

The Quincy Parents' Page

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see It Live

South Shore Music Circus 130 Sohier St., Cohasset. Take the children to see a live performance of some favorite traditional stories! This season kicks July 16th with a performance of Sleeping Beauty! Other dates include performances of The Frog Prince, Snow White, and more. Tickets are only \$8.00 per person. All children's shows are held on Thursday's at 10:00 AM. A Special event is scheduled on July 9th at 10:30AM of the "Russian American Kids Circus". Tickets for this show are \$14.50 per person. Visit the www.musiccircus.org for more information.

Puppet Showplace Theatre 32 Station St., Brookline, across from Brookline Village T Station on green line. Tot Shows are offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., Saturday and Sundays at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. See an old classic or view an original piece of work. Tickets are \$10.00 with general seating, and reserving in advance is highly recommended. Call 617-731-6400 or visit www.puppetshowplace.org for more information. Grandparents are free on Wednesdays in June.

Good Cheap Fun

Nice weather means outdoor activities. Here are some great spots for taking a walk, or grab the bikes and take a ride.

Sterling Middle School Track behind the school easily accessible off Roberts St. Great for trikes.

Pope John Paul Park Gallivan Blvd., Dorchester. Just over the Neponset River Bridge, this scenic park has paved walking and biking paths.

Castle Island South Boston. Take Morrissey Blvd. to Day Blvd. (in South Boston) Follow along the water. Beautiful ocean views. Snack bar and playground.



A very special thank you to North Quincy Community Center for sponsoring our Spring Family Music Event. Children's performer Amy Conley entertained us with some hand clapping music, finger plays and nursery rhymes.

Keeping Your Child Safe



The Quincy Police Department is sponsoring a car seat installation inspection day on Saturday June 6th, at Walmart, Falls Blvd., Quincy (time to be announced).

Certified inspectors will help parents and caregivers learn how to safely install their child's car seats in their own vehicle and to inform people that proper child seat safety can significantly reduce the risk of injury to a child in an accident.

No appointments needed. For more information and time of event please call Lt. Dan Minton at (617) 745-5719.



Around Quincy

Quincy's 58th Annual Flag Day Parade will be held on Saturday June 13th. The parade will step off at 7:00 p.m. from Coddington St., Quincy Center and proceed north down Hancock St. and turn onto Merrymount Parkway (by the stadium). Don't miss the marching bands, color guards and over 1,000 flag waving kids.

Flag raising ceremony and fireworks to follow at Pageant Field. Bring a blanket or chair, and the bug spray.

"A father carries pictures where his money used to be." *Author Unknown*

Better Safe than Sorry

Now that the warm weather is here and the windows are open, here are some home safety tips to keep your children safe.

- Screens will not protect your child from falls as they can easily give way. Keep screens at the top of the window.
- Consider installing window guards for protection.
- Beware that children will climb on furniture to reach windows.
- Keep drapery and blind cords out of children's reach as they are a strangulation hazard.

At the Library

Story time with Kelly, Saturday, June 6th, 40 Washington St. Quincy Center, at 10:00 a.m.

Nice way to start the weekend. Listen to Kelly read stories and sing songs. For children ages 4 and under accompanied by an adult. Drop in.



Saturday Fun for Little Ones, June 13th at 10:00 AM at the Quincy Center. **Dance & Play for Every Day** with Tina Stone is a lively program of song, dance, puppetry and much more. Meet in the large meeting room on first floor. When the room has reached seating capacity the doors will be closed. For children age 2-5 with an adult.

English/Chinese Story time, Saturday, June 29th at the North Quincy Library, 381 Hancock St. Join storyteller Cathy DeVeer to hear stories and songs in Mandarin, Cantonese and English. For children age 2-5 with an adult. Drop-in.

Thomas Crane Library's summer programming kicks off on Thursday, June 25th, at 10:00 a.m. with a concert on the lawn featuring Tad Travis- Mr. D. J.'s Ultimate Kid's Party. This high energy show, full of cool music, dancing, karaoke, games and more is just the beginning of summer fun at the library. For more information on summer events, visit the library's website at www.thomascranelibrary.org and check out the events calendar..

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Brunch Casserole

Having company or just planning a special breakfast? Try this delicious casserole dish that is prepared the night before.

- 8 egg
- 10 slices bread
- 3 cups milk
- 2 cups shredded cheese
- 3 cups sautéed vegetables (mushrooms, peppers, broccoli)
- 1 lb. sausage, cooked and chopped
- 2 T. flour

Break bread into pieces and place on greased 13x9 pan. Sprinkle 1 cup cheese on bread. Add cooked sausage and vegetables. Beat eggs with flour and milk and pour over the ingredients in pan. Sprinkle on remaining cheese, refrigerate over night and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

Parent Education

Free Parenting Forum on Internet Safety.

Held on Tuesday, June 16th, 10:30 a.m., at the Dianne DeVanna Center, 74 Pond St. Braintree. It's never too early to learn about internet safety with your child. Workshop includes guidelines to protect your child, parent controls, and more. Light refreshments will be provided and childcare is available upon request. Call 781-843-7010 to reserve your spot.

Happy Father's Day

How many of the CD cases do you have lying around just in case you find that CD. Take those empty CD cases and have the kids make something special just for Dad.

Here is all you need:

- Empty CD case
- Glue
- Beads, ribbons, shells, etc.
- Special photo
- Cardboard

Open CD case and remove any paper, and snap out the insert which holds the CD. Wipe case clean with damp cloth and let dry thoroughly. Cut Dad's favorite photo and a piece of cardboard slightly smaller than the case. Place photo facing outward into the case and tape edges to secure. Place cardboard behind photo to keep from slipping. Decorate outside of case with beads, ribbons, etc. Open the case for a free standing frame, or attach ribbon to hang on a wall.

