



Deer Valley Unified School District No. 97

School News

SIERRA VERDE SCHOOL

CHAMPION'S CHATLINE

NEWS FROM SIERRA VERDE SCHOOL & PTSA

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2007

From the School

Staff Development on Half Days

As you know, students had a ½ day of school on Wednesday, November 7th. These ½ days give our teachers valuable time to attend staff development meetings and further their professional learning. This directly impacts students in the classroom. Teachers learn new teaching strategies (like Thinking Maps) and collaborate with other staff on campus.

On November 7th teachers worked in grade level groups to discuss the implementation of Thinking Maps into grade level content, discussed the implementation of intervention plans and progress monitoring, and reviewed district policies.

Thank you for supporting Sierra Verde's finest..our teachers!

Mix It Up At Lunch on November 13th, 2007

Last year, an estimated four million students in 10,000 schools participated in Mix It Up At Lunch Day. This year, Sierra Verde students, in grades 1st-8th, will be part of this national event! Students will interact with different peers during lunch. Be sure to speak with your student after this day to discuss the impact of taking a new seat in the cafeteria, meeting new people, and making new friends.

REMEMBER

Cookie Dough Pick-up

Friday, November 16th
Multi Purpose Room
from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
No refrigeration available.

Please be there or send a representative to pick up your order.

****We still need volunteers to help distribute the dough****
If you can help, Please contact Mrs. Granger at 623-376-4813."

School Information

School Website: <http://sierraverde.dvusd.org>
District Website: www.dvusd.org
Sierra Verde PTSA Website: www.sierraverdeptsa.org
Character Counts Website: www.azcharacterfoundation.org
School Attendance Line: 623-376-4890 (available 24 /7)
Safe Schools Hot Line: 623-376-3262
Sierra Verde's Evacuation Site: Christ's Church of the Valley
7007 West Happy Valley Road

MOVIE ON THE LAWN

Friday, November 9th 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Presenting Disney's

'Ratatouille'



****ADMISSION****

2 cans of food per person

****All Students Must be accompanied by a parent!****

Concessions Available

Soda 75¢

Candy 75¢

Chips 50¢

Jamba Juice

\$3.00

Support our School,
Student Council &
St. Mary's Food Bank



Attention 8th grade students and parents

Mark your calendars!

"Future Freshman" Night
is January 10th, 2008,
at Mountain Ridge High School
from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

For Your Calendar

NOVEMBER 8th - NOVEMBER 16th

- Thursday (8th), Bank Day at lunch
- Friday (9th), Movie on the Lawn, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. (see advertisement)
- Monday (12th), No School, Veterans Day
- Tuesday (13th), 2007 National Mix It Up at Lunch Day
- Friday (16th), Cookie Dough Pick-up, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m., MPR (see article)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 22nd - 23rd, No School, Thanksgiving Recess
- November 28th, General PTSA Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

2007 - 2008 Spirit Line Announced

Congratulations to the following girls who made the 2007-2008 Spirit Line!



Lauren Fore-Aldrete 8 (captain)
Ashlyn Laird 8
Chelsea Howell 8
Dominica Maznio 8
Garima Khanal 8
Jordan Hudson 8
Karlie Law 8
Kelly Cash 8
Marisa Silva 7
Megan Engler 7
Paulina Fox 8
Sarah Turner 7
Tatum Clarke 7
Tatum McKissack 8
Tracy Holst 8

From the Cafeteria

GOBBLE, GOBBLE, GOBBLE

You are cordially invited to have lunch with your child or grandchild for the Holiday Meal.

WHEN: Friday November 16, 2007

WHERE: Sierra Verde Cafeteria

TIME: Your child's designated lunch

COST: \$2.50 (includes a drink)



No need to RSVP – See you there!



**December 7th through December 11th
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Sierra Verde Library Media Center**

Students will have the opportunity to do their Holiday shopping for moms, dads, grandparents, brothers, sisters, & friends at school. Most items are in the \$1.00 to \$5.00 price range with nothing more than \$20.00. Each class will come shopping and students can come on a pass during the day. Watch for additional information to come home.

Shop with your children at the special "Santa Shop" on Saturday, Dec. 8th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

***We need volunteers Elves, Santa & Mrs. Santa to help during the Santa Shop & during the school days.**

If you are interested in helping, please contact:

**Vernita Granger 623-376-4813
e-mail- Vernita.Granger@sv.dvusd.org**

From the District

Meet Your School Board

The Deer Valley Unified School District would like to invite parents and community members to meet the School Board members during American Education Week on Saturday, **November 17th from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.** at various locations throughout the district.

Please stop by and discuss the important education initiatives going on at your neighborhood school, share your ideas and suggestions for improvement, and have face-to-face conversations with your elected representatives. For more information, call Sandi Hicks, 623-445-5010.

Christy Agosta Starbucks at Pinnacle Peak & 39th Avenue
Ron Bayer Starbucks at Happy Valley & I-17
Inside Barnes & Noble
Tom Boone Starbucks at 67th Ave. & Beardsley
Safeway Shopping Center
Michael Gregoire Starbucks on Anthem Way
Bill Maas Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf,
*59th Ave & Loop 101
North Side, West Corner*



**Thanks for the success
of our Breeze Freeze Frozen Drinks
We will resume sales
this spring!**



Social and Auction a Huge Success!

The Ice Cream Social and Silent Auction was a huge success – almost \$5000 was raised with over \$1700 going back to the teachers who donated baskets. We will let you know the final numbers next week. Thank you to all of the parents and teachers who donated items for the class baskets – they were amazing!

A BIG thank you to the Auction Committee who made this event possible and those who helped the night of the event – Alice Birch and her family, Leigh Cihlar, Carey Crabbs, Michelle Duke, Heather Haak, Chris Liera, Deena Reynolds, Tara Lewis, Vita Tromba, Kim Stillwell, Barb Willis, Karyn and Dan Herrera, Nicole Dzobo and Nadine Zimmerman. Thank you, also to the **MANY** teachers and staff who helped the night of the event.

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