

National Jewish Early Childhood Network



Conference 2011 Registration Newsletter

From the Presidents

Dear National Jewish Early Childhood Network Friends and Members,

It is with excitement that we look forward to our annual conference in Orlando, Florida beginning Wednesday, November 2nd. Our NJECN conference provides us with the wonderful opportunity to share knowledge, while learning new methodology and practice and learn with colleagues from around the world.

The theme of our conference this year is [Magically Jewish in Orlando](#) ~ Walt Disney had a vision to combine creativity + innovation. We will examine this vision through a Jewish lens after experiencing some educational programming while onsite. NJECN is pleased to announce to its membership that we are the recipients of a generous grant provided to support participation in NJECN activities in Orlando. We have used these funds to create Early Bird Packages that drastically reduce costs so that our members can attend ALL of the incredible learning and networking events. This year NJECN is proud to provide incredible networking fun at Epcot Center (With Fireworks!), stimulating and innovative learning programs (Let's Go Behind the Scenes at Disney), a *Disney Institute* Speaker who will tie storytelling into the work we do as educators, and finally, our traditional Shabbat Dinner where we gather to welcome Shabbat as friends. There is something for everyone, but we hope you'll grab the amazing value this generous gift has provided us and explore the [Magically Jewish in Orlando](#) with us!

The Shabbat dinner is a special time and we invite you to join us to participate in this warm yearly event. It will be held on November 4th at the Peabody Orlando Hotel. It is a wonderful way to celebrate with your colleagues and friends in a peaceful setting which can't be replicated at other times.

We are still putting the final touches on our programming, and don't want to spoil all the MAGIC, but wanted to give you a snapshot of the exciting events we are offering at the Orlando conference. This year we are giving you an opportunity to register and save money with our "Early Bird Special"!

Again, we are so pleased to be able to welcome you to Orlando and to the NJECN 2011 conference and look forward to seeing you there. We will continue to provide details and updates on programming throughout the summer.

L'Shalom,

Susan Remick Toppek and Patricia Nisenholz

Co-Presidents, National Jewish Early Childhood Network

Wednesday, November 2nd - Learning Day

Magically Jewish in Orlando

Event A

Magically Jewish in Orlando

8:00 -11:00 a.m. NAEYC Pre-Conference Session, Orlando Convention Center

A panel of NJECN speakers followed by a facilitated, small group discussion will analyze the principles of leadership, customer service, creativity, and employee management as they are interpreted through both secular and non-secular text. The panel presentation and discussion groups will focus on how these principles can be applied in Jewish schools, by Jewish leaders and educators, and how we can enhance the quality of our programs by implementing them in Jewish settings.

There is no charge to attend Event A of the Learning Day

Event B

The Business Behind the Magic Tour

11:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Buses will pick up NJECN participants at the Convention Center and take them to the Magic Kingdom for a tour behind the scenes to learn more about the business side of Disney. Highlights from this tour include:

Leadership Excellence, People Management, Quality Service,
Brand Loyalty, and Inspiring Creativity

Participants will tour in small groups with a Disney guide. Headphones will be provided so that you can hear everything happening regardless of where you are in the park.

Guests will return by bus to the Convention Center prior to the Opening Session of NAEYC.

Event B is sold A La Carte, in The Whole Megillah Package or in A Little Nosh Package
Register early and save money! Early Bird Registration is June 15 -August 15, 2011

Event C

Dessert Reception and Disney Institute Speaker

7:30 - 10:30 p.m., Orlando Convention Center

Building a Business through Storytelling Disney's Approach to Inspiring Creativity Program

The power of "story" has been an ever-present force in the nearly hundred years of the Walt Disney Company. Today, storytelling is considered a critical and relevant leadership tool for gaining emotional buy-in from stakeholders and employees. The impact of effective storytelling is felt by large and small organizations around the world. Learn how Disney uses the elements of storytelling to pass on the culture that keeps its business world-class. Through this *Disney Institute* presentation you will discover how you can translate your own organization's culture in a meaningful way through the power of storytelling. Why? Because people will be listening.

Following the speaker, key elements of leadership and storytelling will be **revisited by NJECN from** the Jewish perspective. Akin to the "Republican Response" following the State of the Union address, our speaker will capture highlights from the *Disney Institute* presentation and tour and share the Jewish perspective on how to adapt these principles within your Jewish Institution.

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Thursday, November 3rd

Event D

Networking Evening at Epcot Center!

Co-sponsored by the
Union for Reform Judaism, United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism,
Jewish Community Centers Association and PJ Library/Harold Grinspoon Foundation

7:30 p.m. Networking Evening at Epcot Center

Networking is an important part of our work and what better place to gather with friends and colleagues than Epcot Center? Our evening of fun begins with a Dessert & Coffee Bar set in the private area "Rue du Paris". Join friends on the waterfront as we relax and visit together. Our evening ends with the famous Disney Fireworks Show right in front of us on the water! You'll have the best seat in the house with old and new friends from our conference together. Families are welcome!

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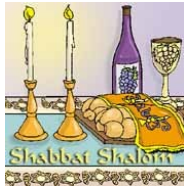
Friday, November 4th

Event E

Join us for an evening of celebration
as we end our week together

Annual Shabbat dinner

Featuring music with Judy Caplan Ginsburgh and
Ellen and Peter Allard



7:00 p.m. Peabody Orlando Hotel

Candlelighting available at sundown

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All food served at NJECN events is certified kosher by
Florida K and Kashrus Services



NJECN Membership 2011-2012

Membership is required to participate in NJECN Programs

School Membership -includes director and teachers:

\$180 for schools up to 50 staff

\$360 for schools with 50-100 staff

\$ 30 -Teacher

\$ 40 - Director

\$ 55 - Agency Professional



Reservation/Membership Form – Magically Jewish in Orlando



Please copy and complete one form for each participant

Please mail form and payment to: Helaine Groeger, 11 Wonder View Court, N. Potomac, MD 20878

Questions? Call 301-354-3203 or email laineyg@aol.com

EVENT	EVENT DESCRIPTION	FEE	SELECT THIS EVENT	AMOUNT PAID
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A	Magically Jewish in Orlando , Pre-conference Session Wednesday, November 2, 8:00-11:00 a.m. Orlando Convention Center	No charge		
B	The Business Behind the Magic Tour Wednesday, November 2, 11:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	A La Carte \$149		
C	Building a Business through Storytelling <i>Disney Institute</i> Speaker & Dessert Reception Wednesday, November 2, 7:30 -10:30 p.m. Orlando Convention Center	A La Carte \$59		
D	Desserts, Socializing & Networking at Epcot Center Thursday, November 3, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Co-sponsored by URJ, USCJ, JCCA & PJ Library	A La Carte \$43		
E	Shabbat Dinner (circle food choice) Friday, November 4, Peabody Orlando, 7:00 p.m.	A La Carte \$75	Chicken Vegetarian	
F	The Whole Megillah Package (Events A-E) EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION 6/15-8/15	\$179.00 After 8/15 \$255		
G	A Little Nosh Package (Events A-C) EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION 6/15-8/15	\$155.00 After 8/15 \$195.00		

Checks should be made payable to "NJECN". If paying with school/agency check, participant's name should appear on check.

Total enclosed \$ _____

Please Print Clearly!

Name _____ Email address _____

Address _____

Business phone _____ Cell phone _____

Your position _____ Types of programs offered _____

Synagogue Affiliation and type _____ *or* Agency Affiliation _____

Early Bird Registration is June 15 - August 15, 2011
Rates go up on August 15, 2011. Registration closes October 21, 2011
All program fees are non-refundable after October 21, 2011

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