



## Hospitality Report

April is a time for getting out of the house and enjoying the wonder of spring's fresh growth outdoors. For most moms, this is such welcome treat after having their little ones under foot inside all winter! So for this month's door prize, we have gas cards and garden-themed gifts for our winners. Thanks to all of you for helping this year by bringing delicious food and cleaning up our meeting area!



## Piano Lessons

*Are you a Musical Mop????*

Kirsten Forshew, a former MOPS mom, has openings soon in her music studio for piano lessons ages 5 and up! Tuition is \$65 per month, plus the cost of music books (which is fairly minimal.) Please call 330-635-2706 if you are interested in reserving a spot!



## Babysitter For Hire

Kristyn Boyland is 14 and has been certified by the American Red Cross for babysitting. As the eldest of four, she has experience with infants, preschoolers and elementary aged children. 330-410-4253.

Daughter of: Joy Boyland

References: Jennifer Anderson & Cori Knutson.



## MOM'S NIGHT OUT EVENTS

**Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Hibachi Dinner in Montrose @  
"Wasabi Restaurant"  
7:00 PM

**Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Motherhood Tea at Miss  
Molly's Tea Room  
11:00 AM  
(\$14 per person – please give \$  
to Cori by May 1<sup>st</sup>)



## APRIAL MOPPET CURRICULUM:

**Lesson:** Obedience- Help the children to know that they can love and obey God  
**Bible Memory Verses:** Genesis 15:2 and Deut 27:10  
**Bible Story:** Abraham obeys God

## PLAYTIME EVENTS:

**Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Easter Egg Hunt – Inn at Medina  
10:00 AM

**Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Wolfcreek Environmental Center  
Nature Tour  
2:00 PM

**Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Memphis Kiddie Park  
10AM-12PM  
(\$11/child for 2 hrs incl. popcorn,  
pop, and balloon for 6 or more  
children)

## MOPS SUMMER FUN!

June: Huffman Park  
July: Buckeye Woods Park  
August: Greenwood Park's Splash  
Pad

Be watching your email this summer for when we will announce the dates and times for these casual, kid-friendly get togethers.



## Steering Team Members Needed

Currently, heading into the 09-10 MOPS season we have the following positions potentially filled and the ones with a blank are still open.

Hospitality: Abbie Foster - but would welcome a co chair  
Sunshine: Jenn Piehler if the new team decides to keep this position)  
Speaker Coordinator: Katie Coleman (baby is due in August, so would need help and suggestions for "booking" the speakers by then)  
Publicity:  
Moppets:  
Moppet Curriculum: Michele Brandt (past MOPS coordinator and this year's red room lead teacher)  
Discussion Group Team Leader: Not a position that has to be here to keep the MOPS program going, but it a nice position to keep the group organized  
Special Events: Michelle Welling (again - only if the new team decides to keep this position)  
Coordinator - Co/Coordinator:



Congratulations to Ellen Snow on the birth of her son, Henry. Thank you to Joy Boyland and Stephanie Seifert for generously providing meals.

**Welcome Henry!**

# Harvest MOPS Amusement Park Guide

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Winter has come to an end, but so has our 2008-2009 season of MOPS! On behalf of our coordinators, Stephanie & Joy, and the rest of the steering team, it has been an honor and a joy to serve such a great group of women. We've been blessed by the encouragement we've received, the friendships we've made, and the way God has worked in our hearts this season. It's our sincere hope that you leave our "Harvest MOPS Amusement Park" with the encouragement that you're not on this roller coaster of motherhood alone, that you've felt the support of your fellow riders, and that through the ups and downs, spins and turns that you've felt God's presence - the one who's in control of this ride and seeing you and your children safely through to the end.

We close this year with the hope that our group will be able to continue to meet again in the fall. Our 2009-2010 MOPS theme is- "Together on Planet Mom".



## **Together on Planet Mom** MOPS International Theme for 2009-10

The MOPS Experience equips women for the joys and challenges of their lives as moms. One key factor in the MOPS Experience is the relationships built within a group. Time and time again, MOPS moms share that the friends they make in MOPS are significant for this season of their life and on into their future. God created us for relationship! It's one of the defining parts of being human.

However, when you become a mom, all your relationships change. It's like you have landed on a different planet—*Planet Mom*—and the relationships on Planet Mom don't look like the ones on your previous planet. Your relationship with yourself is different—you are a mom! Your relationship with your husband, girlfriends, extended family, community and God have all changed. Many of these changes are positive, some are not. Even positive change requires adjustments on your part.

During the 2009-10 MOPS year, we will explore how to thrive in relationships **Together on Planet Mom**.



## **Upcoming Speaker's**

Speakers: Ingrid Harpster  
Park Location: "Jr. Gemini"  
Topic: Kindergarten Readiness  
Date: April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Speaker: Joy Boyland  
Park Location: "Firework's Display"  
Topic: Testimonial  
Date: April 20<sup>h</sup>



## **April Anniversaries**

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| Christine & John Lipian | April 5  |
| Sheron & Dave Beard     | April 14 |
| Susan & Randy Williams  | April 20 |
| Tiffany & Ryan McDonald | April 27 |
| Jen & Eric Smith        | April 29 |



## **April Birthdays**

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|-------------------|----------|
| Jessica Karas     | April 4  |
| Krista Jackson    | April 6  |
| Jennifer Anderson | April 8  |
| Mary-Marg Marquis | April 14 |
| Lori McGrath      | April 14 |



**April Housekeeping Duty:**  
Pulled Taffy



**April Moppets Duty:**  
(On Call)  
Cotton Candy