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Thank you to Deena Anderson for her service and dedication to our Board!



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See our Cause on Facebook!

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Dear Parents

REMINDER: We will be closed on Friday July 3rd.

Recently we received a check for over \$130 from Albertsons/SuperValu for people being enrolled in the Community Partners program. You can sign up on line or at the store who will then donate a portion of your spending directly to us! Thanks to all those that are currently signed up and please take a moment next time you're in the store to make sure that Giraffe Laugh is linked to your card.

Summer seems to have finally arrived after a wet, wet Spring. If you haven't brought in sun-screen yet for your child, you may want to do that soon.

The teachers also wanted me to remind you that when the kids go on field trips, especially those that require a lot of walking (the park, Zoo or the Botanical Gardens) the children really need shoes other than flip flops. Children are not always adept at the management of a flip flop and end up on their

noses while on walks!

Even though it seems like it's a long time from now, believe it or not we are planning the Hyde Park Street Fair Children's area! This is one of our biggest fundraisers and the most delightful event for us to put on. It also takes countless volunteers so we hope you can join us. It's being held at Camels Back Park on September 11-13th weekend. We will be putting up sign up sheets in July so "save the dates" to join us for terrific fun and fundraising!

Volunteer News

Thanks to the Jr. Service group from United Way that came to GL2 to plant a community garden. Please feel free to come and help us weed on a regular basis, then later on, to harvest.

Thanks also to Erica for weeding our flower beds at GL2. They look awesome!

We have a gift from Fred Meyers for \$50 worth of plants that we'd like to plant in those same flower beds.

If you can help with planting one day, please talk with our cook Sheryl for a time to do that. She is taking this on as her special project for beautification of the front of GL2.

See inside...

Giraffe Laugh Early Learning Centers is a private, non-profit, Idaho corporation dedicated to promoting the well-being of children through two high quality early learning centers for children 0-6 and by strengthening families through parent education. Early care and education is provided on a part-time, drop-in or full time basis, regardless of a families ability to pay.



Recommended Resources:

www.positivediscipline.com

www.activeparenting.com

www.parentproject.com



GL1 Birthdays

Ms Joy 7/20/??

Kai 7/19/07

Luca 7/27/08

GL2 Birthdays

Ms Julia 7/17/??

Ms Beverly 7/24/??

Quinn 7/24/06

Aurora 7/24/06

Zachary 7/28/08

Happy Birthday to all of our July Babies. Feel free to bring in cupcakes for your child's special day.

NO PEANUT PRODUCTS PLEASE!!

Volunteer Opportunity

Are you a seamstress? Do you know a group of people who like to sew? If sew (ha ha) we have a little project for you.

We need new crib sheets at GLI. They are easy to make and are nor-

mally much like a pillow case so that the crib mattress can just be inserted and easily flipped over if soiled.

We need fabric that measure about 1 1/2 yards per sheet, we need sewers to assemble

the new sheets and we need about 16-20 sheets.

If this is something you'd like to do or help with please let us know!

Welcome!

Welcome to our new teachers and volunteers.

At GLI Stephanie will be our new preschool teacher, pairing up with Nicole. We also welcome Ruth who is a new substitute. Thanks for joining our Giraffe

Laugh Team!

At GL2 we now have Lindsey who is also subbing this summer.

You may also see Sierra who is a Senior doing her volunteer work for BK with us.

Linked Up...join us on the web

If you're twittering, facebooking or my spacing, please feel free to add us as your friend and/or Cause, Giraffe Laugh and I would love to hear from you ☺

<http://twitter.com/giraffelaugh> (Giraffe Laugh)

<http://twitter.com/lorifascilla> (Lori)

http://apps.facebook.com/causes/132178?m=4c64c1a1&recruiter_id=22164221 (Giraffe Laugh Cause)

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Boise-ID/Giraffe-Laugh/76153364038> (GL Fan page)

http://www.myspace.com/giraffelaugh_centers (GL Cause page) We may be changing this url but for not, this is it.

To be friends with Lori or Neile do a search while on [facebook](http://facebook.com) for Lori Fascilla or Neile Kyle

Try a new concept from one of our past parents... www.slingflower.com

Giraffe's Laugh's

Benny, 3 from GL1 was being picked up by his mom. When she arrived she said, "Benny, I have a BIG surprise for you!" He exclaimed, "Is it a kiss, a hug, or both?"

I never did hear what the surprise was, but I'm guessing he got all of what he wanted.

Kayla, 5 from GL2 told her swim teacher "You don't

have to tell me what to do because I already know." then as she got to the stairs she said, "What do I do?"

Abby, 3 from GL2 stuck her tongue out at a friend in a moment of frustration. When the friend told a teacher Abby quickly defended herself by saying, "No, my tongue just fell out!"

Hunter 4 and Nick 3 from GL2

were chatting at breakfast when Nick said, "Ya know, Miss Beverly is the boss." Hunter replied, "Miss Brandee too." then Nick's eyes got really big and in a deep voice announced, "But Miss Lori is the great big boss!"

Perhaps I've put on a few pounds, but hey Nick, no need to tell everyone!

Luau at GL2 for Everybody!!! Wednesday, July 29th

Every year we invite all of our parents and kids to a Luau at GL2. We provide hamburgers and hot dogs and drinks while each family brings a side dish and/or salad to share.

This tradition has become one of our favorites and is a great way to meet other parents, spend time with your child's teacher and to just have fun!

If you are a

vegetarian and would like to provide a meat alternative to put on the barbecue, please bring it along!

We will need help with the barbecue, with set up and with take down. If you'd like to participate, please let us know.

Look for sign up sheets in the entry way of both centers.

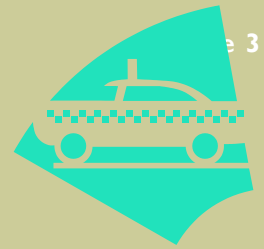
We always have some fun ac-

tivities for parents and kids, so stay tuned, or just be surprised!



There is a rumor that there may be a dunk tank so you can "Dunk the Director" or "Tank the Teacher"

Hope to see all of you here!



FIELD TRIPS!

We have been a little short on drivers for the past few field trips. Sometimes this is the only way that we can go out into the world with your kids.

On occasion it may be necessary to cancel trips due to lack of drivers. We know it's difficult to take time off of work, so we understand that parents aren't always available to help.

We just want parents to understand that it's not always possible for us to go without enough help. Thanks for your understanding!

Our next field trip is to the Botanical Gardens on Tuesday, June 30th at 9:00 a.m.

This is such a fun trip and if you have not been it's a great adventure.

Ballet Idaho	Del Monte	Hampton Inn Suites	Bogus Basin
Boise Co-op	Doubletree Hotel	BSU Athletic Dept.	WAXIE
Baran Family	Chesak Family	Del Monte	Fascilla-MacCulloch
Discovery Center	Emmett Ferret Shelter	Elite Productions	Idaho Steelheads
Bigelow Tea	Fred Meyers	Ono Hawaiian Cafe	Cool Paw Wood Cra
Hands on Healing	Redwood Creek Wine Co.	Ten Thousand Villages	Books Are Fun
Bogus Basin Resort	Istok Family	Boondocks	Whiptail Graphics
Goody's	Steele Family	Rizen Creative	Zoo Boise
Bill and Amy Dempsey	PCS Edventures	Roaring Springs/Wahooz!	University Of Idaho
Paper Clips A'mor	Macy's Boise Towne Square		

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