

# Neighborhood News

The Neighborhood Learning Center's monthly newsletter

## The Director's Corner

Hi!

Four years ago, on the Fourth of July, Carson, Anna, and I made it to the top of Pikes Peake, a Fourteener in Colorado Springs, Colorado. I would like to say we hiked it but we didn't. We rode the train. It was an amazing train trip which lasted over three hours. When you get to the top, it will take your breath away, literally. It is hard to breathe at 14,114 feet but the delicious donuts at the top are worth the trip!

Pikes Peake was the inspiration of the song "America the Beautiful," which was first written as a poem in 1893 by Katherine Lee Bates. The song came alive for me after making it up that mountain.

As we celebrate the Fourth of July next week, help your children experience some American history. We are lucky to live near many historical sites, many of which provide activities for children to help with their experience. Take some time in July as a family and make history come alive for your children with perhaps a visit to Williamsburg, DC, Harpers Ferry, and so many more. American history became a favorite subject in our family because we tried to make it come alive for our kids through fun experiences.

Blessings,  
Jo Anna Rich



## July Highlights

July 4:

NLC CLOSED for Independence Day

July 15:

Parents' Night Out 5:30-9:00pm

July 16:

Pastor Jessica's last Sunday; 10am worship service, luncheon to follow; ALL INVITED!

July 21:

Main Street Theatre Performance—Time TBD

EVERY FRIDAY:

Ice Cream Afternoons! The children will enjoy ice cream every Friday afternoon at snack time!

## This Month at School...

Summer is in full swing, and we are ready to explore the world in new and exciting ways!

- Water play will begin during the month of July:
  - ~ All pre-k children will participate in the cooling fun!
  - ~ Ensure that you apply sunscreen to your child in the morning before sending them to school; we will reapply ONCE per day, after lunch/nap time
  - ~ If you need a copy of the sunscreen permission form please see your child's teacher. We CANNOT apply sunscreen without your written permission
  - ~ Check your child's bag and cubby every day to ensure that all wet towels and swimsuits make it home for laundering.
  - ~ Keep your child's spare set of clothes up-to-date for size and season.
- The Pre-K children will be going on a field trip every week. Please note on the calendar the \*\* designation which indicates that a lunch should be packed. The School-Age children will travel on field trips three times per week. \*\*\*ALL FIELD TRIPPERS—Please wear your camp t-shirt and bring your water bottle!
- The Main Street Theatre Company has been rehearsing and working hard in the church basement over the past several weeks, and we are excited to have them give us a special showing on Friday, July 21st. Time and details TBD.

### New Tuition Rates for 2017-2018 School Year

The NLC Board of Directors has approved the new tuition rates for the 2017-2018 school year, as shown on page 5 of this newsletter. The new rates will go into effect on August 28, 2017, so the first new charges will be seen in your September tuition bills.

**An annual re-registration fee of \$55 per child will be automatically withdrawn the week of July 17th.**

### Sunscreen & Bug Spray

Along with summer weather come sunburns, mosquitos, and gnats—all of which can be found on our very own playgrounds! Please ensure that every bottle of sunscreen and insect repellent you provide is clearly labeled with your child's first and last name. **We CANNOT apply sunscreen or insect repellent to your child without a written permission form.** You must apply sunscreen at home in the mornings—we will do a single reapplication in the afternoon.

### Needed: NLC Board Parent Representative

We are currently looking for a parent representative to serve a one year term on the NLC Board of Directors, beginning in August. The NLC Board meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 7:30pm. We are searching for a parent skilled in human resources, management, or early childhood education. If you're interested, please email your name and reason for wanting to serve to Jo Anna Rich no later than July 6th. Thank you for your consideration!

JoAnna@theneighborhoodlearningcenter.com

### Honoring Pastor Jessica

Pastor Jessica had a major formative role in the NLC, without which we most likely wouldn't be here today! While it is so hard to say goodbye, we honor her call to

move on to another post to serve the Lord. We want to send her with our true best wishes and love. Please sign the card we will have available the week of July 10th, and consider attending worship on the 16th—Jessica will preach her last sermon at St. Andrew and we will enjoy a farewell luncheon following the service.

## The Chaplain's Corner:

*Until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of his  
hand...*

This line comes from an old blessing known as the Irish Blessing. It reminds us that in our comings and our goings God is always with us. It reminds that though we part, we are forever linked by the love that God has us for us. It reminds that as the ages pass, we will meet again, even it be in the end of days with the full communion of God with God's people.

In a couple of weeks, I will say goodbye to a big chapter in my life. My decade long service at St. Andrew will conclude officially on July 16<sup>th</sup> with my final worship service and accompanying luncheon. Please know that all NLC families are welcomed to join us in celebrating and saying our farewells. Over the next two weeks in chapel, we will conclude our essential stories of scripture with two last parables of Jesus. It will also be a time when the children and I will prepare to say good bye. Pastor Dave will begin leading chapels at the end of August.



