

# Children's Center Chronicle

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## 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 102 wonderful volunteers, who have given of their time, talents, and support, during the 2014-2015 school year. You can see the list of volunteers on the "Announcement Board", in the hall entranceway. *To see adorable pictures from the event, visit our web site and the link is EVENTS.*

## STORY TIME & GOODIE BEAR

Ms Maddy will read "The Voice at Night", from 1 Samuel 3 in the Beginning Bible. "Goodie Bear" will share the "Moral Teaching" on "Responsibility". Ask your child about this wonderful time we will be sharing together, in July on Wed. 8 & Thurs. 9 at 9:15 AM, in the Church Narthex.

## Parking Lot Safety

Speed Limit is 5 MPH

Did you know it is unlawful...

- 1) to leave children under the age of 12 alone in a vehicle.
- 2) to leave your vehicle running, unattended

## Message from Ms. Maddy

Welcome to all the new families who have joined our program. Currently our program has 49 students. We still have a few openings in our program. Word of mouth is our best advertisement, so thank you for telling others about us!

"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 18 from 9:00 - 12:00 noon. We need help with replenishing the woodchip and sand in the backyard. We also want to build two new planters for the garden. There will be a sign-up, for volunteers, at the Sign In /Out Table.



**Celebrate our Independence!**  
**Happy Birthday USA!**

**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.

### Ms Kassie and Ms. Rebecca's Pre-K Classes

Hi everyone, welcome to summer!!! This summer will be a little different than in the past. With our overwhelming number of kindergartners staying for the summer, we have decided to split the class into two groups and take turns using the classroom. I will be working with and providing the schedule for the "Kinder Group", and Ms. Kassie will be working with and providing the schedule for our new "Pre-K Group". Our theme for this month is "Trips and Travels".

Both Ms. Kassie and I will be discussing different types of transportation and the different places people travel to. In our dramatic play, we will create a travel agency. We will also have cars, trains, and air planes (made from cardboard boxes) for children to use on their imaginary trips and travels. Ms. Kassie and I look forward to a fun and exciting summer.

~ Ms. Rebecca

### Ms. Shirley and Ms. Tresha'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 our children will have made the transition from the toddler class to the preschool room. As the summer continues, we will begin to "travel" and "go on trips". Our first adventure, we will be going to Hawaii. We will discuss ways of transportation and how we will get to our destinations. We will be celebrating the Fourth of July, as a fun way to start off the month. We will provide 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. Claudia and Mrs. Swati's Toddlers

In June, we were fortunate enough to witness the life-cycle of the frog, in our classroom. We observed as a tadpole grew legs, it's tail going away and finally developed, into a frog. We are still in the process of naming our young frog. It was also great, in June, to see the children and volunteers being recognized, at the year's Promotion and Acknowledgement Program. The Room 2 children enjoyed practicing "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" with the sign language and it was wonderful to see their practice pay off. Thanks to all the families for bringing yummy food and making our end of the year potluck a success, too. During our "Week of Welcome, it was nice meeting new families and existing ones as they visited our classroom. We are both very excited to begin this new chapter and get to know everyone. We are sad to see our current children move on and wish them success. We want to extend my thanks to all the families that took time and vol-

unteered to help with our classroom needs. Please sign up to help with class laundry and making playdough, if you can. The sign up sheet is on the parent information board. We hope you had a good summer break and 4th of July. In the month of July, we will focus on "Trips and Travels", the Moral Teaching will be "Responsibility". We will focus on the color blue, the number '1' and the shape circle. Welcome aboard, all our new Room 2 families. We are look forward to getting to know all of you.

~ Ms. Claudia and Ms. Swati

### 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 other family members, 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, grandpas, etc., 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", continuing the classroom theme of "Going to the Beach", in July. The Young Toddlers will explore sea shells, learn about sea life and use their imaginations to prepare for a day of fun in the sun (hats, sunscreen, towel, beach ball, etc.) If you have any photos, shells, etc., from your own trips to the beach, please consider sharing them with our class. 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.

We need volunteers to help with the monthly laundry. If you would like to help, please see Ms. Maddy or your child's

