



Hawk's Eye View

Chaparral Elementary School * PTA/CEF Newsletter
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Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that my eight years at Chaparral Elementary School have already flown by so quickly! This is a community that is full of caring and special people I will never forget! Our kids are lucky indeed to have such loving parents and talented teachers to inspire and encourage them everyday! In turn, our staff, volunteers and I have the daily pleasure of caring for and enjoying your children's accomplishments, laughter, and joy of learning!

I have made many unforgettable friends, learned much from our gifted professionals, and have had lots of heart warming moments and memories with thousands of precious children at this award winning school! I wouldn't trade a moment of the time that I have gotten to spend with each of you!

I always say my staff and students (I know "my" sounds a little possessive, but I love them all!) are the best in the country! I will never forget the tremendous honor and sense of pride I have always felt as your principal of this amazing school! Take care everyone!

In Friendship,
Holly Brommer

Upcoming Events

- Melody Makers Concert (7pm) June 6
- 5th Grade Promotion (9:30) June 11
- Olympic Field Day June 12
- Last Day of School (out at 1 pm) June 12

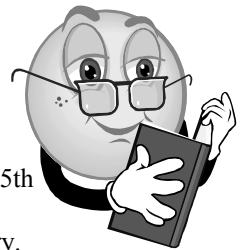
Keep Your Kids Reading!!!

The lazy days of summer is the perfect time to encourage your children to READ, READ, READ!!!

Check it out:

CATCH THE READING BUG! 2008 San Diego Public Library Summer Reading Program - June 15th - August 15th

- Rancho Bernardo Branch Library, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive, (858)538-8163
Children 12 years and younger are invited to participate. Registration begins on June 15th at the library.
Certificate of Completion and Prizes will be awarded.
For more information check out: <http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/>
- Poway Branch Library, 13137 Poway Road, (858)513-2900
Summer Reading Program Kickoff is June 21st at 11:00 a.m. - Amazing Dana with Magic and Bugs
Call or stop by for more information.



FYI: Minimum Day on Thursday, June 12th, (last day of school) K-5th Grade will DISMISS at **1:00 p.m.**

A Message From Your 2008-2009 PTA President

Dear Chaparral Families & Staff,

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Carolyn Beckwith and I will be your PTA President next year.

I wanted to take a moment to invite each of you to our first event next school year. Come and meet teachers, staff, PTA, Foundation members and other Chaparral families at ***Chaparral's Ice Cream Social*** on ***August 18th***, the day before school begins, from ***11:00 to 12:00 p.m.*** Just prior to that, at 10:00 a.m. on August 18th, the PTA will be offering guided campus tours for all new families. So, mark your calendars for this very important time for your children to warm up to the campus, teachers and fellow classmates.

I look forward to 2008-2009 with enthusiasm and anticipation for a great year for our families, teachers, staff and, most importantly, our children!

In the mean time, have a fantastic summer!

Fondly,

Carolyn Beckwith, PTA President - 2008-2009 School Year

We Do So Much!

Let us take a moment to reflect upon all of the wonderful activities that took place this year and to thank all of those people who helped make it happen! It's amazing what we do! If you had any part of helping with any of these programs, or perhaps something not mentioned, give yourself a big pat on the back and feel satisfied knowing that our children, and ultimately our community and beyond, have been enriched because of you!

PTA PROGRAMS: *(PTA Programs Cont'd.)*

Back to School Carnival	Melody Makers
Book Fairs	Mentor Program
Character Coaches	Olympic Field Day
Family Fun Movie Night	Physical Education
Family Fun Dances	Red Ribbon/Character Counts
Astronomy Night	Reflections
Birch Aquarium	Room Parents
Family Portrait Night	School Pictures
Fitness Club	Teacher/Staff Appreciation
Fun Run	Wrap-It-Up
Holiday Shop	Yearbook
Hospitality	5th Grade Promotion
Jog-A-Thon	Registration/Family Tours
Kids Korps	Hawk's Eye
Library Helpers	Website

CEF PROGRAMS:

Art Corps
 Art Show Committee
 Albertsons Preferred Card
 Bxotops for Education
 eScrip at Von's
 Spaghetti Night Dinner
 Spell-A-Thon

OTHER PROGRAMS:

Site Counsel
 Student Counsel
 Student Guides
 Science Club
 Volunteer Tea
 Community Gatherings
 MPR Decoration
 Marquee Maintenance
 Gardening
 Lost and Found

Finally, while you are enjoying the slower days of summer, be thinking about where your passions lie. . . what areas would you be interested in supporting? Remember, many hands make less work and tons of fun! We look forward to volunteering with you again next year!

Melody Makers Spring Concert

When: Friday, June 6th

- @ 1:15 - Assembly in MPR
(1st, 2nd & 4th Grades)
- @ 2:15 - Assembly in MPR
(3rd, 5th & 4th Grades)
- @ 7:00 p.m. - Concert in MPR

Junior Choir will present a mini-musical about the Tortoise and the Hare and Senior Choir will present songs based on stories from Hans Christian Anderson.