One of my proudest achievements was leading the effort to start the Neighborhood Learning Center six years ago this August. I look out of my office window and see the success of those efforts in the smiles, laughter and the lovely commotion that 100 little ones make each day. I am so thankful that St. Andrew could extend our hospitality from Sunday morning to everyday of the week, as we welcome children needing a place to learn, grow and be cared for. Thank you for welcoming me into your lives and your children's weekly routine. And until we meet again, May God hold you....

—Pastor Jessica

## Coming up at St. Andrew...

**Weekly Worship:** *Sundays 10am*

*(Saturday worship services are put on hold during the summer)*

**NOTE:** Child care is available for the littlest ones during worship. For children age preschool and up, Sunday School is provided during Sunday worship services—your child starts the service sitting with you, will leave for Sunday School and then will return to you before the service concludes. The first Sunday of every month is Family First Sunday, when children remain in the service and their joyful noises are welcomed!

**July 9th—Summer Sunday School Starts**—We will continue exploring the early church and courageous disciples and apostles. This year's curriculum, called "Holy Moly," is video-based and includes biblical storytelling and exploration activities like games and art!

**July 16th — Pastor Jessica's Last Sunday & Luncheon**—Pastor Jessica will preach her last sermon at St. Andrew as she leaves to answer a new call. We celebrate her time with us and send her off with our love and best wishes following the service at a luncheon in her honor. All are welcome!

# How FUN was the End-of-School Picnic...?



## The Neighborhood Learning Center



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### **RATE SHEET 2017-18 (effective 8/28/17)**

#### **REGISTRATION**

New enrollment - \$75; \$55 each additional child

Annual re-registration - \$55 for each child

**DISCOUNT:** 10% discount on additional family members  
(off the lesser tuition); 5% Military discount

#### **PRE-SCHOOL THREES**

Daily rate -\$70 (if currently enrolled)

\$134 - 2 days/week

\$190 – 3 days/week

\$270 – 5 days

**\$ 1170 – monthly**

#### **INFANTS**

\$145 – 2 days/week

\$203 – 3 days/week

\$295 – 5 days

**\$1279 - monthly**

#### **PRE-KINDERGARTEN FOURS**

Daily Rate - \$70 (if currently enrolled)

\$130– 2 days/week

\$185 – 3 days/week

\$265 – 5 days

**\$ 1127 - monthly**

#### **TODDLERS**

Daily rate - \$75 (if currently enrolled)

\$140 – 2 days/week

\$196 – 3 days/week

\$285 – 5 days

**\$ 1235 - monthly**

#### **KINDERGARTEN/SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAM**

Daily Rate - \$25

School's Out Drop-In Fees - \$35 (enrolled students who attend weekly); \$55 (non-enrolled students)

\$50 – 2 days/week

\$75 – 3 days/week

\$110 – 5 days

**\$ 477 – monthly**

\$155 – 5 days/before & after care

**\$ 672 – monthly**

#### **PRE-SCHOOL TWOS**

Daily rate - \$70 (if currently enrolled)

\$136 – 2 days/week

\$191 – 3 days/week

\$275 – 5 days

**\$ 1192 - monthly**

#### **BEFORE SCHOOL CARE**

**Breakfast/Transportation on NLC Bus**

\$50 – 5 days

**\$216 – monthly**

\$10 – daily/drop-in

# July 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Fantastic Tales & Super Stories	Chapel 3	4 NLC CLOSED for Independence Day	5 Pre-K FT: Purcellville Library	6 SA FT: Ticonderoga Farms	Yoga 7 SA FT: AV Symington Pool	8
9 It's Hip to be Healthy	Chapel 10 **Pre-K FT: Douglas Park	11 SA FT: Franklin Park Pool	12 Pre-K FT: Purcellville Library	13 SA FT: Atlantis Water Park	Yoga 14 SA FT: Hamilton Park	15 Parents' Night Out 5:30-9:00pm
16 Messy Mixtures & Experiments Sendoff Sunday for Pastor Jessica 10am service, luncheon following	Chapel 17 **Pre-K FT: Berryville Park & Willie's Ice Cream	18 SA FT: Jay Dee's Family Fun Center	19 Pre-K FT: Purcellville Library	20 SA FT: Sport Bounce	Yoga 21 SA FT: Berryville Pool Main Street Theatre Performance	22
23 Wacky World of Sports	**Pre-K FT: Jim Barnett Park 24	25 SA FT: Franklin Park Pool	26 Pre-K FT: Cobb Theatre	27 SA FT: Ida Lee Indoor Pool	Yoga 28 SA FT: Berryville Park	29
30 Krazy Kitchen Kemistry	**Pre-K FT: Franklin Park 31					

\*\* - Pack lunch

FT - Field Trip

SA - School

Be sure to check camp emails and the white board for important information including arrival/departure times for field trips