





# Put a little PEP in your life!

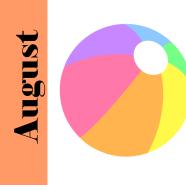
#### Happy Birthday

Violet Johnson 08/03/2014 Krista Caves 08/06/2011 Chris O'Donnell 08/07/2010 **Addison Hintz** 08/08/2014 Jacob Garofani 08/11/2012 **Evan Vanhart** 08/17/2015 Evelyn Frommell 08/18/2013 Nora Hayden 08/19/2014 **Andrew Roth** 08/20/2011 Amelia Giannaras 08/22/2012 **Braden Semrad** 08/23/2012 Sawyer Walton 08/25/2014 Matthew Baldwin 08/26/2009 Nicholas O'Keefe 08/28/2005



Ms. Nicole

08/16/????





Mr. Cody 08/01/2014 Ms. Melinda 08/31/2005



#### A Letter from the Director...

Dear Park's Edge Preschool Families:

I can't believe it... August already! Summer is such a terrific time of year at Park's Edge Preschool. The goal for 2016's Summer Program for children 4 years old and over was to make it affordable for families and fun for the children. Some of the planning included 'in-house' fieldtrips; Snapdragon Flowers floral arrangements, LaTerraza Pottery offered ceramic tile painting, dancing with Ms. Becky and Ronnie the Apache sharing Indian lore heritage. Local trips involved the children walking to McDonald's for lunch and Exploring the Boener Botanical Gardens. The Park's Edge Preschool's mini bus took us to a few great places too...the Milwaukee Art Museum, Betty Brinn's Children Museum and Pump It Up. In August more talented visitors are coming to center: African Drumming by

center: African Drumming by Tom Gill, JK Lee Taekwondo and Sewing fun with Ms. Anna. The children are travelling to Chuck E. Cheese and a second trip this summer to St. Ann's Intergenerational Center for rain-or-shine indoor

swimming. The best part of the summer is seeing the school age children reconnect with each other here at PEP summer after summer. Park's Edge Preschool is their home away from

The summer highlight will soon be

AugustFest; a collaboration between Park's Edge Preschool and Emanuel Church and a traditional summer celebration for friends and families to celebrate summer. Family fun for everyone will include a Bounce House and an Obstacle Course. An extra attraction will be the Dunk Tank...where you can dunk Park's Edge Preschool's Director, or an Emanuel Church Trustee or if you'd

here...Sunday, August 7th

Director, or an Emanuel
Church Trustee or if you'd
like, an attorney. Food of
course...wonderful food...
roasted chicken, corn,
hotdogs, brats, home-made
German potato salad, chips
and more will be served. Of
course you won't want to
miss the variety of homemade desserts available too.
Park's Edge Preschool will
be sponsoring carnival

games, for all ages, which

include; A Fishing Game, Hockey Puck Bowling, Super Ball Roll, Ring Toss and the teacher's favorite 'Pie in the Teacher's Eye' and more. Here's a list of some of the carnival activity highlights: Face-painting and Temporary Tattoos. This year's added feature is a friendly competition of 'tug of war' between Park's Edge **Preschool and Emanuel** Church. The match has been lovingly named the 'John Farina Tug of War Memorial Tournament'. John Farina served on vari-

ous committees for Emanuel

Grounds Trustee and the

Church including Building and

AugustFest Committee. John passed away last fall and is missed by many.

Save the date.. Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> Park's Edge Preschool will present 'Noah Is a Good Listener' a musical play about Noah's Ark. Showtime: 4:30pm in **Emanuel Church Sanctu**ary. Parents, siblings and grandparents are encouraged and welcome to come see a musical play that the Park's Edge Preschool children age 4 through 11 years old have spent their summer developing. Only \$3.00 a ticket and that includes popcorn too. The children are very enthusiastic about the opportunity to demonstrate God's message and his promise to his people. You don't want to miss this important musical with a Christian message about listening to God presented by the children. Tickets on sale the week of August 8-12... watch for details in your family mailbox.

Time sure flies when "we're" having fun! It's been another memorable summer and I am sad to see it end already. The Fall Enrollment Survey Form was due Friday. July 29th. Did you turn your form in yet? We look forward to a busy fall when many of the children return to PEP after the summer break. PEP's Open House will be held Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> this year from 6:30-8 pm. A sad farewell to friends who will leave us for the school year...pherish the memories Thanks again for choosing Park's Edge Pre-

#### Love Bugs

Wow! Summer is almost gone. We hope everyone had a fun and safe 4th of July. Please continue to bring in sun hats for our daily walks. Also, make sure your child has extra clothes labeled with their name on it. Be sure to check the daily sheet everyday for any items that you may need to bring in.

