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LORI's 411

Hi Everyone at CLC,

I am writing to you at the close of the school week following our Gala for the 2006-2007 school year. The journey through to that event was an interesting one as it began last year as I had looked through the CLC website prior to being interviewed for my position here. I had been looking forward to the "party" aspect but had not been here for the work part that preceded it. I did see the last weeks of intensity and wondered if I would be immersed in this same flurry of events in the year to come. I had heard from one parent that it was like having a full time job. "Who would take on another full time job?", I wondered to myself.

Within the process of integrating into our Board of Directors it was apparent that there were multiple views and vantage points from which this concept of "The Auction", as well as "The Gala" were seen. There was some comedy in monthly meetings whereby we were not quite sure which way to go with this as ideas and revisits to the same basic concept in many formats used in prior years as well as new possibilities abounded. Our final decision was reached later than expected. But personally I was just happy to have a conclusion and also to know that this would be somewhat a "new fangled" idea that was accepted and wholeheartedly moved forward. In fact there was actually no Chairperson for the Auction Gala - just people on the Board willing to start the varying aspects rolling and move this event in the right direction. The goal was to have a party

and dedicate it to the staff, try to make some necessary funds to round out the school year and just have a great old time with our CLC Community. This my friends was ALL achieved!

And so another year has unfolded and it is just the start of Memorial Day Weekend. Have a Happy, Healthy and Safe Weekend...and now for the 411 as of today May 25th, 2007.

Cheers, Lori

### **Nutriton Workshop Held Wednesday Evening**

On Wednesday evening I had the pleasure of attending a nutrition workshop donated by Sonia Pereira (speaker) and her husband Nuno Sousa (Red Room). Attending were Charlie Roden (Yellow Room), Shlomi Cohen (Yellow Room), Jennifer Hill (Purple Room) and myself. Although we were in a small group, this was a lovely evening with delicious healthful offerings and handouts which were interesting as well as provocative in fostering conversation amongst us. We learned how to blend varied items we might have in our diet to accomodate nutritional needs found in terms of our blood types, time of the year, activity levels and even where we are living. Sonia and Nuno are newest to our community as they replaced a child who left the Red Room mid year. They are not going to be living in our neighborhood next year but their daughter Clara will be here in the summer and it has been a pleasure getting to know them as active members of the community here. They will be missed but plan to stay in contact.

On this note there are several families who are either moving or changing programs from CLC. These are from the Yellow Room, the Hatakayama family (Rina ), Joanna Stalnaker and Eric Leveau (Leon), and from the Red Room, Michiko Kameda and Marc Henry (Michel), Ekaterina Onatskaia and Alexei Onatski (Nina), as well as Staci and Christopher Seeley (Crawford). On behalf of the CLC staff and families I wish them well in their next steps with their families and future plans. We will keep you on the alumni list and hope you will stay in contact with us. You will all be very much missed and thanks for what you have contributed to the Center!

### **After Notes On Gala/Auction and In House Silent Auction**

The auction items have all (but a few that will show up in a weeks time or so) been sold to the highest bidder. Karen has all of the information you need and Heidi Julavits has e-mailed all of the silent auction winners. Karen has the names of the winners and who to contact so feel free to e-mail her and she will get right back to you. On this same note it appears that after most expenses have been calculated and profits considered this format for the auction did work. Now that will give us lots more time to talk about other things at next years board meetings. On this note...

### **Keep in Mind...**

**We need new board members for the next school year.** I know some of my board colleagues who are definetly friends as well will be leaving as their children are leaving for kindergarten. This includes the Board Chairperson Varda

**Steinhardt (Jacob Fingerth), Secretary Bonnie Scarborough (Amelia), Treasurer, Katie O'Dwyer (Emily Kabat), Bob Rose and Liz Ortecho (Elyas), Jessica Kesselman**

**(Emilia Bertoli). I am hoping the others involved will stay on and that some of our new parents or returning parents will join us in the fall. Keep this in mind as it is a very important way in which to actively contribute to the Center.**

