



NJAEYC Shore Chapter News

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Red Bank, NJ

Dear Members,

Among the most accomplished and fabled tribes of Africa, no tribe was considered to have more warriors more fearsome or more intelligent than the mighty Masai. It is perhaps surprising then, to learn the more traditional greeting that passed between Masai Warrior. "Kasserian ingera," one would always say to another. It means, "And how are the children?"

It is still the traditional greeting among the Masai, acknowledging the high value that the Masai always place on their children's well being. Even warriors with no children of their own would always give the traditional answer, "All the children are well." Meaning, of course, that peace and safety prevail, that the priorities of protecting the young, the powerless are in place, that Masai society has not forgotten its reason

for being, its proper functions and responsibilities. "All the children are well," means that life is good.

I wonder how it might affect our consciousness of our own children's welfare if in our culture we took to greeting each other with this same daily question: "And how are the children?" I wonder if we heard that question and passed it along to each other a dozen times a day, if it would begin to make a difference in the reality of how children are thought of or cared for in the country?

What would it be like... if the President began every press conference, every public appearance, by answering the question, "And how are the children, Mr. President?" If every governor of every state had to answer the same question at every press conference: "And how are the children, governor? Are they all

well?" Wouldn't it be interesting to hear the answers?

(Excerpted from a speech by the Rev. Dr. Patrick T. O'Neill, First Paris Unitarian Universalist Church, Framingham, MA.)

Now ask yourself, "How are the children?" Can you answer, "The children are well"?

Teachers are the greatest gift for a child. Teachers are an instrument into his or her soul. Teachers know his or her strengths and weaknesses.

Teachers can answer the question, "Are the children well?" The Shore Chapter of NAEYC also looks out for the welfare of children by planning events for families and staff. Thank you for everything you do to help make sure we can say as a community, "The children are well."



NJAEYC Shore Chapter March Meeting

Date: March 25, 2010 Time: 6:45 p.m.

**Place: Tinton Falls Co-Op Nursery at the Monmouth Reform Temple
332 Hance Ave, Tinton Falls, NJ 732-747-3990**

Have you noticed a child's speech is difficult to understand to you and his peers? Have you struggled with how to discuss this with parents? Jennifer Durrua has been a speech language specialist for 20 years. She will enlighten us on red flags, exercises the whole class can do, when it is appropriate to make a referral and some suggestions on how to make meeting with parents easier. Bring your notebooks and questions to this information packed presentation.

**Professional Development certificates available
Members - free and non-members are \$15.00.
Refer to njaeycshore.org for upcoming events**



The **Shore Chapter of NJAEYC** will celebrate the
Week of the Young Child

Bring Communities Together for Children-
Children Bring Communities Together

All Families are Invited

Sunday, April 11, 2010

11:00 am- 3:00 pm

Monmouth Mall Food Court

Mr. Ray 11 AM

John the Magician 11:45 AM

Yosi 12:30 PM

Buster the mascot for Blue Claws 12-1 PM

Gymboree 1 PM and 2 PM

Make and Take Tables-individual child care centers

Eatontown Police Dept. - ID Cards and Fingerprinting

Face Painting and much, much, much, more.

Every school is welcome to attend this event and have a make and take table for the children and display children's artwork. Please **fill out the form** and **fax to Silvy Mastalsz at 732-389-5443.**

Name of School: _____

Make and Take Activity: _____



NJAEYC Shore Chapter

Cordially invites you to our

Appreciation Night

Date: Thursday, May 13, 2010

Time: 7-9 P M

Place: Dublin House

30 Monmouth Street

Red Bank, NJ 07701

(732) 747-6699

Dublinhouseredbank.com

Join us for a fun and relaxing night. Don't miss out on good food, dessert, drinks and great people. We will be raffling off gift baskets.

Fee: Members \$25

Non-Members \$30



R.S.V.P. Appreciation Night

Please complete the form below and send it with your check to Susan deBrigard, 65 2nd Street Fair Haven, NJ 07704. Return this form to Susan by Monday, May 3, 2010.

If you have any questions please call Silvy Mastalsz, (732) 389-8866 or e-mail silvy@startechstudios.com

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Nominations and Elections News

The Nominating committee is actively seeking our best candidates for this year's open board positions. The nominating committee consists of Joey Tivenan-Mackintosh and Cecelia Donovan. (Patricia Kouten and Heidi Zaentz are not on the committee this year.)

Positions up for nomination this year are:

- President
- Vice President of Membership
- Recording Secretary
- **Treasurer (added 3/23/10)**

Job descriptions and applications for these positions may be viewed and downloaded from our website. All nomination applications should be submitted to Joey Mackintosh at 5 Maple Avenue, Farmingdale, NJ 07727 or via e mail at macksiel@optonline.net

Please consider volunteering your time and gaining incredible experience in your career path.

Nominations must be received by April 10, 2010.

You may e-mail the Nominating Committee Chairperson, Joey Mackintosh if you have any questions.



**WE LOOK FORWARD
TO SEEING YOU!**

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Brookdale Conference- April 24th

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