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## Special Education Reorganization Approved by Board of Education

In an effort to place more resources at school sites and better help students, San Diego City Schools is embarking on a reorganization of the district's Special Education Department, now headed by Executive Director Roxie Jackson. Unanimously approved by the Board of Education on June 11, 2002, the Special Education Programs Department, now part of the Institute for Learning, is working to strengthen the professional development of all staff while increasing efficiency and streamlining operations.

"Under the former structure, there was difficulty responding to the needs of all students, parents, teachers and administrators. Central support staff spent the majority of their time responding in a crisis mode with little time spent on proactive support such as professional development in the areas of instruction, behavior and compliance," said Jackson. After meeting with parents, staff and community members

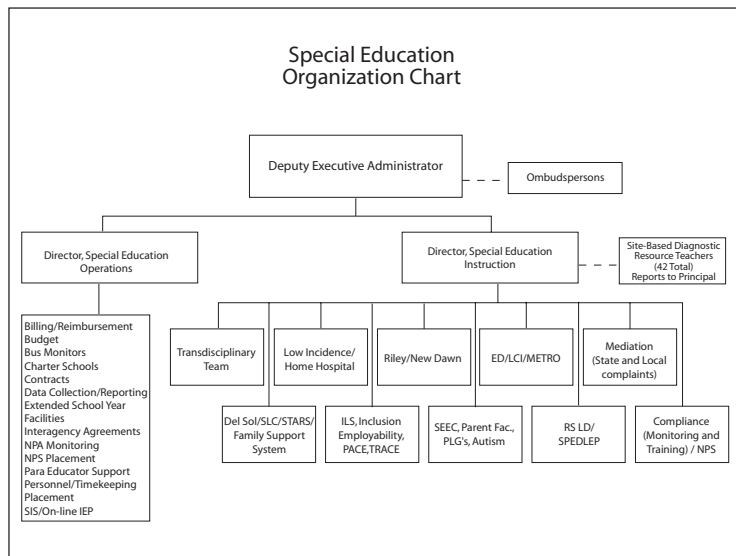
on how to improve programs and support for students receiving special education services, it was decided that the Special Education Programs Department would be

regular and special education instruction, which supports our goal of providing quality educational opportunities for all students," said Alan Bersin. "As the entire district looks to become more customer-service oriented, where students are our customers, we should strive for a model like our special education department."

Carolyn Nunes, director of operations, will be responsible for all functions that support instruction. Since the Special Education Programs Department touches all other departments, the operations office will act as an interface that enables the department to function in an efficient and effective manner in support of the teaching and learning at school sites. The director will have oversight of the department's budget, personnel, facilities, transportation and data collection.

MarySue Glynn, director of instruction,

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most efficient and effective when organized in two houses- operations and instruction- both reporting to Jackson.

"This marks the first time a public school system in the United States has integrated

## All Hands on Deck for Library Ground Breaking

In June, students and staff at Foster Elementary hosted an all-out patriotic groundbreaking event to kick off the construction of a new, 3000-square-foot library at their school. It's one of 104 libraries being built under Proposition MM to support literacy goals and provide needed space at schools.

Principal Chris Cashman teamed up with parents, staff and students to plan the large-scale event. Each student had a "job," such as directing cars in the parking lot, handing out nametags and programs at a sign-in table, and giving a school tour to guests. Students dressed in red, white and blue and led the ceremony with patriotic

songs. A crowd of about 75 showed and heard remarks from Cashman, Superintendent Alan Bersin, Trustee Sue Braun, City Councilmember Jim Madaffer, and Lou



Smith, chief operating officer of Facilities Management/Proposition MM.

Speakers and other guests did the "first dig" to officially break ground. The construction crew from Echo Pacific provided golden shovels and hardhats. Construction should be completed by January 2003.

## Student Salutes

Seven district students are among the 24 local individuals awarded scholarships through the **Cox Heroes** scholarship program, sponsored by the **Cox Kids Foundation**. Scholarship recipients from San Diego City Schools include **Willaine Cabal, Morse High; Allen Isabelo, Morse High; Solomon Kumbi, Hoover High; Ngoc Nguyen, Hoover High; Jackie Quach, Morse High; Christina Rodriguez, Garfield High; Natasha Sweatte, Point Loma High; and Tena Worku, Hoover High**. Nearly 850 of Cox Communications' employees contribute a portion of their paycheck to the **Cox Kids Foundation**. Their contributions are matched 100% by Cox Communications. This year's scholarship fund totaled more than \$50,000 and was awarded to 24 graduating high school students and adults returning to school.

A team of students from Crawford High School recently won the Daimler-Chrysler "Build Your Dream Vehicle" contest. **Julie Gotzen, Sourideth Khouphongsy, Dana Ung, Jason Robertson and Rebecca Tall** were flown back to Chrysler's headquarters in Detroit for a four-day competition among 20 teams. Teams were selected based on engineering studies that covered marketing, finance, safety and ergonomics, along with environmental and teamwork factors. The project required designing a car that would appeal to buyers between the ages of 18 and 24, and would get about 40 miles per gallon of gas. The Crawford team on 1<sup>st</sup> place in the western division before going on to win 1<sup>st</sup> in the nationals. They received a \$4,000 cash award and two trophies.

