



News! News! News!

Calvin Hill Day Care and Kitty Lustman-Findling Kindergarten

End of School Year, 2007

Farewell and Happy Summer!

Turn, turn, turn...

The end of every year brings many farewells. In addition to the many students who will be moving on to other educational opportunities, some of the teachers will be moving on to other exciting things:

Diane Cipollini, who has been at Calvin Hill in the Kindergarten for 24 years, will be moving to Hawaii! We are sad to see her leave, but she goes with a quilt made of sea creature pictures from the current kindergarten class, and a CD of singing time, which was professionally recorded by Nick Appleby, a Calvin Hill alumni parent.



Maureen Lyden, who has also taught in the Kindergarten class, will be in graduate school next year, and also working full time at Bethwood Suzuki School. We wish you the best in your new positions!

Through the wonderful Harris Fellowship program, two capable aspiring teachers will join us next year: Matthew Curry from Vassar will teach in the Preschool, and Kristen Pallonetti, of Cornell, will teach in the Threes.

Two teachers who first came to Calvin Hill as Harris Fellows will remain with us again next year: Patrick Kearns, in his third year at Calvin Hill, will remain in the Kindergarten as an assistant teacher; and Amanda Caplan will also move upstairs to the Kindergarten as a second year Seedlings Fellow.

It is with regret and admiration that we note also the passing of Kitty Lustman-Findling, the ardent teacher and supporter of early childhood education, after whom the kindergarten is named. The imprint of her legacy will live on.



Mark the Date!

June 13 (Today!)

Final day party, June 13 4-5 pm

June 18 (Monday)

Summer Program starts

Odds & Ends

- The Plant Sale this year was a smashing success. Under Andie Asnes's capable apprenticeship, profits were significantly up from last year's sale. Thanks to many who worked tirelessly to support this great event!
- The book drive, also, succeeded in its goal of delivering quality books to the Clifford Beers Child Guidance Clinic in great quantity! About five boxes of books were donated. Thank you!



Your fearless editor, Kristin South, has enjoyed pointing out many wonderful things about the Calvin Hill community this year and last. Best wishes to all! (And please contact Carla if you wish to see this newsletter continue!)

A picture is worth a thousand words...



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NUTRITION AT SCHOOL

DID YOU KNOW?

- The children's daily lunch menu is posted on every floor. Just ask any of your teachers to direct you to its posted location.
- The staff and teachers take notice of children's appetites and appetite patterns at their lunch tables. If you have questions about your child's appetite at school, ask your teachers.
- If your child has special nutritional needs, the teacher of his/her lunch table will be happy to communicate with you about what has been eaten.
- The Calvin Hill menu is prepared with input and review by dietitians from Yale University and the State of Connecticut.
- A busy day requires a great deal of energy. Breakfast is made available every morning for all of our Calvin Hill children. If your child has not had breakfast before arriving at the center, please notify the teachers so that efforts can be made to encourage their participation in this meal. A full stomach will make for a far more delightful day for all of the students, teachers and staff
- Calvin Hill takes food allergies very seriously. If your child develops a new allergy that is not reflected on the class registration form, please notify the staff immediately.
- Parents, staff and nutritionists will be launching the Calvin Hill Food/Nutrition Committee in the Fall of 2007. If you have an interest in serving on this committee, you should let the administration know.

* This box is generated by Christine Barker, a current Calvin Hill Parent, as a tool to help other Calvin Hill families benefit from the full array of support, services and partnering opportunities offered through the school.