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LOCAL McDONALD'S® AWARDS OVER \$46,000 TO DATE IN SCHOOL GRANTS

Clark County Schools Benefit From McDonald's MAC Grants

Las Vegas, NV (February 19, 2013) – Local schools received an over \$15,000 financial boost from the Greater Las Vegas McDonald's Operator Association. Southern Nevada teachers were in stiff competition when they applied for a limited number of MAC Grants from McDonald's. This special program is designed to **Make Activities Count** for students and teachers. The program helps teachers raise money for unique, hands on projects that their class would like to do but lack the money to fund it due to budget cuts in these tough economic times.

"It's a great way to support our schools and to show our commitment to kid's education," says Tom Arlt, President of the local McDonald's Owner/Operator Association. "It's amazing to hear about some of the great projects that the teachers and kids are involved with."

A check presentation has been scheduled for **Thursday, February 21st at 4:00 PM at Arlt's Meeting Office located at 1775 North Martin Luther King Blvd, Suite 120** to award over \$15,000 to the winners of the MAC Grants. Please see below for a full list of all of the 32 local winners.

The first group of 2013 MAC GRANT winners include:

- Shannon Daigle, Ruby Thomas Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for a Ceramics Workshop
- Steve Gaskill, Knudson Middle School: Awarded \$500.00 for Microscope Labs
- Maria Cieslak, Gene Ward Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for an Archaeology Project
- Kathleen Reiss, Cram Middle School: Awarded \$500.00 for an "Amazing Race" Project
- Ingrid Rodriguez, Will Beckley Elementary: Awarded \$400.00 for Science Kits
- Karen DeLuca, Elizondo Edison Elementary: Awarded \$485.00 for a Math Exploration Lab
- Andrea Frank-Jimenez, Neil C. Twitchell Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for a Human Brain Project
- Matthew Christian, Greenspun Junior High: Awarded \$500.00 for a Lego Robotics Kits
- Bonnie Gonzalez, John F. Mendoza Elementary: Awarded \$475.00 for Read-along Kits
- Jennifer Coroneos, Gordon McCaw Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for Jump Rope Club Supplies
- Katherine Lee, Jim Thorpe Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for a Baking Soda Volcano Science Project
- Julie Schoeller, Lucille Bruner Elementary: Awarded \$498.00 for a Special Education Project
- James Mack, Leavitt Middle School: Awarded \$500.00 for Mystery Lab Movie Project
- Terri Collmar, Joseph Neal Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for "What a Wonderful World" Project
- Cindy Burkes, Findlay Middle School: Awarded \$500.00 for a Lego Robotics Kit
- Jill Kotas, Manual Cortez Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for Math Learning Centers
- Christine McManus, Roy Martin Middle School: Awarded \$308.95 for Interactive Computer Software Program
- Benjamin Brown, Schofield Middle School: Awarded \$500.00 for First Grade Food Critics Field trip
- Susan Pulsipher, Ute V. Perkins Elementary: Awarded \$496.00 for an International Structures Project
- Darrel Smith, Manual Cortez Elementary: Awarded \$378.00 for PE Soccer Goals

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- **Mary Louise Gucik, Faiss Middle School: Awarded \$334.00 for Orchestra Musical Instrument**
 - **Tracey Collins, Halle Hewetson Elementary: Awarded \$499.00 for Science Kits**
 - **Mabel Tang, Halle Hewetson Elementary: Awarded \$500.00 for Literacy and Math Centers**
 - **Kristie Peterson, William Moore Elementary: Awarded \$496.65 for Smartboard Software Programs**
 - **Judy Ficklin, Kirk L. Adams Elementary: Awarded \$480.00 for a Gardening Project**
 - **Ron Martini, Thomas O' Roarke Elementary: Awarded \$450.00 for Mountain Man Rendezvous Project**
 - **Andrea Kotyk, Fertitta Middle School: Awarded \$493.74 for Flash Drive/MP3 Players for audio books**
 - **Adrienne DerOhanian, Walter Johnson Junior High: Awarded \$324.80 for Math Project**
 - **Craig Barishman, Canarelli Middle School: Awarded \$500.00 for Triple Beam Balance Scales**
 - **Mae Hwan, Silvestri Junior High: Awarded \$497.50 for Book Publishing Project**
 - **Sue Plummer, Laura Dearing Elementary: Awarded \$489.95 for Anti-Bullying event merchandise**
 - **Susan Zajack, Rancho High School: Awarded \$500.00 for Science Olympiad Supplies**

The McDonald's MAC GRANTS program is available to all Clark County Schools grades K – 8th and gives local Clark County school teachers an opportunity to apply for up to \$500 to help fund an activity.

Teachers submit their MAC Grant applications along with a description and itemized budget for their proposed project. McDonald's Owner/Operator's then review all of the applications and select those that offer the most unique and exceptional learning experience for the students.

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