

Summer Playhouse Splash



Shaw JCC ECE

Edition 6

July 31, 2009 10 Av 5769

Tu B'Av

Tu B'Av, the 15th day of the Jewish month of Av, August 5th, is one of the lesser known days on the Jewish holiday calendar which is surprising since its focus is that ever popular subject: romance. Tu B'Av begins on the night of a full moon hence linking the idea of love, matchmaking and fertility in ancient times. The explanations for the origins of Tu B'Av are varied but one of them is that on this day the tribes of Israel were permitted to mingle, the women dressed in white and everyone celebrated in dance. It also marked the end of the desert generation. Modern day Israel likens it to a Valentine's Day festival.

ECE is not going to spend time on matchmaking but we will celebrate life and community and focus on the family and friends we do have during our Wednesday Summer Luau and garden harvest.

Ms. Michelle & Ms. Megan have been on the go with the room 2/3 toddlers. Someone asked the question "What do you do with toddlers during a week of rain?" The answer..."We play dress up of course!"



Can you guess who or what I am?

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, JULY 31ST – CAMP JCC INVITES ECE TO A STEEL BAND DRUM SHOW AT 2:30PM

TU B'AV COUNTRY FAIR & SUMMER LUAU – 8/5/09

TROPICAL RELAYS, CRAZY DAISY WATER SPRAY, HULA DANCING, FRUIT KABOBS, FRUIT SMOOTHIES, LIMBO, HOT COCONUT, SAND ART, FRUIT LOOP LEIS AND MORE...

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 2009

KINDERGARTEN ADVENTURE CAMP FIELD TRIP - AKRON ZOO FIELD TRIP. LEAVING AT 9:30AM

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ODJFS LICENSING INSPECTION FOR LICENSE RENEWAL

FALL 2009-2010 PARENT PACKETS

PARENT PACKETS FOR THE 2009/2010 SCHOOL YEAR HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE FAMILIES WHO HAVE RETURNED THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM AND FEE.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6 AT THE SHAW JCC OF AKRON, 2:00 PM TO 7:00 PM IN THE AUDITORIUM. PRE-REGISTRATION CAN BE DONE AT THE MAIN DESK OR AT THE ANNUAL PICNIC ON SUNDAY, 7/26/09.

SHAW JCC OF AKRON FALL PROGRAM GUIDES ARE HERE

FAMILIES WILL BE RECEIVING THE GUIDE IN THEIR HOMES SOON

ECE INFORMATION UPDATE...

AUGUST 3 - 7, 2009...ON VACATION

KELLY COLLIER – IS RETURNING, MRS. CARDARELLI WILL REMAIN WITH MS. COLLIER FOR THE SUMMER, MS. AYELET WILL ASSIST MRS. DELAGRANGE
MRS. SHUBAT 8/3-8/7/09
MRS. PARRIS -8/3 & 4 & 7/09
MRS. HAMILTON – 8/6 & 8/7/09
MICHELLE BENVIE– LEAVES AT 1PM ON 8/7/09
PAULETTE PERKINS – 8/10-8/14/09
MRS. BRADY – 8/10-8/21/09
MRS. HENDERSHOT – 8/13 & 14/09
MRS. BERNSTEIN – 8/14-8/21/09

CONGRATULATIONS & FAREWELL...

MS. JEN MUELLER HAS ACCEPTED A POSITION WITH AKRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS A SOCIAL WORKER. HER FINAL DAY WILL BE FRIDAY, JULY 31ST. SHE WILL BE ON VACATION NEXT WEEK. CONGRATULATIONS JEN AND GOOD LUCK !

PARENT PACKETS AND TRANSITIONS – A REMINDER

AUGUST IS QUICKLY APPROACHING. PARENTS OF KINDERGARTENERS, ELIGIBLE TRANSITIONAL TODDLERS AND FULLTIME TODDLERS WILL BE RECEIVING A LETTER REGARDING PROCEDURE FOR TRANSITIONS TO NEW PROGRAMS. THE LAST DAY OF SUMMER PLAYHOUSE PROGRAMMING IS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH. ECE STAFF WILL PARTICIPATE IN 2 DAYS OF IN-SERVICE TRAINING AND CLASSROOM PREP ON 8/27 & 8/29/09. PROGRAM TRANSITION WEEK WILL OCCUR THE WEEK OF 8/31-9/4/09 FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE CONTINUING FROM SUMMER TO FALL PROGRAMS. SCHOOL AGE CHILDCARE PROGRAMS WILL BEGIN THE WEEK OF AUGUST 24TH AND CONTINUE FORWARD. ECE FALL 2009 WILL OFFICIALLY BEGIN FOR NEW FAMILIES ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH. PARENT PACKETS ARE IN THE LAST PHASE OF READINESS. CLASSROOM AND TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS ARE BEING FINALIZED. ALL CHILDREN REGISTERED FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR WILL RECEIVE A PACKET NO LATER THAN JULY 31ST. ECE HAS ENJOYED AN EXCITING SUMMER, MADE MANY NEW FRIENDS AND SHARED EXPERIENCES WITH A GREAT SUMMER STAFF. WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS JOURNEY OF EXPLORATION DURING FALL, WINTER AND SPRING OF 2009 & 2010. THE FALL PROGRAM GUIDE 2009 IS AVAILABLE, CHECK THE WEBSITE – WWW.SHAWJCC.ORG AND READ YOUR PARENT PACKETS THOROUGHLY TO SEE WHAT IS COMING UP IN THE NEAR AND DISTANT FUTURE.

PARSHA OF THE WEEK

Va-etchanan – “listening” in Hebrew or Deuteronomy, the value we have chosen from this parsha is *v’sheenantam l’vanecha* which translates as “ and you shall teach them to your children.”
This parsha not only focuses on listening but on listening with understanding and then teaching what we know.
At this time of year we like to share the *Shema* ” with the children...”Hear O Israel, the Lord our G_d, the Lord is One”
L’Dor V’Dor – from generation to generation.

Shabbat Shalom!

July
By Maurice Sendak
In July
I’ll take a peep
Into the cool
And fishy deep
Where chicken soup is selling cheap.
Selling once, selling twice
Selling chicken soup with rice.