



Hawk's Eye View

Chaparral Elementary School * PTA * CEF Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Chaparral Families,

Today, the picture that is drawn of Chaparral Elementary School seems lifted from a Norman Rockwell painting. Our school is an award winning National Blue Ribbon, National School of Character, and California Distinguished School.

In 2002, Chaparral's vision statement was collaboratively written by school and community shareholders to describe what we, as a school, aspired to be in 2008. Our vision prophetically outlined the future hopes, dreams and goals for Chaparral Elementary School. Today our site is a nationally recognized and award winning institution meeting the diverse needs of a large and motivated student body. As envisioned, these predicted accomplishments are guided annually through the shared leadership of Chaparral's dedicated teachers, staff, principal, and community. Together; staff, volunteers, School Site Council, PTA, and Foundation work hand-in-hand to foster in each child a passion to learn using enriched curriculum, researched best practices, and technological advances.

Upcoming Events

- PTA Association Mtg. Jan. 18
- M. Luther King Day Jan. 21
- Community Gathering Jan. 30
- Kids Korps Eco Day Jan. 30
- Valentine Luau Dance Feb. 8
- President's Break Feb. 18-22
- Community Gathering Feb. 27
- Turkey Trot Feb. 27

The Chaparral learning community has worked diligently over time to frame an effective standards-based system that is driven by a collective belief that "all students can be successful learners." At Chaparral, we acknowledge that our success in shaping young citizens to become life long learners and responsible leaders of tomorrow depends on our administration, students, parents, and staff working together today!

Happy New Year Chaparral 2008,
Holly Brommer

FYI: Minimum Days!

Don't forget that we have two more minimum days to calendar:

- *Friday, April 4th*, (Friday before Spring break/day after Open House);
- *Thursday, June 12th*, (last day of school).

Both Minimum days, K-5th Grade will *DISMISS at 12:20 p.m.*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

January 21st is a holiday,

In observance of
Martin Luther King!

A Message From Your PTA President

January 18, 2008

Dear Chaparral Families & Staff,

Thank you to all of you who attended our PTA Association meeting this morning. I am excited to announce that our nominating committee will be looking for new/old faces over the next month or so to represent Chaparral PTA for the 2008-2009 school year. If you are interested in serving next year, please contact Carolyn Beckwith @ beckwith@san.rr.com or 858-592-9484 for more details.

As many of you know, Prop C will appear on the February ballot. Chaparral PTA has voted to endorse this measure and is asking for your support as well. I have taken some of the info from the Prop C website and copied it below:

As you may recall, in 2002 voters approved a bond measure to fund school renovations. You can see the work completed to date at Poway, Mt. Carmel, Rancho Bernardo and Abraxas High Schools, Twin Peaks Middle School, Westwood, Painted Rock, Chaparral, Los Peñasquitos, Tierra Bonita, Garden Road and Midland Elementary Schools. Proposition C will continue this renovation program and complete the full scope of projects originally planned, along with additional improvements including more extensive technology upgrades, enhanced security, and compliance with new energy and ADA requirements. It will not increase your tax rate; it just extends the current rate which is capped \$55 per \$100k assessed value.

This is a critical election for our local schools but Proposition C cannot pass without assistance from parents and communities members like you! For more information or to help with Prop C, please visit the website at www.YesonPropC.com.

Thank you for your continued support of students, staff and volunteers at Chaparral! Working together, we will all shine!

Samantha Worden

Don't forget to check out our website: www.chaparralpta.com



Astronomy night

has been rescheduled
for better viewing of the stars!!!

The NEW date is: February 29th

Mark your Calendar!!!





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PTA Needs You!

It's time to select next year's Executive PTA Board. The Nominating Committee is in the process of being formed. Positions are President, Executive VP, 1st VP Volunteer Coordinator, 2nd VP Ways & Means, 3rd VP Membership, 4th VP Communications, Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Historian, Treasurer & Auditor.

If you are interested, or know of someone who might be, please contact Carolyn Beckwith at beckwith@san.rr.com or 592-9484.

Reflections Update

Despite setbacks to the Reflections program this year due to our devastating fires, many of our students submitted entries illustrating how they could "make a difference". A Big Thank You and congratulations to all the Participants!

