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VECA

Fall Family Festival Sept. 14, 1991 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. St. Therese Little Flower Church

Jackson at Belvedere

Food Barbecue Ravioli Gumbo Hot Dogs Hamburgers

Entertainment Live Music John Boatner Folk Singing

Puppet Shows

Children



Arts & Crafts Storytelling Playground

No	Admission
	Fee



Participants are:

VECA, St. Therese Church, St. John Orthodox Church, McLean Baptist Church, Open Door Bible Church, Trinity Preschool, Evergreen Preschool, and Lamplighter Montesori

THE EVERGREEN NEWS

VECA is a neighborhood organization made up of volunteers and paying members. The Evergreen News is the way in which VECA communicates with its residents. The Evergreen News contains information about VECA, neighborhood residents, businesses and government policies. VECA is bounded by Watkins on the West, Cypress Creek on the North, Tresevant on the East, and North Partkway on the South. Contact VECA by writing to P.O. Box 12011, Memphis, TN

VECA FESTIVAL

In this issue the Evergreen News will not feature the "WE'VE GOT STYLE" article. Time has been used to work on the **VECA FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL**. This issue will feature the preschool programs in our area. These programs are all participating in our Festival. There is still a need for volunteers to work the festival. Please call the Hot Line (276-1066) and leave your name. **SEE YOU AT THE FESTIVAL ON SEPTEMBER, 14TH.**

MCLEAN BAPTIST PRESCHOOL

McLean Baptist Preschool has been a ministry of McLean Baptist Church since the middle '60's. It started as a ministry to young couples in the church as a Mothers Day Out and evolved as a day care center as it responded to the needs of our community. The center has several programs—full time, part time, after school, summer day camp—designed to fit the needs of the children. The center is licenced by the state of Tennessee for 99 children ages 154 months through 12 years.

The center staff believes that children learn best when they are doinf what they are best at—playing. Therefore the curriculum is a "play based" curriculum. They believe that children need time to enjoy childhood and should be allowed to be children through planned age-appropriate activities. For enrollment information, please call Rose Carver at 274-9440.

EVERGREEN PRESBYTERIAN PLAYSCHOOL

Play is the natural business of a child. The child learns best through meaningful play. More and more parents are resisting the social pressures to compare the intellectual achievements of their very young children. Evergreen Playschool reinforces and satisfies those parents by providing an educationally sound learning environment based on the richness of play and the excitement of the world around us.

There are four levels of development within the Playschool program:

I. Disney Kids/early toddlers (15 months - 2 years)

II. Bear Hugs/toddlers (2 - 3 years) III. Rainbow Room/young child (3 - 4 years) IV. Alphabet Soup/Pre-K (4 - 5 years) Exploration and imagination lead the child toward learning skills needed for a healthy life. Loving and caring staff encourage positive self esteem and self confidence within our children. Parents are encouraged to be involved in their child's early education at Playschool. The Playschool operates Sept. - May, Mon. -Thurs., 9:30 A.M. - 2:30 P. M. Ther is an annual registration fee and tuition is based on the number of days your child attends. Visitors are always welcome.

CANDIDATES FORUM

Suzanna Center (Little Flower School) Cafeteria Jackson at Belvedere September 30th, 1991, 7:30 P.M. VECA. General Membership Meeting. This is an opportunity for the whole VECA community to meet the candidates for the upcoming elections. This is your chance to ask question about your elected official and how their efforts in office effect your community. Come out September 30th and talk or listen to the candidates.

THE MONTESSORI SCHOOL LAMPLIGHTER 751 N. TREZEVANT - PH. 323-2128

by: Annice Jennings

Learning can be fun and the little children in their wonder years at this school will surely tell you so. The Montessori School on N. Trezevant is a school where specially trained teachers offer a child the educational beliefs of Dr. Maria Montessori. Teachers there have been trained to develop autonomous, competent, caring, responsible individuals, not children with the "right" answers. Dr. Montessori believed that the best way for children to learn is by doing and that learning should be an activity undertaken by the learner. Children learn by touching and seeing and smelling and tasting and exploring.

