

### Here's What's Happening!

- Feb. 2 - Saturday Care, 8:30 - 5:00
- Feb. 4 - Happy Birthday Leslie!
- Feb. 14 - Valentine's Day Party!!
- Feb. 18 - CLOSED for Presidents' Day
- Feb. 18 - Happy Birthday Merrilee!
- Feb. 23- Saturday Care 8:30- 5:00



## Blue Lake Preschool February Newsletter

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### Preschool Confidential

**(Cont.):** What your child's teacher wants you to know...

(I found this article a few years ago and thought it had some funny but true points in it. I'll share a few of them over the next couple of months!)

**Tell me if your child is unhappy.** Don't worry about hurting my feelings – regularly getting asked if I met Abraham Lincoln has given me pretty thick skin. If you tell me in a reasonable way what is bothering you, I don't think I will take it the wrong way. Remember: we both want your child to be happy and love learning. And hey, if your child happens to love school, tell me that too, I could use the ego boost!

**Relish these days:** Your children grow up and return to visit me with their long legs, grown up teeth, and first grade readers tucked under their arms, and the little kid is gone forever. Don't stress about things that will pass, like when she will tie her shoes or when he will stop sucking his thumb. Instead, revel in the innocent, fleeting happiness that is life with a preschooler.

### "Date Through the Year"

Mark your calendars and start collecting donations now! We will be having our annual fundraiser at The Gathering Center in Carbondale on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:00—10:00. The event will include tastings from local restaurants, beer and wine, dancing, a silent auction, our "Date" drawing, and lots of door prizes! Admission is \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. All money raised at this event will be used to help support the preschool. We will have childcare available at the preschool on a sign up basis. Don't miss out on a great night!  
***This event is open to the public so invite your friends and family!***



We will be having some special class activities and afternoon parties with some yummy snacks on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> for Valentine's Day! Sign up in your child's classroom to bring some yummy snacks to share with the class!

### Parent Volunteer Hours!

Just a reminder that this semester of parent volunteer hours are due by the end of February! Every family must complete 8 hours of service between September and February and 8 hours between March and August. For every hour that is not complete, you will be charged at the rate of \$30 per hour. This will be billed on your March invoice. Once you complete hours please fill in your card with what you did along with the number of hours. Please check your emails or see Michelle or Savanna for ideas of things to do to complete your hours.



**Mark Your Calendars...** "Date Through the Year" at the Gathering Center in Carbondale, Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>! Our HUGE fundraiser is just around the corner! We need every family to help make this event a success! If you are new to Blue Lake Preschool or Little Blue and have not yet heard about this event (I can't image that being anybody!) here is an overview of the best night ever...

- Our event is held at the Gathering Center in Carbondale (part of the Orchard on Snowmass Drive)
- The event is from 6:00 - 10:00, adults only so we offer late night so the kiddos can have their own party here. The event is open to any and everybody, we usually have close to 250 people attend!
- \$30 entry fee if tickets are purchased in advance, \$35 at the door. Entry includes heavy appetizers from over 20 restaurants in the valley, beer and wine, music and dancing, door prizes, and an amazing silent auction. The majority of this stuff is donated to us so your entry fee helps support the school!
- We ask each family to sell "Date" drawing tickets. Our drawing consists of several "Date" packages that people can win. The packages are fantastic and that is how we raise most of our money!

**Our goal is \$58,000... WOW! Let's all work together to make it happen! (Last Year = \$53,575!)**