We are really looking forward to Augustfest this

month. Make sure you RSVP at the front desk. We'd also love to have any volunteers willing to help out with the games and bounce houses.

Our child of the month is Mason. He likes to snuggle and go for walks. Mason always has a big smile on his face so stop by and say "Hi."

Our other love bugs are really growing and exploring. Eli is stretching

for toys that are out of his reach and Ben is moving backwards on all fours. We would love for you to do an art activity at home with your child and bring it in to share. Art is a great sensory experience for your child and great opportunity to bond. We hope everyone enjoys the rest of their summer.

Ms. Nicole & Ms. Ruslana



#### **Beautiful Butterflies**



Summer is flying by. We hope everyone had a happy and safe 4th of July. Your children are really growing up fast. We wish Evan a Happy Birthday this month. Evan loves clapping and giving kisses and he was our child of the month last month. Vivian will be our child of the month this month. She likes to pull herself up to standing and loves catching bubbles. Our other butterflies are soaring right along as well. Sawyer

is mastering scooting around the room really fast and Ben is sitting up and building with blocks. Elaina dances to music and likes to look at books while Brayden works his large muscle skills with balls. Elena also likes moving to music and watching nature around us on our walks. William is always smiling and cooing and Amelia is our classroom greeter, saying "hi" and "bye" to everyone. This month we look forward to our themes which include, Carni-

val Craze, Rocks Rock; Volcanos,
The Nature Surrounds Us,
Summer Luau and Wacky Week.
We are also looking forward to
Augustfest on the 7th from 11am
-4pm so be sure to RSVP at the
front desk. Could you please share
with us what your
favorite family activity is during
the summer months.
We hope everyone enjoys the rest
of their summer.

Ms. Julie & Ms. Mee

#### **Darling Dragonflies**

Hot, Hot ,Hot! We sure have had some hot weather lately. We are staying cool by having water play as much as possible

So please make sure you child has a swim diaper, suit or t-shirt f here every day.

The toddlers have also been having a great time watering our garden, picking green beans and tasting them. We can't wait for the tomatoes and cantaloupe to be done growing.

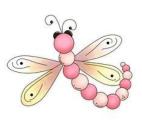
Our child of the month is Sawyer. He loves pushing the lawn mower outside and riding on the cars . Sawyer also enjoys creating art, reading books and pushing school buses around the room.

This month we will be having fun with our "Carnival Craze" week and we will be exploring different kinds of rocks during our week of "Rocks Rock; Volcanoes and More. We look forward to fun on a nature hike to find out about all the cool stuff we can find during the week of "The Nature That Surrounds Us," summer will wind down during our "Summer Luau" week and we'll end it all with "Wacky Week."

annual Augusfest celebration on the 7th from 11am-4pm with lots of games, great food and spending time with PEP and Emanuel families. You also won't want to miss the tug of war battle between Emanuel Church and Park's Edge Preschool. Make sure to RSVP at the PEP front desk.

Stay cool and enjoy the rest of your summer.

Ms. Sanja & Ms. Jacoba





We are having a great summer! The Bees continue to care for their garden and have already picked and eaten a lot of the green beans. We are still waiting on our tomatoes and cantaloupe. We start off the month with "Carnival Craze" and look forward to our own Augustfest on the 7th from 11am-4pm. We invite everyone to come and share in the fun. We follow up with "Rocks Rock; Volcanoes

#### **Busy Bees**

& More" and "The Nature that Surrounds Us." It promises to be a great adventure. We'll end the month with our very own "Summer Luau" and "Wacky Week." Our child of the month is Kyrin. He loves to play with trucks and care and likes to build towers with Legos. Kyrin also likes to sing and dance and is very affectionate towards his friends and teachers. We invite everyone to come in and say "Hi!"

As this month is focusing on the nature around us, we encourage parents to take time to spend with their children outdoors and discover what their children are learning along the way. We hope to see you all at Augustfest and wish everyone continues happiness and safety as the season comes to an end. We are looking forward to the start of a new school year.

Ms. Beth & The Busy Bees

Well we are nearing the end of summer! We have been having a blast and the weather has been great. The children are loving all the water play days. We look forward to having more water fun during the month of August so be sure your child had their suit and towel every day. Our themes for this month include "Carnival Craze." We will have activities such as ring toss, juggling balls, and elephant peanut toss (with Styrofoam peanuts). It's perfect timing with Augustfest on the 7th from 11am -4pm. We hope everyone can join

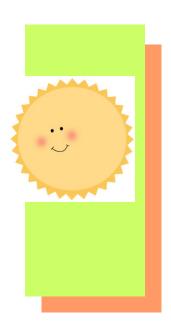
#### Sunshine Room

us in the fun. We will then explore Rocks and volcanoes during the week of "Volcanoes and More." Our exploration continues during the week of "The Nature that Surrounds Us" and we discover that through nature, God is able to speak to us, teach us and provide for us. We will be having a "Summer Luau" during the last weeks of August and finish it all with "Wacky Week." During this month, we will also focus on sharing and using nice touches with our friends. The children have been doing a wonderful job praying for

their friends as well as their loved ones during our morning group time. We plan to learn a lot of great things this month and we will display the fun in our classroom for all to see. Make sure you come in and spend some time looking at the pictures, art work, charts and more!