In the carefully prepared, nurturing, multi-age classrooms of a Montessori school, children at various stages of development learn from and with each other. This developmental approach is designed to fit each child instead of making each child fit the program. Respect for individuality is the core of the Montessori philosophy.

In the classrooms on Trezevant, some of the activities are math, learning the shape of letters, phonetics, painting, "play" cooking,

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751 N. Trezevant, Memphis, TN 38112 J. Jeffrey Irwin, Pastor (901) 324-5812 We invite you to join us for: Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Wed. Potluck Supper and Vespers 6:00 p.m. A fellowship with open doors in worship and service."

learning to tie shoes, fastening buttons, developing self-esteem, and expressing creativity and individuality by choosing activities. The Lamplighter School on Trezevant has a Todders group - 18 months to 2 1/2 years, and another group for prekindergarten children. The program was started in 1980 at the request of Chris Jaynes and Connie Ross. These concerned parents contacted Patty Calvert, the Director of Lamplighter Montessori, and asked her to start a program in the mid-town area. The Springdale United Methodist Church was asked if they could serve as a host for the Montessori school. After members had visited other Lamplighter Montessori programs, the church agreed to the idea and the Mid-Town Montessori Lamplighter program began in 1980. The school has been at the Springdale site since. If you want information about enrollment, call 323-2128.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The cartoon that appeared last month was done by a young VECA member, Lana Andrade. Other young people in our community are encouraged to submit their work for the Newsletter. Just mail in your cartoons, poems or stories to the VECA address. This month VECA will feature another of Lana's cartoons.



Sunday:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:50 A.M.	Worship Service
	6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
Wednesday	5:45 P.M.	Fellowship Dinner
	6:30 P.M.	Prayer Service
	Nursery Servic	es Available

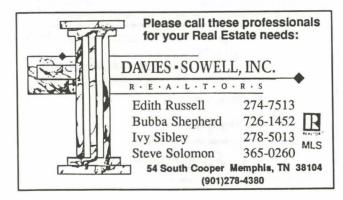
TRINITY PRESCHOOL

Trinity Preschool, located at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1738 Galloway at Evergreen, this fall begins its seventeenth year of service to neighborhood preschoolers. Since its founding, the school has offered a loving and enriching first-school experience for many three and four year old children of the Midtown area.

A "one-room schoolhouse," the spacious preschool room exudes warmth and cheerfulness, from the Sesame Street characters painted on its walls, to the furnishings in bright, primary colors. A typical morning's activities at Trinity begin with a center time, during which children select from a variety of activities, including block play, dress-up and kitchen play, puzzles, various manipulatives, play dough, self-directed art, and a teacher-directed art activity. Following clean-up time, the children enjoy large group activities, such as songs, stories, letter and number activities, finger plays, and dramatic play. Restroom time, snack, and outside play are also part of the daily routine.

The three preschool staff, Susan Maybry, Irene Dycus, and Melanie LaRue, have taught together at Trinity for the past eight years. Mrs. Dycus has a master of science degree with an emphasis in early childhood education. Mrs. Maybry has a B.S. degree with postgraduate credits in early childhood education. Mrs. LaRue, the school's musical specialist, has a B.S. degree. The school is licensed with the State of Tennessee.

Trinity Preschool is open during the school year Monday through Friday mornings, 8:30 -11:30 a.m. daily. Class schedules offered are Tuesday and Thursday; Monday, Wednesday



and Friday; and Monday through Friday. A Wednesday Extended Care Session also offers parents extra time for errands and shopping, this session runs until 2:00 each Wednesday. Classes begin after Labor Day in September and run through the end of May. For more information, call Mrs. Mabry at 274-8964 or Mrs. Dycas at 272-1105.

YARD OF THE MONTH

The Memphis City Beautiful Commission sponsors local "Beautiful yard of the Month" contests. Outside judges will select the winning home in a block or neighborhood that chooses to participate. If you or your neighbors would like to get involved and organize your block or area, call 528-2718. The City Beautiful people will help you get organized.



