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# Rhinelanders Report

## A Great Finale for a Great Year

The After School Program's Center Stage Club has a growing reputation for original productions with lots of student involvement. This year's first effort was *If the Shoe Fits; A Modern Cinderella Story* featuring a nasty Cinderella, a grumpy Prince Charming and two very lovely stepsisters. This musical comedy included new takes on classic songs and wonderful group dance routines from the club members in the cast.

So, we can all look forward to the Club's second smash hit: *Jawsical* -- an original musical written by teachers Jason Anderson and Kyle S. Beaver, with many creative suggestions from the Center Stage students. Based on "Jaws" and "High School Musical", there is danger, drama, a love scene and much more. All are invited to enjoy this wacky and wonderful theatrical event. Open dress rehearsals are May 27th and 28th at 5p.m. The final performance is Friday, May 29th at 6:15. Call the front desk at (212) 876-0500 to reserve seats.



## Important Dates

**Early Childhood Enrichment Workshop Hoe-Down;** May 29 at 11:30; May 29 is also the last day for Spring EC Classes

### Nursery School Celebrations

2s Last Day; June 2

3s Last Day; June 3

Pre-K Graduation; June 4 at 10:30 and 1:30

### After School

**Jawsical,** May 27, 28 at 5 p.m.; May 29 at 6:15 p.m.

Each Club holds a graduation in June; check the After School Calendar for details. June 25 is the last day for After School.

**Mini Camp and Early Childhood Summer Session First Day,** June 15

### Saturday Program Dates

May 30, June 6 and 20

June 27 Teen Beach Trip

**Wagon Road First Day,** June 29 (Drop-off and Pick-up at East Harlem Center)

### Rhinelanders Silent Auction Leftovers

May 27-29; Closes May 29 at 12:30 p.m.

**Book Launch Party: The Parent-Child Book Club,** May 28 at 6:30

**P.S. 151 Meetings,** Thursdays at 6:00; for all neighborhood parents of pre-schoolers

**Center Closed,** July 3

## Saturday Program in the News

Parents and staff from the Saturday Program spoke out at a press conference on human services funding cutbacks on the steps of City Hall on May 20. Gale Holligan, addressed the crowd. "My daughter, *Gabriél* is in 9<sup>th</sup> grade at Lexington School for the Deaf and has been attending the Saturday Program for 8 years. She has gained self confidence and learned new skills. Participation in the Saturday program has helped *Gabriél* perform better in school both socially and academically." The conference was organized by United Neighborhood Houses and attended by several City Council members. We are doing everything we can to protect this important program for the Deaf community.

## Yummy Yogurt Dip

*Early Childhood Enrichment Workshop cooking classes enjoyed new foods beginning with the letter of the week. "Y" not try this refreshing recipe!*

Serves 4. Prep time: 15 minutes + 1 hour refrigeration

### Ingredients:

- 1 seedless cucumber, peeled and diced
- 1/2 cup raisins, washed and drained
- 3 cups plain yogurt
- 1/2 cup sour cream (optional)
- 1/4 cup chopped scallions
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh mint
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill weed
- 2 cloves garlic, peeled and crushed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh or dried mint (optional)

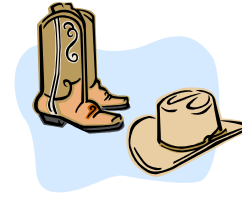
### Procedure:

1. In a serving bowl, combine cucumber, raisins, yogurt, sour cream (if desired), scallions, mint, dill, garlic. Mix thoroughly and season to taste with salt and pepper.
2. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour before serving.
3. Garnish with mint if desired.

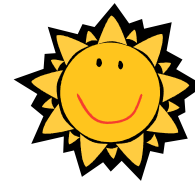
Serve with pita bread and fresh vegetables. Enjoy!

## Enrichment Workshop Hoe-Down

May 29: 11:30-1:00



*Stomp on down to Rhinelander for a dancing good time. Celebrate the end of Enrichment Workshop classes for 2008-09. Lunch, music and art for your EW student and a grown up (No siblings please). Contact Ellen and Kerry for more information.*



## Early Childhood Summer Classes Spaces Still Available Mini-Camp Alternative and Toddler Time

Register on-line at  
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