

Providing child care since 1930



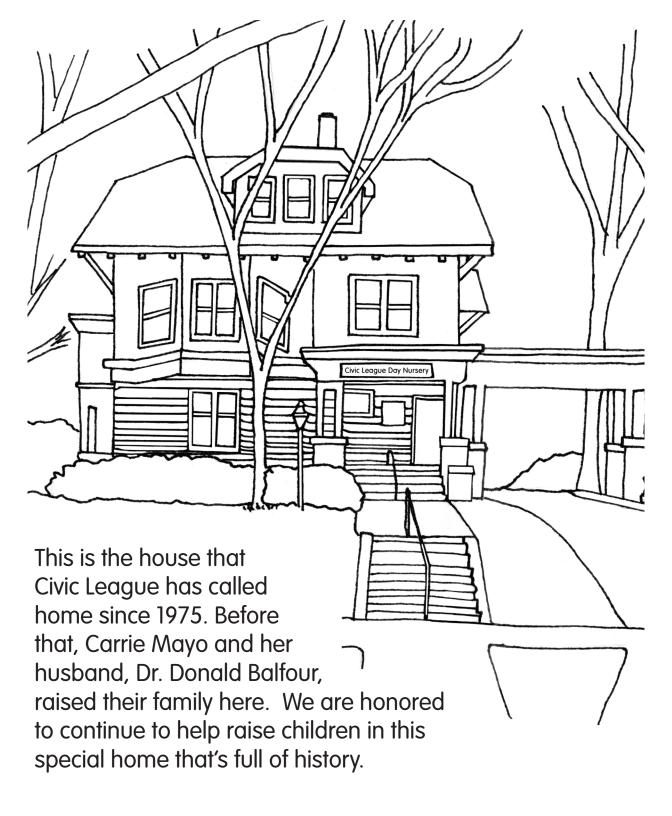
Caring and nurturing our community's children for over 85 years

Civic League Day Nursery has a long and rich history in Rochester, just like the historic Balfour House.

In 1930, the Women's Civic League, Inc. began caring for children of working mothers to fulfill an unmet need in the community. Civic League Day Nursery continues to care for children more than 85 years later.

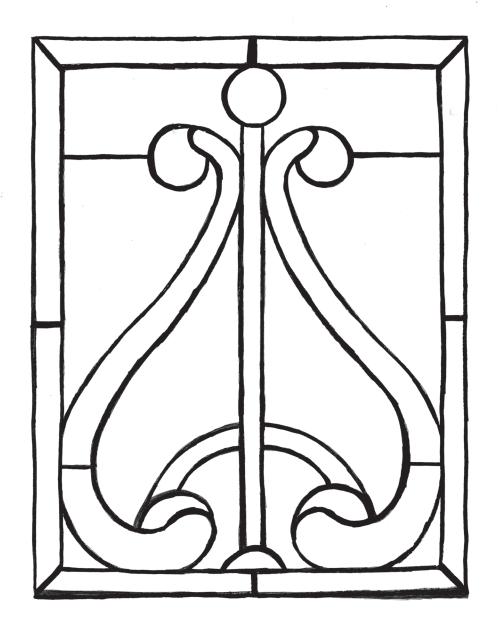
Our mission is to provide a safe and nurturing environment while promoting the physical, social, emotional and intellectual development of young children of all cultural and economic backgrounds. Our teachers encourage kids to learn by doing and to become enthusiastic learners in the classroom or in the play yard.

We are proud of our teachers, staff, home and most importantly, the children we have helped to grow and nurture over the years.





The children of Civic League know this as the "Muscle room." The Balfour family called it the music room. It is also named in honor of a former executive director, Joan Storm Gravett. Even though it has a lot of names, the room remains a gathering place and play area.



This is a lyre. It is a musical instrument like a small harp. There are stained glass windows of lyres all around the first floor of the home. The Balfour family was known for their love of music and entertaining.



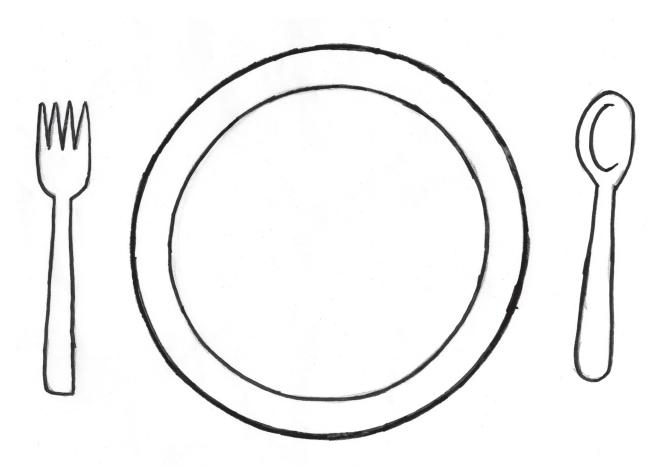


In the basement, the toddlers gather around the same hearth that the Balfour children did when it was their playroom. These pictures of Mother Goose surround the fireplace.

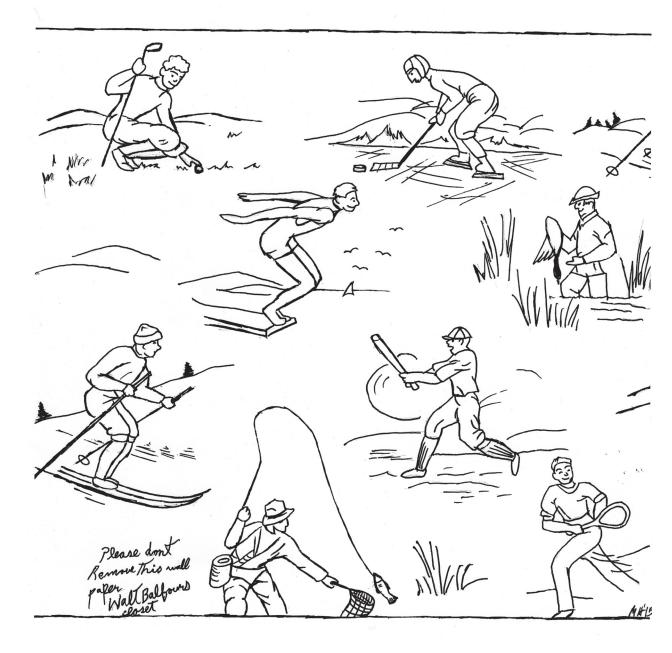
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My favorite meal at Civic League is...



Children at Civic League gather around the table for breakfast, lunch and snack. At lunch they sing this song. Some Civic League families even sing this in their own homes.



Walter Balfour left this note in his closet when he moved out of the home with his family in 1960. When Walter comes back to visit he always checks to make sure the wallpaper is still there.



To learn more about Civic League Day Nursery or to join the waitlist, please visit us at: **cldnmn.org**

To schedule a visit, call us: **(507) 282-5368**

Civic League Day Nursery is a nonprofit childcare and daycare center located in downtown Rochester, Minn.



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