

APRIL 2012



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WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS ...



Cheryl Fisher
Letty Ponomareff

COMMUNITY PARTNER INFORMATION

Alpha Project
25th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday, April 21, 2012
Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines
6:30pm - Cocktails
7:30pm - Dinner and program
Honorary Co-chairs: Marilyn and
Doug Sawyer, Art and Lori Barter,
Ted Waitt
Attire is casual. For ticket information
and sponsorship opportunities,
contact Kyla Winters at (619) 542-
1877 or kyla@alphaproject.org.

Friends of Vista Hill
Vista Hill Fashion Show
Walk on the Wild Side
Thursday, April 26, 2012
Manchester Grand Hyatt
Shopping begins at 10:00am with
Early Bird Specials! For information
and reservations please contact
Jenny Cairncross at 858-514-5155 or
email jcairncross@vistahill.org.

Vista Hill Council on Mental Health
Luncheon
Thursday, May 10, 2012
Hyatt Regency La Jolla at Aventine
"Children Who Fail In School but
Succeed in Life", with speaker Dr.
Mark Katz. For information and
reservations please contact Jenny
Cairncross at 858-514-5155 or email
jcairncross@vistahill.org.

Planned Parenthood of the Pacific
Southwest
49th Anniversary Dinner
May 3, 2012, 5:30pm
San Diego Hilton Bayfront
Tickets \$150 - \$500

SAVE THE DATES



Beyond Breaking Ground
May 11, 2012
3:00 to 4:30pm

Join us Join us for this fun, educational event. Library Foundation CEO, Jay Hill and USD educational consultant, Julie Cramer will present on the New Central Library and groundbreaking Downtown Charter High, the first charter school in the U.S. located within a public library.

We will also "put on our hard hats" and explore San Diego's newest treasure, the New Central Library.

As you know, the San Diego Women's Foundation grants are focused on Education for 2012-13. We hope that this opportunity will expand our awareness of innovative trends in education and spark new ideas for future collaboration and coalitions.

Parking directions and validation will be provided.

For more information, please contact [Bridget](#) or (619) 814-1351.

Annual Grants Celebration
June 5, 2012
5:30pm
Francis Parker Middle & Upper School

Education can't wait for "someday". That's why the San Diego Women's



Foundation is looking to make a difference now! We invite you to join us as we award our 2012 Education grants and celebrate the success of our 2011 Community Partners.

Come celebrate the difference that is made when strong, committed women come together to support outstanding nonprofit partners in the San Diego region!

Look for the Pingg invite coming soon! For more information, please contact [Bridget](#) or (619) 814-1351.

**Special Presentation from Eveoke Dance Theatre:
REFUGE in the Arts Program
June 14, 2012**

More information will be available soon!



**Getting to Know the SDWF
June 20, 2012
5:30pm - 7:30pm
The San Diego Foundation**

This event provides a unique opportunity to connect with this dynamic group of women including new, prospective, and long-term members and a featured Community Partner. This fun, informal gathering will explore what happens when inspiration meets dedication - changing a community in countless and critical ways.

More information will be available soon!

IN MEMORIAM

SDWF lost longtime friends with the passing of members Elaine Lipinsky and Meg Jacobs. Elaine had been a member of SDWF since 2001 and Meg since 2007. Both women had an impact not only on our organization but in the broader community. We will miss Elaine and Meg and remember them always.



Elaine Lipinsky



Meg Jacobs

[Read her full obituary](#)

CONGRATULATIONS

Rita Solberg

Rita was recognized by The Salvation Army as a 2012 Woman of Dedication at their forty-seventh annual luncheon on March 28th.

Tracy Johnson

Tracy was selected as a finalist for The Daily Transcript's San Diego Young Influentials and featured in a special insert in The Daily Transcript. There will be a reception on May 7th recognizing all the selected finalists at The San Diego Foundation.

Catherine Blair

Catherine will receive the Spirit of Voluntarism award from the Junior League of San Diego on May 8th at the Junior League's Annual Celebration.

If you know of an SDWF member recognized in the community, please let us know for inclusion in the SDWF eNews.

Tables \$1,500 - \$5,000

This spring tradition, nearly 50 years in the making, just keeps getting better! The annual event is Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest's signature fundraiser of the year. Every dollar raised directly benefits thousands of people living in San Diego, Riverside, and Imperial counties. This one night can do so much to advance and protect vital access to health care, essential sexual health education, and advocacy year-round. Come be inspired and make a difference! Featured Speaker: Cecile Richards, President & CEO, Planned Parenthood Federation of America. For more information visit www.planned.org or email Ratri Lertluksamipun at ratri@planned.org.

