

Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence "School's Out, Make it Count!"

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13th Annual Arizona Out-of-School Time Awards of Excellence

There are less than 2 weeks left to submit a nomination. Don't miss this opportunity to recognize your program, staff or leadership!

Categories:

- * Outstanding Out-of-School Time **Professional**
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Romatzke *Leadersip*Award

Recipients will receive:

- * \$1,000 cash
- * 3 free registrations to 2015 AzCASE PD trainings
- * Certificate of Recognition from Governor Jan Brewer

The @fterschool advisor

June 16, 2014

Dear Melanie,

Registration is NOW open for Arizona's largest gathering of out-of-school time programs and professionals!

The 2014 Arizona Statewide Out-of-School Time Conference and Awards of Excellence Luncheonis an unparalleled experience where out-of-school time professionals can learn about the newest activities, curricula and strategies for youth in after school, before school and summer programs!

Attendees have the opportunity to **network** with over 600 other out-of-school time professionals, receive up to four hours of **professional development** and enjoy lunch while fellow programs, staff and leaders are **recognized** during the Awards of Excellence Luncheon.

The cost to attend is \$90 per person or \$85 per person when registering groups of 10 or more.

Visitwww.azafterschool.org for Conference updates including keynote speakers and workshop offerings.

What are you waiting for? *Click here to register*today, or visit this link to *reserve your spots* today, and submit attendee information in the fall!

Questions? Call 602.496.3308

Arizona 4-H Wins National Science Day Experiment "Rockets



* An engraved award, presented at the 2014 Awards Luncheon

Click here for more information, including Rules and Guidelines, Nomination Forms, and Tips for Writing a Successful Nomination.

Funding Opportunity -Dollar General Literacy Award

Does your afterschool program provide outstanding literacy support? Apply for a \$10,000 Dollar General Literacy Award!

For the first time, the Afterschool Alliance has partnered with the Dollar General Literacy
Foundation to recognize outstanding afterschool programs providing literacy support to middle school students.Nominate a program by Aug.

15! Click here for more information!

Arizona Summit on Volunteerism and Service Learning -Proposal Request

Are you an expert in the field of volunteerism or servicelearning? Are you a Volunteer Manager with great resources to share with others in your field?

The Arizona Summit on Volunteerism and Service Learning is requesting workshop presenter proposals.

Deadline for submission is July 15. Summit dates are December 5th & 6th, 2014.

For more information, click here.

to the Rescue"

AzCASE congratulates Arizona 4-H for winning a national competition to design a science experiment for the 4-H National Youth Science Day, October 8th, 2014.

This year's winning project, called "Rockets to the Rescue", was "truly a cross-campus, cross-community collaboration" said Kirk Astroth, director of Arizona 4-H Youth Development. For the Science Day experiment, 4-Hers across the country will be presented with a fictional scenario: People are starving on a remote, isolated Pacific atoll called Ceres (named after the Roman goddess of agriculture) and the kids are asked by NASA to build a rocket that can be launched from mainland, travel over the ocean and deliver high-energy food to the starving population.

Sound far-fetched? Not really. In November, just one month after Astroth and his team who contributed to the project submitted their proposal for the national competition, Typhoon Haiyan struck the Philippines, virtually isolating the islands from foreign aid. John Whiteside, winner of the Western region Volunteer of the Year Award, said, " An experiment like this can inspire and motivate youth in their future studies."

Congratulations Arizona 4-H! Keep up the great work! Along with national recognition, the Arizona 4-H team received a \$20,000 cash prize.

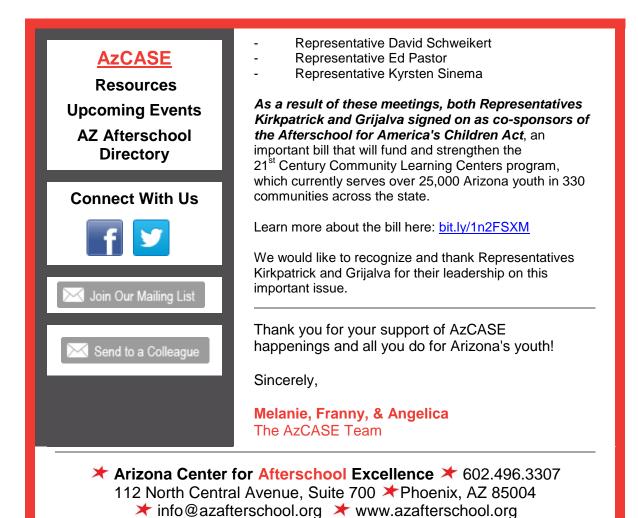
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AzCASE Meetings Result in New Co-Sponsors for Afterschool for America's Children Act

On May 22nd, Executive Director Melanie McClintock, Board Vice President Kirk Astroth, and Program and Outreach Manager Franny Sharpe met with Arizona's Congressional Delegation in Washington, D.C. to discuss the importance of out-of-school time programs. Their visits were held in conjunction with the national Afterschool for All Challenge.

AzCASE was thrilled to be able to share the new Arizona Quality Standards for Out-of-School Time programs with our federal representatives. We are grateful to the following Members and their staff for their time and attention:

- Senator John McCain
- Senator Jeff Flake
- Representative Ann Kirkpatrick
- Representative Ron Barber
- Representative Raul Grijalva



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