



# THE BLAZER

JANUARY 23, 2009

One School

One Staff

One Goal

*"To make all students the best they can be."*

## SUSD NEWS

**Become a School Fusion Parent!** Did you know that you can have your own account? Why would you want one? With a parent account, you have your own user name and password. You can see all your students from one login screen. You can sign up for daily activity emails or RSS Feeds for each of your students in one message. You can have your own digital document locker, available from any computer. Sound interesting? On the school web page, look under the "Parents/Community" drop down menu, and follow the New Parent Registration directions. Remember-a parent PASSCODE is NOT the same as the student PASSWORD. Follow the directions to find your PASSCODE; and, to add additional student links.

## GRAND CANYON TREKKERS



We are happy to announce the return of Grand Canyon Trekkers to Copper Ridge. This great program is brought to us by Scottsdale Healthcare but will be run by our parent volunteers. Grand Canyon Trekkers is a lunchtime walking club for children in K-5. It takes place during lunch recess on a 1/4 mile track around the playground; it will take place on Tuesday and Thursdays starting next week through April 16. There are some great incentives and prizes that are offered, including AZ on the Rocks certificates and a hike at the Grand Canyon. The Top Teacher Trekker can even win a Massage Envy certificate! Please encourage your children to participate and lead an active lifestyle! If parents are looking to volunteering this fun environment, please contact Mary Vallone at [maryvallone@mac.com](mailto:maryvallone@mac.com) or Renee Tosto at [rtosto@susd.org](mailto:rtosto@susd.org).

## NEXT WEEK

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 28

12:45 → EARLY RELEASE  
ALL LEVELS

THURSDAY, JAN. 29

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

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Copy for *The Blazer* is due by 4PM on Tuesday each week. E-mail to: [newsletter@copperidgepto.org](mailto:newsletter@copperidgepto.org)

Check out the PTO website at [www.copperidgepto.org](http://www.copperidgepto.org)

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## **SPI INTRODUCES AN AFTER-SCHOOL STUDY SKILLS PROGRAM For Middle and High School Students**

Be better prepared for AIMS testing, prepare for college entrance exams, and get better grades!! Learn life-long organizational skills! Feel Successful!

Since we have received so many requests from parents for additional study skills programs, SPI has developed an 8-week after-school program. The eight week program entails lessons and activities on the following main topics (topics may be added/changed as necessary):

- Identify students' learning styles and complete a baseline measure of current study habits
- Organize students' study environments (including organizing their own backpack)
- Prioritize all areas of students' responsibilities; learn stress management skills
- Practice skills to avoid distractions and stamp out procrastination
- Learn outlining skills through hands on activities
- Learn note taking skills through hands on activities
- Identify main topics and effectively utilize abbreviations and symbols
- Learn to use index cards and strengthen memory skills



One free make-up class/review per session!

All classes will be held at Arabian Library which is adjacent to Desert Canyon Middle School (Thompson Peak Parkway and McDowell Mountain Ranch Rd.) from 4:00- 5:30 pm.

Middle School Students grades 6-8th from 4:00- 5:30 pm. Tuesdays: 2/3; 2/10; 2/17; 2/24; 3/3; 3/10; 3/17; 3/24; 3/31 Make Up Class/Review

High School Students grades 9-12th from 4:00- 5:30 pm. Thursdays, except Tuesday 4/7. Thursday: 1/29; 2/5; 2/26; 3/5; 3/12; 3/26; 4/2; Tuesday 4/7; 4/9 Make Up Class/Review

Cost is \$120 per student. To register call Sandra Nichols at: (480) 443-3100 Ext. 225. Registration is limited and must be completed by Jan. 28, 2009. Checks made payable to Scottsdale Prevention Institute and can be sent to 8102 E. Jackrabbbit, Scottsdale 85250.

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To the parents of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students:

The Copper Ridge Yearbook staff is once again giving eighth grade parents a chance to purchase a personal ad to send their student off to high school with endearing wishes from home.

Please:

1. **Fill out the form below** (*Please Print*)
2. **Give us a copy of your child's baby picture** (*We will try to return but please understand no guarantee of return*)
3. **Send a check or cash for \$30 made out to Copper Ridge Yearbook**

Enclose all in the attached envelope.



Hurry, get yours turned in today.

Space is limited and the spots will be filled first-come-first-served.

Sale closes on January 31st.

**Student Name:**

**Student Homeroom (Period 1) Teacher**

**Message of 40 words or less:**

For yearbook staff only:

\_\_\_\_\_ Check number

\_\_\_\_\_ Date Received

## LAST CHANCE TO BUY A YEARBOOK

Parents: In the past, the PTO has ordered an additional 50 yearbooks for those who forget to buy or wait until the last minute. We will NOT be doing that this year. This year the order will be placed for the amount of books that have actually been ordered. We do not want your child to be disappointed. Please order your book by the January 31st deadline! Thank you.

## HELP MAKE SCOTTSDALE THE FITTEST CITY



The Scottsdale Unified School District has partnered with Scottsdale Health Care, and the City of Scottsdale to become part of the movement to transform Scottsdale into the fittest city in America. SUSD is committed to providing school environments that promote and protect student's health, well-being, and the ability to learn by supporting healthy eating and physical activity. The Kickoff takes place in Downtown Scottsdale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24th. Visit [www.FitCityScottsdale.org](http://www.FitCityScottsdale.org) for all the details or call us at (480) 312-2771. Let's get fit Scottsdale!!

Here's the schedule of events for that day:

- \*A celebration of Wellness and Health in Scottsdale
- \*Actiped Walking Program Registration
- \*Youth Sports Slam
- \*Fire Dept. Obstacle Course
- \*Free Immunizations to 1<sup>st</sup> 100 children
- \*Great Wellness Chase
- \*Cooking Demonstrations
- \*Bicycle Ride
- \*Dance, Gymnastics, and Martial Art Demonstrations
- \*Walking, Running and Cycling information
- \*Hiking and Wildlife information
- \*Health, Wellness and fitness booths and activities
- \*Restaurant Specials

## Copper Ridge School 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament and Auction Getaway Cruise to Fantasy

**Come Aboard....We're Expecting You!**

"Getaway" from it all on March 2<sup>nd</sup>! Send in your Golf Registration and RSVP for the Auction Dinner! **Prices increase in two weeks!**

Can't find your response card? Go to [www.copperridgepto.org](http://www.copperridgepto.org) under forms and look under Registration. We are still looking for golfers and sponsors! Sponsors get visibility to 120+ amateur and 2+ professional golfers, in addition to exposure to 200+ dinner guests! The donation includes a tee sign and dinner tickets. Please call Deb Sklar if you are interested in becoming a sponsor or just golfing for the day! [dsklar@cox.net](mailto:dsklar@cox.net) or 480-214-3192.

Keep those fun donations coming! Donation forms and letters can be found on the PTO website and the front office. Grab some and take them to the local places you frequent. Great advertising for new businesses! If you are interested in donating/hosting a themed party (mentioned in the last Blazer) email Kristin Lassetter, [lassfam@hotmail.com](mailto:lassfam@hotmail.com) or 480-515-1428. Can't attend the auction and wish to help? Find donors!

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!**

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