



SARAH CORSON CHILD CARE & LEARNING CENTER

October 2022 Newsletter



Happy Halloween

We will be celebrating Halloween at our Center on Monday, October 31. Children will be able to wear their costumes to school. Parents, please bring play clothes for them to change into. We will Trick or Treat at each classroom around the Center as well as on our playground and Miss Jaime's office. Classrooms will be having class parties on this special day. Please see your child's teacher for specific classroom party details.

Thanksgiving closure

A reminder we will be *closing early at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23*. We will be **CLOSED Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25** in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend.

Holiday break closure

A reminder we will be *closed Monday, December 19, 2022 through Monday, January 2, 2023* for our annual Winter Break.

Christmas Program Save the Date

Our Christmas Program is in the works and on the books for Friday, December 9 at 6:30 p.m. We have not been able to have this event in several years due to COVID. Children in Toddler 2, Preschool and Pre-K will be participating. More details to come.

Director's Cohort

I am participating in a six-week Director's Cohort beginning at the end of September and lasting through the beginning of November. I look forward to networking with other Directors, learning some new tricks to our trade, and providing meaningful information and ideas to others.

SCC Celebrating Kindness in November



We will be celebrating World Kindness Day the week of November 14-19. We will be teaching our young children about showing kindness to others through activities to help our school, activities to help First Presbyterian Church, and activities to help our local community. We will be focusing on what it means to be kind and how we show kindness through our actions and our words.

—Jaime Snider, director

A life of public service

By PAULETTE AVERY

You may have noticed that the pedestrian bridge that carries the Bear Creek Greenway bike path across Barnett Road is named for First Pres member Al Densmore. The honor was given for years of public service and his part in getting both the bridge and the Greenway built.

Al was born in Portland but has lived in the Rogue Valley since 1968 when, after graduating from Portland State College, he took a job teaching social studies at Medford High School (now North Medford High).

In 1970 as an active member of the local Democratic Party, he was asked to run for the at-large position in the State Legislature. He was elected and served three two-year terms, two of them in leadership roles. Because the legislative job was part-time, he continued teaching. In 1976 he ran for Oregon Secretary of State and lost.

He then ran for mayor of Medford and served three terms. Following that he ran for congress but lost. At that point Al took a break from politics to focus on family and changed careers to finance and insurance.

But his commitment to serve the community continued.

From 1992 to 2007 he was on the board of the Southern Oregon Education District which serves mostly special needs children. In 2006 he was elected to the Medford City Council and re-elected in 2010. He was also the Medford representative to the Regional Transportation Planning Group.

Al became a member of First Pres in the early 1980s, left to attend other churches for a few years and later returned. He has served on Session, as church treasurer, and as a member of the Finance committee. Now he supports his wife Sally in her work for the church and helps where he can.

After a brief "retirement" from community service, Al is running as an independent candidate for Jackson County commissioner. Non-partisan compromises, he says, are needed to accomplish the many things that need to be done at the county level.

Serving the community is what Al Densmore does!



Al Densmore is running for office again, this fall as an independent candidate for Jackson County Commissioner. He spent last Sunday afternoon mounting campaign signs which volunteers will place across the county.

Ruth Bible study

A five-week Thursday night study of the Book of Ruth begins at 7 p.m. October 6. The class, led by Carl Hultquist, will be taught over Zoom teleconference. It's a story of love, of following God's direction and it's a story of hope. There's a workbook to help participants as they study the verses, then gather once a week to discuss what they've learned. Please call Carl at 1 (951) 678-6868 or email carl.hultquist@outlook.com to get the Zoom link so you can be part of the Ruth Bible study.