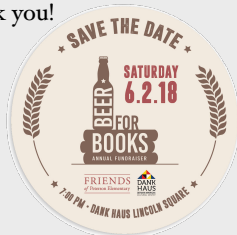


# PETERSON PARENT PERIODICAL

## College Graduates. Community Leaders. Cultural Ambassadors.

### Save the Date for Beer for Books

The Friends of Peterson is planning the 4th annual Beer for Books event for June 2, 2018, at 7 p.m. at the DANK Haus in Lincoln Square. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for this adults-only fundraiser to support the excellent work happening at Peterson School. Join us to enjoy delicious food from the neighborhood, play Plinko, and spend time with our community. If you or a business you know is interested in helping to underwrite the event or donating to our silent auction, please contact us at [petersonfriends@gmail.com](mailto:petersonfriends@gmail.com). Thank you!



### Thank You for Your Support!

Thank you to all parents, staff, and community members for helping us to successfully launch our new afternoon traffic pick-up plan. **Please continue to help ensure the safety of all of our kids by not stopping or parking within the coned areas on Catalpa Ave. and Christiana Ave.** Consider walking to school, using public transportation, parking a few blocks away from the school and/or enrolling your child in J at School after-school care.

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Good evening Peterson Parents,

I hope you've all had a great week! This week, I'd like to continue our ongoing "People of Peterson" series with Mr. Michael Golub who was recently nominated for a Golden Apple Award. Congratulations, Mr. Golub!

"I was born in Chicago but raised in Mount Prospect with my two older sisters. Growing up, I always knew that I wanted to be an architect.

In high school, I ran cross country and track and was also on the cross country team in college. I started running marathons a lot after college but got injured and took some time off. After high school, I went to Monmouth College, a small liberal arts school with only 500 students--my high school had 3,000. Since I was debating if I wanted to go into advertising and be a copywriter, I decided to get a degree in business administration.

While pursuing my degree, I also drove for my dad's limousine company, did demo construction, and worked at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange as a pit clerk, which led me to become a trader. One day, a colleague of mine who knew I was a runner, asked if I was interested in coaching.

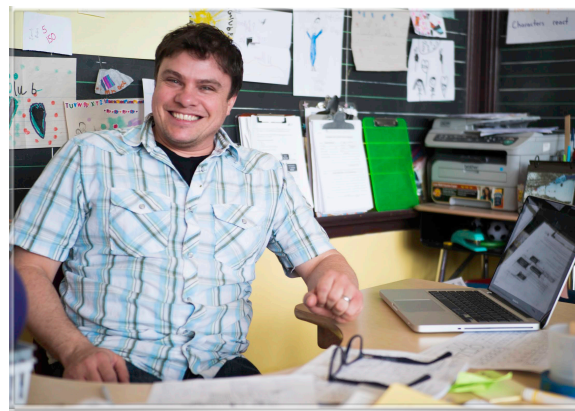
I coached three seasons of track starting in 2004. I ended up becoming conference director and really loved it. I then decided to quit my job as a broker and went back to school at National-Louis University to pursue my degree in education. I student taught in a kindergarten class and have loved it ever since!

I didn't have the best experience at my first school. Soon after I arrived, I realized that the administration wasn't leading with the interest of the students and community in mind. Since I knew I could do a better job, I was motivated to go back to school and received a masters degree in School Leadership.

Since I didn't want to return to my previous school's hostile environment, I decided to take a position at Peterson where I worked as the bilingual coordinator, which was challenging at first since I hadn't worked with any grade other than kindergarten. We have students at Peterson that come from very difficult backgrounds, and I can't fathom what they've been through. I had a student who just wanted to stay after school since the building was air conditioned, unlike where he came from. In his home country, he was also forced to run around the school building until he was sick with exhaustion. Meeting these children has helped me empathize with people and the circumstances of where they come from.

In kindergarten, students do not understand social constructs, which makes it a free and open environment where we're all equal. I read a story about parents' jobs, and it mentioned people having two moms or two dads, and everyone was fine with it.

Schools tend to be very top down, so when Ms. Kane came back to Peterson, asked the staff about what was going well and what needed improvement, and then worked with us to implement those improvements it felt like a tremendous team effort which gave teachers a great deal of voice. This helped to solidify that kindergarten at Peterson is the place for me."



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## Mark your Calendar

- Parent Tea -- Thursdays, 8:45am, Peterson Cafeteria
- Quarter 3 Progress Report Distribution Day -- Today
- School Pictures go Home -- Today
- Boys Basketball Regional Tournament Peterson vs. Ogden at Clemente High School -- March 10th
- Daylight Savings Time Begins -- March 11th
- Deadline to Register all Students for Spring Season of CPS Score -- March 12th
- Wizard of Oz Performance for Drama Group Only -- March 12th, 4:15pm to 5:00pm
- PARCC Testing at Peterson -- March 13th to March 23rd
- Awareness March by 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders -- March 14
- CIWP Meeting -- 4:00pm to 5:00pm
- Peterson Local School Council Meeting -- March 14th, 6pm to 7pm
- AfterHours Session 2 Ends -- March 15th
- Introduction to Science Fair for Students and Parents in 5th-8th -- March 15th
- Ms. Sanchez Taking 17 8th Graders to Invention Convention -- March 16th
- 6th Grade Dance -- March 16th, 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

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## Congratulations Panthers!

Congratulations to our Network 1 Conference Champion 5th and 6th grade girls and 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams! The boys team will move on to the Regional Basketball Tournament at Clemente High School tomorrow March 10th at 11:00 am. Should the boys win they will play in round two at 2pm and round three at 4pm. Good luck Panthers!

## Preschool Applications

Applications for the 2018-2019 school year will open this spring for children who will be 3 or 4 on September 1, 2018. Please visit [chicagocarlylearning.org/connect](http://chicagocarlylearning.org/connect) for more information.

## Peterson PAC presents...



## Social Emotional-Learning SELebration Night

Addressing the needs of the whole child



**Who:** All Peterson Families  
**What:** Learn about how Peterson meets kids' emotional needs and learn more about other agencies and resources  
**Where:** Peterson Cafeteria  
**When:** Thursday, March 22nd from 5:15 - 7:00 p.m.  
**Why:** To understand the curriculum and services at Peterson & how to support your students' needs

Enjoy a free dinner and door prizes! Spanish and Arabic translation will be provided. Attend break-out session and a resource fair with information about community organizations including Asian Human Services, Tuesday's Child, & more.

Sessions will include: Child & Adolescent Mental Health & When to Seek Professional Help (with The Kedzie Center); Art Therapy (with Mosaic Therapy); Positive Discipline (with SEL Chicago); An Overview of SEL with Primary Grades; and An Overview of SEL for Middle Schoolers with the Mentor Program at Peterson.

Children are welcome to join their parents at the event - *Inside Out* will be screened for children ages 5 & older. Kids are welcome to dress up as their favorite *Inside Out* character to participate in a costume contest. Please RSVP to [petersonpac1@gmail.com](mailto:petersonpac1@gmail.com) for free childcare for children younger than 5.

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