Summer program at Community House concludes with skits and a slide show

WEST HAVEN (Sept. 1, 2011) – For those West Haven children who attended the Community House’s School Aged Child Care summer program this year, it was a memorable one. The summer program concluded recently with an afternoon gathering at Molloy School, highlighted by skits and a slide show.

The program, which served more than 50 children this year, had an adventure-filled summer that included day trips to a variety of destinations, among them: Lighthouse Park in New Haven, Ansonia Nature Center, Rocky Neck State Park, Stamford Center for the Arts, CT Science Center and Dino Place in Oakdale.

While the summer program itself brought smiles to many faces, its conclusion was another story for some, as the children lined up at one point to hug goodbye School Age programs Director Carol James, and other staff.

There were some tears, but the day ended on a very high note with skits and songs by the children, who took turns on stage at Molloy School, performing a variety of skits and dance moves. There was Kung Fu fighting moves, a gymnastics demonstration, solo dance, Michael Jackson impersonations and more.

Many of the children, too, came up in front of the audience of children and staff to read their goodbyes and to thank staff for a good time.

“Thank you for teaching us right from wrong, and for being there when we have a problem,” one girl read, adding, “the best part of summer camp is that you can have rules but still have fun.”

Another child said simply, “Thank you for teaching me things. I liked the field trips, too.”

“Dear teachers,” another child said, “thank you for the yummy snacks … And
my favorite part was when Nick found a crab and threw it in the water at Rocky Neck,” which elicited a lot of laughs from the children and staff.

Then, children were given awards by staff, including: Zumba Award, Most Likely to Be First Woman President, Best Entertainer, Best Diva, Game Board Queen, Biggest Heart Award, Most Likely to Be On TV, and Best Athlete, among many others.

Finally, a slide show highlighting the entire summer of activities was very well received, with laughter and remembrances.

Certainly, 2011 was a summer to remember at the Community House!

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