

# LA SEMANA NEWSLETTER

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**Newsletters will be posted daily on the La Semana website ([www.lasemana.org](http://www.lasemana.org)).** Listen there to our La Semana Camp Song. Look for the lyrics in your directories.

**No Parking!** For the safety of the children, please do not park in the area by the playground beyond the gate. Thank you.

**Three Is Key!** Please remember our Buddy Policy. No volunteer should be alone with a camper that is not that volunteer's child. If you are escorting a camper anywhere inside or outside the building, please be sure one of you **"TAKES A BUDDY."** For more info, please see the handouts in each classroom.

**Attention K-7 Facilitators:** Please report any absences - child or adult - to the camp office each day. Also, the lunchroom will be especially full this year, especially on Tuesday. Please consider scheduling playtime before lunch, if you find lunchroom seats at a premium when you arrive. Finally, on Market Day there will be a Peruvian weaver set up with his loom in the cafeteria. Please take some time out during your Facilitator Choice time to take your class to visit this special guest. Anytime, except between 9-10. Thanks for all your hard work!

**Volunteering for Our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Volunteer sign-ups will be done differently for La Semana 2011. A sign up sheet will be in Murphy Hall. There will be 4 levels of volunteer commitment. Year round "Chair" positions will be Level A. Level A will qualify for earliest registration for camp 2011 and lowest per camper fee. Level B positions, those other than Chair positions that require significant time commitment away from camp, will qualify for second registration for camp 2011 and the second lowest per camper fee. Level C volunteers can register third and will qualify for the next lowest per camper fee. Level D volunteers, those who assume the least responsibility/time, will register last and pay the standard per camper fee. Fees and registration dates will be announced at a later time. For more info, see Jim Stromberg.

**Animals at Camp!** Specialty Update: On Tuesday, Campers will learn about and sample authentic Colombian foods. On Wednesday, the Colombian dancers will put on a great show. On Thursday, RAD ZOO will be here with Amazonian animals for campers to see and touch.

**Quince Años Parents:** On Wednesday, there will be a parent education class on the cultural tradition of Quince Años (Coming of Age) rite of passage. 2:00-2:30 in the library.

**Uno, Dos, Tres - Three Ways To Contribute to This Year's Service Project:**

- 1) **Bring old shoes!** Put them in the box in the cafeteria.
- 2) **Buy food!** Empanadas, tamales and Latin American sodas are on sale in the lunchroom.
- 3) **Write a check!** All proceeds will benefit **La Conexión Latina** a liaison to the Latino community in South Minneapolis.

**Garage Wanted:** We need someone willing to store our Dance trailer. It will fit into a single garage stall, and must be stored inside in the Metro area where it will occasionally be accessed by the Corazon Latino Dance troupe. You must be able to transport the trailer to and from camp. If you'd like to measure the trailer, it is parked in the back by the Commons doors. The family that stores the trailer for La Semana will qualify for Registration Level A (see Volunteering blurb above), meaning you will be the first to register and receive the lowest pricing for your entire family. Questions? See Jim Stromberg in the Camp office.

**2011 Volunteer Opportunities** include Webmaster, Secretary, Data Base, Directory and many, many more. Sign up today!

**Parents of teens dealing with FAS** that would like to connect to share resources and support, please contact Ginny Green @ 320-290-2379.

**¡Muchas Gracias, Alumni!** We have 37 alumni this year that have taken time out of their busy lives to join us at La Semana. Look for them in the tie-dye tee shirts and say thanks.