We look forward to having you. Please have a blessed and safe August.

Ms. Syeda, Ms. Emily & Ms. Sandra



## **Fantastic Frogs**

children said the animals were



It's hard to believe that July is over and we are entering our last month of summer fun. It must be true that time really does fly when you're having fun. We hope everyone had a great 4th of July. The children had a great time walking to McDonald's and had a blast at the Betty Brinn Children's Museum. They really enjoyed all the hands on activities. It seems the favorite field trip for the month was going to see 'Secret Life of Pets.' The

really silly. Oh and speaking of animals, What are zebras favorite kind of movies? Black & White! Ha! Ha!

Now onto August. This month is full of so many cool activities from swimming, to drums and performing a musical. The musical will be

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musical. The musical will be
about Noah's Ark. We have
been practicing our songs and
can't wait to share with the
families. Make sure to watch
for details. We will be having
another bake sale this month

and can't wait to use that money for a pizza party at the end of the summer season.

With all the festivals
happening around us, a great
activity to do with your child is
play 'I Spy' at a festival. Our
annual Augustfest is a great
one to try this at!
We hope everyone is having a
great summer. We sure are!

Ms. Melinda & Ms. Michele





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Our lazy days of summer are vastly slowing down and soon our school year will begin. We are looking forward to our PEP musical, "Noah's Ark" on August 17th. Make sure to mark your calendars! We invite all family members to attend. We are also extending our invitation to some of the senior community members. We have been warming up our voices and practicing our songs. We are also looking forward to our annual Augustfest on the 7th from 11am-4pm. You can RSVP at the PEP front desk. It's sure to be a wonderful event with a community collaboration of fun, food and faith.

Our weekly themes for August are Neighborhood Artists, 'Food is Love', 'Creations from the Sea' and 'Messy Olympics,' We will finish off with 'Wrapping Creativity Up Right.'

Thank you parents and families for signing the waivers and daily signatures. As always, we welcome any family member to volunteer in your child's class to read a story and stay for lunch. If you have any talents or projects you would like to share, please feel free to let us know. Your help and involvement are what makes our program a success!

We wish Krista a very happy birthday on August 6th and all of our friends leaving for kindergarten a very blessed school year. A great activity to do with your child to wrap up the summer is s'mores on a stick. Look for the recipe in your child's folder and give it a try!

We wish you all a very blessed rest of your summer.

Ms. Jodi & Ms. Mary

#### **Safety Reminder:**

It is our policy that ALL children must be walked into the building and to their classrooms by a parent or guardian. Please be sure the classroom teacher is aware when dropping off or picking up your child. If you pick up your child from the playground, you must come into the building and sing them out. This includes school age children. NEVER LEAVE A CHILD UNATTENDED IN THE PARKING LOT OR IN A CAR WITH THE MOTOR RUNNING.

#### **Slithering Snakes**

A couple of Reminders;

Knock, knock.

Who's there?

Boo!

Boo Who?

Oh, I didn't mean to make

you cry! It's just a

joke- submitted by

Nicholas O.

Hello August! Can you

believe it's our last month

of summer? We sure are

having fun. The Secret Life

of Pets was super funny,

We can't stop talking about

it. Our Bake Sales are going

great! We will have another

one on August 19th so be

sure to bring your spare

change. All of the proceeds

from the bake sales will go

towards our Pizza Party on

August 26th. We are so

proud to have earned it. Our

Noah's Ark play is also

coming together, we hope

you can come and see our

performances.

- Make sure your child has a swim suit and towel here at all times
- Please make sure all field trip paperwork is signed
  - No Flip Flops
- Make sure your fall enrollment survey is turned in to the office by Friday, July 29th.
- Check cubbies and folders for items that need to be taken home Have you ever wanted to throw a pie in a teacher's eye? Well you will have your chance at our annual Augustfest on the 7th from 11am-4pm with our first ever car show. Hope to see you there.

Ms. Jenele and Ms. Julie will be helping Emanuel Church with Vacation Bible School

on August 1-3 so be sure to sign up in the office. Have you heard about PEP's Read a Story, Stay for Lunch program? Well if you haven't, here's your chance. Any day you are able, we would love to have you for lunch and a story or snack and a game. Just let one of the teacher's know when you are able to join us. On or before August 21st we would love it if each student could create a strip or note card of their favorite summer activity to help create a unique end of summer banner. We hope everyone had as much fun as we did and have a great August!

