

# In and Around the JCC

## New Infant Care Program Receives Response

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Fun with bubbles. Photo/T. Hoffman

On January 2, full-time Infant Care opened its doors for the first time. The response was overwhelming. The JCC is receiving several calls daily about the program. We are even getting inquiries from moms who aren't due until August. Because of this terrific response, we are in the process of starting a waiting list for 1991. Presently we have only a few select openings left. So if you're interested, please call the JCC.

The hours for full-time care are 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The children have the opportunity to explore different types of activities every day. They go to the gym, do art

activities, listen to stories and music, sing songs, play games, go outside and a whole lot more. There are also the every day routine things like snacks and lunch, naps and diaper changing. But most of all, we provide lots of hugs, cuddling and individual attention in the most caring environment around. We have a knowledgeable and loving staff that thoroughly enjoys working with your children.

I'm looking forward to a wonderful year filled with many more successes. If you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact me at the JCC, 366-5007.

## Storytelling Special with Sauni Wood

Preschool moms, don't miss this exciting storytime on February 7 at 1:15 with Sauni Wood, who will entertain you and your child. This special is for children ages 3-5.

Sauni Wood is a well known

storyteller in the Charlotte area. She has done programs for the public libraries, Charlotte Mecklenburg School system and has traveled throughout the Carolinas telling her stories to all ages.

## Chanukah Family Programs were Great!

The JCC proved to be the best place to be on Christmas Eve. On December 24, 190 people gathered together for our Chanukah Family Carnival. There were games to play, dreidel bags to decorate and the traditional foods to eat. The afternoon concluded with a professional storyteller and a family candle-lighting ceremony. Many thanks to all of the JCC staff and the many volunteers who helped make the day a smashing success!

### A New Tradition

How does a delicious brunch, games to play, a magician to entertain you, movies and arts and crafts for the kids, the athletic area at your disposal sound to you? The 60 people who attended thought that sounded great. They all came for "Kibbitz and Nosh," held on Christmas Day here at the "J." You can count on this being a tradition. We hope to see you next year.

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## Children's Classes

### PUPPET WORKSHOP

Your child will be introduced to the wonderful world of puppets. Each child will create a puppet and like magic it comes to life in story and play. Your child will bring home his/her new friend to share with the family.

Instructor: Maria Elena Ford  
Sunday, Feb. 11, 1:30-3:00  
Grades: Kindergarten-2  
\$15 M / \$25 NM



### BALLET

Looking for ballet lessons? Come to the "J"! Carrie Lambert is holding classes for children ages 3-6 years. Please call Nina Arten, 366-5007, for schedule of classes and fees.

### HAMANTASH FESTIVAL

Learn to make Hamantashen in one afternoon at the "J." Participants must be in kindergarten up through the 6th grade. Children must have a female family member (i.e. mother, grandmother, aunt or big sister) to work with. Recipe and ingredients are provided. Teams prepare, bake and enjoy the final product.

Mar. 4, 1:30 p.m.  
\$5 M / \$7 NM.



### ON THE GO

Third and Fourth grade students, check your calendars now and reserve the following dates:  
Sunday, Feb. 11 — Discovery Place  
Sunday, Mar. 18 — Movies & Munchies at the "J"

All events are noon-3 p.m. A minimum of 5 children must register one week prior to the activity.

### Health & PE

#### 1-2-3 COME PLAY WITH ME

This is a parent/child program that combines socialization skills with gross motor skill development. We have exercises and equipment to play on while working on taking turns, sharing, following instructions, and being independent. All of this is done in a fun way with games and songs. This is not a tumbling or gymnastic class, although we do front and back rolls and work to improve balance.

T-TH, 11:15 a.m.-noon  
Feb. 11-Mar. 17  
Age: Walking-2 yrs.  
Fee: \$10 M / \$20 NM



#### KINDERTUMBLE

This preschool gymnastic class provides basic tumbling skills, hand-eye coordination, and flexibility.

Fri. 1:15 p.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Sun. 12:30 p.m.-1:15 p.m.  
Feb. 11-Mar. 17  
Age: 3-4 yrs.  
\$15 M / \$30 NM



#### YOUTH SWIM LESSONS

For ages 6 and up. We will be offering American Red Cross swim lessons, from beginner level to swimmer.

M-W 4:15 p.m.-5 p.m.  
M-W 6:45 p.m.-7:30 p.m.  
Feb. 11-Mar. 17  
Ages: 6 and up  
\$23 M / \$40 NM



### HI-LI SCOOP BALL

Experience this new "wild-n-crazy" game. A curved scoop that looks like a banana and a little white whiffle ball provides unpredictable twists & turns. Play is based on a team that can successfully pass the ball to each other with their hi-li scoops and finally "put it through the goal." Don't miss out on this exciting new game!

Instructor: Vicki Galliher  
TU 5-6 p.m., 9-11 year-olds  
FR 3-4 p.m., 6-8 year-olds  
Sessions: 5  
Feb. 12-Mar. 12  
\$10 M / \$15 NM



### FLOOR HOCKEY

We may not have the ice...but we do have all the fast-paced thrills of that great Northern Tradition. Drills to develop skills and actual game play make this class one of the winter's hottest tickets.

Instructor: Vicki Galliher  
WED 4-5 p.m., 6-8 year-olds  
FRI 4-5 p.m., 9-11 year-olds  
Sessions: 5  
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### INDOOR TENNIS

We're moving one of America's favorite outdoor sports inside. Put your skills and strategy to the test. A smaller court puts the spotlight on net play and teamwork...not to mention fast-paced fun and excitement. Youth will provide their own rackets and have experience with the basic strokes involved in tennis (forehand, backhand, volley). This clinic is not for the purpose of providing individualized instruction in stroke techniques. Focus is placed upon game play.

Instructor: Vicki Galliher  
MON 5-6 p.m., Grades 6-8  
WED 5-6 p.m., Grades 9-12  
Starts: Week of Feb. 12  
Ends: Week of Mar. 12  
\$10 M / \$15 NM



### KARATE

Jerome "Magic" Johnson, 8-time Competitor of the Year, a national champion holding a sixth degree black belt in both American Karate and Tae Kwon Do, shares his Karate experience and talent with his classes at the JCC. These programs have been designed with emphasis on discipline, self-control, self-defense, and physical fitness. A minimum registration is required for each class, so sign up early.

Adv. W 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Beg. W 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.  
Beg. SU 2:00 p.m.-3 p.m.  
Feb. 11-Mar. 17  
\$25 M / \$40 NM



**Enroll today for a JCC Class  
Call 366-5007**