

Chatham:
Tuesday and
Thursday
Morris Memorial,
2nd Floor,
Park Row
9:30-11:30

Copake
Monday and Friday
Copake Community
Center,
Mountain View Road
10:00-Noon

Germantown
Monday and
Thursday
Reformed Church of
Germantown,
20 Church Avenue
9:30-11:30

**North
Chatham**
Wednesday
Methodist Church,
Route 203
10:00- Noon

Philmont
Wednesday
Community Center
14 Lake Drive
9:30- 11:30

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FRC's Giant Tag Sale --- Saturday June 6th

Preparations are well underway and the success of this sale depends on our community. We are asking everyone to please donate quality items to the sale. If every family and friend on our mailing list donated just \$10 worth of items they no longer use, we would recycle great stuff while making money to support our Centers and all of our special programs! Last year's sale raised over \$8,000 for our centers. Please help us surpass this goal!

Do you, a friend or family member have a small business that you would like to promote? **FRC is offering vendor space at our tagsale.** For more information call us at our offices 392-3911.

We need volunteers to help us sort and price before the sale. No experience necessary! Have some fun and enjoy the wonderful and wacky things that are donated. We also need folks to solicit donations and publicize the event. If you can spare some time, call our office at 392-3911 or e-mail us at frc@familyresourcecenterscc.org.

Field Trip to Spruce Ridge Alpaca Farm

The Spruce Ridge Alpaca Farm in Old Chatham is hosting this popular outing for both kids and adults! Join us on **Tuesday, May 12 from 9:30 to 11:00** for a farm tour fun with the alpacas. Adults will love the beautiful views afforded from the top of the farm and children love watching the alpacas while enjoying the great outdoors! A snack will be provided for all kids following the tour.

Spruce Ridge is located at 434 Route 13 in Old Chatham. Details and directions can be found on www.spruceridgefarm.com.

Please note that the **Chatham playgroup site will be closed on May 12th.**

Fall Workshops

Thanks to a grant from the **Bank of Greene County**, FRC will once again host a series of Fall workshops. We are looking for your input! E-mail us at frc@familyresourcecenterscc.org with suggestions on workshop topics! Do you have a recommended expert speaker on child raising topics or know someone who is an entrepreneurial wizard willing to give advice on starting a home-based business? We want to know! Suggestions should be e-mailed to our attention by September 1, 2009.

Chatham and North Chatham Sites Open in June

Thanks to a generous grant awarded to FRC in 2009 from the **Rheinstrom Hill Community Foundation**, **Chatham and North Chatham playgroups will remain open through the June 30th**! The sites will be open on their regular days and hours.

Site Happenings

Join FRC in **Germantown on April 27th for Kindermusic with Ms. Beth**. The **Columbia County Land Conservancy** will present a special Spring time program in **Germantown on May 7th beginning at 10:00 a.m.** The **Columbia County Early Intervention Program** will be on hand in **Germantown on April 30th at 10:00 a.m** and in **Copake on May 1st at 10:00 a.m.**

Join us in **Chatham at the Morris Memorial, 2nd floor every Saturday in May, beginning May 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** for a **parent/child yoga class**. This fun and light-hearted class will teach kids and parents some basic yoga poses. Toddlers and pre-schoolers are welcome. The class will be taught by certified kids yoga instructor and FRC Board Member Emilia Teasdale. Suggested donation: \$5.00 per family. Drop-ins welcome, no pre-registration.

See you in October!

FRC's sites in **Copake, Germantown and Philmont will close at the end of May. Chatham and North Chatham will close at the end of June.** All sites will resume operations the **first week in October**.

Be sure to visit our web-site over the summer for event notices and program updates!

Thank you to our FABULOUS site staff for all of their hardwork and dedication to our program throughout the year. Special thanks to: Claudia Brehse, Kena Conway, Barbara Dombrowski, Tammy Leonard, Dorothee Leifer, Donna Packett, Pam Raup-Konouvsy, Janel Walsh and Jenn Walters

Community Links

Columbia Opportunities Head Start is actively recruiting families for the 2009-10 school year. There are openings for this FREE preschool program for 3 and 4 year olds. The program is located throughout Columbia County. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Head Start, contact Sue Eitapence at 755-6023.

Kinderhook Memorial Library is offering a kid's program on Sunday, June 14th at 3:30 p.m. Performer David Ruch will offer songs and stories about real New Yorkers from days gone by. Kinderhook kicks off its summer reading program on June 25th with an ice cream party. For information call the library at 758-6192 or visit their website.

Chatham Public Library hosts family musical group the Ampersands on June 24th at 6:30 p.m. The Ampersands will entertain with seafaring songs! Chatham kicks off its summer reading program on June 22nd. For information call the library at 392-3666.

Don't forget to visit all of our local libraries for summer reading programs for toddlers, pre-schoolers and school aged children! Many are still scheduling their summer activities and are a fabulous summer resource. Call your local library and register early as these programs fill up quickly!

Not on FRC's Mailing List?

If you are not on our mailing list be sure to join! In an effort to save ours (and the planet's) resources for great programming our newsletters, event and fundraising notices will be posted on line. You can join our mailing list directly from our website's home page. Visit www.familyresourcecenterscc.org and sign-up today!