

## BURNT HILLS-BALLSTON LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOLS

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Dear Ruth and Pat,

I wanted to formally thank you for an outstanding program that you presented here at the Middle School on December 3, 1990. Your slides, songs and interactions with the students concerning the Havasupai Indians and their attempts to stop the drilling of a uranium mine near their homeland were enjoyable, fascinating and educational.

I have rarely seen seventh graders as excited and enthused about a presentation as they were about the one you did. Many of them have talked to me about the possibility of really doing something to help the Havasupai. Many of them have spoken to me about the enjoyment they felt with the music you did with them. It was obviously a good day for the students and teachers who were involved.

Here at the Middle School we have taken your ideas a step further. Classes are now planning specific actions to not only get more information about the current problems of the Havasupai but to support their cause as well. One of my classes is doing some letters to people who may be able to help this cause. Another class is putting on a presentation to prove their support. A third class is going to spend an hour at a local supermarket talking to patrons about the problems of the Havasupai and the uranium mine. Lastly, I have a student group that is presenting to about 150 elementary school students about the effects of the mine.

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to have my students be involved in a cause. They have been very excited about all of this and have worked very hard on the activity that their individual class chose. I hope that together we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Reynolds

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