

Newsletter

Aah, the delights of spring. The promise and rebirth. The life affirming renewal. The splendid yet transitional colors. The new Adlerman newsletter. Gee, don't you just love spring?

This month, our news is big Big BIG! We are THRILLED to announce Kim's exhibition at [Metuchen Art Works](#), located at 15 Station Place, Metuchen, NJ. You are all cordially invited to attend the opening reception, to be held Saturday, May 7th, at the gallery from 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM! There will be originals from not only both [Rock-A-Bye Baby](#) and [Africa Calling](#) but some new offerings never seen by the general public (as well as some older offerings never seen by the general public)! Wine and munchies? On the house, natch! And if that weren't enough, you'll have the chance to view selected works of 14 other artists as well. And it's not just original works available there: You will find selected prints, books, and more. And a frank word: Please do NOT feel the only way to show support is to purchase art. Show your support by coming to the exhibit and enjoying the wares - that's what art is there for! So come one, come all, and do bring a friend! And if you can't make it to the reception, there is a Sunday morning Coffee Talk May 8th at 12:00 noon, and Kim's exhibit will be up all month, from May 1st to May 31st. Remember, Metuchen Art Works: Never a cover charge!

Danny and Kim just finished up a tour of Michigan, starting with the [Michigan Reading Association](#), and continuing on for a week of school appearances. Michigan, you're great, and we love you! Thanks for the hospitality, and the warm reception (despite the less than warm temperatures). Next time we should have YOU over to OUR place! What's that? You've put on weight and will no longer fit through the door? OK, we'll come back and visit YOU in a year or so. Deal? Thanks.

If you're wondering where we'll be next, do consult our [appearances](#) link, and then let us know. We can't keep it straight any more!

What's coming up next in the world of books? HOW MUCH WOOD COULD A WOODCHUCK CHUCK? is now off to the printer for proofing, and we couldn't be more excited. We are finally ready to let you know who some of the contributors are. We'll not let everything out of the bag at once, but to whet your appetite: Both [Megan Halsey](#) and [Michael Paraskevas](#) are contributing to this book. These two artists have illustrated close to fifty books between them, and are both nationally recognized talents. We are honored they elected to grace this book with their contributions. And that's not all...BUT it's all we're letting out this month! Watch this spot for another couple few contributors next time!

Musically speaking: LISTEN UP! is now about 70% complete, and is a real rocker! There will be some selections for the same age range that [One Size Fits All](#) appeals to, but there will be some excellent rock and roll for older crowds too! The object is to continue making music for people of all ages to enjoy starting while they're very young, but to also grow along with them. Therefore, "new" young kids who weren't even around when [One Size Fits All](#) was released will loved this...but the same folks who are now five years older will also find their tastes served, too. We will be posting preview clips at our site soon, so you can munch on a sound bite while you're awaiting the main course. Yum yum!

Speaking of sound clips and digital music, if you prefer the comfort of your office chair to the

atmosphere of a music store (a separate issue entirely, but just in case...) you'll be elated to learn that [One Size Fits All](#), [The Tomato Collection](#), [Jim Babjak's Buzzed Meg](#), and select [The Grip Weeds](#) music is available at [Apple - iTunes](#), [RHAPSODY - Digital Music Service](#), [MusicNet](#), [Napster.com](#), and up to 27 other digital music download services, with more being added all the time!

And for those who love internet shopping but aren't quite up to the idea of digital downloads, don't forget: [CD Baby.com](#) is still offering a \$5 special! Just place THREE albums from the specials bin in your cart, and all three are just five bucks each. If you're looking for great, hard to find indy music of all genres, you'll want to go the [\\$5 Specials](#) link and check out all of the cool sounds. Do it now.

Of course, and as usual, you can pick up ANY of the above named albums at our [Shopping Cart](#) for just [10](#) samolians!

One last little thing: Please remember to visit [PlayhouseRadio.com](#), where you can listen to and make lists of children's music for absolutely nuttin', honey - you don't pay a thang unless you buy a CD, and you can mix and match any ten tunes for any ten bucks, so long as the bucks are American.

Now, you have reached the end of the mire-n-muck, and deserve an update as to family shenanigans:

First, Maxx: He is progressing so nicely in his quest to become a reader. He's trying, AND succeeding, and seems to have better mastery of it each day. A tip for parents with pre-literate youngsters (or those in training): Play Boggle with them, and allow them two letter words. When learning is fun, you can't stop 'em from learning, you know. And in Maxx's case of course, it will come in handy when he is able to read all of the tickets, summonses, and parole violations which are certainly awaiting him...

Nixt: Joshua is now three stripes into his Brown Belt in Tae Kwan Do, and is still on the demo team. They had their first demo two weeks ago and we have to say it was pretty cool. He is also still taking a weapons class, but he has promised not to mess with any of you unless you provoke him. Danny has elected NOT to test this out. On the artistic front (make no mistake, TKD IS artistic, but you know what we mean) he is still playing French Horn, and is also big on reading. We don't know what we're doing right, but general thanks to the universe for the lives we lead and for our wonderful children.

And speaking of wonderful children, our eldest, Rachelle is just loving the Middle School of the Arts program, and we're considering enrolling her in a summer program to continue the experience. While much of the other stuff remains status quo (still taking cello, still tinkering with the piano, still loves books) she is also considering future endeavors such as which language to take in school next year. Both she and Joshua recently brought home stellar report cards, we are happy to...report.

Bowling: OK, going out on a limb here: We stink. Pee---yew. The important thing of course is that it's fun for us, and seems to be agreeable with those teams we bowl against. Do they like us or are they assured of an easy win?

"How's the cute little doggie?" you find yourself asking. Now it comes out: The only reason you're reading this letter. Well, Hercules is just fine, thanks, and seems to enjoy chasing squirrels up trees, and then stands guard at the trunk, lest they surely eat up all of the birdseed we place in the bird feeders. However, he and Murray seem to have discovered the joys of eating each other's food, which we believe they learned by observing Josh and Maxx.

Site of the month: Find out about [DarsArt.com](#) - site of artist, illustrator, and creator Dar Hosta - unique, independent, inspirational, and very cool.

Rock and roll closer: Way back in the age of good music, The Beach Boys graced us with this sentiment: "Wouldn't it be nice to live together in the kind of world where we belong?" Yes. Yes, it would.

Happy spring, as always, peace.

- the adlermans of metuchen

PS: We know how excited you are to have received this newsletter. We were excited to send it! However, if you're in the midst of suffering a lapse in judgment, let us know and we'll delete you from the database. We'd hate to waste cyberspace with junk mail.

To read our previous newsletters, just click this [News of The Past](#) link.

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