

MOPS Announcements-October 7, 2011

Date	Food	Clean Up	Nursery Time
Oct. 7	Candy Land	Candy Land	Chutes & Ladders 10/14
Oct. 21	Checkers	Clue	

Ladies Night Out!!-- Tuesday, October 18 we will have mom's night out at Carrabbas in Grandville at 7pm. RSVP to Beth at bethjstone79@gmail.com with the subject line of "MOPS RSVP"

Friday, Nov. 11th the WAR Boutique will be having a Ladies Night Out with shopping, free refreshments & manicures. Time TBD. 2790 44th St., Wyoming.

Orchards & Produce- We are fortunate to live in Grand Rapids with so many local farms to choose from. Check out GR Kids' Fall Harvest Guide to help you decide where to go this year. <http://kidsonthegrand.com/2011/09/20/fall-harvest-guide-apples-pumpkins-hayrides-and-more>

Around Town

Fire truck Parade Sat., Oct. 8th @ 10:00 am Downtown Holland. Over 50 firetrucks.

Sun., Oct. 9th 2:00 pm. M&M Math at the KDL East Grand Rapids Branch.

Sat., Oct. 15th 2:00 pm. Plainfield Library- Day of the Dead with traditional Mexican crafts, music, and activities.

Oct. 21, 22, 28, 29 from 10am-3pm. John Ball Zoo Goes Boo. Entertainment, trick-or-treat stations, make-and-take crafts and animal activities. \$6.00 per person. 2 & under free.

Register now for the Great Candy Cane Hunt at the Wyoming Senior Center Sat., Dec. 10th 11am-1pm. Hunt & Lunch \$5.00 for non-residents. Register at 530-3164. Great family friendly activity.

Recipe Corner- Time to think about cold and flu season.

Consider making some homemade chicken soup ahead of time but don't add the noodles just yet. Instead freeze the soup in muffin tins. Once frozen put the bottom of the tin in hot water for no more than 5 seconds. Then flip out on to a clean surface and then add to a plastic bag to keep them frozen. This way you can pick out just

enough to use for a single serving. Then just heat & add cooked noodles. Works great for other soups too! Here's my favorite easy recipe: allrecipes.com/recipe/quick-and-easy-chicken-noodle-soup/detail.aspx

Halloween Craft Ideas - Water Bottle Pumpkin Jack-O-Lantern

Small plastic bottle
Orange construction paper or scraps
Black paper scraps
Scissors (if desired)
Glue
Green permanent marker



- 1) Tear the orange paper in small pieces and stuff in the bottle.
- 2) Tear (or cut) the black paper for a Jack-O-Lantern face. Glue.
- 3) Use a permanent marker to color the cap green.

<http://www.amazingmess.com/2010/10/water-bottle-pumpkin-jack-o-lantern.html>

Here are a few others:

Stone faced Pumpkins <http://familyfun.go.com/crafts/stone-faced-pumpkins-669243/>

Jack-O-Lantern Mosaic www.ittybittylove.blogspot.com/2009/10/jack-o-lantern-mosaic.html

Paper Pumpkin www.artprojectsforkids.org/2008/10/how-to-make-pumpkin.html

40 Fall Crafts [http://familyfun.go.com/autumn/fall-crafts/fall-harvest-crafts-949450/ - Foliage Friends;23](http://familyfun.go.com/autumn/fall-crafts/fall-harvest-crafts-949450/-Foliage-Friends;23)

Blessed are the peacemakers. Matthew 5:9

All these long links can be found on our blog by clicking on the announcement PDF.

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