Point Loma High School students **Marisa Paiva and Heather Sardinha** have been named recipients of the **Cabrillo Civic Scholarship**.

**Mira Mesa High School Softball Team** was selected as the 2002 Cal-Hi Sports State Team of the Year – the first time in 20 years a San Diego section school was named #1.

**Mira Mesa's AFJROTC** unit won the coveted Stillwell trophy – the highest achievement for cadets districtwide.

Several district students were named **2002 Chargers Champions** at the annual Chargers All-Star Gala honoring county students who make outstanding contributions in leadership and service while maintaining high academic achievement. District honorees include **Julia Abelkop, La Jolla High; Roberta Moore, Lincoln Academy; and Danielle Richey, Mission Bay High**.

Montgomery Academy students **Nga Lieu, Teri Tran and Phoung Nguyen**, all students in Lorraine Castro's genre class, wrote winning essays about a book that inspired them for a contest sponsored by the Friends of the San Diego Library. All three students won gift certificates from Barnes & Noble.

Montgomery 8<sup>th</sup> grader **Dahir Mohamed** is also an award-winning essayist. His essay, *Family Histories: Migrants to the United States since 1945*, is the factual story of his family coming to America. **Dahir** was also given an award by Superintendent Bersin at a special ceremony attended by his family.

The second grade class of Tubman Village teacher Glenda Gerde recently met a Naval Reserve unit they adopted shortly after the events of 9/11. The unit, IBU-17, had been patrolling the waters near Guam for six months. Students sent letters and cards and made the soldiers a special video where they sang patriotic songs and recited poems. When the students met the soldiers in person, they performed the Star Spangled Banner. The soldiers, in turn, presented with students with sweets and treats and lots of smiles.

Jerabek Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> grader **Tara McDonald** is the grand prize winner of the "**Drive, Chip and Puff**" essay contest sponsored by Scholastic, Inc. Tara wrote about her favorite book "I love you the purplest" and what other people could learn from it. Her prize was a \$1,000 US Savings Bond, a class trip to Outback Steakhouse for a behind-the-scenes tour, and lunch for the students and teacher Phyllis Porter.

Preschool students of Brookly Child Development Center were recently blue ribbon recipients of the Plant\*Grow\*Eat program at the San Diego County Fair. The children won first place for the radishes they grew. Teachers that fostered the horticultural experiences were **Ester Alexander, Kathy Johnson, and Margarita Maquez**.

## Special Education

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will be responsible for monitoring and supervising professional development for personnel working with the approximately 17,000 students served by the Special Education Department. She will provide leadership in the ongoing development of strong instructional program as well as monitoring their effectiveness.

Additionally, eight central program offices have been created to provide focus and direction, monitor effectiveness and develop long range plans in the area of development. A team of six Program Managers, utilizing research-based best practices, will be responsible for the development and implementation of these programs.

One of the most exciting and innovative changes is the creation of the Site-Based Diagnostic Resource Teacher (SBDRT). The 42 SBDRTs, previously filling positions on special education regional teams and other positions, will receive intensive professional development prior to the start of the school year and will meet professionally throughout the year. "By meeting during the school year, Site Based Diagnostic Resource Teachers will increase their knowledge of best practices, which will result in more effective teaching and improved assessment-driven instructional methods. They will also be able to bring issues that arise at their schools in areas such as compliance, behavior, and parent involvement, and problem-solve with their peers so they can return more skilled and knowledgeable," Jackson said.

SBDRTs, while not directly responsible for student instruction, will work under the direction of principals for the purpose of proactively supporting all special education services. SBDRTs will collaborate with both special education and general education staff, serve as site liaisons and help principals in matters regarding special education process, procedures and compliance, and will support new teachers as they acquire new skills in teaching and learning, among other responsibilities.

Teachers, administrators, parents and staff will be provided with contact information for all of the newly organized programs prior to the start of the school year, and can direct their questions to the Special Education hotline, (619) 725-7600.

# 2001-02 Retirees

Following is a list of all San Diego City Schools District Employees that retired in 2001-02.

## A

Joan Adler - Human Resources 33yrs  
Rose Agosta - Henry High School 33 yrs  
Julia Alexander - Nye Elementary 28yrs  
Reynaldo Alfonso - Maintenance 16yrs  
Robert Allen - YOU 31yrs  
Gerald Amorosa - Muirlands Middle 11yrs  
Roger Andersen - Hoover High 32yrs  
Julia Anderson - Correia Jr. High 6yrs  
Patricia Anderson - San Diego SCPA 13yrs  
Claudia Anthony - Gompers 11yrs  
Gerard Arnold - Barnard Elementary 15yrs  
June Asfazadour - Carson Elementary 31yrs

