

October 17, 2006

To: Board Members
From: Tom Bishop
Subject: Staff Recognition – Employees of the Month

Jake's Del Mar is continuing its support of our educational program by honoring staff members each month who are recognized by their site or department as "Employees of the Month". Jake's provides honorees with a \$30.00 gift certificate.

Employees of the Month for October are:

Ashley Falls	Sandy Johnson, 5 th Grade Teacher
Carmel Del Mar	Rebecca Jones, 6 th Grade Teacher
Del Mar Heights	Wanda Lipinczyk, Instructional Assistant
Del Mar Hills	Samantha Richardson, Instructional Aide
Sage Canyon	Fred Bettig, 3 rd Grade Teacher
Sycamore Ridge	Audrey Schengel, 2 nd Grade Teacher
Torrey Hills	Deena Engler, 1 st Grade Teacher

RECOMMENDED: For Information Only; No Action is Required.

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October 17, 2006

To: Board Members
From: Wendy Wardlow, Principal, Del Mar Heights
Through: Tom Bishop
Subject: Del Mar Heights Chorus Performance

The Del Mar Heights Chorus, under the direction of Sarah Sutton and Dorothy Waite, is composed of seventy-five fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students who meet weekly as a Lunch Club. At tonight's Board Meeting, they will sing selections from the musical, Seussical. The Del Mar Heights Chorus will perform at Holiday Wonderland in the Village on Dec. 3rd, in addition to singing at school functions including Grandparents' Day, Winterfest, and Dancefest. They are looking forward to sharing their music at the District Choral Festival in March. This year the Chorus has set an ambitious goal to perform a musical review of Seussical in the spring. Tonight the Board will get a special preview of the wonderful world of Dr. Seuss.

RECOMMENDED: No Action Required.

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October 17, 2006

To: Board Members

From: Tom Bishop

Subject: Report: DMCTA President, Jennifer Steinman

DMCTA President, Jennifer Steinman, will be present to give a brief report to the Board.

RECOMMENDED: For Information Only.

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October 18, 2006

To: Board Members
From: Janet Bernard
Through: Tom Bishop
Subject: Report on the Young Writers' Camp

A special learning opportunity for students was held this past summer in the area of writing. A Young Writers' Camp was held at Sycamore Ridge School from July 10-21. Students from all seven DMUSD schools participated, as well as several students from the Solana Beach School District. In total, 117 students attended the two-week event.

The Young Writers' Camp was offered to interested students as part of the San Marcos Writing Project based at California State University, San Marcos. This Project is under the auspices of the National Writing Project, which seeks to improve student learning through the effective teaching of writing. The seven participating teachers at the Camp attended a week-long intensive institute and four half-day follow-up trainings during the regular school year. They were trained either through the San Marcos Writing Project or the San Diego Writing Project.

The District is very pleased with the success of the Young Writers for its first year. The success is due largely to the exceptional leadership of the Camp Coordinator, Andrea Cannon. Andrea is a 5th grade teacher and former literacy coach at Ashley Falls School. She is present this evening to share a few highlights from the Camp.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Camp was funded through the San Marcos Writing Project. Parents were responsible for the \$50 tuition fee.

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To: Board Members

From: Tom Bishop

Subject: Report: DMUSD Technology Program • Tom Hauseur, Director of Technology

Tom Hauseur, the DMUSD Director of Technology, will provide the staff report to the Board tonight. Mr. Hauseur will describe some of the 2006/2007 technology activities and services that are provided to staff, students and the community.

RECOMMENDED: For Information Only.

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