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Sharing Memories and Special Events With Grandparents, Parents, and Grandchildren

Sunday, October 24, 2010 ~ 10:30am to 12noon

Chai House: 814 St. Elizabeth Drive, San José

Please RSVP by October 20 to pjlibrary@jvalley.org or 408.357.7512.

Grandma and Grandpa, what was the most fun thing to do when you were a child?

If you're the parent of a toddler or preschooler or kindergartener, here's an opportunity to enjoy an event with a grandparent — your own parent, or someone else's!

Bring your family to Chai House to share the past and the present in a delightful new way.



My darling little one, what do you like most to do to have fun?

If you're a grandparent of a child who lives locally or far away, enjoy this opportunity to reconnect with a young child in a lively and loving way.

There will be a craft activity, a snack, and a storytime — giving you lots of opportunities to have fun with a grandchild — your own or someone else's!



Intergenerational Event at Chai House
Sunday, October 24, 2010
10:30 to noon

Projected Attendance:

Attendance is usually between 20-30 children. Our target ages are 0-7 years, but most of the children who come are between 2 and 5.

Publicity:

- The event is directed to Chai House grandparents with or without grandchildren and to our enrolled families with or without grandparents in the area.
- Everyone on our PJL list will be personally invited via Facebook and will be posted on our website at www.jvalley.org/pages/pjlibrary--3.
- We also post events on our list of electronic Jewish newsgroups (sfbayjews.org, planitjewish.org, etc.)

Program, Part 1:

Here is the program as it was outlined at the July meeting of Dorothy, Aurianne, Doris and me:

There will be three stations:

1. DECORATING HEALTHY COOKIES: Aurianne will bring cookie batter with which kids can make different shapes of things they enjoy doing during the summer. The cookie recipe is a "no-bake," so all we need is a table covered with a plastic tablecloth for that. If anyone has cookie cutters, that would be great to have on hand. We will get sprinkles for toppings.
2. WRITING A MEMORY STORY: Children will be paired with seniors to write a short story. Children will be encouraged by parents to ask specific questions, which we can give to the parents on a sheet of paper. Questions could include:
 - a. What is your favorite summer memory?
 - b. What was your favorite place to go and/or thing to do?
 - c. When did you usually spend your summer vacations?
 - d. What do you like best about summer time? (Weather? Vacation? Family get-togethers? Etc.)
3. THEN AND NOW STICKER POSTER: Children can use photographs cut from magazines to show what summertime was like then and now. The poster can be divided in half, with the senior describing favorite memories on one side, and the child describing favorite memories on the other side. If the memories are the same, so much the better!

The goal is to get each generation to understand the other, and memories will be used to guide the activities.

Preparation and Materials:

1. Paper: 8x10 or 10x15 poster paper for the posters as well as 8.5x11 regular paper to be folded in half to make the story book.
2. Art Supplies:

- a. stickers, markers, glue sticks [EWD/RLA to provide]
- b. RLA bought some pot-holders that can be drawn on with fabric pens.
- c. photos cut from magazines (e.g., Sunset, Consumer Reports, Sunday newspaper ads). [SS to provide]
- d. Anything else we should consider???

Program, part 2:

1. Storytime: Children will be invited to sit on the carpet in a circle around a storyteller's chair. Members of this planning committee will be the readers. We will probably read two books. If the group is large enough, two reading circles will be formed.
2. EWD/RLA will bring books.

When we thought the event would be August 29, EWD left a message for Marc (947-1818), Chai House director, outlining the program and expressing our preference for the upstairs Meeting Room, which Sandy says is quite lovely and welcoming. We did not hear back from him, and Rabbi Leslie Alexander will be following up with him.

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