## B

Diane Bachman - Vista Grande Elementary 17yrs  
Daryl Barnes - Hancock 38yrs  
Suzanne Barnett - Green Elementary 18 yrs  
Thomas Barnett - Kearny High 36 yrs  
Mary Beal - Madison High 19 yrs  
George Beck, Jr. - O'Farrell Charter 20 yrs  
Herbert Behner - Fulton 29 yrs  
Roberta Bendixen - Wilson Middle 20 yrs  
Susan Betts - Hawthorne 17 yrs  
Johnnie Billingsley - Wegeforth CDC 20 yrs  
Joan Blue - Field Elementary 22 yrs  
Catherine Bodinger - Wiggin 20 yrs  
Leila Boeckel - Serra High 30 yrs  
Cheryl Boren - Zamorano Elementary 23 yrs  
Heidi Bourda - Benchley/Weinberger 34 yrs  
Linda Bowhay - Employee Services 22 yrs  
Ida Boyd - Lewis Middle 31 yrs  
John Boyle - Muirlands Middle 24yrs  
Ann Bramble - Oak Park Elementary 7yrs  
Carole Branson - Monroe Clark Middle 25yrs  
Gene Brazis - Pershing Jr. High 21yrs  
Gloria Brehan - Curie Elementary 32yrs  
Beverly Brinley - Bell Jr. High 30 yrs  
Andrea Brown - Oak Park Elementary 14 yrs  
Sidna Brown - Clay Elementary 34 yrs  
Stephen Brown - La Jolla High 32 yrs  
Darlene Brueggeman - Carver 13 yrs  
Honora Bruno - Wiggin Center/Special Ed. 11 yrs  
Carol Buell - Darnell 30 yrs  
Charlie Burgess, Jr. - Wilson 10 yrs  
Susan Burkhard - Kennedy Elementary 19 yrs  
William Burrows, Jr. - Mission Bay High 37 yrs  
Betty Bush - Unassigned Labor Pool

## C

Florida Calkins - Madison 24 yrs  
Sari Camacho - Lewis Middle 23 yrs  
Trudy Campbell - Euclid 32 yrs  
James Carroll - Hawthorn Elementary 30 yrs  
John Castiglione - M & O 13  
Mildred Catlin - Chief Admin Office 33 yrs  
Janet Cavna - Field Elementary 25 yrs  
Gene Cech - Green Elementary 12  
Phyllis Cederwall - Fremont Elementary 19 yrs  
Alice Charles - Morse 22 yrs  
Joyce Churchill - La Jolla Elementary 33 yrs  
Frank Ciriza - School-to-Career 19 yrs  
William Clark - La Jolla High 33 yrs  
Manya Coats - Mission Bay HS 17 yrs  
Clara Contreras - Kroc 13 yrs  
Gwendolyn Cook - Spreckles Elementary 29 yrs  
JeNelle Cook - Dingeman 19 yrs  
Thomas Cooksey - Hamilton 26 yrs  
Lucia Correal-Ferreira - Spreckles Elementary 24  
William Corwin - Crawford 13 yrs

Marjorie Covill - Fremont Elementary 21 yrs  
William Cowperthwaite - Wilson Middle 44 yrs  
William Crane - Morse High 33 yrs  
Mary Craven - Crawford High 33 yrs  
Russell Cravens - Clairemont High 37 yrs  
Marcia Crawford - Horton 35 yrs  
Lynn Crocker - Wangenheim Middle 39 yrs  
Noreen Crossman - Sunset View Elementary 21 yrs  
Lucy Crowder - Jackson Elementary 27 yrs

## D

Catherine Dale - Point Loma High 13 yrs  
Janice Daniell - Scripps Ranch High 16 yrs  
Marilyn Daniels - Lee Elementary 36 yrs  
Steven Dann - Maint. & Operations 9 yrs  
Florence DeEsso - Alcott 12 yrs  
Margarita DeJauregui - University City 12 yrs  
Hope Del Valle - Office of General Counsel 17 yrs  
May Denton - Keiller Middle School 28 yrs  
Joyce Depperschmidt - Rosa Parks 13 yrs  
Carol Di Nal - Miller Elementary 20 yrs  
Mary Dion - Unassigned Labor Pool 13 yrs  
Santiago Dodge - Technology Support 18 yrs  
Mary Dolan - Scripps Ranch High 15 yrs  
Donna Dominico - Extended Lrng Oppr 12 yrs  
Marianne Dozer - Walker 34 yrs  
Henryka Dytkowska - University City 13 yrs

## E

Alfred Edwards - Hamilton 25 yrs  
Sherry Elliott - Penn Elementary 33 yrs  
Richard Engh - Lincoln High 33 yrs  
Norma Ertefai - Hamilton 13 yrs  
Barbara Erwin - Vista Grande 14 yrs  
Stella Estes - San Diego SCPA 18 yrs  
Delmer Evans - Wangenheim 39 yrs  
Juan Evans - Jefferson Elementary 39 yrs

## F

Sharlowe Farrell - Doyle Elementary 17 yrs  
Alice Ferrez - Fremont Elementary 22 yrs  
Clara Fisher - Logan 33 yrs  
Dorothy Fisher - Transportation 16- yrs  
Aliya Fitzpatrick - Logan Elementary 12 yrs  
Ann Fitzpatrick - Deaf & Hard of Hearing 17 yrs  
Judith Fogel - Exec Officer to Chancellor 36 yrs  
Richard Ford - Hancock 33 yrs  
Avelino Fortes, Sr. - Sherman 8 yrs  
Margaret Fox - Health & Wellness 36 yrs  
Patricia Fox - Euclid 10 yrs  
Tom Frank - Wangenheim Middle 38 yrs  
Harry Franson - Montgomery 33 yrs  
Ellen Freed - Lindberg/Schweitzer 6 yrs  
Julia Freeman - Penn 30 yrs  
Loretta Freeman - Hamilton 5 yrs  
Zenaida Fune - Hickman Elementary 24 yrs

