



# GET HEP

HEPHZIBAH CHILDREN'S ASSOCIATION DAY CARE NEWSLETTER APRIL 2011



## HEPHZIBAH HOLIDAY!

Hephzibah will be closed on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, in observance of Good Friday.

## April School Holiday

### Institute Day

The Oak Park schools will be closed on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> for Institute Day.

**Hephzibah will be providing full-day care from 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. for all children registered to attend. Our day care sites will be combining as follows:**

The Beye site will be relocating to the Longfellow site, 715 S. Highland, 383-4883; the Holmes site will be relocating to the Mann site, 921 N. Kenilworth, 386-4848; the Irving site will be relocating to the Lincoln site, 1111 N. Grove, 386-4820; and the Hatch site will be relocating to the Whittier site, 713 N. Harvey, 848-6070.



All children registered should remember to bring a sack lunch and a beverage. Please remember that Hephzibah is a **PEANUT-FREE** environment when packing sandwiches or desserts. Thank you!

## SUMMER REGISTRATION



Thank you to all of you who returned your summer registration forms on time. Summer acceptance letters will be mailed out later this month to all families who have registered for the summer. **Please remember that summer registrations will not be accepted if your current day care balance is past due.**

**PLEASE... PLEASE... PLEASE... PLEASE... CALL ANNETTE ANDERSON, DAY CARE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, AT (708) 649-7093 IF YOUR CHILD HAS ALSO REGISTERED FOR DISTRICT #97'S SUMMER SCHOOL TO INFORM US OF THE LOCATION, THE CLASS AND THE TIME THAT IT IS SCHEDULED TO MEET.**

A copy of the Summer Fee Schedule will be included in the Summer acceptance packet, and will be mailed to your homes. Additional copies will be found at your site's Parent Sign - out Area.

Thank you for your cooperation.

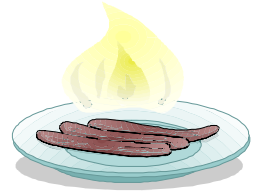


# 12TH ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



*pancakes*

Saturday, May 7, 2011  
8:00 – 10:15 a.m.



*sausage*

Hephzibah Children's Association  
946 North Boulevard  
Oak Park, IL 60301



*orange juice  
milk & coffee*



\$5.00 Adults  
\$3.00 Children



*raffle &  
prizes, too!*



Parent Volunteer opportunities are available to set-up, to wait tables, to clean-up. Shifts are 7:30 – 8:15 set-up, 8:15 – 9:15, 9:15 – 10:15 & 10:15 – 11:00 clean-up, Contact Kathy Nugent or Leslie Taylor today at (708) 649-7140. Thank you!

All proceeds from the Pancake Breakfast will help to defray the cost of the summer Carnival special event!



## PROGRAM EVALUATIONS COMING SOON

It's that time of year. Spring is in the air...as well as Day Care Program evaluations! Day Care program evaluations will be found at each site's Parent Sign-out Area. Please take a few moments and share your thoughts and ideas (and dreams) with us in rating our day care services.

Your feedback is appreciated, and crucial in planning for our future programming's direction. Thank you!

**week of the  
young child**



**Early Years Are Learning Years**

Hephzibah celebrates the Week of the Young Child (April 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>) to recognize and raise awareness of the needs of young children, and to thank educators and others involved in making a difference in young children's lives. Week of the Young Child is celebrated across the country by hundreds of local organizations working to improve opportunities for all young children. Week of the Young Child provides opportunities for all of us to recognize the importance of early learning and literacy experiences to the growth and development of young children. Across the country, young children and their families depend on quality education and child care, which help children get a great start, and bring lasting benefits for our society as a whole. Week of the Young Child is a time to recognize the people, programs and policies that are helping to build better futures for all children. Thank you to all parents, particularly to our dedicated Hephzibah child care staff, teachers, community leaders and all adults who play important roles in the lives of our children!

### **"TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK" DAY**

Thursday April 28, 2011 has been designated as this year's "Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work" Day by the Ms. Foundation for Women. The 2011 theme is "Invent the Future".



Take Our Daughters to Work Day was first established in 1992. In 2003 sons were added. The Foundation encourages parents or adult mentors to take school-age girls and boys to their places of work to allow them to see the range of possibilities that exist for them. The program was designed to give voice and substance to girls' and boys' aspirations and visions for successfully integrating work and family. It also helps them to explore what it means to be successful and happy at school, work, and home, and enables them to recognize common stereotypes about women's and men's roles both on and off the job. For more information you may contact the Ms. Foundation for Women "Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work" at their website, [www.DaughtersandSonstoWork.org](http://www.DaughtersandSonstoWork.org)



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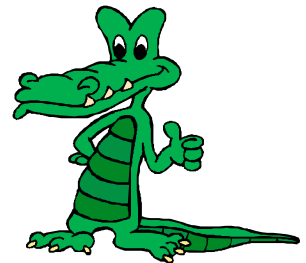


## **Discipline**

An excerpt from Raising Happy Kids, Elizabeth Hartley-Brewer

Discipline, in its best sense, can and should be seen as positive and constructive. It is the help adults give to children in order to:


- keep them safe
- provide a predictable and secure environment for them to operate in
- develop a constructive independence
- make clear the difference between acceptable and unacceptable behavior
- demonstrate that actions have consequences.



Discipline is a positive and enabling tool for creating consistency, predictability and security.



**Hephzibah's  
Fall 2011 Kindergarten  
Open House  
for all new  
Families is coming soon!**



*Date, Time & Location - To Be Announced.*



# IT'S SHOW TIME!



What: "Hephzibah Musical"  
Hephzibah's 32<sup>nd</sup>  
Annual Talent Show



When: Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m.



Where: Oak Park-River Forest  
High School  
201 N. Scoville  
Oak Park, IL  
Auditorium

*An admission charge will be accepted at the doors of the auditorium. **Hephzibah's Talent Show is not a fundraising event. All admission donations will be used to help to defray the cost of a pizza party at each site, in which all Talent show performers, artists, emcees and ushers/usherettes can participate...and celebrate!***

*Please see your site supervisor if you are willing to be a Parent Volunteer. Thank you!*

