

Grand Area Mentoring / 435-260-9646

Giving Thanks to You

GrandAM mentors inspire us. Every week mentors attend sessions with new ideas, energy, and commitment. This month we saw mentors create great opportunities like:

- An interpretive hike to see dinosaur footprints
- A trip to Old City Park to roast hotdogs and marshmallows
- Halloween parties with prizes and activities
- A group picnic at Rotary Park
- Reading the Diary of a Wimpy Kid
- Paper bag puppets
- Playing "Around the World" basketball

(For more ideas, see reverse.) From you we learn what generosity really means. In this month of thanks, this newsletter is a tribute to you.

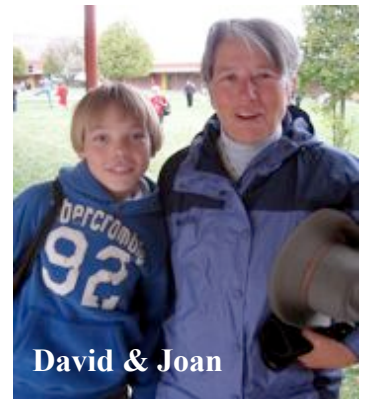
Dan & Megan



Kevin, Jim, & Sam



Emma & Wendy



David & Joan



Michele, Arian, Janet, Levi



Justeen & Sue



Danette & Anthony



Joyce & Dasia



Wendy & Kali



Boyd & Peggy

There are plenty of stories out there: What's Yours?



Make a MOVIE with your mentee!

You can learn how at a workshop with mentor and Red Rock teacher Lynn Koon.



Nov 11, 5-6PM, GrandAM Office

Lynn will cover documentary and fiction genres. Expect to walk away with knowledge about basic technical competency (camera use and management) and storytelling skills (storyboarding, shot styles, camera movement, and angles). **CALL 260-9646** to register. Space limited; walk-ins accommodated if possible.

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Idea of the Month #1: Make bird feeders.

It's simple and fun. You need:

- 1 large pinecone
- Yarn
- Peanut butter
- Birdseed



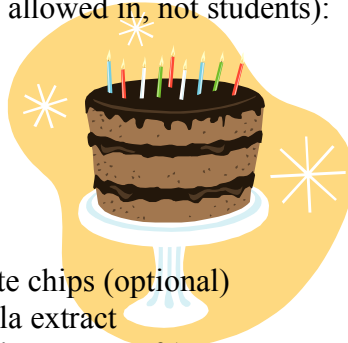
Attach the yarn to the pinecone near the top. Leave one end of the yarn free to tie to a branch. Smear the peanut butter in the pinecone's crevices. Drizzle the birdseed all over the peanut butter. Let your mentee take it home or hang the birdfeeder outside on school grounds and revisit with your mentee next week to see how hungry the birds have been. You might even get to see some birds in action!

This Month in Mentoring

- **November 6:** Grading day. Early out, K-12: NO MENTORING, unless you make special arrangements.
- **November 11:** Filmmaking workshop with Lynn Koon! Not to be missed, but has limited capacity. Beginners are welcome! Register early. See reverse for details. Held at the GrandAM Office, 5-6PM. Call 260-9646.
- **November 25:** Furlough Day. No school. NO MENTORING!
- **November 26-27:** Thanksgiving holiday. No school. NO MENTORING!

Idea of the Month #2: 5 Minute Chocolate Cake for Two. OK, this is a neat recipe that you can use for a mentoring activity and treat. What you need PER CAKE (plus a microwave, probably found in the teacher's lounge – mentors allowed in, not students):

- 4 Tablespoons flour
- 4 Tablespoons sugar
- 2 Tablespoons cocoa
- 1 Egg
- 3 Tablespoons milk
- 3 Tablespoons oil
- 3 Tablespoons chocolate chips (optional)
- A small splash of vanilla extract
- 1 Large coffee mug (microwave safe)



Add the dry ingredients to the mug. Mix well. Add the egg and mix thoroughly. Pour in the milk and oil. Mix well. Add the chocolate chips (if using) and vanilla. Mix. Microwave the mug for 3 minutes at 1000 watts. The cake will rise over the top of the mug, but don't worry. Allow to cool. Tip onto plate or eat from mug.

Yum... maybe. We never tried it.

Halloween Parties Gallery 2009