## G

Karen Gates - Knox 6 yrs  
Sunnæ Gavett - Webster 32 yrs  
Diane Geary - Sandburg 22 yrs  
Helen Gerdes - Miller Elementary 31 yrs  
Patricia Giles - Dana Middle 33 yrs  
Mary Gilliland - Exec. Officer to Chancellor 31 yrs  
Kay Goldrich - Silver Gate 27 yrs  
Natalie Golovin - Kroc Middle 8 yrs  
Lorraine Graves - Wegeforth Children's Center 25 yrs  
Ruth Graves - Dewey 33 yrs  
Freddie Gray - Gompers Secondary 31 yrs  
Margaret Gray - La Jolla Elementary 29 yrs  
Emma Greer - Bell Jr. High 31 yrs  
Jacqueline Grobarek - Encanto Elementary 34 yrs  
Lilo Groenberg - Mission Bay High School 27 yrs  
Birney Groom - Jean Farb 38 yrs

## H

Susanna Hafner - Encanto Elementary 32 yrs  
Sandra Haley - Green Elementary 16 yrs  
David Hamilton - Point Loma High 35 yrs

Jeanne Hamilton - Hamilton 27 yrs  
Mary Hamilton - Sessions Elementary 34 yrs  
Reginald Harper - Chollas 22 yrs  
Joann Hassan - Mead/Chollas Elementary 15 yrs  
Laura Healy - McKinley Elementary 27 yrs  
Lucy Hebb - Special Education 18 yrs  
Loren Hendrix - Risk Management 13 yrs  
Sarah Henry - Knox Elementary 21  
Charles Hensley - Taft 11 yrs  
Edith Hernandez - O'Farrell Charter 25 yrs  
Milagros Hernandez - Memorial Academy 22 yrs  
Myra Herndon - Hawthorne/Field CDC 23 yrs  
Claudia Hildreth - Health & Wellness 33 yrs  
James Hilley - Miller Elementary 18 yrs  
Barbara Hirschhoff - Standley Middle 32 yrs  
Nancy Hitt - Tierrasanta 35 yrs  
Nancy Holler - Barnard Elementary 24 yrs  
Cynthia Holm - Silvergate 31 yrs  
Kay Holm - School Police 31 yrs  
Mary Holmes - Henry High 24 yrs  
Mary Holmquist - Bethune 23 yrs  
Toni Hoover - Horace Mann 31 yrs  
Judith Hopps - Miller Elementary 20 yrs  
Richard Huddleston - La Jolla High 35 yrs  
Henry Hurley - Admin. Operntl Support 30 yrs

## I

Gwendolyn Ickstadt - La Jolla High 34 yrs  
Thomas Intravaia - Visual & Performing Art 42 yrs  
Joyce Irving - Special Education 19 yrs

## J

Lois Jacobs - Jackson 31 yrs  
Patricia Jafry - Payroll 11 yrs  
Mary Jardel - Mission Bay High 24 yrs  
Georgina Jeffrey - Paradise Hills 33 yrs  
Barbara Jenkins - Ericson 36 yrs  
Euriel Jones - Longfellow 4 yrs

## K

Vasho Kassis - Madison High 19 yrs  
Marguerite Kelly - Wangenheim 20 yrs  
Gail Kempton - Spreckels 22 yrs  
Margie King - Fulton 15 yrs  
Brigitte Kirkman - M & O 26 yrs  
Sharon Klain - Fulton Elementary 23 yrs  
Larissa Kostрукoff - Mira Mesa High 19 yrs  
David Kotnik - Taft Middle 38 yrs  
Bennie Kyle - Chollas Elementary 7 yrs

## L

Beatrice LaFontaine - Farb 32 yrs  
Akiko Lagman - Zamorano Elementary 15 yrs  
Melanie Lake - San Diego SCPA 32 yrs  
Candelaria Lane - Hancock 15 yrs  
Linda Lantz - Madison 21 yrs  
Laverne Leath - Mater. Prov & Proc 8 yrs  
Beatrice Lee - Walker 31 yrs  
Barbara Lester - Standley Middle 33 yrs  
Sandra Lippe - Scripps Ranch High 12 yrs  
Linda Little - Point Loma High 27 yrs  
Martha Livingston - Challenger Middle 33 yrs  
Mary Loera - Lafayette 15 yrs  
James Long - Morse High 33 yrs  
Dolores Lopez - Birney 30 yrs  
Wilfredo Lopez - Balboa 12 yrs

## M

Karen Macdonald - Nye Elementary 36 yrs  
Ernest Macon - Food Services 23 yrs  
Kay Mahoney - Student Services 27 yrs  
Gilbert Maldonado - MOC 27 yrs  
Carol Malina - Angier Elementary 22 yrs  
Olga Mancinelli - Logan  
Gloria Manes - Marvin Elementary 37 yrs  
Lynn Markley - Ericson 32 yrs  
John Marsteller - MIS 30 yrs

