

January 21, 2010

 **Thursday News**

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Please see our web page for current Providence postings
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The art room is need of newspaper for their Elementary Paper Mache projects. Please donate if you can. Thanks!

Visit "Inside Providence" to learn more about your child's classroom activities

Providence parents are encouraged to regularly visit the "Inside Providence" section on the school web site (www.providencemontessoriky.org) to stay in touch with everything happening in your child's classroom. Photos from class activities, newsletters and much more are available. You can find "Inside Providence" in the quick link section on the left-hand side of the home page. This is a password-protected area to ensure privacy. If you need assistance with log in information, please ask your child's teacher or contact the school office.

The Breakfast Café: This is a fun event which takes place in Haley Hall. The fun begins at 7:30am and will last until around 9:00am on Thursday, February 11th. Beverages (coffee, juice & milk) and fresh baked breakfast items will be available. Come and enjoy breakfast with your child/children. Yes! I am going to help with the Breakfast Café on Thursday, February 10th, 2010

You can count on me to help:

Set up February 11th (night before) - 5:00pm - 6:30pm _____

Work morning of Café (one shift)

Shifts: 6:30am - 7:30am _____

7:30am - 8:30am _____

8:30am - 9:30am _____

Clean up: 9:00am - 10:00 am _____

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January 29, Friday - Contracts and Deposits are due for 2010-2011 school year.

February 4, Thursday - Parent Education Night 7:00 p.m., Haley Hall - This will prove to be a very informative night for parents with two special events planned. First, we will hear a brief presentation from Bill Esarey with Wee Landscape Architectural Firm. Bill has been hired by the Providence Board to develop a master plan for the school which is inclusive of the newly purchased 1211/1215 Texaco Road Property. Bill will share the plan which is in process of approval and will take comments and answer questions from parents. Secondly we will have a panel discussion facilitated by Kelly Bradley, one of our Providence parents who is an educator at the University of Kentucky. The panel of teachers will discuss the Myths and Misconceptions of Montessori Education. This would be a great presentation for any parents who are interested in enrolling their children in the future. Spread the word and bring them along as guests!

February 11, Thursday Breakfast Café - We need EVERYONE'S help for this event. Please mark your calendars and plan to come and have breakfast with your child. Watch for a sign-up sheet in upcoming Thursday Mail.

DID YOU KNOW???.

Providence Montessori has been selected to receive the EcoArt grant Award from the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with LexArts. The grant proposal was written by Carol Hiler and John Martin. In our proposal we selected environmental education in the area of water quality.

The grant application described the schools emphasis on going green and the beautiful gardens on our campus. Providence was awarded \$3,400.00 for the project "Green Leaves".

During this project, we will focus on educating students on ways to improve and maintain the quality of our water. Students will participate with John Martin in Art Class sculpting and casting a fountain for the school. The fountain will incorporate green leaves to direct the movement of the water creating small waterfalls along the edge of the leaves. The bronze fountain will demonstrate the natural cycles of water.

Please see "Inside Providence" on our website to view pictures of the children working on the fountain. You may log onto your child's classroom and go to art pictures from there.

April 24, Saturday -You will not want to miss this wonderful night of fun! April 24, Saturday - Our annual spring auction will be held at the **Miller House**, a modern historic house museum.

Please visit: <http://www.thefoundationforadvancedarchitecture.org>. Please take the time to read and help us if you can!

Help us make our biggest fundraiser of the school year a success! We are looking for families who can donate specific items for the live auction. Do you have great seats for basketball, football, Churchill Downs or Keeneland that you could part with for one game or race day? Do your child's grandparents own a vacation home they might consider donating for a week's stay? Could you cook a fine dinner for eight or ten people in the home of a Providence family? Do you have a connection to a business that might consider donating items such as limousine service for an evening or Spa Day for a group of friends? Do you know a well-known person who can autograph an item? What about frequent flyer miles that you can donate? Cash donations to complete our wish list for this event are always welcome! Please contact Jennifer Pederson. Thank you from the Fundraising Committee!

REMINDER: Please watch the local television stations to find out information about school closings. Unless we have extreme weather involving ice, we will make every effort to keep school open.