

*We are gearing up to spring into summer with these amazing events and more!*



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**April eNewsletter**

**Friday, April 30**

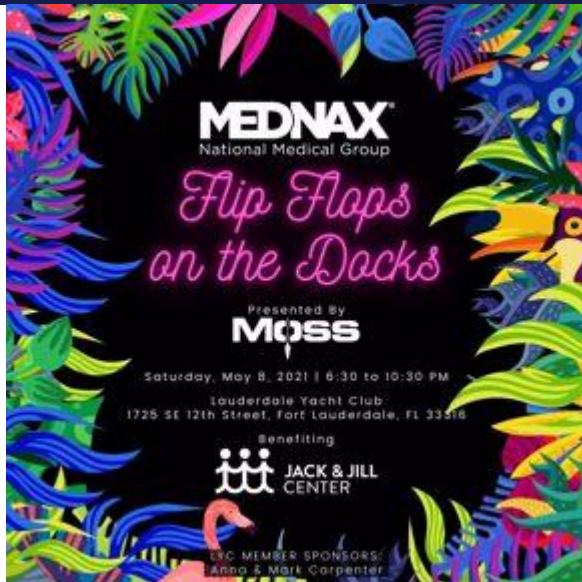


### **Week of the Young Child**

**Our NAEYC Accredited Early Education Program celebrated NAEYC's Week of the Young Child this month on April 10 through 16. This fun-filled week commemorates early learning, young children, their teachers, families, and communities with themed days and special activities that celebrate Music Monday, Tasty Tuesday, Work Together Wednesday, Artsy Thursday, and Family Friday. This year's festivities were especially memorable because it was also the 50th anniversary of Week of the Young Child.**

NAEYC stands for the National Association for the Education of Young Children, which is a large nonprofit association in the United States representing early childhood education teachers, para-educators, center directors, trainers, college educators, families of young children, policymakers, and advocates. For more than 30 years, NAEYC has worked

together with program team members across the country to implement best practices and develop a consistent understanding of how to achieve and maintain high quality.



**MEDNAX**  
**Flip Flops on the Docks**  
**Sponsorship Opportunities Available Now! Tickets**  
**Available Now! [Click here.](#)**

Leave your heels and ties at home and join the Friends of Jack & Jill Center on Saturday, May 8 from 6:30 to 10:30 PM at the newly renovated Lauderdale Yacht Club (1725 SE 12th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316) for their renowned signature event, the 16th Annual MEDNAX Flip Flops on the Docks presented by Moss!

This casual soirée overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway features relaxed tropical beach décor, delicious drinks, fabulous food, and live music on the docks at the Lauderdale Yacht Club. Guests have the chance to bid on luxurious items in a live and silent auction while enjoying the panoramic backdrop of Fort Lauderdale. Become a VIP and enjoy bubbles, bourbon, and bites all night long in the Amerijet VIP Lounge! [Click Here to purchase tickets now.](#)

We are raffling a Large Big Green Egg Package valued at \$1100 at the event! [Click Here to Pre-Purchase Raffle Tickets—1 for \\$50 or 3 for \\$100!](#) You do not need to be present to win. This prize package includes: a Large Green Egg, a Nest for the Large Egg, a 20 lb bag of Natural Lump Charcoal, SpeediLight Natural Charcoal Starters, an Ash Tool for Egg, and free delivery and set-up.

Since its inception in 2001, the Friends have raised over \$4.25 million through membership and special events like Flip Flops on the Docks to improve the lives of the Center's children and families and this is only possible thanks to sponsors like you! If you are interested in Sponsorship Opportunities with exclusive sponsor benefits, [click here](#) or email Jenn Swercheck, Special Events Director, at [jswercheck@jackandjillcenter.org](mailto:jswercheck@jackandjillcenter.org).