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# Retirees

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Linda Martin - Miller 17 yrs  
Dorothy Mason - Green Elementary 42 yrs  
Vivian Mathews - Instructional Media Center 14 yrs  
Ann Matthews - Boone Elementary 20 yrs  
Patricia Maxe - Lindbergh/Schweitzer 4 yrs  
Frances Mayer - Procurement & Distribution 22 yrs  
Peggy Maynard - Dewey 16 yrs  
Dora McCollim - King Elementary 22 yrs  
Ross McCollum - Jerabek 1 yr  
Jean McCrary - Hamilton 28 yrs  
Carolyn McCullough - Edison 12 yrs  
Hattie McCurley - Standley 21 yrs  
Sharon McDonald - Unassigned Labor Pool 11 yrs  
Gloria McGee - Ericson 24 yrs  
Ralph McKay - Dewey Elementary 42 yrs  
Anne McMillan - Balboa Park Program 36 yrs  
Daniel McPhetres - M & O 19 yrs  
Charles Meacham - San Diego SCPA 30 yrs  
David Melton - Ross Elementary 38 yrs  
Mary Merrill - Brooklyn 24 yrs  
Patricia Meyers - Ross Elementary 14 yrs  
Stephen Michaels - Madison 30 yrs  
Luther Miles - Gompers 6 yrs  
Helene Millard - Ross Elementary 17 yrs  
Linda Miller - Hickman Elementary 31 yrs  
Patricia Miyahara - Serra High 23 yrs  
Gwendolyn Momita - Juarez Elementary 31 yrs  
Juel Moore - Oak Park Elementary 33 yrs  
Jane Morgan - Zamorano 25 yrs  
Sally Movido - Marshall Middle 38 yrs  
Jo Ann Mullaly - Green Elementary 16 yrs  
Ida Murphy - Carson 33 yrs  
Donald Murray - Morse 16 yrs  
Dennis Musial - Clairemont High 32 yrs

## N

Ana Nelson - Morse High 7 yrs  
Darryl Nelson - Scripps Ranch High 36 yrs  
Glysis Nelson - Mt. Everest Academy 16 yrs  
Melvin Newsom - Food Service 23 yrs  
Lois Nichols - Henry High 38 yrs  
Doyle Nordman - Kearny High 12 yrs  
Sarina Nordmarken - Cadman Elementary 34 yrs

## O

Bettye O'bee - Materials Development 14 yrs  
Barbara Oberle - Mason 16 yrs  
Harriet Ogata - Crawford High 37 yrs  
Carolyn Oldham - Pacific Beach Middle 16 yrs  
Bettye Olds - Balboa Park Program 35 yrs  
Theodore Ortiz - Transportation 9 yrs

## P

Louis Padula - Twain Jr./Sr. 33 yrs  
Gladys Palast - Carson Children's Center 11 yrs  
James Paschall - Garfield High 29 yrs  
Edward Pascua - Hoover High 26 yrs  
Connie Pastoral - Lee 26 yrs  
Gary Peltier - Food Service 5 yrs  
Morris Perkins - M & O 23 yrs  
Kenneth Peterson - Farb 32 yrs  
Colleen Pettegrew - Lafayette 40 yrs  
Aghdas Pezeshki - Rolando Park Elementary 22 yrs  
Virginia Pickett - Rosa Parks 5 yrs  
Nancy Piper - Corriea 29 yrs  
Claudette Pirre - O'Farrell 17 yrs  
Judith Pleimann-Kirk - Roosevelt Jr. High 19 yrs  
Jay Pohl - Birney 37 yrs  
Patricia Ponich - Encanto 22 yrs  
Beverly Porter - Fletcher Elementary 17 yrs

Mary Post - Pershing Middle 23 yrs  
Martha Price - San Diego SCPA 30 yrs  
Maria Principato - Ericson 27 yrs  
Brenda Provence - Gage Elementary 25 yrs  
Mary Pyles - Mason 40 yrs

## Q

Jack Quinlan, Jr. - Pt. Loma High 24 yrs

## R

Shirley Ramstrom - Euclid 42 yrs  
Jerry Ratcliff - Balboa 42 yrs  
Joan Reavis - Linda Vista 34 yrs  
Carrie Reid - De Portola Middle 25 yrs  
Melicent Richardson - Morse 33 yrs  
Marilyn Rivas - Franklin Elementary 33 yrs  
Marilyn Robbins - San Diego High 23 yrs  
Robert Robinson - Keiller 29 yrs  
Doris Robison - Twain 33 yrs  
Ruth Roche - Brooklyn 33 yrs  
Kathryn Rockey - Perkins Elementary 18 yrs  
Barbara Rodriguez - Twain Jr./Sr. 24 yrs  
Carlos Romero - Serra High 28  
Carolyn Romero - Mission Bay High 23 yrs  
Patricia Rosenbaum - Valencia Park 9 yrs  
Earnestine Ross - Gompers 21 yrs  
Anne Rosser - Mission Bay High 39 yrs  
Kenneth Rowe - Kearny High 22 yrs  
Raymond Ruiz - Transportation 34 yrs  
Bonny Russell - Jefferson Elementary 32 yrs

