

Winter Newsletter 2009



NORTHERN NEVADA RAVE FAMILY FOUNDATION



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Our RAVE Families Are Extra Special!!!

We are all so honored to be a part of your family's life. Thank you for allowing us to care for your wonderful children while giving you the gift of time.

Thank you so very much to all of you who have been able to donate to the RAVE Family Center during the 2008-2009 program year. Your generous donations are greatly appreciated!!

If you are in need of a tax letter please contact Jenelle through the voicemail at 334-9647 or by e-mail at ravefamilies@att.net.

Important RAVE Dates:

Holiday Party: December 12 Save The Date

Center Closed: December 19-January 5 (Winter Break)

Valentine Fundraiser: February 12 Save The Date

Center Closed February 13 (Presidents' Day Weekend)

Spring Fling: April 3 Save The Date

Center Closed: April 10 -20 (Spring Break)

Last RAVE Session: Saturday May 1

Awards Ceremony & Family BBQ: Saturday May 8



A Little Peek at What's Happening at RAVE:

In October 2009 we trained 102 student volunteers to work with the wonderful children of RAVE. The volunteers couldn't be more excited to give their time and love each week. The sessions have been going great; excited kids + excited volunteers = Lots of fun & a nice break for our Mom's & Dad's. Currently we have 33 families enrolled with quite a few new families, which we are super excited to welcome into our RAVE Family. The upcoming excitement is the 2009 Holiday Party, which we hope to see you all there. We wish you all a safe and Happy Holiday Season!!

A special thank you to all of our wonderful donors!

Without you, it would not be possible to do what RAVE does for so many families.

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Sweet Tortilla Snowflakes

from **FamilyFun Magazine**



Ingredients

- 6 flour tortillas
- Canola or vegetable oil for baking
- Confectioners' sugar
- Edible glitter (optional)

Instructions

1. Heat the oven to 400 degrees. Warm the tortillas (about 15 seconds) in the microwave.
2. Individually fold the tortillas in half once and then in half again, so that you end up with a shape that resembles a wedge of pie (it will be thick). Using clean scissors, cut triangle, circles, or squares out of the edges, as if you were making paper snowflakes. Unfold the tortillas.
3. Lightly brush the tops of the snowflakes with canola or vegetable oil and place them on a cookie sheet slightly apart.
4. Bake them until lightly browned and crisp (about 4 minutes). Sift confectioners' sugar on the snowflakes while warm. For an extra sparkly effect, you can sprinkle on a bit of edible glitter. Makes 6.

The RAVE Family Center continues to seek donations.

If you are interested and able to donate, please donate one or more of the following:

*Snacks for the Volunteers: Chips, fruit snacks (pre-packaged & nut free), Cup of Noodle, bottled water

*Office Supplies: Card Stock (White & Colored), Staples, Tape (masking & clear), Post-it notes, Bic pens

*Center Supplies: Kleenex, extra Holiday/Greeting Cards, Construction Paper

*Scraps of wood & nails

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Attention RAVE and Rural Respite Parents:

Access to Healthcare Network, a non profit medical discount plan, provides affordable healthcare for the uninsured in our Northern Nevada community. Providers include Renown Health, Saint Mary's Hospital and more than 350 local physicians; and ancillary providers such as speech, physical and occupational therapists; dental providers and vision specialists. Access to Healthcare Network (AHN) has received a generous grant from the Matley Foundation to assist with the health care expenses for children zero to 24 years of age who are mentally, emotionally, physically and/or learning disabled. If you are in need of assistance with your health care expenses for your child please call 770-3875 to see if you qualify for this important program.

Sherri Rice, Executive Director

