

## Forever Young

During their time at Clapp Children's Center, your child will have one-on-one activity opportunities with the residents of Breckenridge Village. Occasionally a few children will visit Toddlerville, which is our large motor playroom, with Miss Jeannie and meet with a few residents. A preplanned and developmentally appropriate activity will be implemented during the visits involving interaction between the children and the residents. The activities planned include sharing story time, creating crafts, and baking small snacks together.

The small group intergenerational activities involve a group of four to six children who will remain with the director for 30 minutes in the Toddlerville activity room. The activities will take place from 9:30am-9:50am, which is structured free-play time at school. The children included in each activity will rotate so all who have parental permission have a chance to experience this learning opportunity. When your child has attended one of the activities, they will bring home a form highlighting the residents they met with and the activity they worked together on. (A sample of this form is attached to this notice.) We encourage you to let your child discuss their experience to extend the learning at home.

These small group activities have been created to offer new learning adventures for the children outside of their classroom. With this opportunity, we hope to provide variety to our preschool curriculum and help the children adjust to changes within their learning environment. Interacting with residents will also help the children learn how to respect older adults as they learn how much fun it can be to have friends of all ages.

Attached to this notice is a permission form for your child to participate in the above-mentioned activities. You may choose to have your child remain in structured free-play at school and not participate in the one-on-one intergenerational activities. A calendar of intergenerational activities will be posted monthly on the Parent Board in the cubby room.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the intergenerational activities, please contact Jeannie at (440) 942-4343 extension 1388 or on her cell at (216) 287-4825.

**Thank you for helping to make our preschool program an exciting and adventurous one for the children!**

