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Director's Welcome

We are five months away from meeting together in Calgary, April 30th to May 1st for our CAYC National Conference,

"New Frontiers for Children: Our Journey Together"

Can you believe it? Those of us on the Conference Committee are really beginning to see each area come to life and we are thrilled to fill you in on some of the important details.

First, let me introduce Deborah Evans, our Conference Registrar to share with you a few details on the registration process and an EXCITING announcement....

Exciting news it is! CAYC has had a very generous donation made to our early conference registrants: a diamond ring! Yes, it is true! You are not imagining it although I have been known to create a little ImaginationPlay at the best of times, this is for real!

Those registrations received in my mailbox and paid for in full before the date of February 14, 2010 will be entered into a draw to win this beautiful piece of jewellery, valued at \$350! Keep

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to share your comments, suggestions,
and submissions!**

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your eye on the CAYC website for the registration package as it becomes available in January 2010. .

Your diamond ring, should you be the lucky winner, will be presented at the CAYC 2010 Conference

"New Frontiers for Children: Our Journey Together", and please note that the winner MUST be present!

Looking forward to meeting you all very soon,

Sincerely,

Deborah Evans

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Continuing on...Have YOU considered submitting a Proposal to present a session at the Conference? With our wide range of topics I am sure YOU have something to offer other professionals in our field. These topics include:

- **Current Research**
- **Children and Their World- a diversity offering**
- **Reggio Emilia Inspirations**
- **Curriculum Enrichment**
- **The Arts**
- **Professional Development**
- **Body & Soul: for Children and Caregivers**
- **Special Needs Advances**

Now we would ask YOU our valued CAYC members from across the province and territory for a little assistance...As professionals in our diverse field we ALL have a wide variety of people we interact with on a daily basis. Whenever possible might you send along the Conference information to like-minded individuals who might be interested in this excellent learning, networking and refreshing event? As our Conference Chairwoman and on behalf of our entire Committee I thank you in advance for helping us promote the Conference. Look for the January e-newsletter that will keep you abreast of everything that will come together to be the 2010 National Conference!



Looking forward to 2010,
Rosanne Perrin,
Director CAYC Alberta and Northwest Territories
and National Conference Chairwoman



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C.A.Y.C.

Presents...

"NEW FRONTIERS FOR CHILDREN: OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER"



**New
Dates**

When? April 30th to May 1st 2010

Where? Calgary, Alberta CANADA

Visit **C.A.Y.C.**

for an **update** and to view the
"Call for Proposals"



www.cayc.ca

**Watch for exciting
Registration news
coming soon!**

www.cayc.ca

Carriage House Inn, Calgary, Alberta

Keynote: Mr. Dan Hodgins

Dan is an internationally renowned Early Childhood Consultant from Flint, Michigan. His insightful and defining presentations are based on current research and filled with practical and effective strategies that can be put to work immediately!

Early Learning and Child Care

Celebrating National Child Day

CAYC Manitoba and the MTS Centre (True North Sports and



Entertainment Ltd) teamed up to celebrate National Children's Day on Tuesday November 24th, 2009!

"ICE"venture

Little Kids on BIG ICE!

Every hour, from 9:30am – 5pm, about 50 young children (ages 5 to 9) along with about 50 volunteers, celebrities, caregivers, and parents, attended the "ICE" venture on the Manitoba Moose BIG Rink... skating and moving to lively music provided by a DJ. Initially CAYC MB was going to borrow skates for the children. Since 250 children didn't have their very own skates, CAYC MB organized a skate drive in Winnipeg and got enough good used skates so every child who wanted skates could have a pair. CAYC MB also provided a coach bus to pick up the children and their volunteers. CAYC sent each group back with a book. The children *whipped* around the rink and had a great time. All the volunteers propped up all the children...supporting them ... conversing with them, etc.

It was NICE on the ICE for the Young Children!

CAYC Saskatchewan celebrated National Child Day with a Free Children's Concert featuring Bob King, Canadian children's songwriter and entertainer. Each child received a free gift of a juice box, nut free granola bar, and a children's book. Their sponsors were RBC Dominion Securities, Maaco, Scholastic Books for Babies and Zellers Co-Op, Wal-Mart, Safeway, and Sobeys. About 300 children and their families were expected to attend, from the core area of Regina!

Child and Youth Studies Alumni Chapter Mount Royal University

[The Child and Youth Studies Alumni Chapter](#) was started in September 2009 and your Chapter Board members will continue to work together to grow and develop a chapter that is attractive to all Child and Youth Studies programs alumni. This Chapter shall also be referred to as ACCYS (Alumni Chapter of the Child and Youth Studies).

Website Resources



Rocky Mountain Play Therapy Institute

The [Rocky Mountain Play Therapy Institute](#) is an internationally recognized professional training institute dedicated to offering relevant and experiential learning opportunities in child and play therapy. Located in Calgary, they offer Approved Training, Supervision Programs, even a small online store. Their website is very informative of what Play Therapy is, why is it beneficial, and how to use. Click on the [Training Program](#) to see what is happening in January in Medicine Hat!

Nature Pod

Put nature into your learning environment with Natural Pod. <http://www.naturalpod.com/shop/>

Learning materials that inspire a love and respect for nature. A Canadian supplier bringing the essence of nature into everything we see, hear, smell, feel and talk about.

Alberta Professional Development

[Alberta PD](#) is a project created to support new teachers in their first three years as they develop and increase their knowledge about differentiated instruction and assessment for diverse learners. It is a coordinated effort by Teacher Professional Learning Providers in Alberta.

Events

There are several events throughout Alberta and Northwest Territories, and all across Canada.

As professionals, we are always on the lookout to be inspired and educated, and to apply new learning to our work with children and families. Please send us your event listing or one that you are aware of and would like to share.

