

April 2007

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PPP April News

Please Join Us For Piedmont Progressive Preschool's "An Evening Under the Stars" Fourth Annual Goods & Services Silent Auction Saturday, April 28th at 7:00 pm

Join us for an evening of fun, refreshments and some great items to bid on. This is our biggest and most fun fundraiser of the year. You won't want to miss it! We received donations from businesses all over and here are just a few items that will be up for bid:

- American Girl Doll – Nellie Doll & Paperback Book
 - BJ's Club 1 Year Membership
 - Carolina Panther's Memorabilia
 - Carolina Raptor Center
 - The Carolina Trail – 4 Green Fees
 - Charlotte 49ers – 4 Tickets to any home game
 - Charlotte Checkers 2 Tickets to any Home Game
 - Charlotte Knights – 4 Field Box Seats
 - Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens
 - Discovery Place & Nature Museum Tickets
 - Edventure Children's Museum
 - Gymboree
 - Irresistible Portraits
 - Lowes Motor Speedway – CarQuest Autoparts 300 Tickets
 - Mary Kay
 - NC Zoo
 - Nomad Aquatic & Fitness Center
 - Paramount's Carowinds Tickets
 - Ray's Splash Planet – 3 Month Family Pass
 - Riverbanks Zoo
 - Super Suppers
 - Tweetsie Railroad
 - Urban Skin Solutions – Microdermabrasion & 1 Hour Massage
- Arbonne, Barefoot Books, Longaberger, Pampered Chef, Southern Living, Tupperware
Not to mention jewelry, area restaurants, pampering items and more!

Tickets are on sale now. They are \$5 in advance / \$10 at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets call Paula Canavan at 704-717-0195. Must be 21 to attend.

Dates to Remember

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| April 1st | Tuition Due |
| April 2nd-6th | Spring Break |
| April 19th | Council Meeting 7:00 pm |
| April 28th | Silent Auction 7:00 pm |



Just a Few Reminders.....



- Please respect the handicap parking spaces . The parking lot is used by church visitors and PPP parents alike and it is important that those spaces be open for those that need them.
- It's spring. The sun is getting stronger everyday and our insect friends are returning. Sunscreen and bug spray (if needed) should be applied at home
- Please remember to send nutritious snacks and lunches, we are trying to build strong bodies and good eating habits.

Tuition Deposits Due in May

Tuition deposits for the 2007-2008 year are due in May. This will be the amount of one month's tuition for next school year. You will receive a letter indicating the amount due; it will include any discount received for multiple children.



Tuition Rates for the 2007-2008 year are:

2 day class is \$155

3 day class is \$195

4 day class is \$235

The tuition deposit will be held and used for May 2008.

Thanks to the Spring Workday Volunteers

The Spring Workday was a great success thanks to the many volunteers who came out and worked so hard. That day some of the many tasks completed were: lowering the monkey bars, hanging a new trapeze and new brackets for the swings, waterproofing the climber and a new section of fence, and refilling the sandbox with 2000 pounds of sand (with a special thanks to the Wesslers for the use of their truck).

Thanks go to:

Sherry Carlton (for cutting a HUGE stack of paper for the classrooms)

Sharon and Drew King

Tracy and James Hensley

Adrienne, Ric and Lleyton Emery

Upendra Modak

Sanjay Ojha

Eileen Winchester & David Gilbert



PPP Council Nominations

PPP relies on parent volunteers to staff the preschool's council and help run the school. As a council member, you would attend a monthly meeting and get to voice your opinion on how matters are conducted at the school.

We need several volunteers to fill next years council. Below is a list of the council positions and their duties, as well as which positions are open. If you are interested in participating in the success of our school, please complete the nomination form below and return it to the folder on the bulletin board by April 27th. It only takes a few hours a month to make a big difference in the quality of our preschool. Your help will be appreciated!

For more information about the council, contact Sharon or any of the council members listed on the back of this newsletter.

<i>Council Position</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Duties</i>
Chair/Fundraising Lead	Tracy Hensley	
Vice Chair	OPEN	Assists Chairman and conducts council meetings in the absence of Chairman.
Secretary	Kris Jameson	
Asst Treasurer	OPEN	Collects tuition and fundraiser monies, copies checks, makes deposits.
Parent Rep 2's	OPEN	Organizes class projects, organizes parent assistant (2's only) and coordinates teacher gifts.
Parent Rep 3's	OPEN	Same as above
Parent Rep 4's	Suzie Gruber	
Newsletter	Krista Patterson	
Silent Auction	Paula Canavan	
Marketing /PR Lead	OPEN	Writes and distributes press releases and other materials promoting the school.
Fundraising Lead	OPEN	Organize various fundraising campaigns such as: VIC cards, Citipass Books and Campbell Soup labels.

NOMINATION FORM

Name

Phone Number

Position Interested In

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Please return form to school or email your response to kp6310@hotmail.com by April 27, 2007.

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Council Members

Tracy Hensley	Co-Chair (Fundraising Lead)	704-509-9261
Susan Thompson 499-5566	Co-Chair (Advertising Lead)	704-
Kris Jameson	Secretary	704-248-6060
Krista Patterson	Newsletter	704-948-5583
Sibyl Wessler	Parent Representative	704-549-4895
Suzie Gruber	Parent Volunteer Coordinator	704-688-6879
Paula Canavan	Silent Auction Lead	704-717-0195
Susan Burns 535-4990	At Large	704-

If you have a copy of

*How to Generate Values
in Young Children*

that belongs to the school, please return it as soon as possible.

The Negative Implications of Praise

“Praise is like other forms of reward which discourage children from judging for themselves what is right and wrong. Praise may lead to dependency because children come to rely on the authority figure to tell them what is right or wrong, good or bad.”

Kamii, C. (1984) Viewpoint: Obedience is not enough. *Young Children*, 39(4), p. 13

Parent Resource Library

PPP is in the process of developing a Parent Resource Library, where families can borrow books covering a variety of parenting topics. Our suggested reading list is below and we will have all titles on the list by the start of school next year. If you have any books on the list or any other books you would like included in the lending library, we would appreciate your donation.

Buddha Never Raised Kids and Jesus Didn't Drive Carpool by Vickie Falcone

Conscious Parenting by Lee Lozowick

Last Child in the Woods by Richard Louv

The Path of Parenting by Vimala Schneider McClure

How to Generate Values in Young Children by Sue Riley

Spinning Inward by Maureen Murdock

Fly Like a Butterfly: Yoga for Children by Shakta Kaur Khalsa



School Librarian

PPP is looking for a volunteer to serve as school librarian. The librarian would be responsible for stamping all of the schools books with our logo, covering books with plastic protectors and managing the lending library.

If you are interested, please contact Sharon.