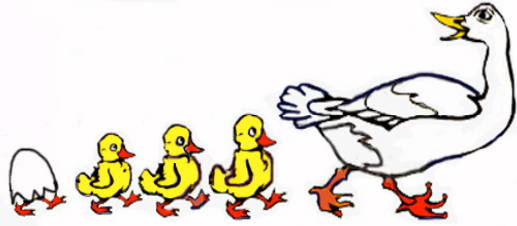


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Happy Anniversary Sandy Land 27th year

May 1982 I became a Licensed child care provider, yep this is my 27th year as a licensed provider. I started out licensed for 6 children.

March 1990 I increased my license to 12, and then in 1997 went to 14.

May 1986 was the first printing of my monthly newsletter. Back then it was called "The Growing Times Gazette". Believe it or not I still have a copy of all 276 editions.

January 1989 I joined the Monterey County Family Child Care Association. I have held many offices in the association. I have had fun at conferences with other members, and participated in countless public events for children. I am currently serving my fourth year as President and teach many of the workshops.

May 1998 our web page made it's debut on the Internet in the Gamma quadrant. Now 11 years later our page is going strong and we have our own domain. What used to take hours now takes minutes, I could not even turn the computer on when we started. My how we have grown.

March 2002 I lowered my license capacity to 8, which is where I have remained.

In my years in the child care field I

have learned a lot. I have taken classes in early childhood education, crisis intervention, contagious disease, story telling, fire safety, CPR, day care law, disaster preparedness, brain development of young children, book keeping, taxes, finger plays, discipline, families with special needs, arts and crafts, and nutrition requirements for early childhood, to name just a few. Now with the Internet at my fingertips the learning is endless.

I feel privileged to have been involved in two decades of children's growing up. The Joy wells up in my heart as I hear the laughter of children fill this home, and feel the warmth of this, my extended family through good time as well as bad. I live for the children's wisdom, their giggles, the discoveries, and the kindness of their hearts.

This is not a JOB, THIS is who I am.

As I look to the future I see many more exciting things to learn and do on the horizon. I look forward to seeing even more of the children who have touched my life, all grown up and wonderful.

Thanks for coming along for the ride.

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