Camp Stevens

Do-It-Yourself Mosaic for Home & Garden

May 5 & June 12

Cost: \$25

Led by Eleanor Warner, who was trained by renowned local artist James Hubbell, this one-day workshop provides hands-on experience with mosaic tiling, including laying out a design, picking the most useful—and affordable—materials, and grouting. For more information, contact Ashley Graham-Wilcox (760) 765-0028 or ashley@campstevens.org.

Introduction to Organic Gardening May 18-20

Cost: \$200

From garden design and planning to irrigation and harvesting, this workshop covers all of the basics, with hands-on practice, and lively group lessons. All lessons, materials, meals and accommodations are included in the workshop fee of \$200. Find out more and register at www.campstevens.org/garden.

Summer Camp at Camp Stevens 5-day Sessions During July & August

Cost: \$540

Send your child or grandchild to Summer Camp at Camp Stevens: Adventure Sessions (for 8-15 year olds) and International Odyssey (for 11-16 year olds) are opportunities for children and teens to make new friends, experience time in nature, and enjoy the fellowship of a fun and supportive community. Sessions feature activities throughout Camp Stevens's 256 acres, which include 2 acres of organic gardens, treehouse,

\$20K (PLUS!) SOIREE

In March, the membership committee honored members who have contributed \$20,000 or more to the SDWF – greatly supporting our endowment & grantmaking and furthering our mission. The women being honored were:



Sharon Arbelaez	Barbara Groce	Maggie Meyer
Vicki Baron	Eileen Haag	Joan Moss
Marlowe Berg	Pam Hamilton Lester	Cindy Olmstead
Darcy Bingham	Rebecca Blair	Allison Price
Catherine Blair	Harutunian	Judith Radke
Marjorie Blanchard	Karla Hertzog	Jeannie Rivkin
Christa Burke	Linda Hervey	Jodyne Roseman
Carol Chang	Gay Hugo-Martinez	Marilyn Sawyer
Audrey Coleman	Ann Hunter-Welborn	Darlene Shiley
Judy Conner	Valerie Jacobs	Gayle Slate
Dana Dahlbo	Linda Katz	Phyllis Snyder
Penny Dokmo	Debi Kelly	Nancy Spector
Julie Dubick	Judith Krumholz	Carolyn Wardell
Berit Durler	Suzanne LaTour	Janice Weinrick
Jinx Ecke	Gail Levin	Ann White
Lizbeth Ecke	Louise Lewis	Frances White
Alicia Foster	Sheila Lipinsky	Katherine White
Barbara Freeman	Jane McCarthy	Pat Zigarmi
Wendy Gillespie	Liz Meyer	Susie Zlotnik

A BIG thank you to Pam Hamilton Lester for hosting such an elegant and pride-filled day!

APRIL MEMBER CONNECTION

Suzanne LaTour hosted a wonderful Member Connection at her home in University Heights. The hospitality, weather and setting were just perfect for an evening of catching up, making new friends and hearing a phenomenal speaker. Joyce Gattas, SDSU Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Fine Arts, shared her insights and varied experience in public higher education with her fellow members. Special thanks to both of them for a memorable event.

GRANTS UPDATE

Implementation Team

April is an exciting month in the SDWF. Our Grants Committee site visit teams have completed their analysis and funding recommendations regarding 14 of the 64 original Education grant proposals submitted. On April 10th we heard Site Visit Team reports and voted on which proposals would proceed to the general membership ballot. Now it is your turn.

Beginning April 18 through May 3, every SDWF member has the opportunity to vote for proposals which she would like to have funded. Ballots will be emailed directly to you! You can be confident that every grant proposal listed on the membership ballot has been thoroughly reviewed, thoughtfully considered, and deemed to be worthy of funding. Because every member gets to vote on this, the final vote becomes our collective choice as to which organizations become our newest community partners. We have many members who choose to participate in SDWF because they value the power of pooling our resources, our continuing attention to best practices and "cutting-edge philanthropy". We celebrate our community partners and their amazing work at our Grants Celebration Event each year. Check out the Save the Date section for more information on this year's celebration. Mark your calendars and plan to share in this exciting evening!

archery range and campfire circles. For dates, pricing, more information and to register, please go to www.campstevens/summer.

