

# Children's Center Chronicle

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## Important Dates To Remember

Friday, July 4

Independence Day -School is **CLOSED**

The Promotion & Acknowledgement Program was fun and inspirational!

All the children sang beautifully! The Pre-K children also accepted their certificates of completion of the AGUMCC program. We will miss them and wish them the best as they move on to Kindergarten. We also acknowledged over 109 wonderful volunteers, who have given of their time, talents, and support during the 2013-2014 school year. You can see the list of volunteers on the "Announcement Board", in the hall entranceway.

## WISH LIST

- ◆ Black Sharpies
- ◆ 3/4" Transparent Tape Refills
- ◆ AA Bateries

## Message from Ms. Maddy

Welcome to all the new families who have joined our program. Currently our program has 49 students, with one opening in the "Young Toddler Classroom". Word of mouth is our best advertisement, so thank you for telling others about our program!

"Trips and Travels" will be our theme this July.

We hope you will share your summer time fun with us by bringing in pictures or souvenirs to share from your own family travels. I look forward to hearing all about the fun adventures the children will have, as they travel to their imaginary destinations, in their classrooms.



Summer is a busy time for many families and the staff. Please let your child's teacher know if your child will not be coming to school, because of vacation or due to illness. Teachers need to record absences, related to illness, on their classroom illness log. *We appreciate your support in helping to keep everyone healthy.* A well balanced diet, plenty of rest and regular hand washing are **KEY** to happy and healthy children, families, and staff.

We are having a **WORK DAY** on Saturday, July 26, from 9:00 - 12:00 noon. We need help repainting some areas in the backyard and courtyard. There will be a sign-up, for volunteers, at the Sign In /Out Table.

**WE ARE RECYCLING INK CARTRIDGES FOR CASH.** Please bring your empty ink cartridges, for staff to recycle, at Office Max . We earn \$1, for every cartridge, to purchase office supplies for our school. The ink cartridge collection container is located next to the Sign-In/Out Table.

**WE NEED HELP WITH THE LAUNDRY.** If you can help take home the laundry in the hallway or from your child's classroom once a month, please contact Ms. Maddy or your child's teacher.

Have a safe and happy  
**Independence Day!**  
Happy Birthday  
**USA!**

**Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Tresha's Pre-K Class**

Welcome! Welcome! Welcome to all the new and returning Pre-K students and families. For our new families, a Pre-K information packet is available, if you did not already pick one up, during our Open House. We look forward to getting to know each and every child and family! For the month of July, we will be learning about trips and travel. We will discuss the places we have been and the kind of transportation we take, when we go on a trip. We will also be learning about different places around the world. We anticipate a fun and exciting year together. ~ Ms. Rebecca



**Ms. Kassie and Ms. Shirley's Preschool Class**

I can't believe that June is already over and July is here. This month, we will be getting to know each other, and many of the children will make the transition from the toddler class to the preschool room. As the summer continues, we will begin to travel and go on trips. On our first adventure, we will be going to Hawaii. We will discuss ways of transportation and how we will get to our destinations. A fun way to start off the month will be celebrating the Fourth of July, and different activities centered around America's Independence. As you can imagine, we're starting off the new school year with a "bang". ~ Ms. Shirley



**Ms. April and Ms. Jill's Toddlers**

Welcome to all the new families entering into Room 2! We are so excited to get to know all of the children and all of the families! Welcome back all of the children from Cindy Bo's toddler class who are now transitioning into Room 2! In July we will be following the theme "Trips and Travels." Our dramatic play will be zoo themed! Be prepared for lots of wild animal noises and different animal actions. If you would like to share pictures of your family's trips and travels, please let us know. We would love to post them around the classroom, for all the children to see. In Room 2, Jill and I send out a monthly overview, about fun activities that have happened in the classroom,



including write-ups and pictures. If you would like to receive these overviews and emails, please sign the permission slip, found in your family folder. Be sure to include emails of every person who would like to receive these monthly overviews and any updates about the classroom. In August, we will be following the theme "All About Me" so, we will be asking you to bring in a picture of your family and of any family pets you may have. With these pictures, we will be making family and pet books, that the children will be able to view, on a daily basis, in the library. If you would like to email these pictures to the us, please ask Jill or I for our classroom email address.

~ Ms. April

**Cindy Bo's Young Toddlers**

I am very excited to begin our new school year session with our new group of Young Toddlers. A very warm "Welcome" to each of these children and their families! It was so nice to have the children visit, with parents and grandparents, during our "Week of Welcome". This gave them the chance to become familiar with our school environment and routine. Because you, their moms, dads, grandmas and grandpas, took the time to be here with them, they received the message that school is a safe, secure and fun place to be. I also appreciated having the opportunity to get to know each one of them, as well as you, before their official first day of school. In order to help them develop a sense of security here, I will be working to develop my Primary Care relationship with them and to establish a consistent and familiar routine. I will also work to provide an experience, for these Young Toddlers, that will not only foster learning, but will create in them a love for school. We will begin a theme of "Trips and Travels" including a "Camping Trip" in July. The Young Toddlers will explore things of nature such as rocks, trees, flowers and wild life. We will pretend to sleep in a tent, look at the stars and sing "Cumbayah" around the campfire. I am looking forward to all the fun we will have together. Blessings to all!



~ Cindy Bo

**A GREAT BIG THANKS!**

To all those who brought a canned food item to support our community service project for the People's Kitchen Food Pantry of the First United Methodist Church. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Also, thank you to Adeline Bottorff for helping with the weekly laundry. If you would like to help with the laundry, please see Ms. Maddy.