



The Chiricahuas Trip of March/April 04

By Tana Jay

Just before spring break the school was rather lonely due to the absence of Ed and Ceal and the group of Junior High and High School kids they took to The South Western Research Station. The research station is in the Chiricahuas. Ed has taken kids there in past years and decided to offer it again. They were there for 4 days and 3 nights, including the drive. Much of their time was spent looking for big juicy ants, ripe for eating!

They were working with an entomologist who was looking for the queen of the honey pot ants. The 'bug' guy, Ray Mendez, is from New York and he moved to the Chiricahuas and lives near the research station where he designs and builds installations for museums and zoos. At his studio the kids saw a naked mole rat colony and a model of a calf the oozes blood! The model will be used in a vampire bat exhibit at a zoo.

During the course of the trip they also went to a cemetery, climbed to see petroglyphs, tasted replete honey pot ants, and saw a trogon.

The kids seemed to come back with great stories and fun experiences from the trip. Everyone missed them and enjoyed their return. Hopefully this trip will continue to happen in the coming years. It's a very fun place to go.

Digging for the queen ant at the Southwest Research Station; checking out The Thing on the way.

Recording The New Band CD!!! By Brian Dahl

Last Tuesday, the Kino Band and singers went to Allusion Studio to record a cd. There was only one problem - Joe (the bands drummer) was out of town. Luckily the Allusion Studio engineer, named Jim, drummed for those songs they did at the studio. Also Chris H. and Ed went again to the studio on Wednesday to record Ed playing accordion.

The cd will include songs that were performed at the spring and fall concerts and recorded at the studio. The younger students will also be recording for the cd, but at Kino.

The cd should be available May 18th at the Kino general meeting.* The cost of the cd is \$15. You also can pre-order the cd with Mary Ann or Sandy and if you want a lot of orders of the cd you need to pre order.

YARD SALE IS TOMORROW!!!

Once again the Kino Cafeteria is full of people's donations. It's April, almost time for the second Kino yard sale of the year. This year there will be a huge bake sale...for eating, and juice, coffee, soda, and water for drinking. It's always fun and a good way to join the Kino community together and raise money for the school. Bring yourself, family and friends and help out and shop and eat the yummy food.



* And what, you may ask, is the Kino General meeting? As a nonprofit corporation, we have an annual meeting for all members of the corporation. At Kino, this means the families of students and school employees. While there's no particular business planned so far for the meeting, there will be project sharing, a chance to get together and talk to teachers and each other, possible a slide show, and the chance to get your copy of Kino's second CD!

Kino Students Rush to Finish Before Their Time Is Up

by Maya Ella Rose

There's only 5 more weeks left of school and while several students are counting down the days to summer vacation with joy, others are frantically trying to tie up loose ends, so to speak. In order to go on to the next year of school, students of all ages are working to meet class requirements, community service hours, reflections, looking forward and looking back essays, and personal projects. The last few weeks of school are quite possibly the busiest of the year. Students were mostly happy to report about the situation:

"I need to finish my mission statement, autobiography, and 10,00 words for rigorous writing class," said Leta, age 16. Andrew D, age 15, needs to work hard on "Basically everything." Shane, age 17, plans to "Finish book reports and pester David!" Eleven year old Sam H is trying to get "Twelve hours of community service and a beading project" done. "The yearbook isn't finished yet," said Kristina, age 16. Erica, age 12, is going to work hard on getting her "Math done with Chris [S]."

"I have to finish a variety of calligraphy and water color projects," said Christina, age 16. Tyler, age 13, is trying to get his looking forward essay done. Paige and Diego are working on "A basil plant project and a dance with Marielena," said Diego, age 5. "All of our parents are coming to watch us!" said Paige, age 4. "I have to do my looking forward and looking back essays, and finish up a hanging wooden TV stand that I've been making in shop," said Netito, age 16.

Tess, age 13, is looking for a way to get "Seven hours of community service." Four year old Max says he's "Going to homeroom every day, going to do math projects, go to Nancy's, meet with fuzzies, eeh I ay." Brian, age 18, is finishing up his senior project of writing articles for the press. "I need to write my looking forward essay," said Clare H, age 13. Raphaela, age 19, needs to test people for her senior project, "A research paper testing the validity of the Enneagram, which is a theory of personality types."

News From the Board Meeting/Planning for Next Year:

We got a lot of important things done at the board meeting this week: We officially rehired David, Mary Jane, and Mary Ann to be the school administrators for the next year; We approved the budget for the upcoming school year; and We elected two new board members - Laura Berry, Elliott's mother, and Carrie Tucker, Ben and Claire's mother.

Now that the budget has been approved, we can start re-enrollment for next year. You can expect to receive registration materials in the mail sometime next week. We give returning students first dibs, of course, but please let us know your plans, since we have a waiting list of new students who are also interested in registering.

Summer Plans By Ariel



Guess what David Anderson is doing this summer?! Going to an institute at the U of A that is funded and sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities. He's received a grant to study John Milton's Paradise Lost, an epic poem written in the 17th century. They're not only talking about the poem, but 17th century England, and its historical context. The course will last 5 weeks. David says "It sounds like a lot of fun to me, and next fall we can all read John Milton!"

What's happening at Skrappy's Tonight??

Netito's band, Adam's Apple, is playing their first gig at Skrappy's tonight at 7:00 p.m. They are the first band playing so if you only want to see them, it will be from 7:00 to 7:30 because each band gets a half hour to play. Skrappy's is right next to the Realto and the grey hound bus station down town. It's only 5 dollars to get in and it's all ages so please come support them and enjoy local bands music!!!

Snacks:

Monday: oatmeal and fruit

Tuesday: nuts and seeds

Wednesday: cinnamon raisin pancakes

Thursday: air-popped popcorn

Friday: fruit

(All snacks served with milk or juice)