



# Learning at Home

April 2008

## Breadsmith Tour

The kids got to test all of their 5 senses on this tour. First they tried to guess the spice that was in each cup by smelling each one.

Everyone learned about the art of bread making and had a hands-on experience. They squeezed and kneaded their own small loaf and created their own doughy masterpiece—which they were able to take home, once it was done baking. Finally they got to taste a sample of the bread that is sold in the store.

The tour guide, Janet, told the group that the mixer can make dough for 100 loaves of bread. The oven weighs 6,000 lbs (3 tons), and it can bake 200 loaves of bread at a time. Janet also said that it would be cheaper to buy a whole new oven than to move the one they have.

Breadsmith features hand made, hearth baked breads made from scratch every day; they offer 12-15 varieties of bread daily!

We have 2 tours in April. Please see the yahoo group for more information.

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Please bring the Box Tops, Land O' Lake Lids, or Campbell's labels to any SDHSA event in a bag with your last name on it and give it to Becky or a leader. Thanks!

A poll will be set up in a few weeks to decide what to do with the money that has been earned through the Box Tops!

Our Tuesday meet-ups this spring will either occur at Bowden Youth Center, or weather permitting, at

McKenna Park. Please check out the temperature at our group homepage ([sdhsa.org](http://sdhsa.org)) during the noon hour, if it is 58 degrees or higher by noon and it is not raining, we will meet at McKenna Park.

Would you like to help the group out and be the Craft Coordinator? Please email [tamara@sdhsa.org](mailto:tamara@sdhsa.org) for more information.

# Craft Corner

## WACKY WATERCOLORS

### Ingredients:

3 Tbs. baking soda  
3 Tbs. Cornstarch  
3 Tbs. white vinegar  
1 1/2 tsp. light corn syrup  
food coloring (various colors)

### Procedure:

1. Mix vinegar, baking soda, cornstarch, and corn syrup together in a small bowl.
2. Divide the mixture into several small plastic tubs or jar lids.
3. Add 6-8 drops of food coloring to each tub or lid, and mix.

4. Use Wacky Watercolors as they are, or allow them to dry into hard cakes of paint.

5. When painting with dry paint cakes, be sure to wet your brush before painting.

### Tips:

Experiment by mixing different colors of food coloring to create custom-blended colors of Wacky Watercolors. Use Wacky Watercolors with a pencil and a coloring book to create your own paint-by-number pictures.

Source:

<http://www.kidconcoctions.com/main/concoctionotm.asp>

Submitted by: Tamara

## Roller Skating Party!!



We had so much fun at last years roller skating party that we wanted to do another one. There is a minimum of 75 skaters so if we do not reach that quota we may need to change the date/time. Last time we had 90+ skaters and that was during the day!

Here are the details:

Date: 4/24/08

Time: 6:30-8:30 PM

Cost: \$4 per skater (Observers are free)

Website: [www.carousel-skate.com](http://www.carousel-skate.com)

RSVP by 4/7/08 (there is a poll on the yahoo group to RSVP)

Roller skates start at juvenile size 8 (which is about age 3). You can bring your own roller skates or use the ones provided by Carousel. They also offer inline skates (roller blades) for an additional fee. No wheelies are allowed. The snack bar is open during skating hours.

This is an event for everyone! Please let your friends and family know about it. If a non-member of the group decides to join us for skating please have them send an email to Penny, so she has an accurate count. Thanks and we look forward to seeing you there!

[penny@sdhsa.org](mailto:penny@sdhsa.org)

SDHSA Tour Coordinator

## Website Updates

The next time you visit our group website, [www.sdhsa.org](http://www.sdhsa.org), be sure to check out the member area. This secure area of our website includes photo albums for all SDHSA tours, parties, and special activities, as well as photos submitted by many of our member families. The member area is also the place to find our member directory, which includes contact information for SDHSA families, as well as information on the styles of homeschooling our members use, making it easier to connect with other families with similar philosophies or parents of children with whom your child(ren) have made connections.

Please feel free to share your family photo(s) with other members, too -- digital photos may be emailed to [melissa@sdhsa.org](mailto:melissa@sdhsa.org). And as always, if you have discarded or forgotten the username and password, please email Melissa, and she will resend it to you.

## Member Get to Know

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April Birthdays

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And Thanks to the families who renewed!



If you have a suggestion for a tour or activity that the group could do or if you have a skill you'd like to share with the group please let a leader know

Please send any newsletter submission to [becky@sdhsa.org](mailto:becky@sdhsa.org) by April 25th so it can be included in the next newsletter

Please check online for upcoming fun events!

Please note some activities have an additional fee—please see online for full information

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All messages will be returned by an SDHSA Leader

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# April 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 2pm Fire Station Tour	2	3 6:30p Dine, Plan, & Chat	4	5
6	7	8 1pm Gym or Park Time	9	10	11 1:30pm Swimming	12
13	14	15 1pm Open Play at Backyard Adventure	16	17 1:45pm Landfill Tour	18	19
20	21	22 1pm Gym or Park Time	23	24 6:30-8:30pm Roller Skating	25	26
27	28	29 1 pm Gym or Park Time	30			