



"Where two or three come together ... there I am with them." Matthew 18:20

Steering for 2010/2011

Coordinator – Tracy Sorg
Co-Coordinator – Julie Sander
Hospitality – Becky Russo
Social Activities – Devon Preeo
Creative Activities – Jennifer Dick
Finance – Melanie Leadbetter
Discussion Group – Kristin Marsh
Prayer/Secret Sister – Meggan Winegar
Publicity – Jennifer McGowan
Mentor Mom – Hillary Humberson
Pastor Liaison – Heather Meacham
MOPPETS – Jami Shoemaker (soon to be Miller)

In The Loop

Jubilee MOPS Newsletter

May 2010

Have a Great Summer! 

A Message from the Coordinator

MOPS has been such a blessing and profound influence in my life over the past four years. It helped me to connect with women in the same stage of life, find support in mothering and in marriage, and I believe the women I have met have been a part of making me a better mom, wife, and woman. I hope, that for all of you, whether you're moving on or staying, the same is true for you.

I hope and pray that God continues to move in our lives and show each of us who He has created us to be. Sometimes we lose sight of ourselves in this job of mothering, even though being a mom is wonderful and a part of who we are. I pray we take time getting to know God and in that find all the other pieces of ourselves. All of the dreams and desires hidden in our hearts. We are doing something that God defines as a blessing and I believe through it we will be blessed. We can't let the world around us diminish that blessing, our blessing. God wants us to be strong and confident in Him! I pray we leave this year with a better sense of that inside.

Thank you all so much for letting me lead you this year! Being with you all has changed me for the better and has left deposits in my heart that will stay with me as I journey on. I have truly enjoyed being a part of your lives and will miss seeing your faces on a regular basis. I ask all of God's blessings be on you and your families!

With love, Andrea Kitsmiller

Join us for summer fun & fellowship at the park!

- June 1 Westlands Park in Greenwood Village
- June 15 Lone Tree Fire Station Tour (9am-10am)
Sweetwater Park (Immediately Following Tour)
- July 6 O'Brien Park in Parker
- July 20 Belleview Park in Englewood
- Aug. 10 Pirate's Cove in Littleton (10:30am)
- Aug. 24 Civic Green Park in Highlands Ranch

Don't forget sunscreen, water, and sack lunches.

For questions or for more information please contact:
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Pre-Register NOW

We are offering a special pre-registration discount to current MOPS members who plan to return to MOPS next year. You will be charged discount rates if you register on or before Monday, May 25th. If you cannot pay this amount up front we will require a \$25 deposit to hold a space for you and your children.
*Note: Rates will increase to \$90/semester, \$150/year, and \$15/meeting after May 25th.
Pre-registration MOPS rates are...
Pay \$75 for 1st semester or Pay \$125 for the year.

Summer Birthdays

5/5 – Julie Fox
5/15 – Becky Russo
6/6 – Hillary Humberston
6/22 – Robin Hall
6/26 – Jennifer Miller
7/10 – Zoriah Pearson

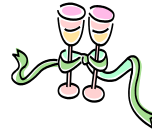
8/6 – Meggan Winegar
8/6 – Denise Blomer
8/12 – Jennifer Dick
8/25 – Becky Pollard
8/26 – Melanie Leadbetter



Summer Anniversaries

5/1 – Tanja Schlegel-Smith
5/6 – Karen Hull
5/11 – Jennifer Borsheim
5/20 – Denise Blomer
6/1 – Julie Sander
6/4 – Andrea Schlagel
6/5 – Jennifer Miller
6/18 – Melanie Leadbetter
6/19 – Julie Poole
6/29 – Tami Morling
7/10 – Robin Hall

7/14 – Julie Fox
7/18 – Becky Russo
8/1 – Jennifer McGowan
8/4 – Maureen Lally
8/8 – Meggan Winegar
8/9 – Devon Preeo
8/14 – Kristin London
8/15 – Jennifer Dick
8/22 – Janie Peterson
8/24 – Heather Meacham
8/31 – Mardel Coombs



FREE Days in Summer

Children's Museum of Denver
June 1st, July 6th, Aug. 3rd 4-8pm
(1st Tuesdays)

Denver Botanic Gardens
July 22nd, Aug. 25th

Denver Botanic Gardens at
Chatfield
June 4th, Aug. 6th

Denver Art Museum
June 5th, July 3rd, Aug. 7th

Denver Museum of Nature &
Science
Aug. 8th, Aug. 30th



Momology: The Art & Science of Mothering MOPS International Theme for 2010-11

Mothering is both art and science. It combines all of who we are to shape healthy, resilient kids. Mothering is so complex it requires both sides of our brain – not to mention our hands and feet, eyes and ears, mouth and (sniff, sniff) unfortunately, sometimes even our noses!

There's the scientific side of mothering where we develop a hypothesis based on certain principles, test that hypothesis in real-time, consider the results and decide what parts worked and what parts didn't. We keep refining our hypotheses until we find what works for us.

Intertwined with the scientific, mothering requires an artistry that shades with our personality, colors with our unique gifts, and blends past and current experiences.

MOPS International has identified four essential elements for successful outcomes with our kids.

Core is about knowing and growing ourselves. Understanding and working with our unique temperament, experiences, and emotions in a way that develops resilience. Research clearly shows that a mom with a strong, resilient core is more likely to raise a child with a strong, resilient core.

Finesse is about honing practical mothering skills—intentionally carrying out our daily responsibilities in ways that encourage growth and resilience in our kids.

Circle is about building relationships with neighbors, care-givers, extended family and, most importantly, with our husbands or for single moms, with a parenting partner.

Grandscape is about engaging with God and his unique purpose for our lives. Both secular and Christian research identifies faith in God as an essential element for successful mothering.

Through **Momology**, as we explore together, we'll be guided by an all-knowing, all-powerful, always-present God. Our theme verse for the year is:

Even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. (Psalm 139:10)

Anywhere we go, God sees, knows, and guides. So we can lead — and love — knowing God will get us through all the hard spots, all our decisions, all our roles, all our times we can't hold open our eyelids and the times we're bursting with joy. God's hand guides us as we guide our children. As we study **Momology** together to become better moms making a better world.