

May 6, 2010



Thursday News

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DID YOU KNOW???.....

Mrs. Young, head teacher in Classroom I was nominated by Bill Bradley for the 12th Annual Teachers Who Made a Difference Program hosted by the University of Kentucky College of Education.

This program is designed to simply recognize educators who have made a positive impact on the lives of their students.

Congratulations, Mrs. Young, for representing our school in achieving this honor.

Almost Live Auction Items:

"Girls Night Out" - Garden Party at Lissa Macfarlan's home, hosted by Jill Gookin and Lissa Macfarlan. **Friday, May 21st.** There are still a few spots left if you would like to attend you can still send in a "bid". This will be a really fun evening with wine tasting, appetizers and great company.

Poetry and Champagne Luncheon: There are still a few spots available for this luncheon. This will be hosted in the home of Jennifer Burchett, former owner of Café Jennifer's. Jennifer will prepare a buffet style lunch while Gurney Norman, the Kentucky Poet Laureate reads poetry. Don't miss this nice luncheon. The date will be determined soon.

If you have any questions please call Jennifer or Joellen in the office.



May 6, Thursday, TONIGHT! 7:00pm - Parent Meeting - Providence is a parent owned school, this Parent Meeting is very important to the future of our school. The expectation is that at least one parent from each family be present at this meeting. The Lower and Upper Elementary children will be singing their Earth Day songs, Green Bean will be revealed, and Upper Elementary Great Works projects will be on display. There will also be a short business meeting (as per the bylaws) and the election of new board members will take place. **Please see Shawnetta I. Okpebholo's bio below.**

May 10, Monday - NO SCHOOL FOR PRIMARY AND TODDLERS - ELEMENTARY DOES HAVE SCHOOL.

May 20, Thursday - Last day of classes

May 21, Friday, 11:00am - School picnic at Masterson Station Park (area across from the Dog Park) - 11:00am. Please bring your lunch, blanket, chair.

Group piano lessons being offered for afterschool starting in August!

Maria Franzini (our music teacher) will be offering group piano lessons on Wednesdays beginning in the fall (August). The lessons are for beginners with four students per class, ages 6-7 or 8-9. Please email Ms. Franzini at mfranzini@fastmail.fm to reserve a spot for your child.

Providence Summer Program - It's a Blast!

Providence will once again offer its popular summer camps for primary and lower elementary students. The dates for 2010 are June 7 - July 30. The Montessori philosophy is central to camp activities, which are designed by trained teachers and include many outdoor experiences, with time devoted to the creative arts and an exploration of themes compatible with the relaxed nature of the season. Camp hours span the full day, but drop-off and pick-up hours are flexible. Fees for the camps are \$155 per week for lower elementary and \$310 per two-week session for primary. Registration will begin soon. **For more information, contact Emily Balsam, summer camp coordinator, at emily.balsam@providencemontessoriky.org.**

SHAWNETTA I. OKPEBHOLO - I graduated from Transylvania University in 2003 with a Bachelors degree in Business Administration and Computer Science. I will receive my MBA in June of this year. I work for The Salvation Army, a faith-based non-profit organization, as Human Resources Director. As Director, I oversee the full scope of human resources. I direct staff in the areas of: organizational structure, employment, compensation, employee database maintenance, payroll, benefits administration, employee relations, orientation/training/development, and policy/procedure development. I also provide management support to the Area Coordinator as needed. The mission of The Salvation Army and that of Providence is somewhat similar. Both organizations do their best to give back to the community.

I am interested in being on the board because I believe we need good leadership. Strong leadership is important to me because it builds trust and respect. I hope to promote Providence through out the community by educating the public on the quality of the school and the fine individuals it produces. I would also like to have a working relationship with both the students and the staff at the school.

I have two children: Shannon Mechelle and Shaun Brandon. I was told at age 16 that I couldn't have children, but my love for kids has never changed. Shannon is 3 years old and attends Providence. Her first year here has been nothing but great! I love the atmosphere and Shannon does as well. Teachers are great in working with her and giving her the attention that she needs. Shannon was placed in my home at 2 days old through foster care and she has been with me ever since. Her adoption was final in August of 2008. Even though I was told I couldn't have children, Shaun was born. He is 2 years old and will be attending Providence in August. Education is very important to me and I feel that an education from Providence is a great fit. Both of my children were unexpected, yet have truly been a

blessing. If elected, I am confident that I would be serving on a board dedicated to excellence and enthusiastic in giving back to its community.

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Group Picture Order Form
\$10.00 Each
Due Friday, 7th

<u>Room</u>	<u>Number of Pictures</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Toddler	_____	_____
Room I	_____	_____
Room IIAM	_____	_____
Room IIPM	_____	_____
Room III	_____	_____
Room IV	_____	_____
Room V	_____	_____
Room VI	_____	_____
Room VII	_____	_____
Room VIII	_____	_____

Total Enclosed _____ Child's Name _____ Room # _____

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