

Dear Friends of ROPARD,

We want to inform you of a national telephone support group for parents of young children with Retinopathy of Prematurity which will begin in January of 2007. Facilitated by a psychologist, the support group is being sponsored by the Jewish Guild for the Blind, a member of NAPVI. The Guild is a nonsectarian, not-for-profit vision health care agency located in New York. There is no cost to the parents who participate and groups will be conducted weekly by calling in to a toll-free number at a time that is most convenient for the majority of the participants. For more information, or to register for this group, please call 1-800-915-0306.

Wishing you all a healthy, happy and peaceful New Year.

Sincerely,

Paula Korelitz Outreach Director
 ROPARD



Lisa Mickelson has resigned her position as co-coordinator of the Infant Department. We will miss Lisa very much and wish her great success with her new endeavors.



**Guide Dogs for the Blind
 Family Fun Day at
 FBC**

When: Saturday, February 3, 2007
 9:00am-1:00pm

Where: Lawn area, behind main building.

Guide Dogs for the Blind, invites you to attend a day of fun and learning at the FBC campus. The event will include educational presentations by staff, opportunities for your child to interact with dogs, and a luncheon. Please RSVP by January 24th to Cody Alvarez at 602-331-1470 or calvarez@the-fbc.org.

The new year brings prospects of new resolutions. As your children progress, have hopes and dreams of successful milestones. With time change will come, and by starting out with baby steps, success will surely follow. Break your goals into five parts. For example: Goal "Crawling" 1) Tummy time: On a textured blanket (takes two-swing your baby in a blanket as well), and tummy time on a water-filled mat 2) Incentive to roll by placing colorful & shiny crinkle paper beside baby, also links with rattle hanging to let babies hands touch easily 3) Place baby on C pillow in front of mirror gradually, add items like colorforms for the mirror, or tactual items like whip cream, guide babies hands to item. 4) Have baby experience different texture floors to push off of with feet (wood floors, linoleum, carpet, tile) always put a light up toy or an item that has noise to give the child reasons to move! 5) Have your child lay over your leg in a four point position and place toys in front of child. Crawling will soon become the success!



January 2007

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BABY PROGRAM

9:00 Music & Activities

10-11:00 Parent Meeting



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My heart is with babies, families, and FBC. Please know I will always be connected with Foundation for Blind Children. I have enjoyed serving families, and working with the incredible staff at Foundation. I plan to be a part of the FBC Family Support Saturday Parent Panel.

Warmheartedly,

Lisa Mickelson

Proud supporter of the Infant Program



Phoenix Parent Meeting



- 1/5/07 No Program
- 1/12/07 Open Meeting
- 1/19/07 CVI/Eye Conditions review
- 1/26/07 Jaenette

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East Valley Meetings

1/8/07 Open Meeting

1/15/07 No Program MLK Day

1/22/07 CVI/Eye conditions review

1/29/07 Jaenette



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