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EDU-PRIZE PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Dr. McCamman's Corner



Congratulations to **Megan Rand, our Junior High Social Studies teacher**, for being selected as the Oct. 2009 Silver Apple Award recipient. There are only 8 teachers in the valley each year selected for this very prestigious award. **Mrs. Rand** was nominated by her student **Alyssa Huguenard**. In her application **Alyssa** said, "**Mrs. Rand** believes that every student has a right to be involved in leadership. She encourages me to be active in my community." We have known for years that **Mrs. Rand** is a shining star but it is thrilling to have her recognized throughout the metro Phoenix area.



CANNED FOOD DRIVE

It's that time of year again! Edu-Prize is beginning the annual Food Drive! We are asking our Edu-Prize families to help out those in need by donating canned goods. All donations go to the United Food Bank who uses our donations to supply families not only for the holiday season, but for the entire year. Collected canned goods help over 235 agencies! Please send canned food items to your child's classroom teacher. The Food Drive will run from October 20th until November 20th. Thank you for your generosity!



IMPORTANT DATES

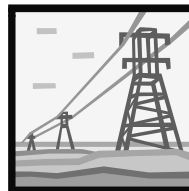
- November 11
~ Veterans Day
School Holiday
- November 12
~ SRP Meeting
- November 18 - 24
~ Parent Conferences
- November 25
~ Early Release
All Schedules
- November 26 & 27
~ Thanksgiving Break
School Holidays

HOLIDAY STAR



As has become a tradition at Edu-Prize, we will once again be participating in the Holiday Star program this year. However, it will look a little different and we will be assisting a different organization. This year we will be helping the House of Refuge which is a transitional housing program that is located at the old Williams Field Air Force Base on Power and Williams Field Roads. This is a program that is designed to assist families that have been homeless by providing them a hand up not a hand out. We are working with the director to clearly define the program and you should be getting details in the next couple of weeks.

SRP TO MEET WITH FAMILIES AND STAFF



Edu-Prize has been granted an opportunity to meet with the SRP Board Facilities Committee to express our concerns regarding the electrical substation proposed to be built next to our school. We are encouraging all interested parents to attend this meeting.

What? When? Where?

**Edu-Prize and SRP Board
Facilities Committee Meeting**

Thurs., Nov. 12th at 9:30 am

**SRP Corporate Headquarters
1521 N. Project Drive, Tempe**

Please notify Dr. Duncan at ext.162 if you plan to attend.

WHERE'S MY LUNCH?



The number of children forgetting their lunches is on the rise. The aides have noticed that we have an increasing number of children who are reluctant to tell anyone that their lunch has not made it all the way to school with them. We all know how much better we feel (and learn) when we are not dealing with a hungry tummy, so please remind your child to tell an adult as soon as they realize that they don't have a lunch.