



EDUHSD E-News

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Reading Initiative

Union Mine High School's Key Club (Kiwanis International) is a way for students to perform acts of community service and improve the world around them. On Mondays, students from the club volunteer to read books to the younger members at the Boys & Girls Club El Dorado County Western Slope. The books they read range from classic Disney stories to fairytale novels to educational books that teach the children lessons about life. Club President, Heather Spevak, stated "I love that with the simple act of reading to kids you can help them open up a new world of possibilities that lead them to be successful in their own lives." The club's motto "Children: Their Future, Our Focus" makes it very evident that their main focus is bettering the lives of the youth in our community. Thank you to the Union Mine High School Key Club! We appreciate your efforts to change the world, one step at a time!



Robotics Competition Team

Team 3189, the Circuit Breakers, is a Robotics Competition team consisting of students from Union Mine, Ponderosa, Oak Ridge, El Dorado and Virtual Academy. With help from volunteer mentors, the robotics team is challenged to develop and apply skills in computer science, electronics, fabrication, and engineering to design, build, and program a robot to perform complex tasks in the FIRST® Robotics Competition. David Hatch, a Board Member from Aerojet/Rocketdyne Foundation, presented a \$500 foundation grant to the team on Friday, November 4th. The Circuit Breakers have also been awarded several other local grants recently: \$1,500 from Micron Foundation; \$2,000 from El Dorado Community Foundation; and \$800 from the Pollock Pines/Camino Rotary Club. Individual donors include \$1,500 from Kevin Gavin; \$500 from Harry and Catherine Diamond; \$350 from Jeanne Parker on behalf of the Herzog family; and \$1,000 from team advisor, Patricia Ferrell. Thank you to our sponsors for allowing our students to learn, work, make friends and have fun!



District Marching Showcase

The El Dorado Union High School District (EDUHSD) Marching Showcase was held on Wednesday, November 9th at Union Mine High School. Bands from Oak Ridge, El Dorado, Union Mine and Ponderosa participated in the event and gave their audience quite an impressive performance. The event featured a parade, field show, and drumline performances. Great job to all of the bands for a crowd pleasing showcase! EDUHSD pride was in full force!

Empty Bowls Supper

On Saturday, November 12th El Dorado County residents had the chance to enjoy a dinner of soup and bread to help ease hunger abroad and here at home. The Annual Empty Bowls Supper took place at the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Placerville. Students from Ponderosa, El Dorado and Union Mine High Schools all made and donated bowls for the event. Empty Bowls Organizing Committee member, Emogene Haller, said "The community involvement with Empty Bowls from our young people is heartwarming. Students all over our county make bowls, volunteer at the event, and become more aware not only that hunger is a big problem right here as well as overseas, but that we can take collective action to do something about it!" A big THANK YOU to all who supported the event in 2016!



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