

Fall 2009



# SAEYC News...

## SAEYC Board Members

### President

*Amie Bennett*

### Vice President

*Amanda Mitchell*

### Secretary

*Deb Rice*

### Treasurer

*Marcy Drew*

### Publications

*Tara Anderson*

### Promotions

*Molly Wilson*

### WOYC

*Lanette Henrickson*

### Nominations

*Misty Barber*

### Past President

*Robin Sjogren*

### Accreditation Chair

*Stephanie Louder*

### Student Membership

*Michelle Hanson*

Contact any of the  
board members with  
questions!

Information can be  
found on

[www.sdaeiy.org](http://www.sdaeiy.org)

*Siouxland Association for the Education of Young Children*

## Presidents Note – Amie Bennett

*Happy Fall SAEYC members!*

I hope everyone is getting into their busy fall schedules. We have had board meetings in August and September and we have been busy working on our 2009-2010 activities.

Due to our low numbers at our 2008 fall event, we have decided to collaborate with the Sioux Empire United Way – Reading Festival committee, to allow our members the opportunity to attend (see attached registration form). Hopefully this is something that our members will have the opportunity to attend.

We continue to look for opportunities to help support events and trainings that support what we all are committed to...young children!

Our SAEYC affiliate continues to work with SDAEYC to increase our membership. We have had booths at several early childhood events throughout our community showing what we do as an organization as well as the benefits of joining NAEYC/SDAEYC/SAEYC.

We have the pleasure to have new board members with us for the 2009-2010 year.

<u>Vice President:</u>	Amanda Mitchell
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Marcy Drew
<u>Publications:</u>	Tara Anderson

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [amie\\_rebecca@hotmail.com](mailto:amie_rebecca@hotmail.com) or work phone # 605-731-3888.

## You are all invited...

### SAEYC Fall Membership Meeting

Where: Bollinger Center, board room

When: Friday October 16, 2009 at 5:00 – 5:30 pm

This meeting will be held prior to the Reading Festival – Providers night

*\*You must register for the Reading Festival to attend, but if you would like to come just for the meeting, please do so, we would love to meet all SAEYC Members\**

## Dates to Remember...



October 16 - Reading Festival

April 10-17, 2010 - Week of the Young Child

April 15-17, 2010 - SDAEYC/SDHSA  
Conference, Watertown

May 1, 2010 – Membership Luncheon  
/Spring Meeting

## Public Policy – Robin Sjogren

***Please become a Children's Champion!***

When you become a member you will receive updates on the latest updates in congress on bills relating to children.

To become a member go to [www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org) and click on the Public Policy tab on the left hand side of the screen. Then click on the Join our e-mail list and fill out the information needed.



### ***Membership Award***

Don't forget to nominate a deserving Early Childhood Professional for the SAEYC Outstanding Membership Award!

To get an award nomination go to [www.sdaeYC.org](http://www.sdaeYC.org). Click on local affiliate and then on Siouxland AEYC. Then go down to Upcoming Events and click on Award Nomination. If you have any questions please contact Robin Sjogren at [robin.sjogren@southeasttech.edu](mailto:robin.sjogren@southeasttech.edu) or call at 367-8444.

Thank you!

**We can learn a  
lot from a  
crayon...**

Some are sharp...  
Some are pretty...  
Some are Dull...  
Some have weird  
names...  
and all are  
different colors...  
But they all have  
to learn how to  
live in the same  
box!



## ***Congratulations to Sherri Dobesh***

*2009 SAEYC Professional Service  
Award Winner!*

- *Owner/Operator of Learning Circle Preschool, Dell Rapids*
- *Member for 15 years*





APRIL 15-17, 2010 • WATERTOWN EVENT CENTER • WATERTOWN SD

## SAVE the DATE!!

Get ready for a great conference in Watertown with well known Early Childhood speakers; *Jim Gill, Dr. Becky Bailey and Mark Hoog!*

OK OK so just what does “process not product” REALLY mean???

- ♥ It means NOT having bulletin boards covered with 24 identical penguins and you saying, “But I let them glue the eyes wherever they wanted.”
- ♥ It means not “making” the kids do art
- ♥ It means having H-U-G-E sheets of paper available
- ♥ It means seeing the possibility of painting with things other than brushes
- ♥ It means no more dittos, patterns and cut out art
- ♥ It means it doesn’t have to look like anything. Ever. Even if it is “fish week”
- ♥ It means that a copy machine is NOT required
- ♥ It means not making models or examples for the children
- ♥ It means not drawing for the child
- ♥ It means refraining from over commenting

### A nice rule of thumb:

If it takes YOU longer to get it ready than it takes THEM to do it.... Chances are it is NOT process oriented art!

