

Bright Horizons at Bee Cave News

Family of the Month

Meet Tony and Ann Marie Lockridge and their children, Tay (8) and Sophie (4). Sophie has been at Bright Horizons since August 2015 and is currently in the Kinder Prep program. Tay is in second grade at Bee Cave Elementary.

Ann Marie owns Ringlets and Sass Salon. The Lockridge's worked to restore the Old Backyard to be a high-end Hill Country salon experience. This is Ann's second salon and she has been doing hair for 20 years. Her specialties include: loving curly and straight hair, natural color and Hotheads extensions. Find us on the web at www.RingletsandSass.com 512-266-4010.

Ann and Tony met in Salt Lake City when coincidentally enough, Tony needed a haircut, and Ann Marie clearly gave Tony "his greatest cut ever" as they have now been together 17 years.

Tony owns and operates two billboard companies, Lockridge Outdoor Advertising and C.E.I.S., a governmental sign partnership program throughout the United States. Ann and Tony are "foodies", enjoying cooking in and dining out. Tony's main hobby is electric guitar and he hopes to break into the Austin music scene. Tay is now taking guitar lessons at the Musicians Woodshed, and papa couldn't be more excited! Tay is an active cub scout and recently won first place in the coveted Pinewood Derby. Sophie's favorite game is playing "house". We have dolls sitting at dining tables throughout the house and all the other dolls are properly tucked in their sheets. She is an active swimmer at Nitro and loves PAIYH Dance Studios. She just had her first recital and finished it with flowers and a huge smile.

Our favorite kid-friendly restaurant: Verde's, the outdoor space is great, and kids are always around to toss footballs, kick soccer balls, and help get the dirt on the kiddos. The food is AMAZING.

Our favorite places for family outings: The kids love High 5 and for nature we spend some good time at Reimer's Ranch Park, fishing kayaking and splashing in the water. We also enjoy RV'ing and have logged some pretty good miles across the US so far with the kiddos.

What do you love about Bright Horizons at Bee Cave? We trust the staff's leadership to ensure that our daughter is receiving the best care, learning opportunities, socialization, and fun. The facility is always clean, organized, and well thought out. We do not worry when we drop her off and will miss BH when Sophie goes off to Kinder in the fall.

Important Dates

- 3/2 Green Eggs & Ham Day
- 3/5-3/9 Dr. Seuss Week – see specific details in the lobby!
- 3/11-3/16 Spring Break Week – school age care available.
- 3/16 Wear Green Day!
- 3/20 First Day of Spring



Reasons to Celebrate

Insert notes on celebration here...

Staff Birthdays
Kiersten March 14th
Griffin March 29th

Anniversaries
Sajeeda 1 year

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READY FOR SCHOOL NEWS

Everyone Wins at Family Game Night!

Have you considered gathering on a regularly designated evening to play games? Interactive family activities foster growth in all domains of development, but more importantly, having fun as a family promotes bonding and intimacy, builds trust, instills a sense of security, teaches children about winning and losing, and creates lifelong memories.

Tips for family game nights:

- Schedule a regular day and time. Reserve it as you would any important activity.
- Plan games that are appropriate for varied age groups. Include children in the decision making.
- Eliminate distractions. Turn off cell phones and other devices.
- Focus on fun!

The benefits:

Playing board games helps children learn to take turns, follow rules, and think strategically. Many board games strengthen focus and literacy and math skills. Moving pieces along a board, holding cards, rolling dice, or spinning a spinner builds small muscle development and hand-eye coordination.

Choosing Games

Selecting games can be an enjoyable process. Game suggestions to check out are *Apples to Apples Junior*; *Don't Wake Daddy*; *Alphabet*, Number or Color Bingo; Dr. Seuss' *the Cat in the Hat*; *I Can Do That!*; and *Guess Who*. Games such as BANANA GRAMS offer challenge for many ages. For young children, look for games that are colorful, engaging, and take less than 20 minutes to play. Those that focus on cooperation, rather than competition, are also a good choice.

Make a homemade "memory" game by copying family photos on cardstock and laminating the cards. Turn chores into a game, e.g., let your young child match socks or toss the socks into a laundry basket. Get the whole family moving with action games. Try Charades, *Twister*, Hide and Seek, *Sardines*, Freeze Tag, Red Light, Green Light, or Mother May I.

Game night is about families being together. It doesn't have to cost money, but the gains are tremendous because ultimately, everyone wins!

BRIGHT HORIZONS NEWS

We are hosting an Open House in April!



Next month, we will be hosting an Open House Week where new families will be able to discover why Bright Horizons is the perfect place for children to learn, explore, and grow!

Each year, Bright Horizons welcomes new families to our community. And, year after year, we've found that the best way to meet these families is through you.

If you have a friend or family member that might be interested in joining, we would be happy to provide information for you to share with them. Please see your Center Director for details. We hope to see everyone at Open House Week!

Join us for a summer of fun, friendships, and exploration!

Summer is less than 6 months away! Our summer camp program, *Camp Explorations: School-Age Adventures* for school age children (ages 6-12), take advantage of everything summer has to offer.

Our teachers develop a fun curriculum that uses surrounding communities and special visitors as an extension of the camp and integrate technology throughout the programs. Children learn about the world around them while exploring nature, experimenting with science, and engaging in creative arts.

To learn more about summer camp programs at your center, talk to the center director. Programs vary by location.



Check out all the places you can connect with us!