



January 2011

Grants Focus: Arts & Culture



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Tracy returns! SDWF welcomes back Director, Tracy Johnson who has been away on leave to bond with the newest addition to her family, 2 year old Nikolas.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER

Lindsay Langford

SAVE THE DATES

Annual Members Meeting: Changes and Choices

January 26

5:30-7:30pm

SDWF Office - Deborah Hoffman Executive Board Room

Renew friendships with fellow members and make new friends over wine and appetizers as we discuss the flexible membership choices now available to us as a result of Decision 2010. We will also hear about the exciting changes to our granting process arising from many months work. You don't want to miss this meeting! RSVP via your Ping invitation or by emailing Ciera.

Site Visit Training

February 8

12-1:30pm

SDWF Office

**** Note location change - Deborah Hoffman Executive Board Room**

Members who are new to the SDWF site visit process are invited to attend this training as a requirement to be assigned to a site visit team. Those with experience have the opportunity to complete the online training (coming soon), but are also encouraged to attend the live training to share your experience with those new to the process.

Email Ciera today if you have not already signed up for site visits.

2011 Women's Collective Giving Leadership Forum: The Power of Connection

March 1-3

San Diego, CA

Join fellow womens' foundation and fund members from across the nation as we gather to share ideas and discuss practices relevant to our work such as member recruitment, grants

COMMUNITY PARTNER INFORMATION

Ocean Discovery Team

**City Heights Canyon Restoration
Events**

Feb. 5th and April 2nd

9am-1pm

Swan Canyon, City Heights

**(Meet at Hamilton Elementary School,
2807 Fairmount Ave., San Diego, CA)**

Participants will start the day by joining a student-led tour of Swan Canyon, then go to work to restore native habitat, followed by food and a brief presentation. Projects will depend on the event and may include repairing trails, planting native species, and removing invasive plants and trash from the habitat.

Tram Nguyen, tnguyen@OceanDI.org

Vista Community Clinic

6th Annual Spring Fling

Saturday March 19

Seatings at 11:30am and 1pm

Outback Steakhouse

2485 Vista Way, Oceanside

\$20 for adults; \$10 for children

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Your support will help Vista Community Clinic provide high quality, comprehensive primary health care and health education to more than 56,000 community members facing economic, social or cultural barriers.

days. For details or to register click [here](#)!

Site Visit Report & Ballot Selection Meeting

April 12

5:30-8:30pm

SDWF Office

Deborah Hoffman Executive Board Room

Enjoy an exciting evening with the Grants Committee as the site visit teams share their findings, recommendations, and open the floor for questions. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet other SDWF members and learn more about the Grant Proposals that will be selected for your final ballot. An electronic invitation (Ping) coming in March.

COMMITTEE CALL FOR ANNUAL GRANTS CELEBRATION

Looking to get involved with SDWF for a short term commitment? Chair of this year's Annual Grants Celebration, Ashley McElravy is looking for people to join this year's planning committee. Meetings will be the last Thursday of the month from 3-4pm beginning this month and ending in May. If you have questions or would like to join the committee, email [Ciera](#).

GRANTS COMMITTEE UPDATES

Education Discovery Team

Discovery Team Members have launched a website where all SDWF members can access links to articles about education. Go to the Link List on <http://eddiscovery.blogspot.com> to read articles on diverse topics such as the San Diego Report Card, The National Writing Commission, The San Diego Children's Initiative, and Hand Held Gadgets.

Watch for our Discovery Team's Survey to the Membership coming in the Spring.

Implementation Team

Our Grants Committee is working diligently at reviewing the grant proposals submitted by the non-profit organizations in San Diego for this year's 2010-2011 Arts & Culture grants focus area. On January 4, members new (and some experienced) to the proposal review process participated in a training on the proposal review scoring process. Many thanks to Suzanne LaTour and Susie Zlotnik for providing an excellent training experience for members as well as for creating the online training version for our members experienced in the proposal review process.

If you participated in proposal review, look for your invitation to the Proposal Review/Site Visit Selection Meeting taking place on February 1. Site visits will be conducted through the month of March. We extend our invitation to all to participate in this part of our grants process. If interested please notify [Ciera](#). If you are experienced in completing site visits, you will be able to complete your training online. If you are new to the process, mandatory site visit training is February 8 from 12:00 - 1:30pm at SDWF Offices - Deborah Hoffman Executive Board Room.

Questions? Contact [AJ Frank](#), Grants Committee Chair.

OTHER PHILANTHROPIC OPPORTUNITIES

For information about upcoming events with San Diego Grantmakers, click [here](#) to visit their website.