



# TRI-CON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENT, PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES AUGUST 2009

*From the desk of...*

I hope you are enjoying the summer whether you are relaxing on a beach, spending quality outdoor time with friends and family or holed up with a good book...alone!

The following is a quick summary of what you can expect in the coming year. More specific information will follow in the September newsletter.

We will continue to use *Akaloo*, our on-line curriculum, in the Pre-K classes through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Reports on *Akaloo* from last year's teachers were really positive from an ease of use standpoint and favorable reactions from the kids. The United Church of Christ Massachusetts Conference Center includes *Akaloo* on their list of recommended curriculums! A portion of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum will focus on world religions. These students will also participate in community volunteer opportunities. And new this fall...an exciting interactive program for combined grades 6-8 - watch for more details!

We will continue with many of our annual events as listed in the sidebar, adding a couple of new programs which will add value...and fun to Church School!

Our Church School Resource Room is being renovated as we speak. New shelving units are being installed to accommodate our growing supply of *Akaloo* props, and other teaching materials and supplies. I am a happy girl!

Off to slather more sunscreen on my kids.

Peace,

Carrie

## Teacher Orientation

*Including a Storytelling Workshop*

**Monday, September 14th *New Date!***



Whether you are teaching this fall, winter or spring I strongly encourage you to attend our September orientation. We are offering a special workshop on storytelling and have invited a local storyteller and author, Elisa Pearmain, to lead the class. Teaching is really about sharing knowledge in the form of stories. As a group we will learn Elisa's tricks of the trade that will prove invaluable in the classroom...no matter what grade you are teaching.



## CHURCH SCHOOL 2009 - 2010

A look ahead...

Fall Session - Ten Classroom Sundays  
September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 18, 25,  
November 1, 8, 15 and 22

Winter Session - Nine Classroom Sundays  
December 6, 13, 20, January 3, 10, 24, 31,  
February 7 and 28

Spring Session - Nine Classroom Sundays  
March 7, 21, 28, April 11, May 2, 9,  
16, 23 and June 6

One Room Schoolhouses  
October 11, November 29, January 17,  
February 21 and April 25

Mission Trip Family Worship  
March 14

Preliminary Special Events Listing  
Blessing of the Animals - October 4  
4th Grade Bible Sunday - October 25  
UNICEF CakeWalk - October 25  
Kindergarten Bible Sunday - November 15  
Angel Breakfast - December 13  
Christmas Pageants - December 24  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Sunday - May 16  
Heifer Fair - June 6  
*Plus much more...including Youth Group events!!!*

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*Regular CE office hours will commence September 3rd.*



## Summer Nursery Care



We are continuing to offer child-care during the 10AM worship service. Children, age five and older, are invited to join their families in the sanctuary. Sunday Satchels full of activities can be found in the narthex.

## Let's start a TriCon Mommy Group!

This can be a great opportunity for you and your toddler or infant to mingle and bond with others. Share parenting tips, advice or even horror stories. We have the space here at TriCon that is the perfect place to meet. Get together once a month, once a week...you decide. Contact Trish Siefer if you are interested in more information...978-287-0214.



## Happy August Birthday Wishes to...

Charlie Hutchinson	Charlotte Rye
Leo Fondriest	Phoebe Lewis
Jenna Wong	Mariele Aziz
Tyler Barnes	Evan Anderson
Renée Ledoux	Campbell Robinson
Parker Weil	William Mara
Harper Sample	Wyatt Hickman
Lucas Hickman	Nicholas Ackley
Anna Nicholas	Rosalie Hutchinson
Jason Boisvert	Piper Harring
Emily Hart	Cameron Veidenheimer



## TRI-CON CHURCH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

It is our mission to provide to all of the children in our Church School program the following:

Provide our children with a foundation in Christian education such as learning the stories of the Bible, the history of Christianity and what it means to be a UCC member, and the components of worship.

Provide our children with many opportunities to participate in our church community and programs outside our community.

Provide a safe, caring and nurturing environment with other children and adults.

Teach our children the important faith traits such as generosity, responsibility, courage, joy, stewardship and humility so that they will include and apply them to their daily lives.

## 2009 - 2010 Registration Forms

Thank you to those whose forms I have received. You are listed below. If you do not see your name on the list and want your child(ren) to attend Church School next year, please send in your form(s). There is one on the following page of this newsletter. Additionally, if you have already submitted your form and do not see your name below, please contact Carrie O'Brien.

Clarke	Upham	Aziz	Barnes	Hoaglund	Honan
Veidenheimer	Bruning	Quirk	Detweiler	Bain	(S and D) Hart
Meyer	Fulshaw	Giles	Gomez	Harmon	Harring
(J and S) Hart	Hutchinson	Woodman	Judicke	Kamionek	Kolstad
Ledoux	Lehmann	Talbot	Mara	Marshall	McMorrow
Mushlitz	Nelson	Feigh	Page	Amodei	Huettig
Olney	Mahoney	Ryder	Salemy	Turkington	Snell
Steinert	Waldron	Weil	Wilcox	Lilly	DiRomualdo
Anderson	Fondriest	Johnston	Pasley	Robinson	Stein
Winstanley	Wong				