

The Nursery Rhyme

MISSION STATEMENT:

to provide affordable quality child care for a diverse community











A Message from Cynthia Pearson PRESIDENT / CEO

ay Nursery's child care partnership with Hendrick Medical Center and Hardin-Simmons University is under way. Thank you for joining us for the unveiling of

this exciting collaborative project! The generosity of local foundations and other granting sources provided the necessary funding commitments to transform the former AISD College Heights building into a child care facility. This joint effort will benefit the City of Abilene now and for generations to come.

We hope to have the center open in late 2019. A waiting list will be generated a few months out as well as hiring for approximately 30 child care center staff positions.

This new child care opportunity furthers Day Nursery's mission to provide affordable quality child care for a diverse community. The center will provide child care for employees at Hendrick Medical Center, students, faculty and staff at Hardin-Simmons University as well as others in the Abilene community. Hardin-Simmons University offers several degree plans related to education and human services which will add to the programming aspect of the center.

If you'd like to participate in this child care expansion project, it's not too late to get involved. You may use the envelope provided in this newsletter to mail your contribution check to Day Nursery of Abilene or go online to daynurseryabilene.org.

For up to date information on this project and other worthy news watch for postings on Day Nursery's social media. Please be sure to like, comment, share and retweet to increase Day Nursery's exposure.

THANK YOU for making a difference...one child at a time!



Abilene Gives — Thank you!

hank you to everyone that selected Day Nursery of Abilene during Abilene Gives! Your donation will be used wisely to benefit the children in our child care program and contributed to the success of the day's campaign. Because of you Day Nursery received over 200 gifts during this one-day giving event and exceeded our goal for the campaign, which was \$20,000 and earned several prizes! Several gave a book for the new center, paid for a day of child care or funded field trips.

It was wonderful to see so many citizens "give where you live" supporting causes in the Abilene community.

Donors collectively gave more than \$730,000 to local nonprofits in just 24 hours! We are grateful for your support to enhance the learning and development of children in the Day Nursery of Abilene program.



Day Nursery Assures Preschool Children are School Ready!

ay Nursery of Abilene celebrated children who completed the school-readiness program during a "graduation ceremony" where the children performed songs and wore caps and gowns receiving their certificates of completion. Day Nursery of Abilene values its partnership with the Abilene Independent School District (AISD) in a School Readiness Integration (SRI) program, which focuses on preparation, readiness and school success for preschool children entering kindergarten. An AISD certified teacher spends time daily in these PreK classrooms providing instruction and mentoring to prepare children for learning and school success. Long-term outcomes of the partnership include:

- Preparation for reading success, school and beyond;
- Potentially fewer referrals to special education;
- School-readiness directly impacts the preparation of a future workforce; and
- Parents are better consumers in choosing early childhood programs.





CHILDREN'S PROGRAM / HIGHLIGHTS

"Summer of Wonder" focuses on weather and nature which is particularly fitting since Abilene had its first tornado in a century in May. Lots of education and field trip enrichment outings have occurred. Here's a sampling:









Registration is Open for the 10th Annual Putt "Fore" Children Event - Saturday, October 5th

The 10th annual Putt "Fore" Children event benefiting the Day Nursery of Abilene takes place in October 2019 at the Primetime Entertainment Center. You don't want to miss the golf, costumes, prizes, food and fun! Get your teams ready and register today because October 5th will be here before we know it!

Sign up to sponsor the event or register your team by completing the enclosed registration brochure and return it in the envelope provided.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE... ONE CHILD AT A TIME!

