

Patti's News!



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A Note From Our Director

Yippee! We think spring is here to stay- let's hope the sun keeps on shining! This is our last newsletter for the school year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful people who do so much for Patti's.

First, thank you to our wonderful staff for creating an outstanding year! Thank you Kim, Alex and Susan for working so hard to make Patti's a wonderful school! Thank you all for your creativity, patience and the many hours you spend educating our students. You have worked really hard this year and I appreciate you very much.

Thank you very much to our outstanding Board members for the countless volunteer hours you have donated to make Patti's run smoothly. Thank you to our President Lisa Beebe, VP- Kim Werdel, Treasurer- Lisa Lanctot, Personnel- Nicole Dennon, Registrar- Karen Schmid, Secretary- Angie Chatalas, Fundraising- Andrea Chatalas, Safety- Trina Myklebust, Communications- Emily Ferrari, Payroll- Jane Moffitt, Volunteer Coordinators- Katelyn Dolence & Shelley Helms and Special Events/Marketing- Sarah LeClercq. You have done so much to make Patti's a better place. We all appreciate you very much.

Sadly, we will be losing a few board members this year and many of them have been on the board for several years. Thank you to **Angie Chatalas, Andrea Chatalas, Trina Myklebust, Jane Moffitt** and **Karen Schmid**. You all have contributed so much to making Patti's a successful center! Thank you for your efforts! We will miss you.

Lastly, thank you to our wonderful Patti's families who support and bring your children to us everyday! Thank you for allowing us to spend time with your children and watch them grow. They have matured so much over the year. It will be a sad day on June 16th when we say good-bye. We hope to see many of you back next year! Please have a great summer and make lots of lasting memories.
Your friend, *Cathy Jankovich*

Patti's Year-End Potluck



Thursday, June 17th

11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the "Park at the Lid"

Join us at the "Park at the Lid" in area A, (near the baseball fields) for Patti's end-of-the-year extravaganza! Drinks will be provided, but please **bring a food item to share** (no nuts, please!). Bring a blanket and plan to stay a while. Siblings are welcome.

Last Name **A-K**: Main Dish for Kids and/or Adults

(i.e. small sandwiches, bagels & cream cheese, mac & cheese, meat, cheese, & crackers, etc.)

Last Name **L-P**: Dessert

Last Name **Q-Z**: Salad, Fruit or Veggies

Themes For May

Mother's Day
Under The Sea

Themes For June

Summer

A Big THANK YOU!

A special thanks to all the families for contributing to the gifts for the Teacher Appreciation. We are thrilled with our very generous Bellevue Collection gift certificates. They will be put to good use! Thank you!

Thank you to our volunteer coordinators, Katelyn Dolence & Shelley Helms for organizing the gifts. And thank you to Andrea Chatalas who opened her lovely home to host all of us and coordinated the luncheon. And thank you to the board members who helped serve us lunch. We appreciate all of you! Thank you!

- Cathy, Alex, Susan, & Kim

Mark Your Calendar

Tues & Wed, May 4 & 5

Usborne Book Fair

Monday, May 31

Memorial Day

Patti's will be closed.

Wednesday, June 16

Last Day of School
at Patti's.

Thursday, June 17

End of Year Picnic
at the "Park at the Lid".



Usborne Book Fair

THIS WEEK!

Tuesday & Wednesday, May 4 & 5

8:45- 9:45am and 11:30am- 1pm (both days)

In the Nursery Room—just down the hall from Patti's

Usborne has books with a wide range of subjects and appeal to children of all ages! The Usborne books are wonderful quality and reasonably priced.

At the fair, you will be able to purchase and take home books that day or order books to be sent to you. You will also have an opportunity to purchase and donate a book to Patti's- look for the "wish list" at the fair.

If you are not able to make it to the fair, you can purchase books online via the efair- www.ubah.com/BF39141.

You can also access Patti's "wish list" online if you want to donate a book. Thank you for your support!

A Few Reminders....

- We have a small **lost and found** at Patti's. If you are missing a jacket, sweatshirt or any hair clips, please ask Cathy we would love to get these items back to their owners before the end of school.
- As the weather starts to get warmer, please remember to dress your children in **appropriate footwear** for our playground of bark and sand. We have noticed the children usually don't like the feeling of sand in their toes! Thank you for your help!
- We encourage the children to **leave their toys at home**. We have lots of fun toys for the children to play with at Patti's and we don't want their special toys to get lost amongst our toys! Thank you for your help!

Last Day of School

We will be extending our school year by 4 days! The previous last day of classes was Thursday, June 10, however the new last day will be **Wednesday June 16**.

Only if you are **unable to take advantage** of these extra days (Fri, Mon, Tues, & Wed), **please let Cathy know by Friday, May 21** and you will not be charged. Otherwise, we will assume all the students who normally attend on these days will be present.

Happy Birthday To You!

May

Jack Besecker
Siena Ferrari
Max Hughes
Thomas Mael
Bobby Selden
Melena Wong
Gabby Wood

June

Joe Galvin



Pre Billing for June

Please note we will pre-bill for the month of June. When you receive your May statement (at the beginning of June), it will include hours for both months. In addition, for any extra drop-in days added after the May bill has gone out, we ask that you please bring payment to Patti's on those drop-in days. Thanks for your assistance!

Summer Celebration

July 10th



This year, the theme for Mercer Island's Summer Celebration, is "Peace, Love & Music- a Parade of Decades". The party kicks off with a parade on Saturday morning (7/10). Patti's will once again be marching in the parade and we hope you can join all us in the march! Look for an email this summer with more details.

Last Few Things...

- **We still have space available next Fall.** If interested, please contact our registrar, Karen Schmid via email at kkuhn4@msn.com.
- **Tuesday, August 31-** Patti's "Open House"
- **Wednesday, September 1-** School Begins
- **HAPPY SUMMER!** See you in September!

