

# Marguerite Montgomery

## Pony Express

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### Week of October 31st, 2011

#### CALENDAR of EVENTS

**Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**

BBQ Day

**Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

School Pictures Re-Take Day

**Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**

No School (Teacher Work Day)

**Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**

Campus Beautification Work Day, MME Campus 10 am to 2 pm

#### LUNCH MENU and SPECIALS

**Monday** – Oven Baked Chicken

Herbed Red Skin Potatoes

Seasoned Zucchini

Sweet Corn Kernels

French Toast w/Sausage

**Tuesday** –Barbecue Pork or Mandarin Chicken

In-season vegetables

Organic Rice

Chicken or Fish Nuggets

**Wednesday** – Pizza

Chicken Patty or Burger on a Bun

**Thursday** – Vegan Bean Feast or Curried Chicken w/Sweet Peppers

Organic Rice

Stick Day: Mozzarella Cheese or Beef Taco

**Friday** – No School

**Available Every Day:** Salad Bar and Deli Sandwiches

#### Big Decision Time: Save For College or Pizza Party...

Coins are dirty, heavy, and just get lost in the couch anyway. Do both! In anticipation of our Fall Book Fair, we will be having a contest from October 31<sup>st</sup> to November 8<sup>th</sup> to see which classroom can collect the most coins (of any value, American money only, please). The challenge is part of the Scholastic "One for Books" program. The classroom that collects the most coins will win a pizza party! There will be 2 winning classrooms—one for grades K-3, and one for grades 4-6. In addition, Scholastic will match the amount we collect with a

donation of up to one million books to national non-profit organizations dedicated to helping families in need. Last year we raised over \$600! Let's beat that! Start saving your pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters now, then be sure to bring them in and place them into the container in your classroom starting on the 31<sup>st</sup>!

### **No Change Needed**

Surf the web, make money for MME. If you go to the following website: <http://www.forddrivesboxtops.com> you can do two easy things to earn box tops for MME. First, register to win in their sweepstakes entry. Second, if you can take 10 short minutes and watch 5 one to two minute videos, you will earn 25 box tops for MME too. If you haven't already registered on the Box Top website, you will need to, but it only takes a second.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the MME Box Top coordinator, Melinda Grow at [grows@pacbell.net](mailto:grows@pacbell.net) or to the Box Top for Education website <http://www.boxtops4education.com/> to learn more about other ways to earn Box Tops for MME. Keep on clipping and collecting!!

### **Work Party Sunday**

This is the must see event of the year. There will be jugglers, face painters, acrobats, and dancers. All of them will be cleaning, weeding, and working hard around the campus to make MME sparkle. I promise, this time there will be no mulch involved. Dress for dirty, and bring any gardening tools you consider helpful.

### **Calling All Artists!**

Street Smarts is again holding its annual elementary school traffic safety poster contest, and kids can win great prizes like gift certificates to Alphabet Moon, karate lessons, a brand new Wii system, and more!! The contest is open to kids in K-6th grade. Entries are due by NOVEMBER 10th. ALL entries will be included in an art show at the Davis Art Center for 10 days in December, and winning work will be used on posters, bookmarks, and other surprises around Davis next year. Visit the Street Smarts website at [cityofdavis.org/streetsmarts](http://cityofdavis.org/streetsmarts) for more information, to download and entry form, or to see examples of winning work from past contests. Good Luck!

### **From the Recycling Worm, Judy Leatherman**

Thanks to all the teachers and many students who made the Scarecrow Auction on Fri, Oct 28 a big success! We hope that this fun event will become a tradition at Montgomery. Our school garden was decked out in beautiful fall colors and attire. Photos of kids & scarecrows will be displayed on the bulletin board in the school office. Money bid on the scarecrows will go back into the classrooms to fund future projects.

Making scarecrows is a wonderful traditional activity that naturally links nature & the garden to a lesson in sustainability: recycling & reusing anything at hand. The result is full of magic, creativity and lots of spontaneous fun!

### **Even More from the Recycling Worm**

Place your pre-orders and payment by Nov. 16 (before the Thanksgiving break) for holiday wreaths. Large wreaths will be only \$12.00 and you can request mixed evergreens or all rosemary. Order forms will be available in the office and can be handed in to Monica or Marilyn or one of the office staff (with a check to Montgomery PTA). Wreaths will be ready by mid-December to be picked up before the holidays! Earnings will support gardening and recycling activities.

To get more info, contact Judy at: [jleatherwoman@gmail.com](mailto:jleatherwoman@gmail.com) or (530) 204-8102.

**Pony Express and Round-Up Contact**

If you have items to submit for either the weekly (Pony Express) or monthly (Round-Up) newsletter, please email them to [mmenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mmenewsletter@gmail.com)

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