Generosity of our donors, April - June 2019

Annonymous (21) Anonymous donation in honor of Cynthia Pearson Abilene Gives - Community Foundation of Abilene Dr. Jason Acevedo **AEP Texas** AFLAC, Robin Hicks in memory of Tommie Sears Geneva Baccus Mr. and Mrs. David Bacon Denice and Mark Bailey in memory of Hayes Jackson Goehring Shannon Baker Tancy Baldwin Batier & Associates Battles Home Improvement & Rebath Batts Communications Mary Jo Beard Staci and RJ Benavides Bryan Birchum Mittie and Dale Blackburn Bonnie Blevins Ashley Brown Linda and Ed Buckner Mariah Burciaga Rochelle Burks Ibrahim Byaruhanga Nancy and Jay Capra in honor of Vine Street/Prince Cheryl Carpenter Brenda K. Casselberry Maricela Cervantes Mozelle Chaney Carol and John Chappell Chick-fil-A @ The Mall of Abilene Ronnie Chorn M. Todd Church Clavel Corporation - Blue Stop Max Paula Clowdus Kay and Ed Cockerell Steve Collins Community Foundation of Abilene

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in honor of the Staff of Day Nursery

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STAFF HIGHLIGHTS



Congratulations
Brenda Peak, Program
Director on her recent
recognition as an
"Exchange Leader" in
the profession of early
childhood education

across the entire nation. She joins more than 300 current Exchange Leaders in the early childhood field all of whom accomplish the important work of educating young children, as well as supporting and advocating for children, their families, and their communities.



Early Childhood Learning Summit

The Day Nursery of Abilene leadership team attended the Early Childhood Learning Summit in Houston where they learned the latest in best practices. They also had the opportunity to collaborate and network with 800 other early child care professionals.

GIFTS FROM FUNDS HELD AT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF ABILENE

Steve Arthur Family Foundation
– Donor Advised Fund at the
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Morgan and Jessie Jones – Designated Fund at the Community Foundation of Abilene

Jane Jones - Donor Advised Fund at the Community Foundation of Abilene Robert, Elsie & Roberta Watters

Endowment Fund at the
Community Foundation of
Abilene

Week of the Young Child

Day Nursery of Abilene celebrated Week of the Young Child with fun activities all week long including a musical parade, cooking projects and visiting a City Council meeting where pre-school age children served milk and cookies to the City Council. Mayor Anthony Williams proclaimed it the "Week of the Young Child" during the meeting.











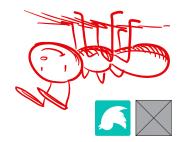
Recent graduate, Aniyah Green is one of the hundreds of children who have come through Day Nursery's program as did her mother, Angela.



Her grandmother, one of the most gracious people in our fair city, Audria Hammond works at Abilene City Hall and was one of our very first families at Day Nursery of Abilene after it opened in the early 1970's. We love that Day Nursery has been a part of their lives for several decades!

Aniyah shared with her grandmother that "Day Nursery made her a superstar" Congratulations and best of luck!!





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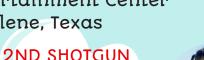
Please join us for the

10th Annual Putt "Fore" Children Miniature Golf Tournament!

Saturday, October 5, 2019

at PrimeTime Family Entertainment Center 4541 Loop 322, Abilene, Texas





START

11:00 am



Team Photographs will be provided! (9:00am for first flight golfers)

COSTUME CONTEST

Pick a themed team name and dress the part! Cash prizes will be awarded!

CASH & DOOR PRIZES will be awarded during lunch



PLACE \$200

Lunch is provided!

Special thanks to the Board of Directors and other volunteer groups who help make this event possible.



SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION

Publicity Deadline: August 16, 2019 Please note: Team registration on reverse side.

Count Me In!

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How did you hear about Putt "Fore" Children? _

TEAM REGISTRATION

Team Deadline: September 13, 2019
Please note: Sponsor registration on reverse side.

Count Me In!

Online registrations encouraged at daynurseryabilene.org

\$80

FOURSOME GROUP

Includes meals, event t-shirts, goody bag, and team picture.

Team Name (teams will use team name to register at event)					
Preferred Starting Time (Shotgun starts are at 9:45 & 11:00 am)					
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Please mail or deliver your registration form and payment to: DAY NURSERY OF ABILENE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE 702 CEDAR, ABILENE, TX 79601 (325) 673-1110

All proceeds benefit:



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BENEFITING



Providing affordable quality child care for a diverse community.



