



SARAH CORSON CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER

October 2021 Newsletter



Happy Halloween!

We are pleased to announce that as of the now, we are able to allow children to wear costumes to school on Halloween. Please make sure to bring extra play clothes



for children to change into, as most, if not ALL, kiddos will not keep costumes on all day long. We will be sending children home with Halloween goody bags. We are accepting donations of peanut-free candy and small toys. Please see Jaime if you would like to donate anything.

Thanksgiving

We will be **CLOSING EARLY, at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24. All children must be picked up no later than 3:30 p.m.** We will be **CLOSED** Thursday, November 25 AND Friday, November 26 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Save the Date – Holiday Program

Please save the date. Our annual Holiday Program is (tentatively) scheduled for **Friday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m.** IF COVID allows us to have our program, children from Toddler 2, Preschool & Pre-K classes will be participating. More info to come.

Holiday Break

We will be **closed Monday, December 20 through Friday, December 31** for our annual Holiday Break. We will re-open Monday, January 3, 2022.



Last month, we said goodbye to this Pre-K graduate. We had her with us from infancy through her preschool years. She is pictured here with her brother. We have had the pleasure of teaching all three children in this wonderful family! It was very hard to say goodbye, especially after a 13-year long relationship. We hope all of our former kiddos will come back and visit us!

—Jaime Snider, director

Meet Paulette Avery

Who writes these profiles?



Paulette getting last month's newsletter ready for mailing

You've seen her byline for years in this *8th and Holly* newsletter, telling other people's stories and occasionally sharing her photographs. So let's take a moment to meet Paulette Avery, a member of First for the past five years.

After a 42-year career in nursing, Paulette retired and she and Ron moved to the Rogue Valley from the San Francisco Bay Area that had been home for years. It's been a busy time since that move, including building a new house, again taking up the Italian language, launching into a study of photography, and doing a bit of vegetable gardening which last month resulted in "tons of tomatoes."

That's in addition to singing in our choir, being part of the newsletter team and being an active member of the local chapter of American Association of University Women.

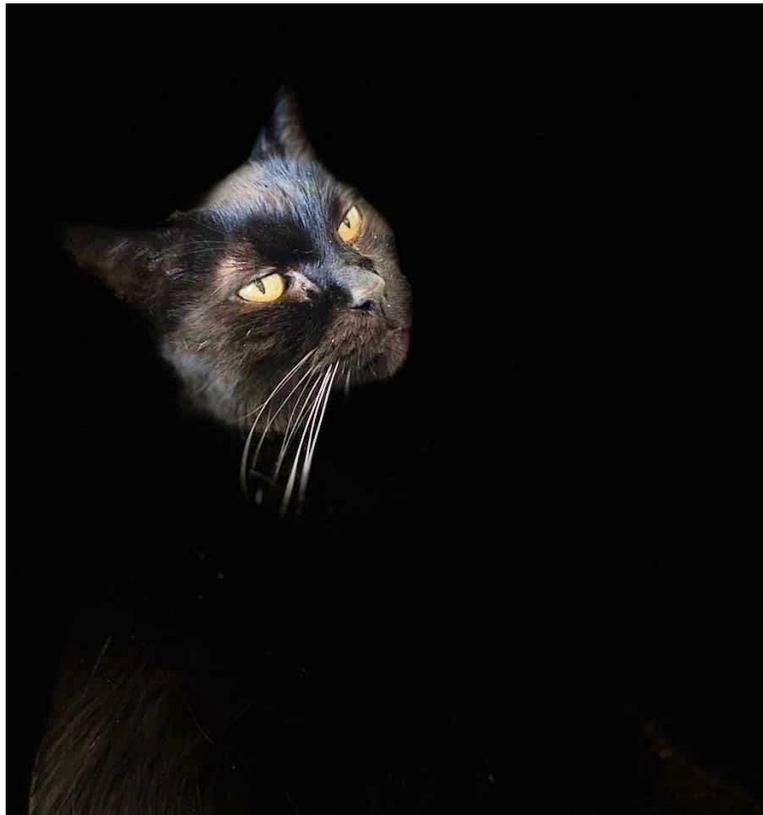
"I took Italian in college, it was almost my major, but I decided to stick with nursing," said Paulette. Through a Rogue Community College conversational Italian class, she made "many wonderful friends," many of whom are part of a local Italian language group which chats almost weekly. Recently Paulette discovered a neighbor who grew up in Italy, and she, too, became part of the group.

The Averys have three grown children, two living in the Bay area and one getting ready to move to Las Vegas. If you can't find Paulette at home these days, it's probably because she's being grandmother in California with a five-year-old and "little Isaac," the newest grandchild. Two adult grandchildren also live in the Bay Area.

From a retirement class in digital camera technics, Paulette progressed to using her iPhone to edit and enhance images. She's taking a class in iPhone image editing this fall.

Paulette's professional career began as an orthopedics nurse. She switched to obstetrics and was on the faculty of Samuel Merit College (now university) of Nursing for many years, then worked with Kaiser Permanente's Mom and Baby program for 11 years.

Fluent in Italian, Paulette has yet to plan a trip to Italy.



"My Cat," a portrait by Paulette Avery