

Around the House

Avondale House E-Newsletter



April 25, 2019



United Way of Greater Houston

Mark Your Calendar

- **May 10:** Avondale House End-of-Year Carnival, 10:00am-2:00pm
- **May 27:** Memorial Day, Avondale House closed
- **May 30:** Graduation Ceremony, 10:00am
- **May 31:** Last day of school for students

Announcing a New Pre-K Program

Avondale House is pleased to announce the opening of a new Pre-K classroom designed for students on the autism spectrum. The program begins August 19, 2019.

- ABA-based curriculum
- Certified special education teachers
- Licensed professionals
- Low student-to-teacher ratio
- TEA-approved
- State-of-the-art classrooms



Avondale House has been serving students on the autism spectrum for over 40 years. Please contact [Paul Kandola](#) for enrollment information.

Upcoming Parent Trainings

We are continuing our parent training series all year. We hope to equip you with tools to increase communication with your child. All trainings will be held at 9:30am in conference room 205 upstairs. This event is open to the public.



Parent Training Schedule

Functions of Behavior and Best Practices

4/26/2019

The Tools of ABA

5/24/2019

Setting Up for Success: Prompting and Giving Instructions

6/28/2019

Talk about Toilet Training

7/26/2019

Making Chores Less of a Chore

8/30/2019

Expanding Food Horizons

9/27/2019

Getting Through the Night: Ways to Improve Bedtime

10/25/2019

Let's Get Social

11/22/2019

**All trainings begin at 9:30am
in conference room 205**



Avondale House Awarded \$20,000 from Alex's 5k

We want to thank the Bayou City Road Runners for presenting us with a check for \$20,000 from the proceeds of the 8th Annual Alex's 5K Run. This race, held in November of last year at MacGregor Park, is done in memory of Alex Jamrich, a former client of Avondale House, who died unexpectedly one month short of his 18th birthday. Presenting the check were Alex's parents, Milan Jamrich and Kathi Mahon,



and Race Director, Lara Allen. Thank you so much to the BCRR, the race crew, and all the local runners whose participation helped several autism charities in Houston.



Avondale House Carnival

Please join us for Avondale's end-of-year carnival on May 10 from 10:00am-2:00pm. Family members are welcome to join the fun! The event will feature games, face painting, Kona Ice, and more!

If you are interested in volunteering, email [Katie Bruchmiller](mailto:Katie.Bruchmiller@avondalehouse.org).

Meet Claudia Love

Claudia Love is Avondale's March Team Member of the Month! Claudia has worked at Avondale House for almost 9 years and is one of our Mystery Crew teachers!

The teaching assistants that work with Claudia say that she provides wonderful structure to the classroom while also creating a fun environment that everyone enjoys. She's always eager to lend a hand and one can frequently witness Claudia's compassion, patience, and encouraging nature in the way she interacts with every student and teacher at Avondale.

Thank you, Claudia, for your dedication and working hard for the students and staff of Avondale! Congratulations on being Avondale's Team Member of the Month!



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