

THE KINO CONNECTION

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Free Money for Kino Scholarships!

Everyone recently received a letter and brochure from Kino explaining Arizona's tax credit for private school scholarships. This is a fantastically easy way to support Kino at no cost to you, because your Arizona income tax will be reduced dollar-for-dollar by the amount you donate. It's an important source of scholarship money for Kino.

This year, married couples filing jointly are allowed a credit of up to \$1,000. This is just the maximum, however. You may make a smaller donation and receive a credit for that smaller amount. Single taxpayers or couples filing separately may donate up to \$500.

To make a donation, make a check out to the Arizona Scholarship Fund and mail it to Kino by December 31. Or, if you would like to put your donation on your credit card, you can call Mary Ann here at school through December 15.

If you have more questions, you can:

Ask Diana for another copy of the brochure
Look at our website
Call Ann at 327-7528

You Can Help Us Get Free Money

Lots of people would like to take advantage of Arizona's tax credit but don't have a particular school in mind.

Please spread the word about Kino!

People can get credit both for donations to a public school and to a private school.

We have plenty of brochures at the front desk that include some information about Kino itself and explain how to make a donation. Or you can refer friends, co-workers and relatives to our website, where they can find information about the tax credit.

News Flash: Julie's homeroom is organizing a food drive. Please bring your donations to school over the next two weeks and they will deliver them to the Community Food Bank, where they are needed!



Tonight! 7 pm!

The Kino Band and Singers and Stefan George*

\$15 for a family and \$8 for an adult

***Tammie award winning guitarist and songwriter Stefan George.** "A local gem, Stefan tours both internationally and nationally: he performed at the Leverkusen (Germany) Jazz and Blues Festival in 1998; hosted the Kerrville (Texas) Folk Festival 'Blues Summit' every year since 1998; was a featured performer at the Telluride Blues and Brews festival in 1998, 2000, 2001, and was inducted into the Arizona Blues Hall of Fame in 1998." [http:// www.cdbaby.com/cd/stefangeorge](http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/stefangeorge).

The January Kino Concert will be January 5. The Kino Band and Singers will open for Grams and Krieger: "An acoustic blend of Urban Blues, Roots Rock and Country Blues, originals and unusual covers, with upright bass, guitar, slide guitar and two part harmonies." Their website is www.gramsandkrieger.com.

More music news:

Check out **Kino School Music on Myspace!** Just go to <http://www.myspace.com/kinoschoolmusic>. Or you can find a link on the home page of Kino's website.

You can hear some of the cuts from the latest CD, see pictures of performers, and get the news about upcoming performances. You can be our friend and tell us what you think!

Latest CD? What Latest CD?

Today is the official release date for **Songs 'Neath the Harvest Moon**, the fourth CD produced by the Kino Music Program. It includes songs by the Mid-level Singers, the Junior High Singers, the High School Singers, and the Band and would make a cherished gift for, say, a grandparent. Copies of the CD will be on sale at the concert tonight and at the front office. Get one while they last!

Junior high students say :

It is important to participate in homeroom because. . .

if you don't participate in homeroom, you might miss something blowing up.

you can do fun stuff like go to Mount Lemmon.

it will help you get to know other people. It will help you remember what you did that day.

I have great friends, really great friends!

they're kind of like your family.

so you will understand what's going on and to be a good role model... Homeroom is good to plan your day.

Well, I think of homeroom as a family, so that's why you need to be in your homeroom.

it teaches you to interact with different age groups.

Homeroom brings the school together.

Hansel and Gretel: Looking for a Forest and a Candy Castle

Kids have been working hard getting ready for their performance of **Hansel and Gretel**. Julie says virtually all of the Middle Level students are involved, plus some of the Primary students.

There's a lot to do to get ready for a play! Everyone is building the set—and they're getting help from Adela and A.J, too. Kids are helping each other with memorizing their lines. There are three songs to learn with Nancy, and, in math, Heather is helping them make their own patterns for their costumes.

They are looking for some help with the sets. They are collecting a forest of fake Christmas trees, so if anyone out there has one to share, we'll be done with it by December 15. Also, if anyone has decorations that look like candy, they will help transform the castle into the Witch's gingerbread house.

2007 Calendars On Sale Next Week

Have a hankering to know when the first day of school is next year? Would you find it convenient to have all the days off from school permanently marked on your calendar? Do you like beautiful photographs of lovable kids? Are you looking for a way to do some easy Holiday shopping?

Kino's 2007 calendars go on sale at the front desk next week. \$15 each!

Last month's school dance was a success! Everyone had fun and students raised \$65 which they donated to the Humane Society. Big thanks to Heather and Pollyanna for acting as chaperones!

We've been selling Entertainment Books like crazy! In addition to the sales packets that students took home, we've been having strangers come in off the street to buy them. So far, we've raised about \$900.

Home From the Homeroom Trip

Where have Kino, Taylor, Daniel, Cailin, Asha, Julia, Brendan, Jonathan, Ethan, Niki, Louis, Ben, Neill, and Felice been this past week? On a homeroom field trip to the Chiricahuas. And Louis' dad Lindsay went along with them.

Felice says the students took on the most all of the responsibilities for the trip, especially Julia, who did much of the cooking.

They spent the week hiking, bonding, cooking and cleaning, reading, playing music, having bonfires, and making lots of fires in the woodstoves, because it was *cold*. Felice says the thermometer on Thursday morning read 9° !

Now it can be told . . .

While Neill was in the Chiricahuas this week, Ed took over his homeroom. They decided it would be a nice surprise for Neill if they cut a hole in one of the shuttle walls while he was gone. Mysteriously, some people were missing from homeroom this morning and there was a large welcome back poster. Just as Neill was wondering where they were, they burst through the poster! Hooray! Ed says he will be covering the hole with plexiglass and it will be a nice large round window between the shuttle and the science area.

HOLIDAY CONCERT

We are having a Holiday Concert on Friday, December 13, from 7 to 9. This is a no-charge school concert just for the Kino community.

For the first half of the concert, the Primary and Mid-level singers will perform Hansel and Gretel

After the intermission, the band and the junior high and high school singers will be playing and singing some of their favorite songs of the season.

Johnny took the primary students out for a nature walk earlier this week to observe and enjoy the changing season. Afterwards, they drew pictures of what they saw. One of the students brought her red and yellow drawing to Mary Jane for her to admire. Mary Jane said, "This is beautiful! What is it a picture of?" The student replied, "An eye infection."