

November 2022

MCA Newsletter



And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:17

Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 1-4 - SPIRIT WEEK
Tues. - Disney
Wed. - Flannel or MCA Shirt
Thurs. - Sports Team
Fri. - Pajamas
- Wednesday, Nov. 2 - Pizza Day
- Friday, Nov. 4 - Beef Raffle Ends, Early Release Day at 11:30 am, Teacher Meeting at 12:15 pm
- Monday, Nov. 7 - Subway, Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 8 - No School, Election Day
- Wednesday, Nov. 9 - Pizza Day, Kindergarten to Maple Point, Otters to Story Time at 3R2 & Diaper Pantry
- Thursday, Nov. 10 - Open House at 6:30 pm, Beef Raffle Drawing at 6:45 pm
- Monday, Nov. 14 - Subway
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 - Panda Field Trip to Allerton Library at 9:30 am
- Wednesday, Nov. 16 - Pizza Day
- Friday, Nov. 18 - Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov. 21-25 - No School, Thanksgiving
- Monday, Nov. 28 - Subway
- Wednesday, Nov. 30 - Pizza Day

Board Member Spotlight



Brian Raynard, and family, moved to Monticello in 2020 to take the position of Senior Pastor at Crossroads Church. He is married to his high school sweetheart, Dana, and they have three

sons: Conlin, Easton, and Finnegan. Finnegan attended MCA in 2020 and 2021. Finnegan loved his time at MCA. Brian and his family enjoy watching movies, playing games, and spending time with their church family.

Mrs. Taryn's Otter Class



What are you thankful for?

Elsie - Olivia, my otter
Lync - my mommy and my daddy
Axel - dirt bike
Manon - my Pop-Pop
Quinn - my school
Eloise - my baby sister
August - my family
Finley - markers and binders
Roman - my friends
Wren - my mommy

Mrs. Taryn - that both my children had Mrs. Gambrill as a teacher and Henry now has Mrs. Weber. I'm thankful for them.



WISH LISTS for our teachers and MCA. Please follow the Amazon links below. Thank you!!

Mrs. Gambrill-K3 - <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/39UC5WP14C378>

Mrs. Smith-K4 - <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/325CKHHJ102UQ>

Mrs. Taryn-K4 - <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/26LNLFL5POAZO>

Mrs. Weber-K - <http://a.co/0OKPQWq>

MCA Office - <http://a.co/3XA9mXj>

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Intergenerational Playground Update

As of this writing, we have raised \$11,825 towards our playground fund, including funds raised from 2021. We hope to make close to \$20,000 by November 4th so that we can use the amount we have raised as leverage in our request to the county board, when we go to them again.

Some of the current county board members are dismayed that we haven't "let this go" as they already told us "no" back in February. After the election on November 8th, we plan to go to the building and grounds committee again, with an updated request, for our playground. We feel that this will be a huge benefit to not just MCA, but also Piatt County Nursing Home, and the entire community. There will be some new people on the board after November 8th, and we hope to be able to convince all of the board members that our project is good and beneficial.

We understand that there are some things to work through, but it's our desire to work WITH the county board to make this dream become a reality.

Our hope is that the new proposal will get approved by the building and grounds committee and we will have the opportunity to present it to the full county board. We have been very willing to work with the board members and make changes to the plan, as needed, but, unfortunately, that hasn't been reciprocated by some county board members thus far.

The playground will have handicap accessible equipment for PCNH residents to use; MCA will use the playground for recess during school; and when nursing home residents have grandkids come to visit, they can do so outside on the playground! Of course, the most exciting part in our minds, is that the residents and the students would be able to be on the playground together and we will be uniting generations that otherwise may not be able to have this opportunity. Yes, we have found other ways to allow the MCA students to enjoy the company of the residents, but the playground would allow more opportunities for this, and provide something unique that can't be found everywhere.

If you'd like to support our playground, please make sure to vote on November 8th – who is on the board does matter. Also, please consider purchasing raffle tickets; we still have a few left. Please pray for our efforts, that all of our steps in this process will be directed by God, and that we would be able to glorify Him through our efforts to improve the community and make a positive impact.