**Family Work Day June 9th 2007 from 10 am at the school.**

**This will incorporate cleaning classrooms, the playground, small handy-person chores (might require some nailing and hammering) , painting classroom doors and IT work such as getting our computers in the office wireless as I know several parents have the materials but everyone is really busy during the year so now is the time! The staff will be making lists of what needs done as will I. This is an opportunity to do your required work hours. Even if you have, joining in and helping is always good and of course we will feed you. This is not a kid event so plan accordingly! E-mail Karen if you are not sure of whether your parent commitment has been met. We want to return the participation bond to you so this is important.**

**END OF YEAR CELEBRATION-Wednesday June 20th, 2007**

**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE...Your calendar in the original packet says that it is June 21 so make sure to change the date! This should be a fun party and celebration in particular for our children who are leaving to go to kindergarten next year. There will be a pot luck dinner and desserts, music and more fun right in our freshly cleaned yard (see above).**

**HELP NEEDED**

**I have a large air conditioner at my home in the Bronx which is for the Yellow Room. My family cars are all too small to fit it into although I have tried. The days are warming up. Please call me if you can help. We have had one parent (he knows who he is!) do all of the shlepping so if you have a minivan or SUV it is a short drive and would save the Center money. I will also need a follow-up person to install it!**

**Spring Fair/Rummage Will Not Take Place as Scheduled on June 2nd. There is just not enough time or energy available and we are doing fine in terms of fundraising. We still have pictures and videos to be sold which is next ....So as we did a Fall Fair, a Spring Fair is just not a go by unanimous vote of the board.**

**Tee Shirt Sales**

**Thanks again to Charles Roden and Michal Chafets for orchestrating the Tee-Shirt Sale this year. They are available in four different Adult sizes and 2 different Children's sizes. The adult shirts**

are \$15.00 and the children's are \$10.00. We had planned to sell them at the fair but they are available at the front desk. See Karen or me for payment and purchase!

### **Thanks and.....**

Many Many Thanks again to those who attended the Gala Event this Sunday. One highlight was the steady stream of pictures that were formatted into a slideshow surrounding the entire venue. The slideshow included photos taken by Lori Kelterborn (Yellow Room staff) and our own Gregory Barrett (Osha Purple Room). My husband Alan Woliner resized and ordered the pictures with me by his side so that we got all of the children in. He added the music and thus we had a presentation. He is willing to cut CD's for as many of you who want this memorable slide show. A ten dollar contribution will cover the cost and contribute again to the CLC fund. Each picture done by Greg Barrett will be available for purchase as well. Order forms will be available at the front desk next week. We will also do formal shots of each child, as well as class pictures during the second week of June. Watch for the date! There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board or e-mail me if you want a copy.

### **Summer Camp Update**

**An exciting Summer Camp Schedule is planned. We have over the four weeks registered 21 children. As promised the children will participate in yoga, movement, gymnastics, art, theater, local and bus trips, as well as cooking and barbecues. We will also have an end of camp showing of the arts and performing arts from this four week enriched program. We have hats for each child to use as they like and especially for class trips. We will be including all of the children on the trips. There will also be local visits and guest performers including a petting zoo, theater group and puppetters. Thanks for participating. At present Maryann, Margaret, Nicole, Raihan and Michelle will be involved in the summer program. Karen and I will be involved and also finishing plans for the Fall!**

With all of the good news there was deeply sad news that most of you are now aware of. Wayne Klein, Milene's dad and Madeleine Dobie's husband died last Saturday after a long struggle with cancer. The funeral was Tuesday and he was eulogized so profoundly that I felt I knew him so very well. He was very brave and left a message that was inspiring in that even in light of his being given 44 years here he had lived a full one. It makes one think very hard about how we live each and every day. I know an e-mail was sent by Hilary Link from the Purple Room about cooking for the family in the weeks ahead. Wayne also had a favorite charity and if anyone would like to contribute to that charity or a memorial fund which has ben set up by his college we can either do this together or I can give you the information. On a personal note I was fortunate enough to have had the opportunity to meet Wayne Klein this year. He had served on our Board of Directors in the past and his passing is a very sad lose to all who knew and loved him.

Thank you all for being part of CLC...Have a safe, peaceful and restful weekend.

**Lori**

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