



PAEYC Newsletter

Happy New Year, Everyone!

I hope you had a very joyful Christmas and are having a great start to your new year!

Did you get through all of your holiday "to do list" and sigh with relief, but find that the stress was still there? The wintry months of January and February can be stress-filled in a different way. Here are a few quotes to ponder as you begin a new year:

"Some of the secret joys of living are not found by rushing from point A to point B, but by inventing some imaginary letters along the way." -Douglas Pagels, *These Are the Gifts I'd Like to Give to You*

"As you embrace the here and now, don't be surprised if you suddenly feel lucky - lucky to be blessed with a good mind, lucky to have friends who love you for who you are, lucky to be living in such an interesting time." - *From The Art of the Moment by Veronique Vienne*

And finally,

Now is a gift; that's why it's called the present - *Anonymous*

With our January 23rd training conference, we have a wonderful opportunity to refresh ourselves, learn about leading others and about keeping our lives in balance. I **hope you'll join us for this great conference!**

Also happening soon will be our *Week of the Young Child* celebration in April. Katrina Beard and Teresa Chavez, our PAEYC Week of the Young Child Committee Co-Chairs, have some wonderful activities in store this year, including Zoobalee and much more! Look for more news as we get closer to April.

As an early childhood educator, you create warm, loving moments every day that people will cherish the rest of their lives! Thank you for being a gift in the lives of the children, families and co-workers you serve!

-Dianne Hill, PAEYC President.
January 14, 2010

Winter 2010



So what's ahead?

April 11-17th
Week of The Young
Child

April 17th
PAEYC Spring 2010
Conference

www.paeyc.com

Time to renew your membership?

Go to - www.paeyc.com, on how to renew your membership or go to the PAEYC booth at the conference for help in renewing or helping a friend sign up!

“A Teacher is like a candle-It consumes itself to light the way for others.

- Author Unknown



FLU SEASON IS HERE. HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. Stay Informed Learn how to protect yourself this fall and winter from the flu. Visit TexasFlu.org, the DSHS site for flu information in Texas. The site will continue to be updated as the flu season progresses. Bookmark it. Sign up to receive [e-mail notices](#) when information is posted. Visit the [Centers for Disease Control web site](#) for information on the flu.
2. Get a Seasonal Flu Shot Now **Don't wait. Get your seasonal flu vaccination now. It's one** of the best ways to protect yourself and others from seasonal flu. Also, be prepared get the 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine.
3. Stop the Spread Wash your hands frequently. Cover your coughs and sneezes. Stay home **if you're sick. Have a plan to care for sick family members at home.**

From the website: http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/child_care/about_child_care_licensing/

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Calling All Members!!

Are you interested in being more involved with PAEYC? It is now time to begin thinking about serving as a PAEYC officer or Committee Chair for 2010-2011. If you are interested in expanding your service to PAEYC please contact:

Salem Cook-Goodman: (806)381-0551

Or

salemcook@opportunitieschool.com

Listed to the left are the committee options.



Recipes for Children

Basic Bubbles

1/4 cup Liquid Dishwashing
Detergent

(Grease Cutters are the best)

3/4 cup Water

1 1/2 tbsp. Light Corn Syrup

Mix all ingredients together and let bubbles settle. Then have lots of fun!



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April 11-17th- Week of The Young Child

Mark your calendars !

During this week is also Zoobalee. Begin planning now ! We are looking for organizations to arrange exciting activities for the community at Zoobalee.

If your organization is interested in participating in Zoobalee please contact:

Katrina Beard : tlccdir@nts-online.net

Teresa Chavez : tchavez@wspanhandle.com

Have you checked the consumer product safety recall list?

The new law, SB95, prohibits centers and homes from having or using products that have been recalled by the CPSC.

www.cpsc.gov

You Do Make A Difference!

From the website: <http://www.tecec.org>

Texas early education advocates worked hard during the 81st Texas Legislature, securing a total \$65 million invested in early care and education. With your support, we will build on these successes during the upcoming 82nd Legislature in 2011!

Statewide and nationally, exciting things are happening in early care and education. The Obama administration is calling for an \$8 billion investment in state pre-k programs over the next 8 years, and Texas added an additional \$25 million to our public pre-k program in 2009. Support for early education among business leaders and policy makers have never been greater. Because the research is clear that investing early in children yields strong life-long benefits for individuals and communities, more and more leaders are supporting high-quality early care and education.