Central Alberta Regional Consortium Working Together: Making A Difference

Promoting student achievement and school improvement through professional development. Listed here is variety of programs



offered in [January](#). See [here](#) for the main website.

Professionalism In Practice

Presented by Alberta Resource Centre For Quality Enhancement ([ARCOE](#))

Lethbridge Community College

Room CE 1305 Canbra Room

January.12, 2010

6:30-9:30

Professionalism is the ability to plan knowledgeably and competently to make a sustained difference; to diagnose and analyse experiences; to select the most appropriate interventions, to apply them skilfully, and to describe why they were selected. Creating "Evidence" of Ethics in practice for portfolios (Follow up to Ethics:

The Journey.) This workshop explores creative strategies for actively implementing Ethics in action. *Relates to Accreditation Standards: 2 and 6*

\$15.00 per person

- Professionalism in Practice: Handouts relating to the workshop.
- Professionalism in Practice: Course certificate for successful completion of the workshop.

Registration deadline: January. 5, 2009

Important information: Advanced registration and payment is required.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (780) 421-4930. Click [here](#) for full information and registration form.

TALES

Learn To Tell Stories to Young Children: Ages 3-6 years

Stories that Sing: Tales with Songs for Joining In

January 16, Saturday, 9-11am

Parent-Link Centre at the Huntington Hills Community Centre
520 - 78th Ave NW (at Centre Street), Calgary, AB

Linda Shantz-Keresztes is a teacher-librarian of 30 years who believes that early literacy begins with family stories, fingerplays, songs, skipping rhymes, and other language-based activities.



Cost is \$15 if your registration is received one week prior to the workshop. \$20 after.

For members, the cost \$10/\$15.

To register, contact Anne Cowling at cowlinga@telus.net or 403.282.5394. Space limited.

These workshops qualify for the Quality Funding Grant for certified daycare workers working in a licensed daycare.

You have received this newsletter either because you are a proud CAYC Member or you have been sent this by a friend who is a proud CAYC member!

You can become a member too!

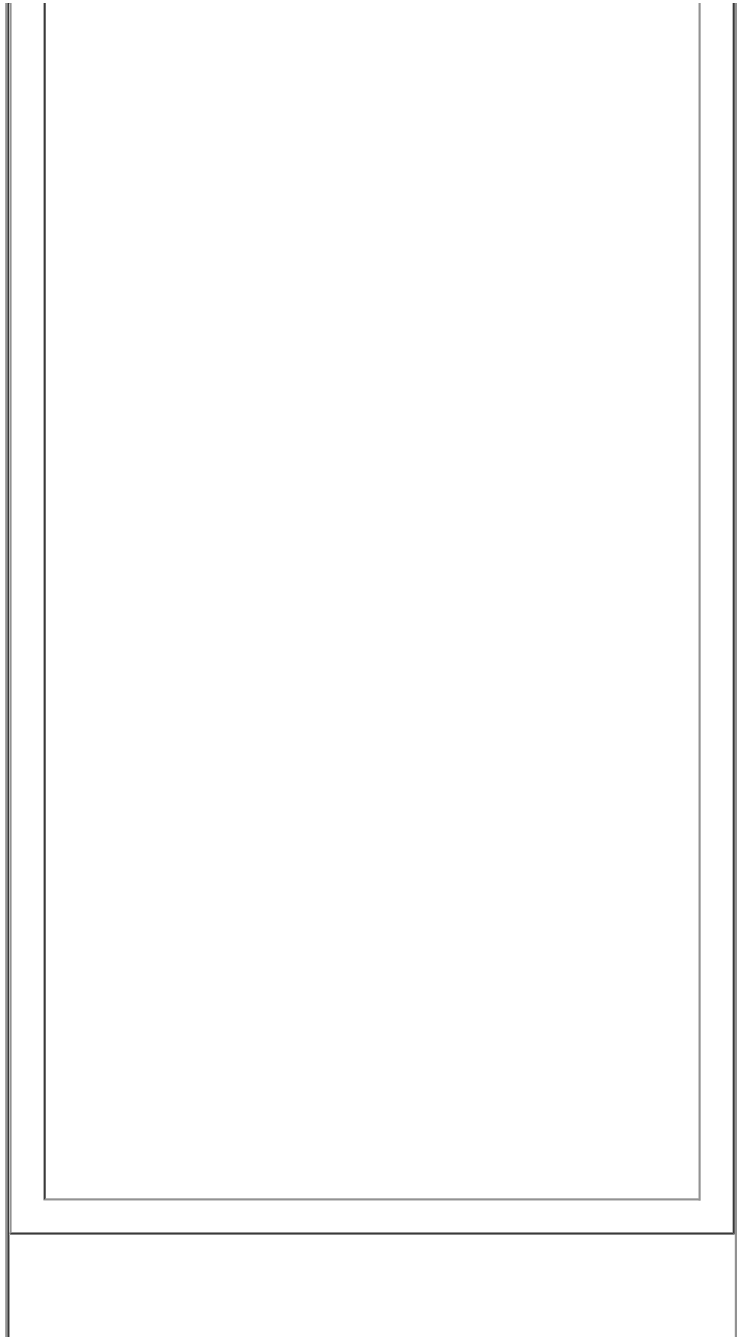
Follow this link straight to our National site and you can read how to join us. www.cayc.ca Take time and explore, there are interesting events and news to read about.

In addition to a sense of pride in joining with others on a national basis to speak out on behalf of young children - you, as a CAYC Member, will receive the following benefits:

*Two issues of "**Canadian Children**" featuring current research and articles related to the care and education of young children.

*Provincial newsletters featuring information about regional news, resources and **CAYC** activities.

*Favorable registration rates when attending regional and national **CAYC** conferences and events.





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