## S

Linda Saik - Health & Wellness 16 yrs  
JoAnn Samuelson - San Diego High 18 yrs  
Gilbert Sandoval, Jr. - M & O 17 yrs  
Cathy Sardina - Mira Mesa High 18 yrs  
Laserik Saunders - Serra High 33 yrs  
Robert Saunders - Secondary Interim 31 yrs  
Darwin Saylor - Madison 10 yrs  
Roosevelt Scales - Morse High 32 yrs  
Joanne Schaper - Johnson 24 yrs  
Sandra Scherf - La Jolla High 35 yrs  
Margret Schrader - Hancock 21 yrs  
Linda Schroeder - Marston Satellite/DHH 18 yrs  
Barbara Scott - Bird Rock Elementary 23 yrs  
Craig Secord - Pershing 18 yrs  
Eleanor Sennett - San Diego High 27 yrs  
Rosa Seward - Bethune 33 yrs  
Margaret Shafer - Jackson 17 yrs  
Helen Shanley - Mira Mesa High 22 yrs  
Gutta Sibold - Standley Middle 11 yrs  
Jeri Silver - Montgomery Middle 11 yrs  
Barbara Singleterry - Bell Jr. High 22 yrs  
Cynthia Smith - De Portola Middle 25 yrs  
Rosemarie Smith - Point Loma High 34 yrs  
Thalia Smith - Sessions Elementary 42 yrs  
Whitney Smith - Freese 11 yrs  
Sandra Sobieski - Twain 21 yrs  
Catherine Somers - Roosevelt Jr. High 33 yrs  
Debbi Sommer - LOA 12 yrs  
Dolores Soto - Memorial Academy 27 yrs  
Jay Sowle - Point Loma High 33 yrs  
Carol Jean Spicer - Emerson Bandini 36 yrs  
Paul Stanford - Mission Bay High 33 yrs  
Albert Stark - Dana 16 yrs  
Cornelius Stearns - HRSD 30 yrs  
Ernest Stephenson - Mann 33 yrs  
Diane Stofer - Kearny High 24 yrs  
Howard Stofer - Garfield High School 34 yrs  
Anne Sullivan - Instructional Media Ctr. 15 yrs  
Marilyn Sundin - Mission Bay High 7 yrs  
James Swank - Custodial Operations 36 yrs  
Robert Swanson - Linda Vista 33 yrs  
Laura Sweeney - Transportation 18 yrs

Judith Swinko - STD Assess Acct 34 yrs

## T

Jacquelyn Talbert - Gage Elementary 25 yrs  
Elizabeth Tame - Edison Elementary 25 yrs  
Mary Taormina - Mann 22 yrs  
Myrna Taylor - Wilson Academy 37 yrs  
Maria Theodore - Henry High 36 yrs  
Joyce Thomas - Bell Jr. High 24 yrs  
Bonnie Thompson - Balboa Elementary 36 yrs  
Lavonne Thompson - Ross Elementary 35 yrs  
Marvin Threatt - Sojourner Truth Academy 5 yrs  
Marilyn Tindel - Speech Pathology 21 yrs  
Carol Tocco - DePortola Middle 22 yrs  
Marilyn Todd - Kearny High 33 yrs  
Carmine Tortora - Point Loma High 6 yrs  
Patricia Tracey - Hoover 23 yrs  
Hai Tran - Kearny 23 yrs  
Kim Tran - Ross 23  
Virginia Trepanier - MacDowell 34 yrs  
Norma Trost - Community Relations 22 yrs  
LaVerne Trousdale - Wegeforth 21 yrs  
Godfrey Tschiltsh - SCPA 21 yrs  
Gladys Tucker - Valencia Park Elementary 14 yrs  
Dale Twombly - Kearny High 28 yrs

## U

Lydia Ulloa - Lee 23 yrs  
Donna Urbanavage - Penn 33 yrs

## V

Chou Vang - Linda Vista Elementary 21 yrs  
Nancy VanVeen - Budget 16 yrs  
Cherie Vaughn - Special Education 33 yrs  
Jean Vigneault - Crawford 29 yrs  
Rosemary Vikander - Curie Elementary 27 yrs

## W

Alicia Wakefield - Hoover 18 yrs  
Margaret Walker - M & O 28 yrs  
Roy Walker - Distribution 40 yrs  
Mary Wavrik - Madison High 16 yrs  
Larry Webb - Dailard 12 yrs  
Concetta Webster - Special Ed Team-B 19 yrs  
Monte Weddle - Patrick Henry High 34 yrs  
Katherine Weintraub - Std, Assess & Acct 36 yrs  
Thomas Wertz - M & O 18 yrs  
Roberta Wiley - Foster Elementary 23 yrs  
Eva Williams - Whitman Elementary 9 yrs  
Margaret Williams - Carson 30 yrs  
Patricia Williams - Memorial Academy 27 yrs  
Robert Wilson - M & O 24 yrs  
Karen Wisner - Crawford High 19 yrs  
Hermina Wood - Lincoln High School 15  
Marlene Wootten-Hughes - Crawford H. S. 7 yrs  
Barbara Wyatt - Keiller Middle 30 yrs