**[Click Here to Purchase Tickets & View Sponsorship Opportunities!](#)**



## **We're Enrolling!**

**2021 School Year and Summer Camp**—We are enrolling children 6-weeks through Pre-K for our Early Education Program and children Kindergarten through 5th Grade for Madelaine Halmos Academy, our elementary school program. Contact us now at (954) 463-8772 or [admissions@jackandjillcenter.org](mailto:admissions@jackandjillcenter.org) for more information and to enroll!

Our Center, Academy, and Summer Camp are located at 1315 W Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312. Step-Up for Students Scholarships are available and we accept School Readiness.



## Stretch & Sip Event

**On April 20, the Jack & Jill Center Young Professionals Network hosted a "Stretch & Sip" Event with Chance of**

**Rays** Yoga at the beautiful Society Las Olas. Thank you so much to everyone who came to support our cause! This was such a successful event thanks to our YPN Committee, Carlin Hayes with Chance of Rays Yog, Marissa Lord with Scout & Cellar Wine, Nicole Almeida with Oils & Glow, and Society Las Olas. Contact Alana Wortsman at [awortsman@jackandjillcenter.org](mailto:awortsman@jackandjillcenter.org) to get involved with our Young Professionals Network.



## Save the Date!

### Flamingo Flea – Free Event

**Flamingo Flea, your favorite Sunday Funday Bazaar is happening Sunday, May 23 from 12:00 to 4:00 PM at**

**Tarpon River Brewing (280 SW 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301).** This FREE event has activities for the kids and is pet-friendly. Shop local and explore handmade treasures, home goods, and sustainable trinkets. Enjoy live music and brunch!

Jack & Jill Center will be at the front of Tarpon River Brewing to welcome you! We will be collecting school supply donations for our children and selling raffle tickets for amazing items donated by Flamingo Flea vendors. Raffle tickets are 1 for \$1. Purchase 5 for \$5 and receive a drink ticket for a delicious Tarpon River Brew! Questions? Email Alana Wortsman at [awortsman@jackandjillcenter.org](mailto:awortsman@jackandjillcenter.org).

RSVP to the event on Facebook [HERE](#).  
Follow Flamingo Flea on Instagram [HERE](#).



## Take A Tour of Madelaine Halmos Academy!

When Madelaine Halmos Academy opens, the program will enroll 220 students in Kindergarten through fifth grade, totaling the impact of Jack & Jill's education programs to 352 students. 37 new full-time jobs will also be created. The new school will feature 12 classrooms, an arts and science lab, a music and media lab, a rooftop play area and outdoor learning space, a wellness room, a dining hall with a restaurant-grade kitchen, and state-of-the-art security and technology.

Naming opportunities are available! Please contact Maria Meyer, Chief Development Officer at (954) 463-8772, ext. 203 or [mmeyer@jackandjillcenter.org](mailto:mmeyer@jackandjillcenter.org) for more information or to schedule a tour.





## **Commemorative Bricks**

**You can play a vital role in helping support Jack & Jill Center with the donation of a personally engraved commemorative brick set permanently in the entranceway of the Jack & Jill Center Early Education Building.**

Funds raised through brick donations will support the essential educational and family services provided by Jack & Jill Center. Your brick will help pave the way to a bright future for the children we serve and the role they will play in our community for years to come.

[Click here to purchase one today!](#)

[\*\*Click Here to Purchase A Custom Brick!\*\*](#)



## **Careers at Jack & Jill Center - Teach With Us! As Jack & Jill Center continues to grow, we are looking to expand our teams!**

Teaching at Jack & Jill Center may be one of the most rewarding experiences of your career. Your skills and passion will have a direct impact on changing young lives, setting them on a path toward a life full of choices. Jack & Jill Center offers much more than a job in teaching and education. As part of our team and family, you'll be immersed in a whole community of team members, students, and families who are eager to learn and support one another!

Would you or someone you know love to work with us? [View our website](http://www.jackandjillcenter.org) for open positions or send us an email at [moreinfo@jackandjillcenter.org](mailto:moreinfo@jackandjillcenter.org).



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