

From: Solomonson, Annamarie
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 3:10 PM
To: Clayton, Cherie A.
Cc: White, Tamar; Cox, Heidi; Myers, Pamela; Harvey, Nancy
Subject: FW: A note of thanks

Hi Cherie

I would like to share with you a positive letter that was sent from SueAnna H, a mom whose child attended the Kids Magic Preschool. She was expressing her gratitude for the staff at Kelsey Creek Farm and our ability to jump in to search for her son last week. The Kelsey Creek Farm team was able to start the search as well as find the lost child.

Sharing,

AnnaMarie Solomonson
City of Bellevue
Community Services Supervisor
Kelsey Creek Farm
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From: SueAnna H
Sent: Friday, January 09, 2015 8:12 PM
To: Kelsey Creek Farm
Subject: A note of thanks

(Please forward) To the directors of Kelsey Creek Farm:

I wanted to let you know how grateful I am for the women who work at Kelsey Creek Farm. We lovingly refer to them as "The Farm Ladies".

My three year old son attends Kid Magic Preschool at the farm. Every day after school my son, his friends and their mothers like to stay and play for awhile before heading home. Yesterday afternoon, we were walking the wooded trails behind the farm. The boys got ahead of us a little bit, and we quickly caught up to them, but my son was no longer with them. We all split up to find him, but after about 10 minutes of searching the trails, I started to get increasingly stressed. While the other women stayed on the trail to look for him, I ran up to the barn to see if he had gone back to play in the sandbox. When I saw he wasn't there, I started to panic.

Just then, Tamar walked by. I explained to her what had happened, and within moments we were in the office with the rest of The Farm Ladies. They instantly made a plan, and everyone went out looking for him in all different directions. It was at that time that I realized it was nearing four o'clock and it would be dark soon. My mind was racing with worst case scenarios, and I was in extreme distress.

About 45 minutes after my son lost us on the trail, Taylor found him jumping in a mud puddle by the bridge nearest the parking lot. She asked him his name, and if he had run away from his mommy. She brought him back to the barn, where I was on the phone with 911.

It was the most terrifying 45 minutes of my life, but the quick action by The Farm Ladies and their reassurances really meant the world to me. I am so impressed by the way they handled the situation with such speed and grace. I am grateful to now know these amazing women.

They all deserve big raises and extra vacation days!

Sincerely,

SueAnna

-----Original Message-----

From: >

To: kelseycreekfarm <kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.com>

Sent: Tue, Jan 20, 2015 4:27 pm

Subject: Farm program - excited!!

Hello Kelsey Creek Staff,

I wanted to send a quick email to tell you how excited my daughter, Gwen is to get signed up for the farming program at Kelsey Creek Park again this year, 2015. Last summer she spent a week working in the farm -- feeding various animals; mucking stalls; leading and learning about animals; and a number of other tasks. It was a week long adventure doing things she'd never done before! I have to admit I wasn't sure what to expect or how she would like it.

Each and every day she came home with a new tale about an animal or experience she had at the "farm". It was so positive and she thoroughly enjoyed it -- she just recently asked me if we could get signed up again!! I don't want to miss it -- this year she'll be 14, and she has some "experience" under her belt. I'm anxious to get her signed up for another week or maybe even more (not sure the rules). The "lead" people were wonderful for her to work with, they cared about her success in the program, and teaching her skills.

Thank you for providing this great experience -- living in Bellevue I have no way for her to experience this kind of connection with animals, learn the responsibility of taking care of them, seeing to their well being - it's overall a great life experience for her. Also it allows her to learn about things by doing them -- we've all read stories about farms, but this is real life!!

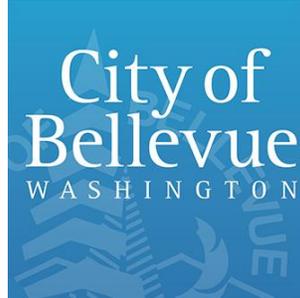
Thank YOU again and I look forward to getting her signed up.

Kim B

(thankful mom)

Bellevue resident

From: No_reply_Mybellevue
Sent: Wednesday, January 21, 2015 3:52 PM
To: Pereyda, Maia
Subject: rfarrow [Resident] commented on your request



New Comment

Hi Maia Pereyda,

rfarrow [Resident] has posted a comment on your request, **Trails:**

"Bellevue Parks Department are the most friendliest and responsive staff... they addressed the issue within 24 hours... Awesome!"

Request Details

Description

1/20/2015 - Encampment within Weowna Park. 300 feet north of bridge crossing main waterfall. Tent, cooler, tools, food, etc.

Priority

medium

Status

Completed

Address

Weowna Park Trails, Bellevue, WA 98008, USA

Due Date

January 29, 2015

Please do not reply directly to this email.

Thanks!

MyBellevue

