

***STONE RIDGE ELEMENTARY  
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT  
DECEMBER 2007***

**THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER ARE BUSY MONTHS FOR US. THE HOLIDAYS ARE FULL OF ACTIVITIES. THERE ARE MORE EVENTS THAN ANY ONE PERSON CAN ACCOMPLISH. IT IS A WONDERFULLY BUSY TIME OF YEAR.**

***EVENTS DURING NOVEMBER  
AND DECEMBER***

- ON NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, MRS. CRAIG AND I RODE HORSES TO SCHOOL TO SUPPORT THE CENTENNIAL READING CHALLENGE.**
- ON NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, JON CARY, ONE OF OUR PARENTS PRESENTED OUR TRIBUTE TO VETERANS. HE WAS INSPIRING AND FUNNY AS HE TALKED OF THE MILITARY'S CORE VALUES AND HIS FAMILY.**
- ON NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, WE HAD NATIVE AMERICAN FANCY DANCERS PERFORM AND TEACH US OF OUR NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE.**
- DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, WE CELEBRATED FREEDOM WEEK BY RECITING PARTS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE FROM THIRD GRADE THROUGH FIFTH GRADE. EVERY CLASS STUDIED THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE DURING THE WEEK. IT WAS**

**CULMINATED BY AN EXCELLENT RECITATION DURING WILDCAT WAKEUP BY A FOURTH GRADE CLASSROOM.**

- DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, WE CONDUCTED PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES WITH AN ALMOST 100% ATTENDANCE OF ALL PARENTS. THE PARENTS WHO DID NOT ATTEND, TEACHERS CONTACTED BY TELEPHONE.**
- DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, THE LIBRARY CONDUCTED OUR BOOK FAIR.**
- DURING NOVEMBER, WE CONDUCTED ARTIST IN RESIDENCE FOR KINDERGARTEN AND FOURTH GRADE.**
- ON NOVEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>, WE CONDUCTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO ALIGN OUR CURRICULUM VERTICALLY AND HORIZONTALLY. THIS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HAS BEEN PIVOTAL FOR OUR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES.**
- DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, WE HELD THE CHRISTMAS STORE WITH OVER \$8,000 OF PURCHASED GIFTS BY STUDENTS FOR THEIR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.**
- ON NOVEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> WE HAD ROPERS FROM EL RENO. THIS FAMILY OF ROPERS EXHIBITED THE ART OF USING LARIATS. THE ROPERS RANGED FROM THE AGE OF A 2 YEAR OLD TO AN 87 YEAR OLD GRANDMOTHER OF THE GROUP. THEY TAUGHT SEVERAL OF US TO USE A LARIAT INCLUDING MRS. DALE. WHAT A TREAT! THIS WAS PROVIDED BY MRS. CRAIG AS A**

**READING INCENTIVE DURING OUR  
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.**

- **ON NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> WE HELD EL CHICO NIGHT. WE RAISED \$400 FOR LEVELED READERS TO BE USED IN KINDERGARTEN. MRS. BIXLER'S CLASSROOM WON THE FREE LUNCH AT EL CHICO'S.**
- **DURING THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, WE HAVE HELD A FUND RAISER FOR JORDAN HASLEY'S FAMILY...HATS ON WEEK. STUDENTS HAVE PAID \$1 TO WEAR HATS EACH DAY; TEACHERS HAVE PAID \$5 TO WEAR JEANS EACH DAY. IT HAS BEEN SO MUCH FUN, WE ARE EXTENDING IT UNTIL DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>.**
- **ON DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, HONOR CHOIR KICKS OFF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH THEIR ANNUAL CONCERT.**
- **ON DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, KINDERGARTEN TRAINED AS A PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITY LEARNING FROM EACH OTHER AND MRS. BUTLER.**
- **ON DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>, FACTS MASTERS CULMINATES ITS SUCCESS BY 72 STUDENTS WHO HAVE QUALIFIED FOR MINI FACTS MASTER OR FACTS MASTERS ATTENDING THE FIELD TRIP AT HARKINS THEATER.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN  
DECEMBER**

- **DURING THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, WEST WING IS COLLECTING ITEMS FOR PIEDMONT SERVICE CENTER. EAST WING IS COLLECTING TOYS FOR SANTA.**

- **ON DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> STONE RIDGE STAFF WILL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT THE OLIVE GARDEN AT 4:30 P.M.**
- **ON DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, TEACHER OF THE YEAR FOR OUR DISTRICT WILL BE ANNOUNCED.**
- **ON DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE RECOGNITION SERVICE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL FOR TEACHERS AND STUDENTS WHO HAVE RECEIVED STATE OR NATIONAL RECOGNITION.**
- **ON DECEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> WE WILL HAVE EL CHICO NIGHT. THE MONEY RAISED WILL GO TO THE KINDERGARTEN TO BUY LEVELED READERS.**
- **ON DECEMBER THE 18<sup>TH</sup> THE PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY WILL BE SERVING WITH MRS. DALE THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL. THE PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY WILL BE TAKING PART IN OFFICIAL PRINCIPAL DUTIES. SHE WILL ESPECIALLY LIKE TASTING ALL THE FOOD AT EACH CLASS PARTY.**
- **ON DECEMBER THE 19<sup>TH</sup> STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED AT 3:10 P.M. FOR WINTER BREAK.**