



IRVINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOUNDATION
Principals' Update

August 2010

IPSF Gala

Our Inaugural Spirit of Excellence Gala will be held on Friday, September 10th at the Kia Motors Headquarters. We have sold over 300 tickets, but there is still room for more guests. We will have special performances by Alumni Jeremy Siskind, an incredible Jazz Pianist and Kristine Remigio Linares, an awesome vocalist. As part of our silent auction, we have many wonderful items as well as internships from AeroDyn Energy, Ascolta, Cancer Center of Irvine, La Jolla Group, ReproCyte, Western Digital, Churm Media, NAWRB, and White, Nelson & Co. For your use, I have attached a copy of an advertisement that will be in the IWN this week. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a ticket, please contact Cheryl Van Camp at cvancamp@ipsf.net. (949) 265-6409.

Walk To School Day

Lace Up Your Shoes and Grab That Pedometer! **Walk To School Day is Thursday, October 28!!** IPSF is pleased to co-sponsor this year's event with IUCPTA Council. For information about how your school can participate, contact Cathy Haney, IUCPTA Program Chair, thehaney1@cox.net.



7th Annual Irvine Dream Stakes Home Raffle

The IPSF 7th Annual Dream Stakes Home Raffle sold 7,110 tickets. Congratulations to Mimi Tham of Irvine. She is our Grand Prize winner and will receive \$250,000. Eric Bianchi a retired, 30 year veteran of the Irvine Police Department, was our \$20,000 winner. Kathy Colao, Christine Comp, and Ross Mulholland each won \$10,000. In all, we gave away 75 prizes, all cash. Thank you to all that purchased tickets and supported our schools.



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Because the PCRF Cinco de Mayo Half Marathon event was such a huge success last year, (We raised \$10,097.65) we will be participating again this year. We would love to have every school participate, even if you only have a few people on your team. The event will be on May 1, 2011. I will forward more information as I receive it from the Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation.



AFTERSCHOOL CLASSROOM ENRICHMENT

The IPSF ACE Program (Afterschool Classroom Enrichment)

The IPSF-ACE program ended the 2009-10 school year with approximately 4,200 students enrolled in over 380 classes district-wide. Currently, there are 575 students enrolled in classes at one high school, and two year-round schools. Many of the elementary schools already have their fall session planned for September starts. The ACEwise online registration website has a new look, which makes it easier for parents to see what is going on at their school. You may visit the website at www.acewise.org.

The IPSF-ACE program currently has a “Tool Kit” available with a brochure template, standardized pricing and coordinator job description. This will make it easier to find a volunteer coordinator at each school site. Contact Stephanie Bynon, IPSF ACE Director at (949) 65-6411 or sbynon@ipsf.net to get more information on having Afterschool Classroom Enrichment at your school.

My College Knowledge

IPSF is proud to provide My College Knowledge. This series of classes, taught primarily by IUSD Guidance Counselors, is designed to assist middle and high school students and their parents with college planning. Classes cover topics such as:

- Writing Your Personal Statement
- The College Search: Finding the Right Match
- Career Exploration
- College Planning 101

For our middle school students and parents we offer:

- Middle School Counts
- Career Exploration
- High School 101

Both students and parents are invited to attend. For more information contact Meryl Segal at 949-263-8340 or msegal@ipsf.net

Hoag Generations Wall to Benefit IPSF



Hoag Hospital will open its new Irvine hospital next week. As one of the ways to commemorate its grand opening, Hoag is partnering with the Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF) to create and dedicate the “Generations Wall” in the atrium of the new facility.

The Generations Wall will be dedicated to families who generously contribute to the IPSF Health and Wellness initiative in support of the Irvine Unified School District. The primary goal of the Health and Wellness Initiative is to increase private support to supplement much needed funding for nurses and health clerks in IUSD. The current nurse to student ratio is 3340:1 and the campaign hopes to lower the ratio to at least 3000:1 by 2011.

By supporting the IUSD’s Health and Wellness Initiative, Irvine families can be a part of Irvine legacy in a permanent way. Contributing families will be permanently acknowledged on the beautiful Generations Wall at the new Hoag Hospital in Irvine. The Generations Wall campaign will run from April through December of 2010 with the unveiling scheduled in the fall of 2010. If you would like to donate or have questions about the Generations Wall campaign, please contact Debbie Rugani at (949) 265-6403 or drugani@ipsf.net.

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