



*Engaging Women in Significant & Sustainable Philanthropy*

## December 2007

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### WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER!

**Betty Peabody**

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### SAVE THE DATES

#### "An Evening of Inspiration & Recognition" for SDWF Members

Thursday, January 31, 2008

6-8:30pm

McMillin Events Center- NTC

This will be an evening to recognize and inspire all current and former members of the SDWF and celebrate the impact of the organization on our community.

An Evite coming January 2, 2008 to your inbox!

#### Getting to Know SDWF

Monday, February 11, 2008

5:30-7:30pm

The San Diego Foundation Office

Bring your friends and guests to learn more about the mission of SDWF, our impact on the San Diego community and how you can get involved.

An Evite coming in January 2008.

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## The San Diego Women's Foundation Community Partners

**Saturday, January 19, 2008**

### Monarch School's Diamond in the Rough Gala

Manchester Grand Hyatt

Natalie Cole will be making a rare San Diego appearance at the Century Club Diamond in the Rough Gala benefiting Monarch School.

Monarch is a school for homeless and at risk kids in downtown San Diego. The premier event will include wine tasting, a silent auction, dinner and entertainment including Monarch's calypso Steel Drum Band. Please contact Paula Kelly at [pkelly@monarchschoools.org](mailto:pkelly@monarchschoools.org) or 619-685-8242 x227 to reserve a table or sponsorship, or to volunteer to serve on the Gala committee.

Visit [www.monarchschoools.org](http://www.monarchschoools.org) for details.

**Saturday, January 26, 2008**

### Downtown El Cajon Lend a Hand Saturday Morning Clean-ups

9-11am at Richfield and Palm

El Cajon CDC will provide the cleaning tools. We need you to supply the elbow grease. For more information contact Jenna Miller at

[jenna@downtownelcajon.com](mailto:jenna@downtownelcajon.com)

**Tuesday, February 26, 2008**

### Vista Hill's Women's Council on Mental Health Spring Luncheon

11-1:30pm at Manchester Grant Hyatt

"Living to 100: Lessons in Living to Your Maximum Potential at Any Age," Featured speaker is best-selling author and centenarian expert Thomas Perls, M.D. Dr. Perls and his colleagues recently discovered a key genetic region that plays a critical role in how centenarians age so well and

## YEAR END GIVING

Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Want to do something very special to end the year? Your donation to the SDWF can honor someone you love AND make a special impact on the community. Please consider a contribution to the endowment or grant fund and demonstrate the power of women's philanthropy in San Diego. We gladly accept check, stock or credit card. Contact [Tracy Johnson](#) for more information.

## GRANTS IMPLEMENTATION TEAM UPDATE

The deadline for grant proposals has passed. Applications are in and we are getting ready for the proposal review and site visit process. (Take a look at the dates and times below. If you would like to participate there is still time to sign up.)

**Grants Proposal Review** is from January 9-28, 2008. To be on a Proposal Review Team, please contact [Rita Solberg](#). Mandatory Proposal Review Training is January 8 at the Girl Scout Headquarters from 12-2pm.

**Site Visits** will be conducted through the month of March, 2008. To be on a site visit team please contact either [Judy Conner](#) or [Rita Solberg](#).

Mandatory Site Visit Training is February 12 from 12-1:30pm at Girl Scout Headquarters.

Questions? Contact [Cindy Olmstead](#) or [Rita Solberg](#).

## EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISCOVERY TEAM UPDATE

The EED DT, in its first three meetings, has sifted through many books and articles as it seeks to put its collective arms around a huge topic. Interviews with community leaders are adding to the team's knowledge and understanding of the area's employment and economic development gaps and priorities. A suggestion by SDWF member, Barbara Lee\* led EED DT member Mary Kay Reeber to an informative interview with Donald Cohen, Executive Director of the Center on Policy Initiatives. Team members also read [The Working Poor](#), by David Shipler, detailing the unending challenges and crises faced by those at the bottom of the economic ladder. In coming months the team expects to take a field trip, come up with a working definition of its topic, and host several community meetings.

\*Suggestions from other SDWF members about resources and/or experts to contact are welcome and should be sent to EED DT co-chairs [Leigh Hartman](#) or [Bink Cook](#).

live for such a long time. He is on the fast track to discovering these longevity enabling genes which could translate into the development of age-slowness and disease-retarding drugs. Please call Rachel Peniche at 858-514-5153 or [rpeniche@vistahill.org](mailto:rpeniche@vistahill.org). Sponsorship opportunities and tables of 10 are available. Individual seating begins at \$65. Visit [www.vistahill.org](http://www.vistahill.org) for more details.

### Wednesday, April 30, 2008

#### Vista Hill's 17th Annual Fashion Show Luncheon

10am-1:30pm at Manchester Grand Hyatt "Heroes & Hemlines"

This year's event pays tribute to San Diego's local and civic heroes who truly make San Diego "America's Finest City." The runway will be a spring showcase of current styles and vintage fashions with professional and guest models. Join us as we honor those who protect and serve. Sponsorship opportunities and tables of 10 are available. Individual seating begins at \$80. Paid in advance reservations are required. Please contact Rachel Peniche 858-514-5153 or [rpeniche@vistahill.org](mailto:rpeniche@vistahill.org) for additional information.

### Saturday, May 3, 2008

#### Aquatic Adventure's Wetland

Avengers/Campeones de los Canones 9-10am at Swan Canyon, City Heights Meet at Hamilton Elementary School 2807 Fairmount Ave.

San Diego, CA 92105

Join volunteers on a mission possible to save this unique canyon habitat! Participate in a tour to learn the importance of a wetland habitat. Plant native species and remove invasive species and trash. Enjoy activities, music and a free raffle.

Register with Aquatic Adventures at [ElizabethHorpedahl@AquaticAdventures.org](mailto:ElizabethHorpedahl@AquaticAdventures.org) or 858-488-3849. Advance registrants receive a free T-shirt and lunch the day of the event!



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