



# Toddle Inn Day Care Society

*"We care about children"*



## March 2010 Newsletter

### FYI - Child Care Costs

According to an article in Today's Parent (April 2010 issue) Alberta has the second highest average day care costs across Canada.

	Comparison	
	AB Averages	TIDC Actual
Infant	\$46	\$40.45
Toddler	\$42	\$34.09
Preschool	\$39	\$32.73

### Spread the Word

The Toddle Inn Day Care now offers a Before and After School Program in addition to our regular Preschool Program.

Please contact the Day Care for more information.

### Board Members Needed!

In order for the Day Care to continue operating we need to increase the number of members and have all executive positions filled.

We are still currently looking for more Board members as there are still empty and soon to be vacated positions.

The basic requirements of being a Board member are to attend the monthly meetings and help out where or when there is a need. Your knowledge and skills will be a definite asset to the board.

All parents and staff are welcome and encouraged to attend the next Board meeting:  
May 25, 2010 at 6:45 p.m.

### Casino Update

Thank you to all who supported the Day Care by volunteering your time to make this very important fundraiser a success.

### Parent Meeting

All parents are invited to attend the Toddle Inn Day Care's Parent Meeting.

Please come out and learn more about what is happening with the Day Care.

Also this will give you the opportunity to discuss the proposed new volunteer policy.

### Chocolate Almonds

The TIDC will be holding a Chocolate Almond Fundraiser beginning March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and runs until April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Please help support the Day Care by picking up a case from the office to sell (opened cases can not be returned to the day care).

Each case is worth \$90 (30 boxes x \$3) and the Day Care receives 50% of the money raised.

Thank you kindly for your support!

### Yard Sale - June 5, 2010

Looking for a good way to de-clutter your house? We will be looking for typical yard sale items in good condition including:

- Toys
- Baby items
- Baked goods
- Books, CDs, DVDs, ect.

### Upcoming Events

Parent Meeting

Tuesday, April 27, 6:45 p.m.

Next Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 25, 6:45 p.m.

Yard Sale

Saturday, June 5, 2010

## Toddle Inn's March 2010 Fundraising Newsletter

### Please don't forget our easy on-going Fundraising Programs

Please talk to Roxanne for more information

#### Husky Rebate Program

Husky Community Rebate Program Cards are now available. If you use Husky or Mohawk stations or Husky House Restaurants, please pick up a card. The day care will receive a 2% rebate for your total purchases (some exclusions apply).

For more information visit [www.myhusky.ca](http://www.myhusky.ca)

#### HBC Rewards Program

The Toddle Inn has joined the HBC Rewards Community Program. You can participate by donating you HBC points to the Day Care.

- Visit [www.hbc.com/community](http://www.hbc.com/community)
- Click on donate to an existing community
- Community Organization Public ID number: **1781565**

Anyone can donate their points including friends and family.

#### Individual Cash Donations

The Toddle Inn has the opportunity to apply for the Community Spirit Donation grant to receive a portion of \$20 Million available.

To be eligible the day care needs to have a minimum of \$1000 in cash donations made by individuals (corporate donations, fund-raising and donated items do not count).

Please make a donation if you can and tax receipts will be provided! Talk to Roxanne if you have any questions.

#### Canadian Tire Money

The Day Care is currently collecting Canadian Tire Money (Co-op Revved Up rewards and No Frills Gas Station Rebate also accepted).

Please drop off your Canadian Tire Money in the Box in the office.

#### Stuck on you Labels

Personalized labels can be ordered through Stuck on you Labels, to meet the licensing requirements.

The Day Care also earns a commission on every purchase.

You can order on line at

[www.stuckonyou.biz/toddle](http://www.stuckonyou.biz/toddle)

or by mailing a paper order form in (available from Roxanne).

Samples of the labels are available on the fundraising board.

#### Fundscrip Gift Cards

The Day Care is still selling gift cards. They make excellent gifts or are a great way to buy everyday items. The day care receives a percentage of the amount spent. This is a really easy way to raise money without spending additional money

One family at the day care alone has raised \$400+ in the last year and a half.

Participating retailers include Sobeys, M&Ms, Esso, Canadian Tire, Starbucks, Home Hardware and Best Buy. Many of the stores are even located right here in Strathmore. For more information see the enrollment package or check out the web page [www.fundscrip.com](http://www.fundscrip.com)

#### Online Magazine Subscriptions

Our group's Online Fundraising Campaign has just kicked off and your participation is the key to our success!

You can help by inviting your friends and family to shop at our online magazine store. They can choose from over 650 magazine subscriptions at up to 85% savings, and our group will get 37% of each purchase amount!

And magazines are a great gift idea!

<http://magfundraising.ca/toddleinn>

**Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!**