

February 2, 2007

### **Support U.S. Troops—Please Keep Giving**

To give MPA families more time to help our troops serving overseas, **Girl Scout Troop 1394 has extended the collection deadline to Thursday, February 15.** Look for our collection box in the lobby! For more information, visit [www.heartsacrossthemiles.org](http://www.heartsacrossthemiles.org) or feel free to call Lisa Bush at 303-906-3200, or email [LisaBushSellsHomes@yahoo.com](mailto:LisaBushSellsHomes@yahoo.com). Here is a list of more items that have been requested:

Coffee, Creamers, Cookies, Granola Bars, Snack Cakes, Hard Candy, Gum, Cocoa, Tea, Other Snacks, Hand Sanitizers, "Skin So Soft" (body lotion by Avon), Hand Lotion, Sunblock, Shampoo, Hair Gel, Deodorant, Other Hygiene Products (Non- Aerosol), Black or White Socks, AA and AAA Batteries

New or Gently Used -- DVDs, CDs, Games, Games for Xbox or GameCube, Recent Magazines & Paperbacks, Puzzles, All Types of Balls, Frisbees, Disposable Cameras, Paper, Pencils & Pens -- also small toys & treats for the local children are appreciated.

*Most of all, our Troops would LOVE Valentines, drawings, homemade cards and letters of support - let's open our hearts and show how much we care!*

### **Do You Have Metalworking Knowledge?? Training in Materials Engineering??**

The art program is in need of someone with "Metalworking" knowledge. The students are going to do the *work*, but we need some *advice* on what kinds of lightweight metals might function well for large art projects like mobiles. We also need someone who would be able to consult on the installation. Please contact Andrea Rollins in the Art Room.

### **Observation Days for Parents of Students Changing Levels Next Year**

Thursday was the first day for parents of kindergarteners going to first grade and third graders going to fourth grade for the 2007-08 school year to visit the classes at their child's next level. Only students moving to a new level change classrooms—all other remain in the same classroom with the same teacher. Students moving to a new level of the school are placed in new classes by the present teacher with consultation with the child's parents. Class placement is based on returning students to the class and takes into consideration balance of ages, gender, and special needs. Parents may discuss any preferences for class placement with the child's present teacher. Parent requests do not guarantee students' placement in a particular class; the school must balance individual requests with the greater needs of the classrooms.

Dates for remaining observations are Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9-10:30 for kindergarten parents and from 9-10:00 for third grade parents. Please reserve a spot with Veronica; we must limit the group to 20 families per observation day. Further days can be scheduled if necessary.

### **Time to Order MPA Yearbooks**

Yearbooks are on sale NOW! The cost per year book is \$15.00. Turn in your order for our 2006-2007 MPA Yearbook by Wednesday, February 14, 2007 and **save \$\$\$!** This year, we are offering a special discount for multiple orders. We will take \$5 off your total order, when you purchase more than 1 book.

**\*Discount applies for PRE-Orders ONLY\***

After February 14, prices will be \$18 per book.

To reserve your copies, please fill out your order form and return with check made payable to: MPA PTA & in the memo write "yearbook".

### **Lost & Found Overflowing**

Is your child(ren)s wardrobe missing? Please check the MPA lost and found located by the elevator both upstairs and down. We have lots of jackets, boots, articles of clothing, lunchboxes, etc..... Please hurry, we can only wait so long before we have to donate these items to the local goodwill.

