# Riggs Elementary PTO Newsletter

October/November 2011

# EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT! RIGGS ROADRUNNERS ARE READING ROCK STARS!

Our Fourth Annual Read a Thon was bigger and better than ever! Our school had 45% of the students participate, reading a total of 158,173 minutes, and pledging a total of \$13,413! It started with a very successful kick off at Barnes & Noble earning Riggs a whopping \$650! We were also fortunate enough to have the privilege of selling the Mark My Time bookmarks earning an additional \$400.

Total earnings for this year's Riggs Read a Thon reached a remarkable amount of \$14,463!!!These funds will help support our family movie nights, provide teacher grants, as well as fund class field trips! Thank you for all of your support!

#### The Grade Level Winners for the Most Minutes Read:

K - Ms. Hunot with 2065 & Mrs. Lake with 2037

1<sup>st</sup>- Mrs. Rotert with 3291

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs. Lee with 5355.5

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs. Nally with 5058

CATS - Mrs. Mowery with 10,264

4<sup>th</sup> - Mrs. Larson with 15,452

5<sup>th</sup> - Mrs. From with 11,524

6<sup>th</sup> - Mrs. Oerter with 10.738

## Our Reading Rock Star Limo Ride to Sonic Winners:

K - Katherine Giang read 550 minutes!

1<sup>st</sup> - Victoria Fan read 1220 minutes!

2<sup>nd</sup> - Alyssa Yee read 1554 minutes!

3<sup>rd</sup> - Brenden Godfrey read 2700 minutes!

4<sup>th</sup> - Jaden Cole read 2700 minutes!

4<sup>th</sup> - **Dylan Joseph** read 2700 minutes!

5<sup>th</sup> - Lauren Hase read 2700 minutes!

6<sup>th</sup> - Caitlin Personale read 2700 minutes!

Congratulations to our Star Readers! This special honor is reserved for those students who read the most minutes and raised the most money at their grade level!

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. LARSON!** She is the recipient of the trophy for the class with the most minutes read!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. ACHILLES!** She is the recipient of the trophy for the class with the most money earned!

This year we added a new prize category: A brand new Nook for those readers who read 500 or more minutes. This year's winners are: K-3: Maila Coles and 4-6: Sheridan Shigo. Congratulations Ladies!

Our prize winners from grades K-3 are Justin Hattaway, Logan Swinehart, David DeMarco, Michael Giordano, Emma Dodd, Averie Irons, Alex Police, Jackson Hunsaker, Lauren Purser, Madison Euper, Catelynn Barten, and Carson McDaniels.

Our winners from grades 4-6 are Jake Eaker, Kaden Brown, Brady Alexander, Ashlynn Messer, Amber Jones, Lauren Schneider, Joe Angstead, Kalie Llewellyn, Weslie McBride, Chase DiQuattro, Alex Nejman, Makayla Ritchie, and Carsyn Welch.

Congratulations to all our winners! Their prizes included passes to numerous places including Young Chef's Academy, Xtreme Jump n Skate, Skateland, Airwerx, Paint Time Pottery, Harkins Movie Theatres, Brunswick Bowling, Bounce U, and more!

A big thank you to the following Riggs Roadrunners for helping to make this year's Read a Thon a memorable event! Mrs. Lamar, Mrs. Weis, Mrs. Yard, Mrs. Smiley, Mrs. Mowery, Mrs. Hegebush, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Rotert, Mrs. Bostaph, Ms. Freed, Mr. Pope, Mrs. Mesquita, Ms. Carrasco, Mrs. Nally, and of course, Mrs. Weyenberg! Thank you to Mrs. Brasel for making a special appearance at our assembly.

We would also like to thank our parent volunteers: May Yin Giang, Bridgett Greenberg, Jen Martin, Sue Paschal, Michelle Shields, Trish Euper, Julie Haller, JoLynne Welch, Pam Sampson, Rachel Villafone, Heather Wilson, Angela Zook, Michelle Sund, Beth Personale, Kim Mularski, Kristine Hase, our PTO board members and anyone else we may have missed! We could not have pulled this off without you! Last, but certainly not least, we would like to express a huge, heartfelt thank you to all the parents and teachers for supporting this event!

#### Sincerely,

Dana Cosgrove and Danielle Mychajlonka (Riggs Read A Thon Co-Chairs)



Do you have any empty Paper Towel and/or Toilet paper rolls????

Art Master Piece
needs 150 for an upcoming
art project. Hoping our
wonderful Riggs families can
help out! There will be a
bucket by the front office.
Thanks!

## Kudos to our wonderful Riggs PTO Volunteers!!!

Hard work, Commitment and Dedication!

Thanks to the "Hard Working" Duo: Dana Cosgrove & Danielle Mychajlonka for the best Read A Thon ever!

Kudos to Pam Sampson, Karee Laux, Rita Suddreth, & Kristine Hase for helping with the School & PTO Newsletters in September.

A special thank you to Candace Grant for organizing the fantastic Polar Ice Event. Also, Barb Kussy, Candace Bejerano & the Dad's Club for the super cool Ice Cream Social.

Saving the best for last! Thanks to everyone who turned out at the School Cents Kids Day at San Tan Village! A sweet thanks to Polka Dots & Popsicles for their awesome discount that day!

# **Upcoming Dates:**

## "October

||3<sup>rd</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>: Fall Break ||19<sup>th</sup>: Students Return

||20<sup>th</sup>: Restaurant Night: Panda Express || (San Tan Location in front of Walmart)

||20<sup>th</sup>: Cookie Dough PTO Fundraiser (through Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>)

||24<sup>th</sup>: Red Ribbon Week ||26<sup>th</sup>: Picture Retakes ||28<sup>th</sup>: All School Picture

### November

3<sup>rd</sup>: Fresh & Easy Night from 4-8 pm

7<sup>th</sup>: Gingerbread Threads (through Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>)

11<sup>th</sup>:No School - Veterans Day

14-18<sup>th</sup>: A+ Book Fair (Late Night Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>)

18<sup>th</sup>: Donuts for Dad

21st: Restaurant Night: Someburros 9am - 10 pm

24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)



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