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A Quarterly Newsletter of the Valley Elementary Educational Foundation



The Valley Elementary Educational Foundation brings parents and community members together to raise money to enrich the educational experience so that every child at Valley Elementary School can succeed.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's been an honor serving as president of the Valley Elementary Educational Foundation. It's been an amazing year! To recap, we raised \$37,000 at the inaugural Fall Gala and Auction event, we purchased nearly 700 new books for the library and we have dispersed nearly \$4,250 in mini grants to help pay for books, supplies, programs and field trips.

Perhaps most exciting was this year's 4th Annual Cinco de Mayo Trail Run. We registered 993 runners, about three times the number that participated last year. We were supported by more than 100 volunteers. We invited the foundations from seven other schools, as well as Chelsea's Light Foundation, to participate in a program that brought in 392 participants. We partnered with 66 sponsors — up from 20 the year before. We had 20 exhibitors, up from 12 the year before. And we grossed approximately \$48,000, compared to last year's gross earnings of \$22,000.

This kind of event doesn't just happen. It takes hundreds of people working over the course of many months. Thank you to the following groups: the Foundation board, especially event chair Megan Schirmacher; the planning committee; the sponsorship team, the students, teachers, administrators and parents who supported and participated in the event; the volunteers; and, of course, the partners, sponsors and benefactors who contributed financially to make the event such a success.

I'm the last remaining founding member of the Foundation. As I complete my tenure on the board, I admit that it's exciting to end with a record-breaking year. I challenge you to keep up the momentum as we plan our next big event, the Fall Gala and Auction, scheduled for October 16. I have no doubt that the coming year holds even more promise!

Mikkel Christensen, President



## THE 4th ANNUAL CINCO DE MAYO TRAIL RUN



The 4th Annual Cinco de Mayo Trail Run, presented by Kohl's A-Team, featured exciting changes including a new 10K distance as well as multiple 5K heats. It led to the collaboration of other schools so more children could benefit. It drew professional runners. It honored local heroes, including active-duty firefighters,



law enforcement personnel and members of the military. And it became a source of inspiration for runners representing Chelsea's Light Foundation, who were there to remember Poway High School cross-country runner, Chelsea King. This helped the Trail Run make a lasting mark on the community. However, what's most exciting is putting the

money raised to good use in the 2010-11 school year by purchasing the first phase of a Web-based curriculum called CompassLearning for every classroom at every grade level.



# THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Thank you to the following partners, sponsors, benefactors and collaborators who helped make the 4th Annual Cinco de Mayo Trail Run a success.

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## 2009-10 BY THE NUMBERS

Here are some of the exciting ways the Valley Elementary Educational Foundation was able to support students, teachers and parents this year. The board hopes next year, with your support, to do even more.

Library Books (K-5)	10,000
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Una Redación Trimestral de Valley Elementary Educational Foundation



La Fundación junta a los padres y la comunidad con el propósito de adquirir fondos para enriquecer la experiencia educativa para que cada niño en Valley pueda tener éxito.

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## MENSAJE DEL PRESIDENTE

Es un honor servir como presidente de la Fundación. Ha sido un año fantástico, hemos logrado recaudar la suma de \$37,000 en la inauguración de Gala de Otoño y en la venta silenciosa de remate, hemos comprado casi 700 libros nuevos para nuestra biblioteca y disponemos cerca de \$ 4,250 en pequeñas donaciones para ayudar a pagar por libros, útiles y programas por paseos.

Quizá lo más estimulante fue este año la 4ta Carrera del 5 de Mayo. Se registraron 993 personas para correr, tres veces más el número de los que participaron el último año.

Tuvimos la ayuda de más de 100 voluntarios. Invitamos de las fundaciones de otras 7 escuelas, como también a la Fundación de Chelsea's Light, para participar y trajeron 392 participantes. Nos unimos con 66 personas que nos apadrinaron — 20 el año anterior — tuvimos 20 exhibidores — 12 el año anterior. El gross recaudado fue aproximado de \$48,000 comparado con el año último de \$22,000.

Esta clase de evento no sucede simplemente. Es el resultado del trabajo de más de 100 personas durante muchos meses. Gracias a los siguientes grupos: la comisión de la Fundación, directora especial de eventos, Megan Schirmacher, el comité de planes, el team de buscar personas que apadrinen, los estudiantes, administradores y padres, los voluntarios y por supuesto padrinos y benefactores que contribuyen financieramente al suceso del evento.

Yo soy la última persona de los miembros fundadores de la Fundación. Al completar mi tiempo en la comisión tengo que admitir que es realmente excitable terminar el año batiendo un record. Es un desafío y un reto para vds. mantener superado este éxito para el próximo evento de Otoño de Gala y Subasta de Octubre 16. No tengo duda de que el año que comienza será todavía más prometedor!

Mikkel Christensen, Presidente



## 4ta CARRERA ANUAL DEL CINCO DE MAYO



La 4ta. Carrera Anual del 5 de Mayo, representada por el A-Team de Kohl's tiene unos cambios excitantes, incluyendo a una nueva distancia de 10K, como también múltiple 5K. Tendrá la colaboración de otras escuelas, y beneficiará a más estudiantes. También tendremos corredores profesionales. Será un honor



tener héroes locales, incluyendo los bomberos activos, personal de policía y militares. También será una fuerza de inspiración para los corredores de Chelsea's Light Foundation que estarán presentes para recordar a una gran atleta de Poway High School, Chelsea King. Todo esto ayudará a que este evento que es la carrera en la pista del Lago de Poway, sea un recuerdo perdurable

en nuestra comunidad. Sin embargo, lo más estimulante es que el dinero recaudado tendrá un buen uso en 2010-11 por la compra de la primera Web-based, llamada CompassLearning, para cada salón en todos los grados.



# GRACIAS POR SU AYUDA



Gracias a todos los compañeros, padrinos, benefactores, y colaboradores que ayudaron a hacer un suceso de la 4ta Carrera Anual del 5 de Mayo en la pista de la escuela.

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Éstos son algunos de los modos emocionantes de la Fundación Educacional de la Escuela Elemental Valley fue capaz de apoyar a los estudiantes, maestros y padres de familia este año. La comisión espera el próximo año, con su apoyo, para hacer aún más.

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