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THE SEASONS CHANGE, AND SO HAVE WE!

AS I WALKED THE AISLES OF A LOCAL SHOP I thought I heard the faint melodies of Christmas music playing. Surely I couldn't be hearing Jingle Bells already. But it was true. It was at that point I realized I've already started to miss Fall.

Fall is hands-down my favorite season. I love watching the leaves change from green to yellow to brilliant red. I enjoy the cooler days that call for a sweater. And I simply can't wait to heat up some apple cider and eat a slice of pumpkin roll. I look forward to it all year. And now as a mom, I enjoy sharing my love of Autumn with my kids—pumpkin picking, hay rides and all.

Fall is a magical time of change and worthy of celebrating. In this issue of Classic Play we set out on our own fall adventures. In *Ideas and Inspirations* we explore our neighborhood through a photo-scavenger hunt play-date while in *Game Time* we find a way to make the most out of the shorter days Fall offers. Who says summer is the best time to get outdoors?

So this season, enjoy some warm cider and make the most of the shorter days. And in the meantime we hope you enjoy this new and improved issue of *Classic Play*.

Jennifer Cooper
Editor

Blogs We Love

It seems everyone has a blog these days. Frankly there are so many of them, it's hard to know where to turn for a good read or at least a mental break. Here are a few of our favorites and why:

MOMMIES WITH STYLE

Not only are these women a group who like a discount on the best and freshest kid/women/mom products on the market, they are a group that supports each other through parenting moments. Once you catch up on the blog, jump over to the boards section and you'll see what we mean. We're totally hooked.

CELEBRITY BABY BLOG

It's our guilty pleasure. Apparently, based on how many hits it gets a day, we're not alone. Somehow it makes us feel better to see celebs as parents. Watching them take the kids to park, figure out what to put on their gift registry or hearing how their kids embarrassed them at an inopportune moment kind of equals the playing field a bit. And sometimes we need every bit we can take.

THE DAILY STROLL

The editor at *The Daily Stroll* has an amazing eye for new and talented independent designers. That coupled with a sixth-sense for the next great thing, *The Daily Stroll* is a blog you'll want to check, please pardon our pun here, daily. Seriously though, we love the rise in indie designs and this blog highlights the best.

DOOCE

We know you already read it. Um, everyone in America reads it. So why do we bother to tell you something you already know? Well, because it's good. It's the kind of good that often compels you to laugh out loud, sometimes cry, and occasionally wonder how someone can turn something like a salty steak into a tale you'll talk about around the water cooler—or the kitchen coffee pot.



Cookie Magazine SEPTEMBER '07

Ellie Bellie Kids Reversible Tutus and Personalized Capes were featured on the adorable daughters of super-model and TV personality Veronica Webb. Check it out!

EBK'S BEEN IN THE PRESS LATELY. Here are just a few...



New Retailers In Your Area

Buggy

3315 Beacon Ave S
Seattle WA 98144

MILA

3121 Glendale Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90039

Bassinets & Blueberries

369 E 17th Street
Costa Mesa, CA 92627

Baby Bin Boutique

1444 Corydon Ave
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N 0J3
Canada

Favourite Things

Mother & Child

Dubai, UAE

Point *and* Shoot!

It's a crisp fall day and two friends embark on a scavenger hunt.

Our Mini-Messenger Bags are packed with disposable cameras, drinks, snacks, and a list of things to capture on film. Suddenly your average Saturday morning isn't average any more.



A new twist on an old favorite:
The Scavenger Hunt...

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SCAVENGER HUNT SCRAPBOOK: FALL 2007 | 1. Photo of friend—it's on the list 2. There's the red car
 3. I think we make pretty good statues 4. Oh wait, there's the real statue 5. I just press the button? Did it go off?
 6. Check the fire hydrant off the list 7. I love petunias 8. Hey, he has a camera too 9. Self-portrait



To plan your own scavenger hunt choose items local to your area. Load the list with objects that the kids can find easily while making sure you have a few *chance* items as well. Things that are likely to be on your route but not guaranteed. Since we were in the city, our list was filled with things like statues, flowers, a fire hydrant,

and those aforementioned *chance* items as well—a dog and a red car.

Once you have the list, distribute it along with a disposable camera and let the kids have fun. Later, after the pictures are developed, put the captured images in an album as a souvenir from the day.



You're IT!

FRIENDS + FLASHLIGHTS + RUNNING =
VERY HAPPY KIDS

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~ FLASHLIGHT TAG ~

THE SHORTER DAYS OF AUTUMN ARE PERFECT FOR THIS CLASSIC GAME. GATHER A GROUP OF FRIENDS, GIVE THEM EACH A FLASHLIGHT AND SQUEEZE IN A FEW GAMES BEFORE SUPPER.



TO PLAY:

1. Choose a player to be It.
2. That player counts to 20 with his or her flashlight on while everyone else hides.
3. To tag, It shines a light on a player and calls out their name.
4. Once all the players are caught the first person tag becomes the new It.