Shared with you by Lisa Murphy [www.ooeygoeey.com](http://www.ooeygoeey.com)



Annual  
Membership  
Luncheon!  
Mark your  
calendars for our  
annual  
membership  
luncheon on  
Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at  
Minerva’s!

A day to pamper  
and have fun!

Sioux Empire Reading  
Festival Information held on  
October 16-17, 2009 was  
inserted in this page.

Thank you!

---

## Election Ballot for SAEYC Board Positions

Vote for one (1) in each office.

**Voting will take place at the SAEYC Business Meeting on Oct. 16 or you can email [amie\\_rebecca@hotmail.com](mailto:amie_rebecca@hotmail.com) your vote by Oct. 16.**

### Vice President

\_\_\_\_ Amanda Mitchell

\_\_\_\_\_  
(write in nomination)

### Member-At-Large (Week of Young Child)

\_\_\_\_ Lanette Hendrickson

\_\_\_\_\_  
(write in nomination)

### Treasurer

\_\_\_\_ Marcy Drew

\_\_\_\_\_  
(write in nomination)

### Secretary

\_\_\_\_ Deb Rice

\_\_\_\_\_  
(write in nomination)

### Member-At-Large (Membership)

\_\_\_\_ Misty Barber

\_\_\_\_\_  
(write in nomination)

### Publicity

\_\_\_\_ Tara Anderson

\_\_\_\_\_  
(write in nomination)

## Fall Activities – Amanda Mitchell

Heading outdoors can be a great way to soak up the colorful season of fall. Nature walks, a trip to the pumpkin patch/apple orchard, or playing in the leaves are some great learning experiences to have outdoors before the cold weather sets in. Your indoor environment can also be a great place for children to explore and learn about fall. The following are few fall activities to try this season with your children.



- Make a fall wreath with the children using real leaves, acorns, pinecones, and/or other things that can be found outside in the fall.
- Do leaf rubbings with real leaves, paper, and crayons.
- Go on a nature walk and talk about the changing of colors.
- On a nature walk, collect leaves, and make a graph of the different colors that you found (ex. 5 red, 6 yellow, 3 orange, 2 green).
- Mix scents such as cinnamon, vanilla, cloves, etc. with playdough and have children explore the playdough using a variety of materials. Talk about the different scents that you can smell.
- Cut different colored apples in half and remove the middle. Allow children to dip the apple halves in paint and use as a stamp to create pictures.
- Cut up a pumpkin/squash and place in the sand/water table. Encourage children to touch the pumpkin/squash and talk about the textures, smells, etc.
- Using large egg cartons, leaves, pinecones, acorns, and maple seeds have children sort the objects into the egg carton.
- Take a trip to a local pumpkin patch/apple orchard with the children. Ask for parent volunteers to help! Children can pick a pumpkin and take it home.
- Set out sponges and fall colored paints. Children can paint on construction paper using the sponges dipped in the fall colors.
- Cut open a pumpkin with the children. Encourage children to dip their hands into the pumpkin and pull out the seeds. Wash the seeds with the children and allow them to dry. Once the seeds are dry, children can use them to create pictures by gluing the seeds onto construction paper.
- At the art table place construction paper/tag board, tissue paper in fall colors, and glue. Allow children to crunch the tissue paper and glue it on the paper/board. Talk about the different colors of fall.
- Make sugar cookies with the children. Have the help you mix and roll out the dough. Use fall cookie cutters in the dough and bake! Yum!



## 10 Things Every Child Needs...

<i>Interaction</i>	<i>Touch</i>
<i>Stable Relationship with Loving Adult</i>	<i>Safe &amp; Healthy Environment</i>
<i>Self-esteem</i>	<i>Quality Child Care</i>
<i>Communication</i>	<i>Play</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>Reading</i>

### SAEYC

Siouxland Association for the  
Education of Young Children

P.O. Box # 90256  
Sioux Falls, SD 57109

We're on the Web!

See us at:  
[www.sdaeyc.org](http://www.sdaeyc.org)



***Think about these 10 items...***

***How do you as an early childhood professional help support children, parents, and or students etc in their role to ensure children have these needs met?***