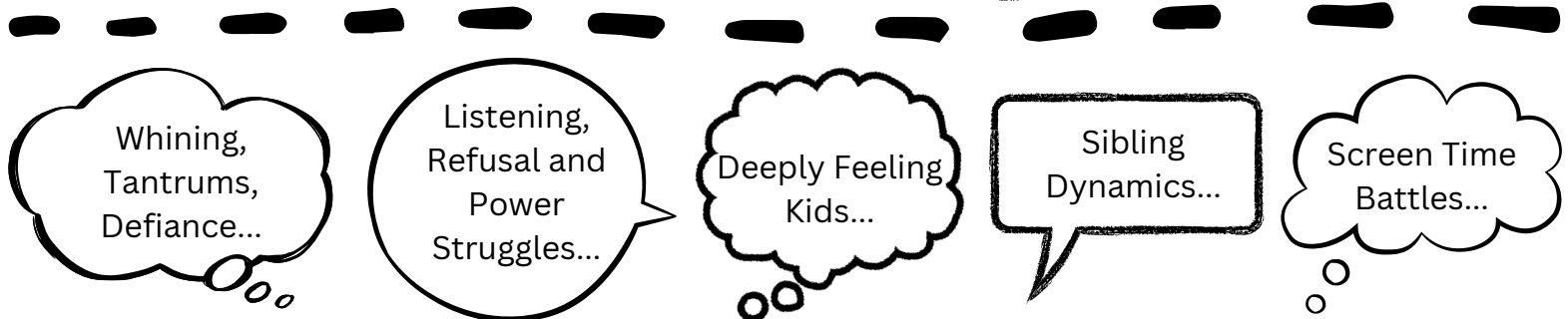
Free book at the ELMA table!

Go to www.familiesfirstofpella.org to register.

REFLECTING ON PARENTING CLASSES...

One of my favorite parenting quotes is..."There are no perfect parents, and there are no perfect children, but there are plenty of perfect moments along the way." (Dave.Willis.org) I think this quote embraces that parenting is hard, and there will be ups and downs on the journey. Daily, in fact! Thank you to all of the parents who joined me this past year to reflect on their parenting and learn some new techniques! It was a joy to meet all of you, and I appreciated the opportunity to share Love and Logic with you, as well as reflect on my own parenting. We hosted around 45 families during our Meet and Eat and Evening Classes.

Thanks to our generous donors, the classes, meals, and childcare were offered at no cost! Thank you to Vermeer Charitable Foundation and Marion County United Way! We appreciate your investment in families! Many thanks also, to...Trinity Church for allowing us to use your space, Trinity custodians for setting up for and cleaning up after our classes, 2nd Reformed Church for allowing us to use the nursery, the Pella Public Library for allowing us to use the meeting room, Breadeaux Pizza and Subway for discounted meals, and Bonnie Van Wyndgarden for the delicious meals!



Do these challenges resonate with you?!? Join us next year for "Good Inside" parenting workshops! Learn new techniques to handle these issues. The first and second Tuesday of the month Sept-May. Check out our website for more details in August!

TULIP TIME

Thank you to Bank Iowa for allowing Families First to ride the train float at Tulip Time and spotlight our organization!



Boredom

The kids will be home for the summer soon! Check out the attached thoughts on kids and boredom...

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