

## HAYGOOD CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER NEWS

January 2010

Please mark these dates on your calendar

January 6	"God made the Stars" Chapel at 9:15 am
January 8	Farewell Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 – 6:45 pm
January 12	Ron Anglin Young Audience Program ~ Gym 10:30am
January 18	<b>CDC CLOSED:</b> Martin Luther King Birthday Observation
January 20	Chapel 9:15am ~ "Learning to be a Friend"
February 23	Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-9 am
March 19	Haygood Preschool Auction – King Plow Arts Center, 7 pm

### FAREWELL SPAGHETTI DINNER

Please join us for this for our final spaghetti dinner and enjoy a delicious event! Come for your choice of Ms. Gayle's veggie & or meat sauces, yummy desserts, the company of friends and neighbors. Dinner is from 5pm-6:45pm. Join us for Food, Folks & Fun!

### MARDI GRAS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

What a great way to begin the day! Come and enjoy plain & blueberry pancakes, bacon, fresh fruit, OJ & coffee – Mmm-mmm, happiness! This event is hosted by Weekday Children's Ministries. We need cooking and clean-up volunteers. If you are able to help whip up good eats or to clean up after the event, please contact Kerry Bresee, Preschool Director: [kbresee@haygoodwcm.org](mailto:kbresee@haygoodwcm.org) or 404. 872. 5806 Ext. 231.

### HAYGOOD GREEN TEAM

Class parties typically leave a lot of waste behind. While disposable paper products and individually wrapped items are extremely convenient, Haygood encourages parents planning the class parties to "Go Green." With a little planning, it should be worth the effort to have a "Waste-free" party and it sends a positive message to our kids! How to have a Waste-Free Party:

- Haygood has provided plastic plates, silverware and cups for each class! These items can be rinsed off after the party and taken home by a parent volunteer to wash
- Skip the juice boxes! Bring in pitchers for water or purchase the large containers of juice or milk.
- Use cloth napkins and tablecloths. Have a parent volunteer to wash them.
- Bring foods that are not individually wrapped. Serve muffins, fruit, sliced cheese or finger sandwiches. Bring them in reusable containers.
- Plan a craft that uses natural materials, like decorating a pinecone as a Christmas ornament. Or instead of a craft, play music and dance. Read books related to the holiday being celebrated.
- Avoid plastic "goodie bag" items as party favors

## **ORIGINAL WORKS ART SHOW**

The Original Works Art Show and Dessert Before Dinner will be on **Friday, April 23, 2010**. This year we will be sending home order forms with a magnet that displays your child's artwork in February. There are many items that you can order that will be wonderful keepsakes for years to come. All items will be ready to be picked up at the art show, in time for Mother's Day and Father's Day.

## **ILLNESS POLICY**

Your child **MUST** be free of fever or vomiting for a full 24 hours before returning to school. Please help us keep all the children at Haygood healthy during this busy time of year. If you are wondering whether or not they are well enough to come to school, please err on the side of caution and keep them home for the day. Thank you so much for your help and support!

## **WEATHER-RELATED SCHOOL CLOSINGS**

Haygood follows the Atlanta Public Schools guideline for inclement weather. Please check your local TV and radio stations, 11 Alive, Star 94 or Access Atlanta on the internet for school closing information. **If Atlanta Public Schools are closed, we will be closed.**

## **Many Thanks to . . .**

**Our CDC Families** for providing a memorable annual Christmas Luncheon and loving gifts to Teachers and Staff. We appreciate all you do! Thank you very much.

**Ms. Edith Ann** and our wonderful Threes and Fours/PreK Class for the sweet Christmas Chapel program!

## **Happy Birthday/Happy Anniversary...**

**Ms. Clara Willis** 1/12

**Ms. Edith Ann** 1/3

**Ms. Theresa Otto** 1/12

**Ms. Donna Brady** 1/16

## **In Our Prayers...**

**The Chance Family** as they celebrate Patrick's remission of neuroblastoma.

**Ms. Reese Taylor Hudnall** as we celebrate her wedding to John Hudnall on New Years Eve.

## **Around Haygood UMC...**

Haygood UMC Student Ministries will have a **Valentine's Babysitting Fundraiser on Friday, February 12, 2010** from 6:30-10:30pm. Children who are potty trained to 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. The cost is \$40 per child (\$35 each additional child). Contact Eric Fessler for reservations by February 3 at [effessler@haygoodumc.org](mailto:effessler@haygoodumc.org) or 404-872-9613 ext. 223. Kids come in PJs and bring sleeping bags and pillows, we will supply the fun!

## **In Closing, from Theresa Otto...**

Happy New Year! Another year has come and gone in what feels like the blink of an eye. Just like every year, 2009 was full and joys and challenges. There have been a plethora of newspaper articles since New Year's Day that look back on the past year to remind us of what was newsworthy in 2009. From fashion and music to politics and the financial markets, you can read something about it. I guess it can be fun and educational to look back over the year and review joys, challenges, successes, and milestones. When your children are small it is easy to reflect on the past year and remember those significant events. For some of you, your baby may have started sleeping through the night or taking first steps. Maybe you were lucky enough to say goodbye to diapers or car seats for the first time in a decade. Your child may have learned to ride a bike without training wheels or swing on the big swings without a push. There is so much going on...all the time. As I look back over the past year I focus more on the

milestones of my children than on my own success or failures. When I look back on 2009, I celebrate that my oldest moved into her first apartment, and my son is now old enough to get his learner's permit. My third child Tristan turned 13 and just got braces, and my youngest is in her last year at Morningside. It has been a big year.

I hope that you have had many joys and successes to look back on fondly from this past year. I also hope that you are looking forward to this New Year with hope and excitement for all of the good things that are in store.