Congratulations & Farewell 5th Grade!

Congratulations go out to all 5th Graders and their families . . . It has been a year to remember! Thank you for all of your contributions to our great school!

As you move on to middle school, don't forget those wonderful teachers who made your elementary school experience so memorable!

Best wishes in Middle School!

Come back and visit!

5th Grade Graduation is June 11th at 9:30 a.m.

Volunteers - You Rock!!!

Thank you to all volunteers!

Together, we logged in over **15,000** hours for the school year!

Your time and commitment is a huge contributor in making Chaparral the top rated school that it is!

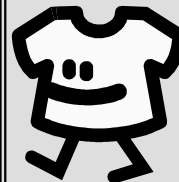
Janeen Bork, Historian
Lourie Archer, Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteer Lunch . . . Yum!!!

Warm thanks go out to the teachers and staff for the wonderful Volunteer lunch! The Ho Down theme was quite fun and the food was delicious.

Thanks to the children for their fantastic decorations!

Congratulations to our Volunteer of the Year, Lourie Archer . . . a hard working volunteer with the most contagiously optimistic attitude!



CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND!!!

All families to **PLEASE** check the Lost and Found and pick up your child's forgotten items! (There were six tables full of belongings at the Art Show!)

Your son or daughter might be missing something really great!!!

Check it out before they're gone!

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Kids Korps

Thank you to all the parents and kids who have supported our Kids Korps program this year! If you are passionate about community service and working with children and would like to help next year with our program, please call Sue Sullivan at 673-4433.

Photo Drive Thank You!

Thank you to all of you who have combed through old photos looking for pictures of children who lost their home during the fires. While scrap booking this summer, please continue to think about our families at Chaparral who lost their precious mementos.

Recycling:

Over the summer please continue to save your aluminum cans and plastic CRV bottles for our Cans for Kids program. We have earned over \$800.00 this school year for the orphans in Mexico. Way to go Chappies!

Remember to "LEAD BY EXAMPLE!"

CEF Success!

I am always surprised how fast the school year comes to a close after spring arrives. Here it is the last edition of the Hawk's eye already! Although Chaparral has faced unusual challenges this year, your generous support has still made it a successful year for the Chaparral Education Foundation.

The CEF was able to fund:

- 1 extra hour per day for both the librarian and computer resource aide;
- Brainpop and Brainpop Jr. software for campus use;
- Scholastic Reading Counts Program with additional quizzes;
- Instruction and supplies for 8 Art Corps lessons for all 800 some students;
- 24 docucams (all classrooms are now furnished with a docucam and LCD projector);
- 3 "slates" that allow easy accessibility to the docucam from any location in the classroom.

I have enjoyed hearing the teachers' enthusiastic comments this year regarding their docucams and LCD projectors. Docucams provide "theater style" viewing of any 3D object and shows on a screen through the LCD projector.

The Foundation has decided to wait until the 2008-2009 school year begins (when our new principal joins us and the budget deficit settles out) to determine funding goals. Some considerations are: replacing 40 of the classroom computers that will be too old to keep on the PUSD server after June 2009 and more slates or wireless keyboards to make the docucams more accessible from all areas of the classroom. With your continued support the possibilities are endless!

I look forward to the next school year when construction will finally be completed. Our 30 year old school will look and function as new! Please look for and read the CEF information that will be sent home in your child's backpacks the first week of school. There will be several opportunities for you to participate to help us reach our goals. I encourage every parent to register their Von's or Albertson's grocery card and to make a donation towards the Art Corp program. With your support we can provide educational enhancements for your child's education.

Many thanks to the members of the CEF that made 2007-2008 a fun and successful year!

Melinda Winship
Chaparral Education Foundation Chairperson

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Chaparral's 5K Fun Run!

Finish Line



The PTA Family Fun Run had over 135 enthusiastic participants. Runners arrived to the Chaparral track early Saturday morning, May 17th. Gymniny Kids warmed up the group and off they ran, 3 miles . . . to the winery and back! Entrants enjoyed post race munchies, drinks, goodie bags.

Thank you to the Chaparral Families who volunteered their time to make this a successful event:

The Miller's
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The Springett's
The Neal's
The Wilkinson's
The Couvrette's
Felicia Rattray



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Farewell From Your Editor

It has been my pleasure serving you as editor of the Hawk's Eye this year. I cannot begin to tell you how much more enriched life is when one carves out the time to volunteer. My time as editor has led me to the faces of some very passionate and talented individuals. I thank each of you for making my job so easy and enjoyable. It is with confidence that I pass the torch to Kelly Batten. If you have any thoughts, suggestions or comments for Kelly, regarding the Hawk's Eye, don't hesitate to contact her at kbatten@san.rr.com. Remember, good communication is the glue that binds!

Blessing to each of you!

Karen Wood

