

# Parental Rights Town Meeting

City Library (Community Room), 64 S 100 E, American Fork  
Saturday, November 15, 2003, 9:30 a.m.

## Speakers

### Victim Testimony

*Lisa Bierly*: Two of her four children, Jordan and Leigh, were seized for “medical neglect” in 2000 and are now suffering horribly in foster care.

*Stephanie Mair*: Three of her four children were seized for a “messy home” in 1998. They have been in over a dozen homes and are being abused. Her case is in appellate court.

*Emma Curtis*: Great-grandmother of Casey Barrow, who died tragically on Oct. 23, 2003 in foster care—under suspicious circumstances.

*Daren & Barbara Jensen*: Son, Parker, was diagnosed with cancer in April, 2003. Chemo was prescribed. Parents sought alternatives and second opinions. Utah ordered Parker’s removal, and then filed kidnapping charges against his parents when they fled the state. Charges dropped....

### Medical & Religious Freedom

*Sandra Lucas*, Regional Director, Citizens Commission on Human Rights, and family advocate. She will discuss the abuses she has encountered and the attack on medical and religious freedom.

### Importance of Due Process & How it is Violated Today

*Dan Witte*, attorney, parental rights author, and family advocate. He will discuss parental rights in terms of proposed legislative solutions, and explain the importance of due process.

### Necessary Reforms to Protect Innocent Families

*Dave Hansen*, citizen and Utah foster care survivor. He will outline necessary legislative reforms, field relevant questions, and obtain additional input and ideas from the audience.

### Action Plans

*Lowell Nelson & Matt Misbach*, Utah County citizens. They will marshal various action plans.

## Objectives

*Inform and inspire*: Recognize *key problems* in the current child protection system. Persuade legislators and government officials to *rectify current wrongs*, and to *reform the system* to prevent future abuses. Work together to ensure *justice* for innocent parents who love, nurture, and sacrifice for their children.

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