

August 2010

Notes from the Learning Tree

Hello, all new and returning members!

Summer is drawing to an end, and it's time to start thinking about our great classes at Learning Tree. We are excited to begin a new co-op year! If you are teaching a class this year, thank you. We appreciate the time you spend preparing for and teaching your class/classes. Teachers, please be sure to communicate to parents (if you have not already) any books or supplies needed for your class. Thanks to each one of you for all your hard work! We are a co-op, so it takes everyone working together to make the Learning Tree happen, and we appreciate you.

As we begin this new school year, please keep some important dates in mind. The first is the beginning of the year meeting, also known as the member & teacher meeting, on Tuesday, August 31. New member registration for any new families who have not yet registered begins at 5:00, followed by the new members meeting for all first year members at 5:30. New members also need to stop by and see Laura Snow starting at 5 to get your picture taken for our photo board. If you are a returning member who needs your photo taken, you can also see Laura that night. At 5:30, the clean up schedule will be out for sign-ups (first come, first pick!), and any class changes can take place at this time. The member portion of the meeting will be from 6-7. We encourage all members, both new and seasoned, to attend; each year there are things that change, and this is the time to hear any new information firsthand. This will not be just a rehash of previous years, it will be current info for this year. If you are teaching a class, please plan to stay for the teachers meeting from 7-8. All members will receive a folder with important co-op information for this year, so be sure to pick yours up at the front tables on the way into the meeting.

The next important date you need to know is our first day, which is Monday, September 13. We are looking forward to a great year at the Learning Tree and can't wait to see all of you soon!

Blessings,

Jen & Lexi

Yearbooks are Coming!

Yearbooks will be delivered the first day of co-op.

If they come before the Members Meetings Denise will bring them and pass them out that night!

SUMMERTIME:

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o Everyone's Invited

We will meet on Monday, August 30th from 7:00 until the sun sets. Please bring your favorite topping (we'll provide the ice cream and water) and meet us at Harbin Park in Fairfield. We'll have access to the playground and volleyball sand areas. Feel free to bring outdoor toys. Hope you can make it!

Learning Tree Calendar 2010-2011:

The calendar for this year is available online at www.learningtreeonline.org in a downloadable pdf format which you can print for yourself if needed

First Semester Tuition

Please remember that it is each member's responsibility to stop by the Finance Table either the first or second week of both semesters of co-op to review your invoice and pay your semester tuition. Even if you can't pay it yet or can only pay some of it, please stop by to tell us that. If we don't talk to you either the first or second week, you will incur a \$5/week late fee until you do. Thank you!

Homeschool Band Programs

for beginners, intermediate and high school will begin the second week of September. The Music Staff, under the direction of Charles Lauterbach, will be offering the following band programs this year:

Beginning Band - grades 4, 5, and 6- Mondays at The Learning Tree, The Vineyard Church-Tri-County 1:30 - 2:20 p.m.

Intermediate Band- grades 5 - 8 with one or more years' experience - Mondays at The Learning Tree, The Vineyard Church-Tri County 2:30 - 3:20 p.m.

High School Band - grades 9-12- students with two or more years' experience - Thursdays, John Paul II School, Finneytown-Winton Rd., 4:30-

Happy Birthday to You!

September

Adults:

1- Cheryl Cook; 2- Shelli Giess; 5- Anjali Nelson; 6 -Rachelle Cain; 9- Susanne Salzarulo; 10-Paula Kutcher; 11-Becki Eichold; 17- Lisa Smiley;18- Jennifer King; 26- Mary Willenbrink; 26 Cherise Wilson; 29- Debby Allen;

Children

1- Dawson Adams; 1- Ethan Hoskins; 2- Anaiah Weese; 4- Kelsey Phelps; 10- Kevin Stenger; 12- Marcus King; 12- Clayton Taylor; 16- Addison Stone; 17- Clare Willenbrink; 19- Addison Moncelle; 21- Madeline Kidd; 26- Philip Burke; 26- Morella Carlson; 26-Connor Davis; 28- Eden Baldwin; 28- Lisa Humason; 28- Abraham Payne; 29- Seth Halter; 29- Lydia McAvinchey; 29- Brianna Patterson; 29- Caitlin Speed; 30- Taylor Germany;

CHEC City-Wide is glad to announce our fall meeting with **Dr. Michael Farris**, on **Thursday October 7th at 6:30pm**, at **Kenwood Baptist Church**.

Dr Michael Farris is the Chancellor of Patrick Henry College and the Chairman and General Counsel of the Home School Legal Defense Association. The wife of Dr. Farris, Vickie, is the author of A Homeschool Mom Just Like You. Dr. Farris will hold two sessions, Joshua Generation, and Homeschooling Freedom. Please mark your calendar, you won't want to miss this wonderful night with Dr. Farris. We will offer child care for CHEC members only. Child care is for those 5 years old and under, at a cost of \$2.00 per child. Space will be limited and will be handled on a first come first serve basis. **YOU MUST RESERVE A SPOT FOR YOUR CHILD.** Please contact Cheryl Royer at dclnroyer@zoomtown.com to reserve your child care spot. You are welcome to bring your school age children, and we strongly encourage you to bring your older children to hear Dr. Farris.

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL HOMESCHOOLERS