

## Senior Profile: Christina Lynch

Christina Lynch is a Kino graduate this year. She has always been remembered for her exuberance and energy. She is 4'10" tall, making her the smallest Kino graduate in 2006. Christina was born November 7, 1987, in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Shortly afterwards, she moved to Silverspring, Maryland. Christina says about her childhood: "I was the same height I am now."

When Christina was in her early teens, her mother transferred to the Puerto Rico branch of the Department of Agriculture. "Hanging out in the rainforest was amazing. No monkeys, sorry. But there were lots of birds."

It was in 2003 that Christina came to Kino. Her first impression of Kino was that, "It was great! More relaxed and the teachers were willing to move at my pace." Christina's PR manager for this interview (that is, Elizabeth, who was sitting nearby making sure that Christina did justice to herself), added: "Kino is a more compatible, humane environment than most other schools. Her learning and self-expression have flourished." Christina says, "It's wonderful that I've been able to study what I'm interested in." Her PR manager added, "Kino has expanded her entire being."

Christina's senior project will be a collection of watercolor and ink art. She describes her art as impressionistic fantasy. She says she hopes this project will further her drawing and creative abilities. She has only one more drawing to complete.

"After graduation, I want to go to Pima for a year and then apply to The Evergreen State College, where I have high hopes for my future. I would like to focus on developing my writing capabilities in college."

When asked to recall her fondest memories of Kino, Christina simply said, "I will always remember all the time I've spent with my friends and buddies (like Jonathan who awes me with his presence.)"

Christina is not only an amazing artist by paper and pencil/pen standards, but she also has a gift with the art of writing. I remember reading 2 quotes that were written in her Language Mechanics folder that struck me with their beauty. I asked her who had written them. When she replied with 'I did.' I was impressed. I had had no idea she was a poet as well. --  
Ariel P



### Some quotes about Christina:

"She's little," said an unknown correspondent.

"She's firey and fiesty," said another. Jen says, "She is very passionate about the things she is interested in."

Tana says, "She's bubbly and cute and I call her Tinex. She gave me a little bear; it's called Tinex."

"She's a really great person, very kind and creative," said Elizabeth.

## Shopping At Mary Lou's Store

Mary Lou has been unable to be at school for the past two weeks due to health problems. She is eager to be back as soon as possible, so we hope to see her before the school year is over.

Meanwhile, Julie and Shawn, Hannah's mother, are making plans for the annual Kino store, which Mary Lou usually organizes. At the Kino store, younger students have fun taking turns shopping, using a real cash register, keeping to their budget, and making change -- that is, learning real life math and having fun at the same time.

Julie says, "Please help us get ready for the store by bringing in clean, empty, unbreakable containers for stocking the store -- things like cereal boxes, fruit juice bottles, egg cartons."

# Recent Pictures from all around



Cinco De Mayo Celebration



Charlie's Angels at the Government class' International Summit

## The Coffee House Concert...





Political commentary by Thomas O'Dell and Thomas McNiece

# Evil Invaders From Above!!!

By Gavin Campbell

[The rivetting conclusion to Gavin's investigation of the question, "What do students do outside?"]

I found Cosmo in the lunch-kitchen, Ed's home base place. "I enjoy the scenery," he said. "Actually, we don't have saguaros where I live so ... never mind, just go with the first one." Actually, I'm kind of curious as to where Cosmo lives. I thought all of Tucson was covered in cacti and other stickery plants that trick you into touching them by covering themselves with fluffy white fuzz. I also talked to Jamie. "I haven't been out there, I've been too busy with work," she told me. Finally I peered into the disco room. Thomas Odell was in there, so I walked in. Figuring that I might as well get a second quote, I asked him if he had been doing anything else on the playground. "I donno, close the door on your way out," he replied. He seemed a little peeved. Oh well, let's see how the teachers did! We have seven contestants, David, Judy, Chris, Felice, Jen, Libby, and Ed. Each contestant gave an answer to the following question, "What have kids been doing on the playground lately?" Every time a contestant's answer corresponds to a quote made by a kid in the previous portion of this article, the contestant will receive one point. The teacher with the most points wins. Ok let's see the teacher's answers!

David answered, "Running around ... walking around ... examining rocks ...". And he will receive a point for every time "walking or wandering" was mentioned. Judy answered, "I see basketball players, I see soccer players". And she will receive a point every time "soccer or basketball" is mentioned. Chris answered, "I know my son is heavily into basketball." And he will receive a point every time "basketball" is mentioned. Felice answered, "Climbing trees". And she will receive a point every time "trees" are mentioned. Jen answered, "playing soccer, and doing gymnastic type acts on the tire-swing". And she will receive a point every time "soccer, tire-swings, or gymnastic type acts" are mentioned. Libby answered; "talking, running... just being casual" And she will receive a point every time "talking or hanging out" is mentioned. Ed answered, "I see them stabbing each other with knives. I think someone out there is making a life sized guillotine." And he will receive a point every time "a mean, violent, or potentially violent action is mentioned.

Felice comes in 7th with 1 point! Libby comes in 6th with 3 points! David and Chris tie for 5th and 4th with 4 points each. Jen comes in 3rd with 5 points! And Judy and Ed tie for first with 7 points each!

By the way, there will be no funny ending to this article. Serious articles (like this one) require serious endings! Thank you for your cooperation!

## News from the Board

The Kino Board of Directors elected new officers at its last meeting. Effective after next week's meeting, the new president of the board is Saul Huerta, Diego and Alex's father. Saul has been board secretary for the past two years. Replacing Saul as secretary is JoHelen Gasky, Ben's mother. David Anderson was elected vice president. Ann Davis remains board treasurer until her three year term expires next year.

For the past five years, the president of the Kino board has been Bam Miller. Bam's son Brian graduated from Kino in 2004. While she is retiring as president, she will continue serve on the board for at least another year.

Bam has been a terrific board president. She has ably and professionally guided the board in its job of supporting the administrators and staff as they do their job of teaching our children. Bam arranged for the board to receive board training and initiated annual board retreats, contracts of understanding for members joining the board, and the annual appeal, which has enabled us to raise the money needed for the new science center, the new carpet, and this summer's bathroom facelift.

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## CALENDAR

May 18	Senior Project Sharing / General Meeting 7 pm
May 26	Graduation, 7 pm
5/31- 6/1	Parent / Student / Teacher conferences

### Congratulations Michael Whitney!

Michael (Kino '02) is graduating this month from Gonzaga University, receiving a B.A. in journalism. Hooray! You first read his work here in the Kino Connection!

### *Early Childhood Snacks- May 15 - 22*

Monday	fresh strawberries
Tuesday	watermelon
Wednesday	fruit smoothies
Thursday	pretzels and dip
Friday	yogurt and oranges

milk and juice