



Getting Ready - Summer Preparation and new Board Members Too



We Prepare for Summer and add new Members to our Board!

Greetings from Uni-Pres Kindercottage! Summer has finally arrived. Children have completed another year of school both in the "Big School" and here at Uni-Pres Kindercottage. We are sad and yet happy to know that some of our children will leave us in the fall to go to the Big School. We know that we have made a positive impact on their lives and have tried to prepare them for the future.

In order to get ready for us to spend more time outdoors, our friends from Keller Williams Pinnacle Realty Group in O'Fallon, IL., came to us again this year to spruce up our property. Wearing their red shirts, they painted, cleaned, weeded, planted, mulched and brought us wonderful gifts for summertime fun. We are most grateful for their work each year. **Thank you, Keller Williams Pinnacle!!**

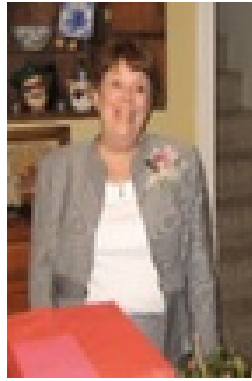


New Board Members

We have added 3 Board members to our Kindercottage Board. We'd like for you to meet them!

Mary Anne Jenkins, the daughter of an Evangelical and Reformed pastor, attended Granite City High School, and received her B.S. degree in Education from Illinois State University. Now retired, her teaching experiences included Head Start, preschool, Kindergarten, first, fifth and sixth grades. She is a member of St. John's United Church of Christ in Mascoutah, IL, where she serves on the Building and Grounds Ministry and is a member of the quilting group. She and her husband, William, have three daughters and two granddaughters. Her passion is to help children find their way and to aid them in that

pursuit.



Erin Beavers is an attorney and partner at The Gori Law Firm in Edwardsville and serves as Vice President of the Board for CASA of Southwestern Illinois. She is a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Edwardsville where she serves as an elder. She has served on the Session, chaired the Mission Outreach Ministries Committee, Nominating Committee, and Youth Ministry Committee. She has also served on a special task force for developing a playground and strategic planning. She lives in Edwardsville with her husband Tom, and their three school aged children.



Phil Kerschner has been the pastor at Marine United Church of Christ for over 20 years. He received a teaching degree from Concordia Lutheran Teachers College in River Forest, IL with majors in math and history, followed by a master's degree from Loyola. He taught math at Lutheran High School in South St. Louis for several years before hearing the call to the ministry and graduated from Eden Seminary in 2001. He and his wife have two adult daughters. Phil has been a friend of Brenda Crisp for many years and supports Uni-Pres Kindercottage in its mission to the community of East St. Louis.



Aimee Hart is the Executive Director of Uni-Pres Kindercottage. Brenda Crisp is serving



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