

MUSEUM SUMMER HOURS:

- Monday through Saturday, 9-5
- Sunday, 1-5
- After Labor Day TCMU will again be closed on Mondays, except for National Holidays

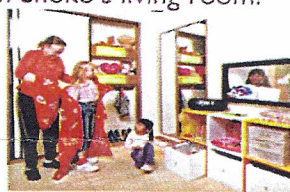
INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

TCMU's 1st Birthday	2
Volunteer Chances	2
New Membership	2
Workshop Wonders	3
Birthday Parties	3
New Volunteers	3
Summer Safety Tips	4

Five Friends from Japan

Five Friends from Japan is the newest traveling exhibit visiting The Children's Museum of the Upstate. It is an interactive exhibit designed to entertain and educate the young and old by highlighting similarities and differences between Japan and the U.S. through vignettes of five Japanese children. Visitors will learn about school in Japan in The Classroom; visit Aisa's Kitchen and Tofu Shop; or stop by Yusuke's yard and practice aikido moves with the help of an instructor. Dress up in traditional Japanese attire in Sakiko's Bedroom, learn to write in Japanese in Ken's tatami room, and listen to differ-

ent kinds of Japanese music in Shoko's living room.



Visitors can dress up in traditional Japanese attire in Sakiko's Bedroom.

This exhibition addresses a central question for the current generation: what happens to distinct cultures in an age of fluid exchanges of people, products, and information across national borders? Put differently, if all kids wear blue jeans, do they all think alike and have the same values? Children in the 21st Century will live

in an increasingly interdependent world, requiring proficiency in intercultural communication.

Five Friends from Japan is geared towards children 5-12 years old and their families. The Children's Museum of the Upstate will host on going programs related to this exhibition throughout the summer. Come celebrate the opening of *Five Friends from Japan* on Saturday, June 26, 2010!

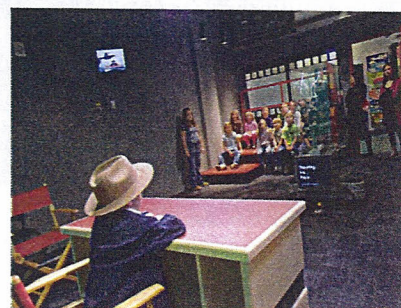
Thanks to The Children's Museum of Boston for the creation of the *Five Friends from Japan* exhibit. It will be on display in Greenville through early September.

TCMU Summer Camp: What will you be?

This July the Museum will host our first series of Summer Camps. Campers will join us for weeks of fun and learning as we explore science, music, theatre, cooking, culture, pets and dinosaurs.

If you have a child who has completed grades K5 through 5th we would love to have them join our camp. For more information please check out our website:

<http://www.tcmgreenvillesc.org/programs.php>



Workshop Wonders: A Volunteer Who Makes A Difference

Since Real Tool Time, the monthly woodworking program at The Children's Museum, began last November, more than 100 children have learned that Jean Arden has much to offer students wanting to learn the skill of woodworking. Kids leave her workshop with an increased confidence in working with tools, pride in their accomplishment, and a substantial project in hand. Their beaming smiles as they walk out of the Real Tool Time workshop are proof that Jean is building more than just wood projects.

Jean volunteers her time, talents, and resources to develop age-appropriate projects for children who come to her workshop each month. Jean's expertise is a valuable asset to The Museum's programming

schedule.

The Museum is grateful that Jean brings to the woodworking table 32 years of experience teaching kindergarten through fifth grade. Her resume includes a multiple award-winning integrated woodworking program that is used to teach all school subjects. She traveled the country presenting the program that gained international recognition.

The Museum greatly appreciates the tool donations from Woodcraft of Greenville and the monthly wood donations from Tidewater Lumber to help keep the program running. Jean's connections as a member of the Greenville Woodworkers Guild help to support the program. Thank you for all you do for us, Jean!



"Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we now know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world, and all there ever will be to know and understand"
~ Albert Einstein

Birthday Parties ...



are AMAZING at The Children's Museum! Our parties are lots of fun for the kids and a piece of cake for the adults. Our birthday party experts can help you with everything you need for your child's special day, from delicious cupcakes and colorful paper goods, to your own personal party host and exploration time in the museum. Book your party today by calling 864-233-7755!



Welcome New Volunteers

Please join the TCMU Staff in welcoming our new interns:

Taylor Bruce

Patricia "Pat" Frady

Marilyn Korsedal

