



New Hampshire Association for the Education of Young Children

A Letter from our NHAEYC President

As the leaves start falling off the trees I have been reflecting on this past year's events and what I have learned. I was fortunate to attend the World Forum on Early Care and Education in Belfast Northern Ireland in June. One of the speakers, Stuart Shankar, spoke of the brain research he is conducting in Canada around relationships between babies and parents. He translated that research to the work we do every day and it made me even more worried about what is happening to our very youngest children in this country and around the world. The bottom line is that the babies in our care must have primary relationships with people who are mentally healthy and can establish a partnership with a family to assist in the care of their child. This is absolutely critical to the mental health of the child and a predictor of later success in school and life.

The good news is that as we learn more and more about brain development and our role in that process we can develop training that coincides with that growing knowledge base. We can continue to advocate for low ratios and group sizes, in the United States and around the world, and adequate teacher training and qualifications. I am encouraged by this and know that the combination of educated AND experienced staff is a key ingredient in high quality child care.

This year at NHAEYC we have heard your requests for more training and are providing a series of trainings across the state. Make sure to go online at NHAEYC for more details and registration. We are also very excited about Ella Jenkins and our Spring Conference – April 23 and 24, 2010 in Nashua!

The NAEYC annual conference is coming up in November in Washington DC – I hope to see some of you there!

All the best,
Lori

Lori Harris
NHAEYC President

The quarterly newsletter is made up of information contributed by both the NHAEYC Board and it's membership. Look for interesting articles, anecdotes, training information, and peer connections in up-coming issues!

If you would like to submit an article or interesting tidbit for the membership, please send it to info@nhaeyc.org attention Kathy

NHAEYC is looking for our next wave of leaders to serve on our governing board. We welcome colleagues with new insight and ideas. The board of NHAEYC constantly works towards our mission of supporting and advancing the professional development of affiliate members in their efforts to provide quality early care and education for the children of NH. There is an expectation and level of commitment involved in serving on the board of NHAEYC, but we hope that you consider the opportunity of board service an honor and worth your efforts. If you would like information on available positions or what it's like to be on the board, please contact our office at 888-225-4884 or by email at info@nhaeyc.org.



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Upcoming Events

Conferences (registration fees apply- discounts for members of NHAEYC)

November 18-21, 2009 NAEYC Annual Conference & Expo, Washington DC
(registration now open)

January 22, 2010 NHAEYC Professional Series Day of Renewal—Administrator & Faculty

April 23&24, 2010 New Hampshire Association for the Education of Young Children 16th Annual Spring Conference, Nashua Community College, Ella Jenkins, Keynote Speaker

Don't Miss the Upcoming Play Symposium! "Remember any members who attend our trainings can attend for \$25.00!"

Remember there are scholarships available for current NHAEYC members towards upcoming conferences

SPRING CONFERENCE

Spring Break is going to be so BIG...we need another week to prepare! NHAEYC's Spring Conference 2010 is being moved from April 16 & 17th to April 23 & 24th. With Ella Jenkins as this year's keynote speaker we're already getting calls about this annual event AND we haven't even announced that Scott Noyes is coming as well! We need more time and now we're ending the Week of the Young Child with a bang!

So prepare yourself and save the dates April 23 & 24th. We look forward to seeing you in Nashua as we get our groove on and make some "noyes" with this year's theme, "Rhythms of Childhood"!

NHAEYC Members will be receiving an email survey in November in regards to workshop selections for Scott, suggestions for 2011, etc. Not a member? Want to participate in the survey, give us your suggestions and input and take advantage of our membership benefits? Join now online at www.nhaeyc.org!

Exploring a Sense of Place in Nature Conference Update:

On September 26th, over 50 early childhood educators joined together on a beautiful sunny Saturday to engage in activities and workshops that renewed their sense of awareness for the beauty of nature and the importance of sharing the knowledge with the earth's caretakers of the future.... For more information on next years event, contact Johanna Booth-Miner or Lorraine Harris at info@nhaeyc.org

NHAEYC's Professional Development Training series—Day of Renewal:

On November 7th over 75 early childhood educators can together to celebrate a day of renewal. Educators participated in two full day sessions focusing on infant and toddler development as well as preschool curriculum. During lunch we had an informal meet and greet with members of the NHAEYC Board of Directors. Members were able to network, share ideas, and help plan for upcoming events. For more information about our training series, please contact Lisa Strout at info@nhaeyc.org



Member Highlights

I wrote a poem/rap to help our young ones to remember to wash hands and cough or sneeze in their sleeves. I use a sing/song kind of rap rhythm for it - people could make up their own tune too! Hand motions can also be used with it. Here it is below:

In Your Sleeve Please!

Sometimes I must cough
Somtimes I must sneeze
Let's not spread the germs
IN YOUR SLEEVE PLEASE!

Not down by your hand
Not into the air
Right into your elbow
GERMS GET CAUGHT THERE!

Going to the bathroom
Before I eat or after play
I can wash my hands
TO KEEP THOSE GERMS AWAY!

I am very healthy
I can keep from getting sick
Wash my hands/use my sleeve
GERMS WILL NEVER STICK!

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This page is dedicated to the contributions sent in by you the membership. If you have information to share or questions that you would like to pose, here is your chance to connect with your peers from around the state.

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