

Congratulations to Del Mar Union School District's  
Employees of the Month  
January 2012



**Ashley Falls – Tricia Huppert, Volunteer Coordinator**

Tricia strives each day to improve the reading skills of primary grade students. She has successfully coordinated the Everyone A Reader Program for eight years and has earned San Diego County Office of Education recognition multiple times. Her program design and resources have served as a model for other programs throughout the county. Congratulations, Tricia!



**Carmel Del Mar – Jennifer Havlat, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher**

Jennifer's patience and enthusiasm is a model on how to create a learning community that is tolerant, kind, and respectful. She understands and embraces the strengths and challenges of each student and is instrumental in the success of SDC students mainstreamed into her classroom. Jennifer Havlat is one of the reasons CDM has earned the reputation of being a school with a heart! Congratulations, Jennifer!



**Del Mar Hills Academy – Abby Farricker, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher**

Abby Farricker is a passionate and dedicated teacher who always goes above and beyond. She has trained school colleagues, parents, and the community on Quantum Learning strategies that support students' learning and increases academic achievement. She always has a positive attitude that is very contagious! We are so fortunate to have her at Del Mar Hills Academy! Congratulations, Abby!



**Del Mar Heights – Greg Jordan, Plant Manager**

Greg has done an outstanding job of keeping our campus clean, organized and in great repair. We are so lucky he joined our staff. Congratulations, Greg!



**Ocean Air – Lillian Rutledge, Librarian**

Lillian is the energizer bunny of Sycamore Ridge! Working tirelessly Lillian reads with the younger classes, and helps students to learn the ins and outs of the Library. She directs the Scholastic Book Fair and the Used Book Fair each year with amazing success! This year Lillian has worked diligently to set up a new eBook system for our entire school and on her personal time trains the other seven district librarians. Thanks Lillian, for loving our students and supporting our school district in so many ways! You are a vital part of our Ocean Air family! Congratulations, Lillian!



**Sage Canyon – Sallie Small, RSP Aide**

Sallie has worked at Sage Canyon School for 4 years as a RSP aide. Her enthusiastic personality brings a special bond with her students, allowing them the confidence to succeed. Sallie is always willing to lend an extra hand to help both students and staff. Sallie we appreciate all you! Congratulations, Sallie!



**Sycamore Ridge - Dana Stuart, Special Education Aide, II**

We are proud to recognize Dana Stuart for the leadership and performance she displays every single day she steps foot onto the Sycamore Ridge campus. Dana is very intuitive and picks up on subtle cues from her students. She goes above and beyond and is appreciated for all that she does for students. Congratulations, Dana!



**Torrey Hills – Nalani Grossman, School Administrative Assistant**

Nalani is a very special person to Torrey Hills Elementary. She stays calm in the face of any and all chaos that happens in the front office. Her smile and laughter bring a sense of joy to the school. Not only does Nalani handle all school events with ease, but she also keeps the school principal on her toes. Congratulations Nalani!



**District Office – Shirley Bales, Program Assistant**

Shirley is a great asset to the district's instructional services department. She has a vast knowledge of the district's data and programs, and she conscientiously attends to obligations regarding state and federal mandates and timelines. Shirley does much behind-the-scenes work to prepare for ongoing projects, professional development workshops and meetings. Shirley's willingness to do "whatever it takes" to complete a task well is remarkable. Congratulations, Shirley!