



March 19, 2008

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Last November University of San Diego's School of Leadership and Education Sciences (SOLES) celebrated the opening of our new home, Mother Rosalie Hill Hall, in spectacular fashion. We honored six outstanding individuals as the first, "Remarkable Leaders in Education". Their photos and biographies now hang on the walls of our new home to inspire and challenge our faculty, staff and students. Our first honorees were an exceptional group: Cherie Sevick, Roger Revelle, Hector Lopez, Ellen Browning Scripps, Thomas Watts and Mary Catherine Swanson. A selection committee of faculty, staff and community leaders has been organized to solicit, review and select honorees for 2008, as we continue to honor individuals who have made significant contributions in the field of education in San Diego and Imperial Counties. Our goal is to recognize five individuals' this fall, that have had a significant impact on student learning from pre-kindergarten through college in our region.

***We need your help. We invite you to submit a candidate for consideration. You can do so by completing the nomination form online at ([www.sandiego.edu/soles/remarkableleaders/2008rlie.pdf](http://www.sandiego.edu/soles/remarkableleaders/2008rlie.pdf)) or if you prefer you can contact our Development Office (619) 260-4539, and have a form sent to you directly. Nominations are due April 4, 2008.***

Our selection committee will be looking to draw candidates from any of the following five time-periods: Prior to 1800, 1801-1850, 1851-1900, 1901- 1950, 1951 - 2000. Nominees must meet the following criteria to be considered:

- Acknowledged as having a distinctive vision for education that resulted in one or more initiatives having a significant positive impact in the San Diego and Imperial County region.
- Developed one or more education initiatives that significantly changed educational practices in the San Diego and/or Imperial County region.
- Developed education initiatives that resulted in a positive impact on student learning in the PK-16 system, higher education system, or both.

Nominations can be made from any of the following three areas:

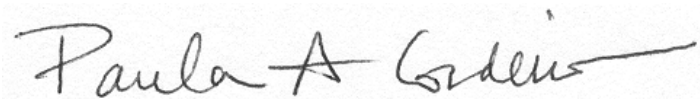
- Leaders in PK-12 education (e.g. a remarkable teacher, principal, etc.)
- Leaders in higher education (e.g. a remarkable professor, administrator, founder, etc.)
- Leaders from the community (e.g. remarkable community activist, political or civic leaders who made education the focus of their legislative or public careers, etc.)

The School of Leadership and Education Sciences will induct the 2008 class of “honorees” in November 2008. Each honoree will be permanently recognized here in Hill Hall, in addition to receiving a personal memento, created and made by Tiffany & Co., to honor each honoree or honoree’s representative and to commemorate their induction as a “Remarkable Leaders in Education”.

This is our way of paying tribute to the many visionaries who have led the way to make the work of education an important part of our society and region. It is our intention that the “Remarkable Leaders in Education” Gallery will be a place for generations to visit, see, and honor the contributions others have made to make this region truly outstanding.

Please take some time to consider and submit a nomination for what I believe is a long overdue tribute to those who as Henry B. Adams stated, “affect eternity.”

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula A. Cordeiro". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Paula A. Cordeiro  
Dean and Professor