Week of June 30 – July 6, 2012

Wednesday, July 4 - CCSD offices will be closed in observance of Independence Day.

Saturday, June 30 - The Batteries Included Youth Initiative 2012 Summer Circuit invites area teens ages 13-18 to Cosmic Neon Bowling, at 5:30 p.m. The location will be provided upon registration. Participation requires advance registration and a donation of two cans of soup or other foods. Batteries Included is a collaboration between the city of Las Vegas, the Clark County School District and Nevada Partners. It provides local teens with after-school educational activities focused on leadership, community service, career planning and preparing for college. For more information, visit www.lasvegasnevada.gov/batteriesincluded or call 229-2330.

Reminders/Awards/Honors –

The Clark County School District (CCSD) Board of Trustees announced the vacancy in the position of District E Trustee to be filled by appointment by the remaining members of the Board. The appointee shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term which began on Jan. 5, 2009. No candidate who is currently running for the office of District E Trustee may apply for this appointment. As of July 13, 2012, the applicant must have been a resident of District E for at least 30 days and be a registered voter in District E. A map of District E is available on www.ccsd.net. Original, signed applications must be received in the School Board office by 4 p.m. on Friday, July 13, 2012. Faxed copies will not be accepted. All applicants will be publicly interviewed by the Board of Trustees at an open meeting on Thursday, July 19, 2012, beginning at 2 p.m. at the CCSD Administrative Center, 5100 W. Sahara Ave., room 466, Las Vegas. For an application visit http://static.ccsd.net/ccsd/content/ccsd-news/pdf/application-for-appointment-district-e-2012.pdf.

After the successful launch of the PBS Arts Fall Festival, PBS and Vegas PBS continue their commitment to increasing access and participation in the arts with the launch of the PBS Arts Summer Festival. The series kicks off Friday, June 29, 2012 and continues each Friday through Aug. 10. Programs will feature artists and performances from seven different communities around the country with a focus on the diversity of arts and its global reach. In addition, Vegas PBS is broadcasting short video segments following each national airing highlighting local arts and entertainment acts including a new Vegas PBS Arts Showcase compilation special at the conclusion of the series.

Greenspun Junior High School in Henderson is recruiting parent volunteers for the 2012-2013 school year. Interested parents are asked to call Greenspun's main office at 799-0920 and leave a message for Parent Volunteer Coordinator Maria Kuschel.

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From now through Aug. 22, 2012, the two locations of the Nathan Adelson Hospice will accept school supply donations for students at Robert L. Taylor Elementary School and Sunrise Acres Elementary School. Backpacks, paper, crayons, markers, scissors and erasers are among the needed items. In a report by KSNV-TV, Nathan Adelson Hospice President and CEO Carole Fisher said, “At a time when budgets are tight in the school district, we are happy to help out the teachers and students at these schools.”

National Security Technologies LLC awarded scholarships to 10 outstanding CCSD students on June 21, 2012. The company develops partnerships at the Nevada National Security Site and related facilities. As reported by KVVU-TV, the scholarships aim to further encourage the students in science and engineering.

The Urban Chamber of Commerce presented nine recent CCSD high school graduates with scholarship awards ranging from $1,000 to $2,500, thanks to the Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation (HBCDC) Scholarship Program. The awards were based on essays written by the students, along with factors including community volunteerism and GPA’s.

Rancho High School Registrar and homeless advocate Angela Urquiaga was invited to Nathan Burton's show at the Flamingo on June 26, 2012. Afterward, Nathan Burton, the showgirls, Nancy Burton from Penny for Thought and Theresa Davis from Brand New Horizons presented Urquiaga with gift cards in the amount of $10 each for homeless students. They were able to purchase the cards due to a gift from Brand New Horizons as a result of the Walk a Mile in My Shoes event. Wal-Mart also donated gift cards. Pictured, left to right, are CCSD Trustee Lorraine Alderman, Theresa Davis from Brand New Horizons, Angela Urquiaga and Nathan Burton.

Congratulations to Shaun Ingalls of Southeast Career & Technical Academy for being selected to participate in the College Board’s Annual Advanced Placement Program (AP) Reading in English Language and Composition. Each June, AP teachers and college faculty members from around the world gather in the United States to evaluate and score the free-response sections of the AP Exams. AP Readers are high school and college educators who represent many of the finest academic institutions in the world. The AP Reading is a unique forum in which an academic dialogue between high school and college educators is both fostered and encouraged.

The Imagen Foundation honored Vegas PBS with a national nomination for exemplary achievement for the program, "American Graduate: Teacher Town Hall." The nomination is in the category of Best Local Informational Programming. Vegas PBS was selected nationally for American Graduate to help address the dropout issue. The annual Imagen awards honor and recognize programs and individuals of excellence geared toward the Latino community. The awards will be presented Aug. 10, 2012, in Beverly Hills, California.

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