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Fall update from Sue

Fall is officially here!
In early August I took a long overdue week-long vacation with my husband to Florida where we celebrated our (27th) wedding anniversary. It was such a nice trip and I returned to SDC with a renewed spirit. Thank you to my amazing staff for holding down the fort in my absence. August also brought the birth of Miss Jenny's first child, daughter Zoey! Read more about Baby Zoey on Page 2. In equally exciting news, another staff member, Miss Emily, was married to her long-time love Brian in a beautiful Vegas wedding!

(see below) Congratulations Jenny and Emily!



With the start of fall, we transitioned back to "school-mode" and welcomed back new and returning students to our preschool program, taught by lead teachers Miss Jenny and Miss Usha. You can learn more about Miss

Jenny and Miss Usha on the back page of this newsletter in our Meet the Staff section.

We're constantly looking for ways that we can improve the care we provide to your children, as well as the way we communicate with parents. As always please feel free to talk to me if there is anything you need regarding your child's care.

~ Sue



NEWSLETTER

Fall 2011

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Going to the chapel...

Congratulations Miss Emily! On Oct. 15, she was married in a perfect garden wedding at The Flamingo Resort in Las Vegas to her long-time love, Brian Grimes. Escorted down the aisle by her sons, Jacody and Jaden, Miss Emily was a stunning bride and her wedding was beautiful! So glad I could be there to celebrate with you... and have some fun in the Vegas sun!
Congratulations to Emily & Brian!



Oh the fun we had!

"Take time every day to do something silly."
~ Phillip Walker

To see more pics of our silliness, check out our Facebook Page:
www.facebook.com/SunnyDayCare



Finger painting!



Playing outside!



Dress up fun!

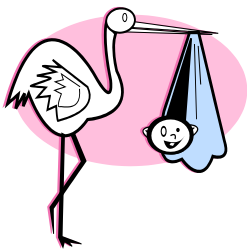


Bounce House Day!



Preschoolers in action!

A Visit from the Stork!



This has been a busy year for the Stork! Many of our children have welcomed a sibling over the last few months:

Aline became a big sister to Alexan (Alec) Peter Topouzian born on 8-20-11.

Miss Jenny had her baby, Zoey Lynn Lambert born on 8-21-11.

Tyler became a big brother to Andrew "Drew" Taulbee born on 10-14-11.

Stelios became a big brother to Linda Ligerakis born on 10-23-11.

We know the Stork has more deliveries later on this fall! Congratulations to all the families welcoming new babies!

Fall Fundraiser Results

In September had our Fall Fundraiser, which was a new concept this year. Quality products from Scentsy and Thirty-One products were available to be sold and I'm pleased to report the following:

- ◆ Total sales: \$3,537
- ◆ Most sales: Courtney Whitted sold \$690.00 (a daycare record by far!)
- ◆ 26 families participated
- ◆ 40% of commission was donated

We love our SDC families! Thank for supporting this fundraiser! As a reminder, these funds provide programming support for the children, updates to the interior and exterior of the facility, necessary replacements of toys or learning items, as well as subsidizing field trips and special treats throughout the year.



Welcome new families!

The SDC Family has grown with the addition of these new children. We are proud of our diversity at SDC! Welcome!

One year room: Mark Zsirai
Parents ZsuZsu & Frank Zsirai

Two year room: Dylan Gafarov
Parents Shakhnola & Furkat Gafarov

Two year room: Connor McEvoy
Usha's Preschool room: Ethan McEvoy
Parents Traci & Joseph McEvoy

Jenny's Preschool room: Aidan Dauti
Usha's Preschool room: Rian Dauti
Parents Selda & Enri Dauti

Usha's Preschool room: Olive Hoover
Parents Traci & Todd Hoover



A Makeover for our Website!

Over the summer I began working with Katie Rusak (mom to Allie and Tessa) on giving our website a "makeover". And I'm proud to say that we launched the revised site in mid-September to raving reviews! If you haven't had a chance to check it out, please cruise on over and have a look.

And while you're there, consider sharing the site with friends or family members that might be seeking child-care or preschool options in the future. We love referrals and we're excited about the message that our new site projects. If you'd like to submit a positive Parent Review for the site, e-mail karusak@hotmail.com



SNEAK PEAK!

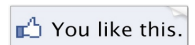
Visit our website to see more!

www.sunnydaycare.com

Also, if you aren't already a fan, please "like" us on **Facebook!** We continue to post news about the day care and photos of the children (with permission of parents—see story below) as they enjoy various field trips and activities.

