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Montelores Family Leadership Training Institute



2013

Graduation Ceremony

Thursday, June 13, 2013

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

City Hall, Council Chambers

Cortez, Colorado

2013 Graduates & Community Projects

Tanya Brown *Parent and Community Volunteers - Get Involved!*

Parent and community volunteers can provide invaluable services throughout the school. I would like to give time back to our teachers to do what they are passionate about. Teach! My project is designed to recruit and utilize parents and members of the community in an effective way for both the volunteer and the school.

Jennifer Hay Preston *We're Listening*

How can we authentically understand the depth, the scope and nature of peer abuse, or bullying among children and youth, without asking them? This project's aim is to conduct interviews with K-12 youth from each of the four county townships to document first hand descriptions and gather THEIR ideas on how to reduce the cycle of aggression and retaliation. Once compiled, the perceptions and ideas can be evaluated for their influence on the selection process of methods to be used within the schools and communities of Montezuma County.

Julie Kogot *Helping One Orphan at a Time*

My project is a fundraiser for a non-profit organization called Marina's Kids. Marina's Kids helps orphans living in Ukraine. The money raised will afford me the opportunity to host a 15-year-old orphan girl from Ukraine. This is important to me because I was born in Ukraine and I want to give back to those that have nothing.

Mark Rand McLaughlin *Culinary Dining 101 "Epicurean Style"*

Teaching old school dining to new school families in an effort to bring back the family dinner hour. What makes you "you"? Your memories. Let them be of good people, good times and good food by making time to have dinner with those you love.

Emery Namingha *Sacred Water Jar Gardening & Farming Project*

When non-traditional foods were introduced to Native Indigenous communities, it affected not only the spiritual well-being of families and communities, but also had a tremendous negative effect on our overall health. Sacred Water Jar is a project designed to promote the concept of traditional organic farming techniques to youth from nearby Native American Reservations. The project will help teach youth to raise crops and animals with an emphasis on overall well-being of the Spirit, the connection to the land, and the relationship it provides to maintain positive health.

Kayla Dawn Paddock *Getting to Know Your Leadership Style*

My project will target Native American youth (15-21 years old) who reside on the Ute Mtn. reservation located in Towaoc, Colorado. I aim to bring together Community members from various Tribal programs to dialog what is needed to bring out positive leadership visible in the youth of the Ute tribe. I will work to establish a Youth Leadership Group to enable youth to demonstrate their style of leadership in a small group, visit with tribal council 1:1, attend tribal council meetings to listen, observe and speak up regarding their concerns as a youth with respect and professionalism.

Kelli Michelle Unrein *School to Life Success*

Truth: research and common sense leave little doubt that youth in every community need caring and consistent relationships with adults to navigate their way through their childhood. However, many youth do not have this type of adults in their life. Mentoring has long proven its effectiveness in helping kids become successful adults. This project will connect community members in the schools as mentors for at-risk youth. This will be a nine month, one hour, weekly, commitment to match youth with a school based mentor.

Li'ana Marie Wright *Don't be a Litter Bug. PICK IT UP!*

My project entails bringing awareness to our children to be stewards of our earth to help keep it beautiful and clean. Teaching our children to take the initiative to pick it up even if it wasn't theirs. Teaching them to take care of the earth not for us but for their children.



Welcome

Trish Peters, Site Coordinator

Greetings

LaShay Canaday, Colorado Family Leadership
Community Liaison

FLTI Community Projects Class of 2013

Presentation of Certificates

Matt Keefauver, Mayor Pro tem
& 2013 Facilitators

Closing Comments

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Reception at Mr. Happy's

Please join us for refreshments and networking!

