

new workshop...

Boy OH Boy!

Practical Wisdom for Raising Boys



Sunday, May 6, 2012

9am - 1pm

Delta Markham

50 East Valhalla Drive, Markham, ON

Presenters...

Barry MacDonald

Sonia Nicolucci

Earlybird fee \$89 until April 19

Fee includes copy of *Boys on Target*

register online at

www.MentoringBoys.com

Rather than disapproving or surpressing boys' high-spirited physicality, aggression, or shy reluctance, this workshop will show you how to respond to boys' varied needs in caring & respectful ways.

Learn how to listen beyond your son's frustration to connect with him & to understand his deeper needs.

Learn how to tune into your son's inner world so you can help him regulate & manage his emotions.

Learn 12 ways to sidestep power struggles so your son learns how to effectively manage power in the world.

Learn how to set loving limits so that your son learns to respect your leadership & seek out your support.

Learn how to help your son navigate social challenges such as peer conflicts, bullying, & online aggression.

Learn how to mentor your son to be hard on problems but gentle & loving toward himself & others.

Learn how to intervene with siblings conflict, or when morning madness or bedtime bedlam erupts.

Special 4 for the price of 3 earlybird fee available!

Registration is limited so register soon!

**Outstanding leaders will
provide you with deeply
nourishing insight and
everyday practical wisdom...**



SONIA NICOLUCCI

is a Certified Parent Educator and Professional Life Coach who believes that we can make a difference with one loving action, one listening ear, and one gesture of encouragement. As the founder of RnRparenting.ca, she is dedicated to helping parents teach their children to become respectful and responsible citizens - visit RnRparenting.ca

BARRY MACDONALD

is a skilled educator, celebrated author of 3 books about boys, and Registered Clinical Counsellor, who will expertly lead you through the corridors of boyhood. His highly practical and positive approach will inspire you to mentor your son to be successful at school, while also developing his ingenuity and his integrity - visit MentoringBoys.com



AGENDA



8:30 Registration

9:00 Barry: Understanding and appreciating the varied needs of boys.

10:00 Sonia: Finding perspective as a parent. Practical wisdom about how Sonia encourages, mentors, and disciplines her 3 sons. Knowing that actions teach stronger than words, how does a parent manage power struggles and find a way to honour emerging independence?

11:00 Short Break - Coffee, tea, and water provided

11:15 Barry: What if video games actually make boys smarter? What if emerging technologies serve to uncover fresh opportunities for creative expression and critical thinking, and for the development of talents? How can parents provide healthy limits? Learn sensible strategies to parent with structure, support, and supervision so boys will develop well-rounded life skills that are responsive to emerging technologies while ALSO achieving balance in their lives. It's not just that our future depends on it; the boys of today are simply unstoppable with it.

11:45 Sonia: How to respond to sibling rivalry? How can healthy everyday conflict build stronger boys who in turn learn to become more caring and responsive to others? How to overcome Morning Madness, Mealtime Mayhem, and Homework Headaches while maintaining sanity and loving every minute of it!

12:15 Barry and Sonia take to the Hotseat:
Opportunity to ask questions not yet addressed

12:50 Closing comments

Mentor your son to become a man of courage and compassion.

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Raising Boys into Men of Courage and Compassion

Boys on Target



Your registration fee includes a copy of this fabulous book:

Praise for **Boys on Target**..

"I have seen first-hand how Barry MacDonald's writings and his public presentations to sell-out audiences inspire teachers, parents, and others in the community to reframe and refresh their perspectives on boys who struggle. Wherever he has taken his message, he has struck a chord with parents and teachers who are asking questions that are driving change. Barry is challenging us all to pay attention and revisit old assumptions; his practical wisdom suggests how we can learn to see boys not as an objectified **problem** but as whole persons with strengths we can help them to uncover.

Whether you are a parent or teacher or an adult involved with mentoring boys in some other capacity, you will find the thoughtful, in depth discussions in this book enlightening and deeply nourishing.

Dr. Sue Ann Cairns

Kwantlen Polytechnic University

*Co-author **Strategies for Successful Writing***

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