## Z

Linda Zimsky - Unassigned Labor Pool 9 yrs  
Don Zizzo - La Jolla 13 yrs  
Russell Zoller - Maintenance Unit 14 yrs



# People & Places

**San Diego City Schools bus drivers** were honored recently for outstanding driving skills at the **California School Bus Safety Roadeo**, held annually since 1953. Roadeos provide a venue for school bus drivers to demonstrate their skills performing precision maneuvers in a school bus over a closed course. District drivers were winners at three different Roadeo competitions. At the San Diego County School Bus Safety Roadeo, winners included **Dan Gilbreth, Norm Turner, Fred Jones** and **Gerald Stevens**. Teams of drivers were also honored, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place going to **Fred Jones, Dan Gilbreth** and **Antonio Perez**, and a 3<sup>rd</sup> place going to **Norm Turner, Corey Patton** and **David Lancaster**. At the 49<sup>th</sup> California School Bus Safety Roadeo, winners included **Gerald Stevens, Shon Hayes, Corey Patton, Dan Gilbreth, Antonio Perez, David Lancaster, Willie Evans, Norm Turner** and **Alejandra Ramirez**. Two teams again came home with the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes. At the California School Bus Safety Roadeo, State Championships, driver **Dan Gilbreth** placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, and **Shon Hayes** and **Tanya Newgent** were named team champions for Special Needs.



Mira Mesa High School PE teacher and volleyball coach **Kristen Robarts** has been named **STATE Volleyball Coach of the Year**. Fellow PE teacher and badminton coach **Carol Stowe** was named **Badminton Coach of the Year**.

Three district teachers have been named as **2002 Chargers Champions Educators** at the recent Chargers All-Star Gala, honoring outstanding county teachers. District recipients are **Carol Fischer, a Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) Itinerant teacher; Dr. Elmer Logans, O'Farrell Middle; and Ruthie Murray, Rolando Park Elementary.**

**Lafayette Elementary teacher LeEdward Johnson** and **Kennedy Elementary teacher Angela Froehlich** are included in the latest edition of "**Who's Who Among America's Teachers.**" Teachers are named to the publication by a previous student who identify these teachers as being extremely influential in their lives. Only 5% of the nation's teachers are included in the edition each year.



This year's **Parent Involvement Task Force** once again recognized dozens of outstanding individuals who contributed time and energy to increase the quantity and quality of parent involvement in San Diego City Schools. Parent awards were presented to **LeRoy Bontrager, Y.O.U.; Debbie Cassity, Gompers Secondary; Kay Dangerfield, Taft Middle; Jovanna Henry, Cadman Elementary; James Holloway, Morse High; Jo Ann Humphus, Mann Middle; John and Veronica Jones, Madison High; Maria Kenny, Rosa Parks Elementary; Cindy May, Mission Bay High; Cindy McIntyre, Wegeforth Elementary; Tracy Mitchell, McKinley Elementary; Arturo Morales, Monroe Clark Middle; Maxine Peoples, Hoover High; Nina Poanessa, San Diego High; Lori Sherer, Lafayette Elementary; Eleanor Snyder, Sunset View Elementary; and Michelle Winter-Nolte, Sequoia Elementary.** Community member awards were presented to **James Doyle, Hickman Elementary; Allison Fujikawa and Kevin McCloskey, Jackson Elementary; Juan Orozco, Gompers/Lincoln/Morse high schools; and Sol Shumer, Hickman Elementary.** Staff member awards were presented to **Pam Pham Barron, Rosa Parks**

**Elementary; Mary Ann Dawson, Paradise Hills Elementary; Lidia Gonzalez, Balboa Elementary; Veronica Griffin, Jackson Elementary; Rosario Iannacone, Rosa Parks Elementary; Rosemary Orduno, Sequoia Elementary; and Daisy Washington, Wegeforth Elementary.** A number of outstanding school programs, organizations and parent centers were also recognized. They include **COSTCO, Wegeforth Elementary; Family Math Nights, Rosa Parks Elementary; Home Start, Hoover High; Home Visit Program, Emerson/Bandini Elementary; Kindness Counts, Sunset View Elementary; Parent Involvement Program, O'Farrell Community School; Parent Literacy Center, Kimbrough Elementary; Parents Teaching Music, Sherman Elementary; and Wednesday Club, Baker Elementary.** Additionally, several schools were honored for creating newsletters deemed outstanding in linking home-school communication. They include **Dingeman, Grant, La Jolla, Sunset View** and **Wegeforth** elementary schools; **Keiller** and **Wangenheim** middle schools; **Memorial Academy, O'Farrell Community School,** and **Hoover** and **Mission Bay** high schools.

The **San Diego Chapter of the California Association of Resource Specialists and Special Education Teachers** presented its annual awards recently. The Chapter VIP award went to **Sequoia Elementary** resource specialist **Karen Karagozian**. The Community Leader award went to **Donne Willett**, retired district resource teacher. The Educational Leader award was presented to **May Vue**, special education technology technician at Wiggin Center.

**OOPS! The Lincoln-Gompers Cluster Service Center** was inadvertently left out of the group of programs honored at the annual "**Healthy and Ready to Learn**" event. The programs were recognized as exemplary coordinated school health programs.

