

THURSDAY NOTES



October 1, 2009

13 Tishri 5770

Sukkot

Shabbat Candle Lighting: 6:41 p.m.

JCC Groundbreaking – Be a Part of Living History



In just over two weeks time we will have the opportunity to Be Part of Living History, when we celebrate together the groundbreaking for the Charlotte and Dick Levin JCC. The construction of the JCC represents over four years of planning and fundraising by the Partnership for a Jewish Center (PJC), a partnership between the Lerner School and the Durham-Chapel Hill Jewish Federation. As many of you know, construction of the Early Childhood Pavilion at our school was the first “phase” of the PJC construction and cost over \$1.2 million. It is thanks to generous donations from Jewish community members just like you that we are now able to finish this exciting project. We are close to our fundraising goal of \$7.5 million, and if you have not yet made a pledge I hope you will consider doing so.

On Sunday, October 18th, beginning at 2:00 p.m., we will be making history by officially breaking ground on the \$6.5 million Levin JCC complex. The new JCC will directly benefit our school in many ways: a gymnasium and pool for our P.E. program, and new art and music rooms for our Fine Arts program. Further, by moving our art and music programs into the new JCC building, we will gain two additional classrooms for us to expand both our EC and ED classroom space for the future growth of our school.

At the ground breaking you will have the opportunity to add your thoughts to the pages of a community-wide keepsake scrapbook, pose with family and friends for photos to be put in our community’s archives, and participate in an event that will open doors with new programming for generations to come. So please plan to join us on Sunday, October 18th, in the Lerner field area and Be Part of Living History.

PAC Corner:

It's been a short but busy week around Lerner....

On Tuesday, our beautiful sukkah would not have happened without the amazing contributions and help from the Grossman family, Gabriel Liberty, Mik and Jodi Beetham and Helene Goldberg. It was reported that the sukkah was assembled in record time!

On Wednesday, picture day was all smiles with the help of Julie Anders, Allison Eisner and Regina Sanders. Many thanks to everyone!

There are still upcoming events that need your assistance--please consider volunteering!

- Havdallah Sleepover on November 7th
- The Book Fair from November 16th - 20th

For more information about these events or other PAC events please contact:

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Fly on the Wall.....

If you were walking around the Lerner School this past week you might have seen....

- Picture Day in the Open Area. Walking by presented such a temptation to stop and watch.
- 3rd grade students enjoying their time with Janice in the library using our new computer scanning checkout system.
- 4th and 5th grade students hanging up their election posters in preparation for election speeches and election next week.
- Kindergarten students having fun with floating and sinking activities.
- Early Childhood children strengthening their gross motor abilities by crawling around the multi-purpose room with Jordan.
- 1st graders exploring seeds as they continued their study of a plant's life cycle.
- 2nd grade children making timelines of their lives.
- 5th grade students estimating in the millions, billions, and trillions.

We hope to see all of you around the building next week as we celebrate Sukkot with class lunches in the Sukkah!



SAVE THE DATE

The Lerner School's
11th Annual Auction is coming !
Saturday, February 13th
7:00 o'clock p.m.

Would you like to learn Hebrew?

If you are interested in taking an adult Hebrew Class at school, please contact Rabbi Michael Goldman at mgoldman@duke.edu and let him know what day and time might work best for you.

CALENDAR

Friday, October 2nd
ED-Noon Dismissal-Erev Sukkot- No Lunch

Friday, October 2nd
EC- NAEYC Teacher Conference- No School (EC Only)

Tuesday, October 6th
Family Lunch in Sukkah- K & 2nd Grades 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 7th
Family Lunch in Sukkah- 1st & 3rd Grades 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, October 8th
Family Lunch in Sukkah- 4th & 5th Grades 11:30 a.m.

Mazel Tov to the Chmura Family!



The Chmura family welcomed
Isaac Samuel Chmura into the world
September 25th, 2009. He weighed 7 lbs.
Mom is doing well.