Women's Eastern Sierra Basecamp Backpacking

July 12-12

Cost: \$450

A truly rewarding and rejuvenating experience, this basecamp backpacking trip brings women together to share wonder, appreciation and adventure in some of the most beautiful places in California. Join us as we hike, swim, fish, talk, sing, play games, and enjoy the majesty of the great outdoors. With pack animals to carry most gear, this trip offers rewarding challenges and a supportive community for novice and experienced backpackers. Find out more and register at www.campstevens.org.

Japanese Homestay

August 7-9

Cost: Free

Open your home to a Japanese teenager: International Odyssey is summer camp with an international twist, as American campers are joined by campers from Japan. Help Camp Stevens offer a well-rounded cultural exchange experience by hosting a Japanese camper for 2 days after the camp session. Campers can be picked up at Camp Stevens, or take the camp bus to a stop near your home. An almost 40-year tradition, campers come with their own spending money, and love interacting with Americans of all ages. Contact the Camp Stevens office for more details or to volunteer: 760.765.0028 or info@campstevens.org.

Grossmont College Office Professional Training (OPT)

Annual 5K Walk-for-OPT

Saturday, May 5, 2012, 9am

Grossmont College Track

Pre-registration: \$3-\$20

Day of Registration: \$25

Spaces are limited. Each participant will receive a Walk-for-OPT water bottle and will be entered into a drawing for fabulous prizes. Additional tickets for the drawing will be on sale. Please come and support the OPT program, which provides free job training to our local community. For more information or to register, please contact Mary Leslie at (619) 644-7533 or Mary.Leslie@gcccd.edu.

Torrey Pines Docent Society

Questions? Please contact: [Catherine Blair](#), Grants Chair, or [Julie Ruedi](#), Implementation Chair.

SDWF ON AIR & IN MEDIA

Check out the article on SDWF and our ripples within the community from The San Diego Foundation Insider eNewsletter!

www.sdfoundation.org/Newsroom/Publications/ENewsletters/FoundationInsiderSpring2012.aspx#LC_title8

OTHER PHILANTHROPIC LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

San Diego Grantmakers doesn't want SDWF members to miss out on any upcoming events! Click here to view all that's being offered www.sdgrantmakers.org.

3rd Annual Art in the Pines

May 5, 10am - 5pm

May 6, 10am - 4pm

Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve

Cost: Free, Parking \$10

Art in the Pines is a two-day event featuring a professionally judged Plein Air contest with an awards ceremony; artists' booths and an open air gallery exhibiting nature-inspired art for sale in a variety of media such as painting, pastels, drawing, sculpture, ceramics, and photography; food and live music; children's nature and art activities; an opportunity drawing for donated artwork; guided nature walks; tours of the historic Torrey Pines Lodge; and expert demonstrations in several different artistic mediums. For additional information, visit www.artinthepines.org.

Family Discovery Days

All Family Discovery programs are drop in and free of charge. Day use parking fees apply for entrance to the Reserve. For more info on any, please visit www.torreypines.org.

May 20, 2012

Insects and Spiders

Meet near the Visitor Center to discover more about these creepy crawlies.

San Diego Center for Children

125th Year Gala

Thursday, May 10, 2012, 9am

U.S. Grant Hotel

Tickets: \$250

Tables: \$2,250 - \$3,000

The San Diego Center for Children turns 125 years old and this year's gala celebrates its birthday and the children the Center helps. Please join us for our most important event of the year. For tickets call or email Nur Devrim (858) 569-3909 or ndevrim@centerforchildren.org

Barrio Logan College Institute

2nd Annual Celebration: Cultivating Dreams

Wednesday, May 30, 2012, 6pm - 9pm

San Diego National History Museum

Cost: \$150, VIP reception \$200

Come meet some of San Diego's most impressive students as they prepare to be the first in their families to go to college! Students ages 8 to 22 share their stories through picture boards, hosted fine food and cocktails, live entertainment, an exciting live auction, and plenty of time to network with some of San Diego's most influential personalities. For more information or to purchase

tickets, please contact Luis Murillo at (619) 232-4686x109 or luis@bici.org.

**Ocean Discovery Institute
BUBBLE UP! Gala
September 8, 2012, 6pm - 10pm
La Costa Resort & Spa**

Cost: \$250

Come and share our passion for preparing tomorrow's scientific and environmental leaders with an elegant evening, an exciting live auction, and a spectacular dining experience. Show your commitment alongside 300 leaders in the San Diego business, scientific, and philanthropic communities. Please contact Carolina Barraza (858) 488-3849 or cbarraza@OceanDI.org for more information.