

Patti's News!



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A Note From Our Director

Happy Valentine's Day to all of our wonderful Patti's families! We are certainly enjoying your children. We have so much fun every day at Patti's. One of the children's favorite stories is "Hi Pizza Man". So if your child comes home and says "What will you say when we open the door and it is a Pizza Dog?" Your answer is "Ruff Ruff Pizza Dog!"

This month we will be playing with red, white, & pink paper, hearts and glitter. Many Valentines will be coming home to show you how much your children love you. And the second half of the month will be about Jungle Animals. This is a great month at Patti's with themes the children always enjoy!

We hope some of you had time to attend the preschool fair so generously organized by the Mercer Island Preschool Association. Patti's has had a booth at the event for many years.

It is also time to start thinking about registration for your child for Fall 2010. If your child is entering another preschool in the Fall, you should still consider Patti's. We are a great supplement to a child's preschool schedule! More information about registration (forms, deadlines, etc) is included in this newsletter. Also, if you know of anyone who has children who will be 2 by the Fall, please pass the word about Patti's registration.

Enjoy this month of Love! Have fun. Happy Valentines Day.

- Cathy Jankovich

Register for the Fall!

Register NOW for the 2010-11 school year!

Registration deadline is Monday, March 1

We would love to have your children back again next year! Patti's has two sessions available for your children. The morning session (9am- Noon), caters to younger children, 2-3 year olds. The afternoon session (Noon- 3pm), for 3-5 year olds, is a great enrichment program to complement your child's preschool schedule. To know more about the two sessions, visit the Patti's website-<http://www.pattisplaycenter.org/programs.html>

To register for the Fall, please print the registration procedures and form available on the website and follow the instructions on how to register-
<http://www.pattisplaycenter.org/reservations.html>. Paper copies are available in the classroom- just ask Cathy.

If you have any questions about registration, please feel free to contact our Registrar, Karen Schmid at (206) 232-0306 or kkuhn4@msn.com

Themes For This Month



Valentine's Day

Jungle Animals

Patti's Fundraiser- Wine & Raffle Night



Thursday, March 4
7:00pm at MI Beach Club

In mid January, we sent everyone an invite for this event. **We encourage you to RSVP via the invite.** If you didn't get the invite or have any questions about the event, please contact the Fundraising Chair- Andrea Chatalas-
chatali@comcast.net

As a reminder, the event will include wine tasting, delicious appetizers and a raffle! You don't want to miss the fun!

Cost is \$35.00 per person, payable in advance. As well, there will be a raffle for gifts everyone will enjoy!

If you are not able to join us for the event but would still like to participate in the fundraiser, you may purchase raffle tickets in advance- more information about advanced raffle ticket sales will be distributed later in February.

Mark Your Calendar

Just a reminder, Patti's Play Center will be **closed** in observance of President's Day on Monday & Tuesday, Feb. 15 & 16, 2010

Gracias!

Thank you very much to **Kate Defebaugh** and her parents, **Kristina & Jim** for donating so many wonderful large toys to Patti's. The kids have been enjoying them. We truly appreciate you thinking of us.

Thank you to our own **Teacher Alex** for assembling 4 new bikes! Now all the children can have an opportunity to ride a lavender bike! Thank you, Alex!!

DONATIONS?

As you know, Patti's will be holding our annual fundraiser on March 4th. During this evening, guest will have the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for wonderful gifts and gift baskets. All proceeds from the raffle will go directly to Patti's.

If you would like to donate an item, a gift basket or money, we would greatly appreciate your generosity.

Each gift basket has a theme- spa/beauty, date night, and wine/cheese/chocolate. And we expect to add more themed baskets and individual gifts as well to the raffle, so any type of donation would be greatly appreciated!

If you would like to donate or just have a question, please contact, our fundraising chair, **Andrea Chatalas** at chatali@comcast.net. All donations are tax deductible.



Birthday Celebration!



Sarah Hochberg



Afternoon Openings!

Has your little one given up naps? If so, bring them to Patti's for an afternoon of fun with their friends. We still have space for 3-5 year olds from 12:00-3:00. Talk with Cathy about drop-in or regular reservations.



Love Letters

If I could be a postman
for just one single time,
I'd choose to carry valentines
so lovely and so fine.
I would not mind the heavy load,
or my tired feet,
If I could scatter happiness
up and down the street.

Love Potion

- ♥ 1 -12oz. Can Frozen Pink Lemonade
- ♥ 1- 12oz. Can Sprite or 7-Up
- ♥ 1 Cup Raspberry Sherbet

In a pitcher, mix the frozen lemonade concentrate with recommended amount of water. Next, add 1 cup of sherbet. Stir in the soda and serve. This frothy delight is love at first sip!