

CAAAYC COURIER

Spring/Summer 2014

Letter from the President

Dear CAAEYC members,

Welcome spring!! What an amazing year it has been already. On Saturday, March 15, the campus of Messiah College was bustling with 715 early care and education professionals attending the 2014 CAAEYC conference. Attendees commented on the wide variety of in-depth workshop topics, ranging from infant-toddler to school age, and covering all aspects of the curriculum. The CAAEYC conference committee would like to thank our talented pool of workshop presenters, sponsors, and exhibitors for their contributions to this successful day of learning and networking. **Mark your calendar for next year's conference – March 14, 2015!**

High Quality early education programs can be found in many forms; however, the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) has standards that individual programs are able to meet to ensure best practices for children. CAAEYC would like to offer opportunities for early education programs to become knowledgeable and begin the NAEYC Accreditation process. Throughout the fall 2014, workshops will held involving accreditation. It is our hope that whether your program is beginning this process or near the end, we can offer support so that it does not seem like a daunting task. Together we can define better outcomes for our children.

"Children need adults who are convinced of the value of childhood. They need adults who will protect them from the ever-ready molders of their world. They need adults who can help them develop their own healthy controls, who can encourage them to explore their unique endowment...Children need adults-in every walk of life –who care as much for children as they care for themselves." -Fred Rogers

As always, everyone is welcome to join us in our mission– We need all the help we can get. If you are interested, please contact me at jgranitz@followmechildcare.com.

Fondly,
Jennifer L. Granitz, M.Ed
CAAAYC President



National Association for the
Education of Young Children

CAAAYC Mission Statement

The purpose of the Capital Area Association for the Education of Young Children (CAAAYC) is to enhance the lives of children by providing support for adults working with or on behalf of young children. CAAAYC expresses its mission in three broad goals.

- Facilitating improvements in the professional practice of early childhood development and education.
- Increasing public understanding and support for high quality programs for young children and their families.
- Fostering collaboration and building a cohesive community of early childhood professionals.



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Enjoy all you can eat picnic!!

JOIN CAAEYC AT THE BALLPARK

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2014

GAME TIME: 7:00 PM

GATES OPEN: 5:30 PM

METRO BANK PARK: CITY ISLAND, HARRISBURG

\$14.00 FOR CAAEYC MEMBERS

\$24.00 FOR ADULTS (13 AND OLDER)

\$14.00 FOR CHILDREN (4-12)

- *TICKET ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 3, 2014 SO WE CAN PLACE THE ORDER!*
- Email caaeyc.pa@gmail.com for questions.

Don't forget...
2014 Innovation Grant
Applications are
due June 15th.
\$1000 can be yours
to do an engaging
project with children.
See the CAAEYC
website for the
application & details.



Connect for Quality
Saturday, November 8, 2014

Contact Eric Jones at
EJones@cactricounty.org If your
center is interested in hosting.

CAAEYC is offering support for NAEYC Accreditation

As your local affiliate of NAEYC, CAAEYC is offering support to Centers interested in going through the NAEYC accreditation process. A meeting was held on May 9th for those interested in hearing details about this 4 step process, up-to-date NAEYC standard and criteria, and the new fee structure for reaccreditation. On-going support meetings will be scheduled for Fall 2014 and Spring 2015. Check the CAAEYC website or email announcements for upcoming dates.

For 2014, CAAEYC has committed to reimbursing 50% of all accreditation fees and 50% of renewal fees, For more information and the grant application, go to www.caaeyc.org and click on the Accreditation link, or contact Bev Goodling, CAAEYC accreditation chair, at bgoodli2@messiah.edu.

Week of the Young Child Walk



Thank you to everyone who helped to make The Week of the Young Child Walk a wonderful event. It was awesome to see how many early education professionals and families that came together to celebrate children!!

Save the dates!

Action Day = June 3rd

Accreditataion Workshop = October 10th

Connect for Quality = November 8th

Board Meetings: 9:30-11 at CAECTI

-September 11

-October 14

-November 11

-December 18

New & Renewing CAAEYC Members

- Akens, Starr Elaine
- Allis, Jane M
- Archie, Monica M
- Barr, Tara
- Boyd-Soisson, Erin Faith
- Burkeholder, Kimberly
- Carbaugh, Kathy
- Cartwright, Nancy L
- Cassivi, Katie J
- Cline, Deborah A
- Cox, Menedes
- Dominguez, Veronica
- Eader, Darla
- Evanoff, Charla
- Feeser, Denise
- Ford, Christina
- Gardner, Jessica
- Goldstein, Jean
- Hartz, Kelly A
- Heint, Bridget
- Henderson, Nicole
- Hess, Megan E
- Hodgson, Tina
- Houser, Danielle
- Jerome, Ashley
- Kenney, Don Edwin
- Koeln, Sally
- LeBeau, Kristina
- Lippy, Kayla
- Lyter, Roberta
- Mace, Danielle
- Markel, Rachel E
- Mast, Valerie
- McGeorge, Jennifer
- McGovern, Tracy
- McMurray, Jennifer Robyn
- McNitt, Paula
- Mercurio, Deborah Marie
- Miller, Glenn R
- Miller, Shannon
- Moir, Kathy
- Myers, Deborah
- Myers, Kara
- Neiman, Ann P
- Palm, Patricia
- Pepper, Jennifer
- Penix, Emily
- Pettingell, Vanessa
- Raffensperger, Jodie
- Reinoehl, Tania
- Rentzel, Adrian
- Richardson, Kayle
- Rousseau, Melissa
- Roy, Delores
- Rusbatch, Cassandra
- Shelly, Becky
- Shingara, Tonya
- Shirk, Jennifer C
- Simmons, Sandra
- Spriggs, Yvonne
- Spruill, Laurel Marie
- Steele, Ricci-lea
- Stoner, Patricia
- Streckewald, Ginny
- Thompson, Vivian
- Vaidehi, Dave J
- Waters, Elista
- Wetherbee, Andrea
- Whitman-Pitzer, Beth
- Yingling, Sherry
- Young, Rosemary
- Zumbrum, Ashley