## In Memoriam...

**Joseph J. Costa**, whose service with the district began September 1999, passed away June 1, 2002. He was a campus police officer with School Police Services at the time of his death.

**Lois Jackson**, whose service with the district began September 1957, passed away June 14, 2002. Ms. Jackson was a teacher at Ericson Elementary at the time of her retirement June 1991.

**Herbert C. Jamerson**, whose service with the district began October 1978, passed away May 23, 2002. He was a teacher at Challenger Middle School at the time of his retirement November 1994.

**Amanda McMonnies**, whose service with the district began August 1998, passed away June 8, 2002. She was an instructional assistant at Hage Elementary at the time of her death.

**Nikki Parscale**, whose service with the district began October 1971, passed away May 7, 2002. She was a teacher at Penn Elementary at the time of her death.

**Laura Sweeney**, whose service with the district began September 1983, passed away May 22, 2002. She was a school bus driver at the time of her retirement November 2001.

**Walter S. Zmoltek**, whose service with the district began September 1949, passed away June 4, 2002. Mr. Zmoltek was a teacher at Mission Bay High School at the time of his retirement June 1988.

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## Scenes from Schools

The San Diego Guild of Puppetry recently brought an exciting, interactive folk tale performance by the **Dakinideva Theatre Arts to Freese Elementary School**. It featured storytelling, colorful masked dancers and giant puppets, completely delighting the audience of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders

The **Language Academy** was recently named a **KFMB-TV Channel 8 "Cool School."**



Students at **Chavez Elementary** were recently treated to a visit from Steve Plourd, U.S. Army, (right) who's recently spent time in Afghanistan. Plourd talked to students about his experience and brought items including some traditional Afghan trinkets to share and for the students to examine.

The recent year-end activities at **Hickman Elementary** included a special **Book Club Sleepover**, (below) hosted by the principal. Teachers selected one student from their class who demonstrated excellence in reading or reading improvement. Students returned to school on a Friday night armed with books, pillows, sleeping bags and teddy bears and camped out in the library all night reading stories, playing games and generally having a fabulous time. Parents came to collect the children after breakfast the next morning.



Students at **Kroc Middle School** ended their school year by performing a student-created opera, "**Bricker Bracker Firecracker**". The project was led by teaching artists from the **San Diego Opera** and the **La Jolla Playhouse**, and was created to enhance students' literacy skills through the arts.

**Kroc's Garden Club** was recently honored by "**I Love a Clean San Diego**" with a 1<sup>st</sup> place award for "**Campus Beautification.**" Club members were feted in a ceremony at SeaWorld San Diego that included lunch and an afternoon at the park playing tourist.

## Classified Ads

**ADS RUN ON SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS** - Send to Communications Office, Room 2145, Eugene Brucker Education Center. **Limit to 10 words (not including phone) or ad not accepted. Include work location and phone (for ID purposes only).**

**For Sale:** Teak desk, file drawer w/3 smaller drawers, \$140.00/obo, (619) 523-5044; Olympic weight bench & weights, over 250 lbs.w/extras, (619) 518-0864; Compaq w/MS windows 98 1<sup>st</sup> edition, 13" monitor, printer, \$400/obo, (858) 627-7238; Apple iBook, 500MHz, 10GB, 384MB RAM, DVD, barely used, \$1,200, (619) 255-3929; King size bed, like new, \$1,500 new, \$500/obo, (858) 658-7432; Canoe, Evenrud motor, oars, lifevests, used very little, \$400/obo, (619) 562-0382; Sofa Bed, full-size, beige, great condition, \$135/obo, (619) 287-1233; Washer/Dryer, Kirkland, white, 1yr. old, excel. \$450/both, (619) 279-1233; '95 Jetta III GLX VR6, wht. w/blk. int., excel., (760) 758-9454; '96 Mazda Miata, excel., pwr. everything, 62K, \$8,000, (619) 229-9992; '93 Ford Thunderbird LX, V6, auto, 95K, great shape, \$3,200, (619) 265-8113; '94 Honda Civic coup, 90K, auto, AC, \$5,800/obo, (619) 200-1620; '91 Jeep Laredo, mechanically sound, 237K, needs paint & windshield, \$3,300, (858) 566-4235; '91 Nissan Pathfinder, blue, fine, manual \$4,800/obo, (619) 838-1687; Treadmill, 20" wide, incline, folds up, runs great, \$350, (619) 561-5187; '94 Ford Taurus SHO, 24 valve, DOHC, 100K, \$4,800/obo (760) 745-6480; '95 Chevy Lumina minivan, excel. cond., 120K, \$5,200/obo, (769) 745-6480; Snow/Mud Tires, 5 lug/rims, 1 snow, some rust, (619) 263-3752; Sleeper sofa, dk. green, w/full size bed, \$400/obo, (619) 561-5187; Fainting Couch, beautiful cond. \$350, (619) 501-9467 evenings; **For Rent:** Rental Cabin or cottage, Idyllwild, available 1<sup>st</sup> of August, (619) 479-2587; Boulevard house, 2bd/1ba, fenced yard, \$825/mo., (760) 788-9621; **Wanted:** Small child's wading pool, riding toys, (858) 569-8586.