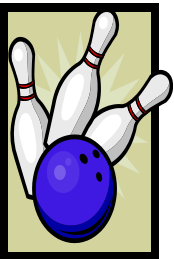
Not only is it nice for parents to see photos of their child having fun, but this is a great low-key way to showcase to potential families that Sunny Day Care would be a great place to enroll their child!

It's our intention to have the page be informative, so we'll aim to keep posts relevant and timely.



www.facebook.com/SunnyDayCare

Parents Night Out: Friday, Nov. 4th



A few Sunny Day Care couples are getting together again for drinks and bowling at Drakeshire Lanes on Grand River just for fun. Please join us!

Contact Person:

Katie Rusak (Allie & Tessa's mom)
karusak@hotmail.com or
(734) 649-0609

Friday, Nov. 4th @ 8 p.m.
[7:30 p.m. for food & drinks]

Drakeshire Lanes
35000 Grand River Ave.
(between Drake & Gill)
www.drakeshirelanes.com

Cost: Approx. \$8 per person
(includes shoe rental)

RVSP by Tuesday, Nov. 1 to:
karusak@hotmail.com

Notes/Reminders:

- * We will be closed Thanksgiving Thursday and Friday, as well as the week between Christmas and the New Year.
- * Miss Stephanie will undergo another foot surgery after Thanksgiving and will likely be out until January.
- * Miss Usha will be traveling to England for a couple of weeks in November to visit family.
- * Tuesdays are Show-N-Tell days for the preschool kids!

Introducing Baby Zoey!

Congratulations to Miss Jenny and her husband Joe, on the birth of their daughter, Zoey Lynn on August 21! Miss Jenny returned to SDC in October and Zoey has made new friends in the Infant Room.





We are blessed with a wonderful, loving staff whose average time working with Sunny Day Care children is now over ten years. Each newsletter we will introduce to a few of our staff members sharing a little bit about them. For this edition we give you Miss Jenny and Miss Usha, our talented Montessori Teachers.



Miss Jenny: Miss Jenny has been a part of the Sunny Day Care family since 2000. She was just 16 when she started working the 3 - 6pm shift after school. Jenny completed Montessori training and graduated from the Michigan Montessori Teacher Education Center in 2007. She is now a Lead Teacher and loves having her own classroom. Miss Jenny enjoys helping the children to learn while having fun at the same time! Miss Jenny and her husband Joe, welcomed their first child, a daughter, Zoey, in August 2011. She enjoys teaching while just being across the hall from her baby



Miss Usha: Miss Usha has been with Sunny Day Care since we moved to this building in 1999. She began as a Montessori Aide, then completed Montessori training and graduated from the Michigan Montessori Teacher Education Center in 2007. She has the knack to make everything a child does into a lesson! Miss Usha grew up in England and has raised three daughters (Bhavisha, Gemini and Sapna) here in the U.S. Miss Usha enjoys going back to England to visit her family and is in fact planning a trip for November to visit family. Oh and she loves coffee!



Remember Our-One-Stop Holiday Shopping!



Everybody needs Holiday presents!! We have the most versatile, practical and special presents around. **Emily** is your **Scentsy** consultant for all your special scent needs. These are not just decorative wickless candle warmers to make your house smell great (have you noticed how nice daycare smells?), but are the best gifts. There are warmers, Buddys (stuffed animals with scent packs), Scent Circles (for the car), Room Sprays, Fragrance Foam, Fragrance Solid Perfume and Travel Tins (lockers/drawers). Emily has all the scents to smell, just ask! **Order: www.glowingwax7.scentsy.us**

Sue is enjoying being a new consultant for **Thirty One** and she has most every product for you to check out— bags, purses, thermals, totes, baskets, caddys, cubes, backpacks, wallets, and bins. So many colors and patterns to pick from and almost everything can be personalized (what a great gift!).

Order: www.mythirtyone.com/suecasey

REMEMBER: EVERYTHING ON THE TABLES IS FOR SALE. NEED A GIFT TONIGHT—CASH AND CARRY!!



Happy Birthday to You!

Wishing a very Happy Birthday to the kids and staff with birthdays in September, October or Nov:

September

- 1st Mason Keberly 4
- 10th Connor Leslie 1
- 24th Claire Kelly 3
- 27th Anthony Miller 3



October

- 2nd Musa Raza 3
- 4th Sebastian Zagornik 5
- 5th Kate Hildre 3
- 8th Luna Lopez 3
- 10th Stanley Ligerakis 1
- 11th Miss Laura
- 17th Zoi Guttuso 4
- 27th Brooke Hendrian 2

November

- 2nd Allie Rusak 3
- 13th Vanessa Kantor 4
- 16th Ashton Fowler 2
- 16th Brody Peura 2
- 16th Emma Wong 5