Yasmeen Elbanna	Hanna Mekuria
Arad Gerami	Nathan Michel
Katy Graham	Julia Paik
Nathan Guererro	Sydney Randolph
Megan Heydari	Manasi Soni
Jackson Kadowaki	Renee Tournoux
Mitchell Kadowaki	Cassidy Voss
Sawyeh Maher	

And a Special Congratulations to the following students, whose exceptional entries have been submitted to the Palomar Council PTA Judges:

Mendel Baljjon
 Jack Dwyer
 Hedgie Lim
 Carly Shihadeh
 Kenzie Chrudlmsky
 Jay Dalvie
 Eduardo Goto
 Kyle Kesler
 Andrew Madigan
 Tyler Neal
 Lauren Trust
 Riley Woodruff

Chaparral PTA proudly presents the:

Chaparral Valentine Luau

Friday, February 8 2008



7-9:00 p.m. in the MPR

- Free Admission, DJ, Refreshments, Prizes & Fun for the whole family!
- Photographer on Site for family picture, special discount for PTA Members!
- Dress in your best Hawaiian or Surf attire or go traditional with Valentine red.
- Leis will be provided for all!

Come experience a little summer fun in February!

If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please contact: Jennifer Boaz (675-0006) or Monica Cogger (437-4137).

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CONGRATULATIONS to all the Fitness Club Members –
you're on pace to set records...

66% of school are members and by the end of the school year, you will have run more than half way around the world...

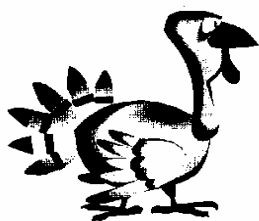
Congratulations also to the classes that have 100% participation:

**Mr. Bess, Ms. Fousek, Ms. Glady, Ms, Higgins, Ms. Westmoreland, Ms. Dwyer,
Ms. Mahelona and Ms. Nishiguchi.**

Volunteer positions still available for Friday's – first shift is 11:10 –12:15 (for 2nd, 5th and start 4th Grade) - the second shift is 12:15 – 1:15 (finish 4th, 1st and 3rd grades).

Or...just come out and visit your favorite runner as they race around the track.

For more information contact Cliff Wilson at cwsandiego@aol.com



THE TURKEY TROT IS BACK...

...AND BEING RENAMED THIS YEAR TO



THE PRESIDENT'S DAY MARCH

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, February 27th** and be on the lookout for more details to come in next week's Friday Folder.

For more details and for volunteer information, please contact your Room Parent or Cliff Wilson at cwsandiego@aol.com

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Kids Korps

Photo Drive Reminder!

Thank you to all of you who have combed through old photos looking for pictures of children who lost their home during the fires. We will continue to ask you to take some time between now and the end of the school year to continue to search your photos for more pictures. Big envelopes with the following family names are tacked to Chaparral's library entry-way for you to use to deposit the photo copies.

Barad- Krisztina, Dani & Adam
Brewer- Kevin & Alycia
Chandler- Dakota, Devon & Skylar
Conner- Katie (BHMS)
Fridolfs- Hunter & Ryan
Heumann- Karrson
Hull- Chloe
Justin- Kate & Michael
Kinnick- Zachary & Taylor
Marcus- Jonathon, Matthew & Katie

Martin- Emily & Haley
Nideffer- Jason & Jeffrey
Stofell- Alex, Shannon & JT (RBHS/BHMS)
Tou- Connor & Carlin
Van Heel- Cade, Jake & Brock
Worden- Makayla, Brice & Ryan
Zakoor- Andrew, MacKenzie & Alex

If you are a family who has lost pictures and would like to be included in our efforts, please contact Sue Sullivan.

Recycling:

Please recycle aluminum cans and plastic CRV bottles and bring them to school on our monthly Eco Days which are the last Wednesdays of the month. Our January Eco Day will be on Wednesday January 30th. Please leave your recyclable items by any of the BLUE recycle bins on campus. To date we have raised \$280.00 for the orphans in Mexico.

Blood Drive Thanks!:

Thank you to the 40+ who were able to come to the blood drive last week. It was a very strong turn out and many people were happy to be screened for the National Bone Marrow Registry.

For more information about Kids Korps, please contact Sue Sullivan at suewt@san.rr.com or 673-4433.

Remember to "LEAD BY EXAMPLE!"