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MOSS STREET CHILDREN'S CENTER

UNIVERSITY
OF OREGON

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FEBRUARY 09

FEBRUARY REMINDERS

Operating hours are: 7:30a-5:45p

February 16th
4J No School Day
Moss St. Open
You must sign -up

in the classroom or email
marymac@uoregon.edu
Otherwise, space may not be
available for care.

Watch your email for no-school
day activities from Mary.

Field trips are often planned.
No School days will be billed to
your account on the next cycle .

Spring Break Week Request
Forms Available:

Feb. 6th, due Feb 16th.

Spring Term Applications
Available:

Feb. 23rd, due on March 9th .



Sophie Stafford, Jay Room, shares what's on her mind.



designBridge creates a new playground for Moss Street.

Keep current as it develops at:

<http://www.seedsandsounds.blogspot.com/>

Dear Moss Street Staff and Parents, let's join together in this year's

Governor's State Employees Food Drive February 1-28, 2009

During the month of February, help Moss Street help others by donating non-perishable foods to the Oregon Food Bank. A labeled barrel is now located in the lobby of Moss Street. The Governor's State Employees Food Drive is the largest food and fund drive each year for the Oregon Food Bank Network. Last year, state employees helped raised the record-breaking equivalent of 4.5-million pounds of food for the hungry. Let's all join together this year to help raise the record and help put a stop to hunger. Please put a donation of non-perishable food to the Oregon Food Bank barrel located in the lobby of Moss Street.



Kids love to play at Moss Street!



DENNIS' THOUGHTS ON... Loving What You Do



When my eldest son was a baby, I interrupted my studies at the University to accept a job as the preschool teacher at the EMU Child Care Center. A small, yet steady, income and health care benefits were a vital need for my young family. What began as a short term job evolved into a long term stimulating and ever changing career in education.

Those benefits included substantially reduced tuition. By attending school on a part time basis while working, I was able to finish my bachelors, obtain a teaching credential, and earn a masters degree. When the director position opened up, I applied and was selected.

In the years that followed, the position has changed in many ways. We've added classrooms. I served on the Oregon Commission for Child Care, and was very active in legislative advocacy. I became increasingly involved in the training provided for students working in the classrooms.



Then, just when things became a little humdrum, funding was provided for planning and construction of what would become the Moss Street Children's Center. Being an active participant in the process of designing a green, state of the art, energy efficient building, that was also aesthetically pleasant and designed to meet the needs of children and families, was an exciting and exhilarating process.

After we moved in we had infant programs to plan and launch, a school age program to expand and grow, staff to hire, procedures to establish, and budgets to balance. Now, five years later, a talented and dedicated staff assures that the center runs smoothly. What started out to as a job to assure loving care for my family became a career filled with work I have loved to do.

As a University program, we work with student families that are preparing for new careers, seeking the training needed to do the work they truly want to do. Such effort, especially when undertaken while one has young children, requires energy and dedication. Such nontraditional students are some of the most dedicated and focused students at the University. You are doubly motivated by your love for children and by the quest to prepare for work you choose to do. It is love that keeps you going.

My Valentine wish for all the Moss Street children, student staff, and parents is that you have the opportunity to find and do work you love. Enjoy !



Save the Date! Saturday, May 16th 3rd Annual "Toast to the Community"

MSCC 3rd Annual Toast to the Community is scheduled for Saturday, May 16th.

This is an all adult event with childcare available.

The night is designed to celebrate the Eugene community and our center's diversity.

It will include a chocolate and wine tasting, an auction, and children projects.

We need all the help we can get with planning, soliciting donations, running errands, and advertising; if you are interesting helping to plan this event, please notify us by email or in person.

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Kids 'n' Kin Family Friendly Activities

Eugene Library:
[Storytime Calendar](#)
Free

Baby Storytime
Books, songs, fingerplays, and rhymes
For infants to 12 months
Thursdays 10:15am & 11:15am Downtown
Toddler Storytime
For ages 2 to 3 years
Tuesdays 10:15am & 11:00am Downtown
Family Music Time
For all ages.
All Saturdays 10:15am Downtown

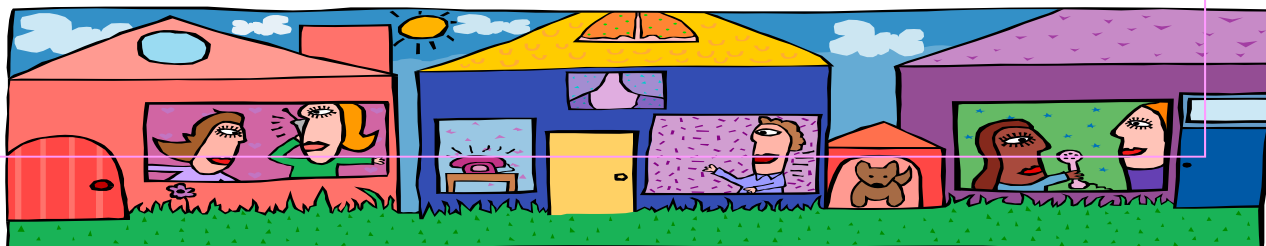
The Science Factory:
www.sciencefactory.org

Block Kid's Competition
Saturday, February 21
12:30p-3:00p

University of Oregon:
Museum of Natural and Cultural
History
www.natural-history.uoregon.edu

Winter Earth Inspection Family Day
Saturday, February 7th
Hands on activities! Learn how to read a rock,
Join a fossil hunt, and play the rock cycle!
Cost: \$5 for Families (2 adults, 4 youths)

*Note: Some listings require a fee and some offer many additional activities and camps. Please contact the specific locations for further details.





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Calendar & Lunch Menu *February 2009*

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Feb 2-6	2 *Tuna Salad Rolls Oranges Bananas 4J- No School	3 Hummus Crackers Cheese Sticks Broccoli Carrots Bananas	4 Macaroni and Cheese *Turkey Franks Mixed Veggies Peas	5 Bean Burrito Corn Mandarin Oranges	6 *Turkey/cheese slices Focaccia Bread Carrots Applesauce Apples Break Week Forms Available
Feb 9-13	9 Vegetables Lasagna Corn Applesauce	10 *Turkey & Swiss Slices Potato Rolls Pickles Carrots Pears	11 *Tuna Chunks Saucey Noodles Peas Peaches	12 Cheese Pizza Green Beans Salad Pineapple Olives	13 *Chicken Franks Baked Beans Cheddar Saltines Oranges Apples Parent Night Out
Feb 16-20	16 *Ground Turkey Spaghetti Green Beans Peaches Break Week Forms Due 4J- No School	17 Toasted Cheese Sand Broccoli Oranges Bananas	18 *Turkey/cheese slices Tortillas Carrots Pickles Lettuce	19 Cheddar Slices Whole wheat bagels Tomato Soup Applesauce Apples	20 Refried Beans Pintos Cheddar Cheese Brown Rice Corn Olives Pears
Feb 23-27	23 *Fish sticks, rolls String Cheese Peaches, Broccoli Broccoli Salad Spring Term Applications available	24 Cheese Quesadillas Corn Olives Applesauce Apples	25 *Ground Turkey Sloppy Joes Carrots Pineapple	26 Shredded Cheddar Garbanzo Beans Triple Pasta Noodles Mixed Veggies Bananas	27 *Turkey Hotdogs Baked Beans Oranges

*Vegetarian
Option Available

Moss Street Children's Center
is an equal opportunity provider.