Ms. Jenele, Mr. Cody, Ms. Rhianna & Ms. Anna

# August

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## **Important Dates:**

<u>August 1-3-</u> Vacation Bible School 5:30pm-7:30pm Ages 3-12 - RSVP @ PEP Front Desk

August 2nd- Hales Corners Night Out 5pm-9pm

Tom Gill African Drummer (In House)-Ages 3 & 4-9:30am-10:10am

Ages 5 & Up-10:30am-11:30am

August 3rd Forest Ridge Community Center Singing-Ages 4 & 5 – 9:20am-10:40am

Ages 5 & Up-9:05am-10:55am

August 4th-Mr. Pickles' Performance-Ages 3 & 4-9:30am-10:30am

Ages 5 & up- 10:30am-11:30am

August 7th- Augustfest 11am-4pmWristbands available for \$15 ea.

Includes all game, bounce houses and a kid's meal.

August 9th—Chuck-E-Cheese—Ages 4 & 5-9:10am-12:20pm

Ages 5 & up- 11:10am-2:20pm

August 11th-Palermo's-Ages 4 & 5-9am-10:30am

Ages 5 & up- 10am-12:30am

August 12th—Bagged Lunches needed for ages 2 & up

August 15th-Daddy Yo's-Ages 4 & 5 only-9:40am-11:20am

August 16th-Daddy Yo's-Ages 5 & up only-9:50am-11:20am

August 17th—"Noah is a Good Listener" Musical 4:30pm \$3 per person (includes popcorn)

August 18th Discovery World Ages 4 & 5 - 8:30am 11:30am

Ages 5 & up- 11:30am-3:00pm

August 19th- Bake Sale with homemade items for the preschool classrooms

August 23rd-Pizza Party for ages 4 & up!

August 24th- Mooreland Mini Golf- Ages 4 & 5- 9am-11:30am

Ages 5 & up- 12pm-2:30pm

August 25th-St. Ann's Aquatics-Ages 4 & 5-8am-10:30am

Ages 5 & up-12pm-2:30pm

\* Swim Suit and Towel Needed!\*

August 29th & 30th-Sewing Fun with Ms. Anna

August 31st-JK Lee Taekwondo-Ages 4 & 5-9:30am-10:30am

Ages 5 & up- 10:30am-11:30am

September 1st-Back to school for Whitnall Schools

September 5th-Labor Day Holiday- PEP CLOSED

September 10th- Whitnall School District's Back to School Block Party 12-6pm

### **Parent Advisory Council**



Unfortunately, our last PAC meeting was canceled. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and look forward to making it up with our next meeting on Thursday, August 11 @ 5pm. Our topics will be Summer Wrap Up & Back to School. As always, we welcome any family members that wish to participate and we offer child care during the meeting. We hope to see you there!

# **NAC Nook**

Thursday, July 14th, Park's Edge Staff had the pleasure of hearing Kate Barrett, RN, speak from the Hales Corners Health Department speak on Childhood Disease Prevention & Immunizations. Kate provided staff with a lot of valuable information on communicable diseases that are frequently seen in the Early Childhood field and how to combat and prevent them.

The most valuable lesson we learned was the importance of proper hand washing. It is our #1 defense in protecting children from spreading germs contributing to disease. This is a friendly reminder asking parents to please help us in the fight against germs and have your child wash their hands when entering the classroom. Health and safety is our number one concern and we appreciate your efforts to help make Park's Edge Preschool a happy, 'healthy' and safe place for children to grow and learn.

# Themes w/ Christian Sub Themes

#### **Upstairs Themes**

8/01-8/5— Carnival Craze

\* Shout out and praise, "God is Great!"

8/08-8/11- Rocks Rock; Volcanoes and More

\* Jesus is our rock, our foundation

8/15-8/18— The Nature that Surrounds Us

\* Through nature, God is able to teach us, speak to
us and provide for us.

8/22-8/25-Summer Luau
 \* Spring, Summer, Winter, Fall, Jesus says to love them all. Rejoice in al season of our lives.

8/29-9/01 Wacky Week
\* Sing to the Lord. Psalm 117

#### **Downstairs Themes**

8/01-8/05— Neighborhood Artists
\* In the beginning, God created...Genesis 1:1

8/08-8/11— Food is Love
\*Jesus Feeds Five Thousand. Matthew 14:13-21

8/15-8/18— Creations from the Sea
\* Parting the Red Sea. Exodus 12-15

8/22-8/26— Messy Olympics \* David and Goliath. 1 Samuel 17

8/29-9/01— Wrapping Up Creativity

\* Sing to the Lord. Psalm 117