

Kirby Kangaroo's Korner

Spring 2004

For members of Federal Employees Credit Union's Kirby Kangaroo Club • Age 12 and under

Spring Coloring Contest

The spring Kirby Kangaroo coloring contest runs March 1 through April 30, so be sure to get your entries to your nearest FECU office soon!

Color or draw a picture that reminds you of spring. You might want to make a picture of flowers or raindrops, or maybe a picture of you playing outside, enjoying the

sunshine! It's up to you, just send us a picture of whatever you think of when you think about springtime.

All entries will be posted on FECU's website at www.fecuiowa.org, and winners in each age category will have \$10 deposited into their FECU account.

Good luck everyone! 

Hey Kids, be sure to check out the Kids' Calculator on FECU's website at www.fecuiowa.org.



It will help you figure out how much money you can save over a month, a year, or any length of time, and that will help you know how soon you'll be able to buy the things you want to buy!

Parent's Korner

Are you giving your kid(s) an allowance each week? Even if you can't afford to give a lot of money, giving some type of allowance (whether that be money or a small "prize") for completing jobs around the house on a regular basis is a good reinforcement and teaches children to be a part of caring for their home, family and belongings.

Job/Reward Chart

To get your kids motivated to share in the daily chores around the house, create a prize or allowance chart:

1) At the top of the chart list 2-3 jobs or activities you want

kids to complete each day, such as picking up their toys, brushing their teeth or feeding the dog. Down the left side of the chart list the days of the week.


2) At the end of each day, let your kids pick out a special magnet or sticker to put on the chart for the day, assuming they completed their jobs.

3) Determine how many stickers or magnets your child needs to earn for each



job at the end of each week to get their prize or allowance (4-5 is a good number). You can even work on their counting skills this way by asking how many magnets they have at the end of the week.

4) For kids five and under, visit your local dollar store and pick-up several small items that your kids would like. This will mean more than money at that age.

5) On the same day each week, reward your child for completing their jobs and start a fresh week. 



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Brain Booster

Number & Math Play

How Many Coins?

Question: A bag holds 50 coins that add up to \$1.00. How many coins of each denomination (value) are in the bag?

Answer: The bag can hold 40 pennies, eight nickels, and two dimes for a total of 50 coins adding up to \$1.00 (\$\$.40 + \$.40 + \$.20) or 45 pennies, 2 nickels, 2 dimes, and 1 quarter (\$\$.45 + \$.10 + \$.20 + \$.25 = \$1.00)

Based on a puzzle in The World's Most Amazing Puzzles by Charles Barry Townsend. New York: Sterling Publishing, 1993.