

Announcing: A Five-Week Class:

“Passages Class for Teens & Parents”

When: Thursdays: March 28, April 4, 18 & 25; May 2, 6:30-8:15 pm.

Where: The Clay County Juvenile Office, 351 E. Kansas, Liberty

What: A safe space for teens to turn their troubles into gifts and to have a more meaningful passage to adulthood. Communication and coping skills and creative activities are offered for four main passages: physical, emotional (including anger), mental and social. Parents are encouraged to explore parenting skills that can enhance the teen’s changes. Ancient initiation stories are told to awaken each person’s unique style and imagination. Teens and parents will be together for the first part of the evening and apart for the last half to provide specific group experiences.

Who: The seminar is intended for Clay County residents, children ages 13 to 16, and with at least one parent attending. Parents may also attend without their children.

Facilitator: David Strabala, LCSW, juvenile office counselor and storyteller, will lead the group, along with other juvenile office staff.

Cost/Reserve a place: There are no fees, but you **must contact him** to be included in this class, as space is limited. Call **David Strabala** at **736-8405** with questions and to reserve your place, or e-mail at **david.strabala@courts.mo.gov**. A commitment to attend all five classes is expected. Refreshments will be served.