The 27th Annual Classified Employees of the Year

2010

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

Cherokee Point Elementary

San Diego Unified School District
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SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF )
RECOGNITION OF )
MAY 16-22, 2010 AS ) RESOLUTION
CLASSIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES WEEK )

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature and the Governor recognized the importance of classified school employees to the educational process by approving legislation in 1986 setting aside the third full week in May of each year as Classified School Employees Week; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education joins state government officials in acknowledging the important roles classified school employees play in San Diego Unified School District; and

WHEREAS, classified employees contribute immeasurably to the health, safety, and well-being of students through their dedication and professionalism in carrying out their many and varied job responsibilities assisting children and young people in classrooms and through valuable support services; and

WHEREAS, the district’s academic programs and other educational opportunities could not be provided to the 135,541 students enrolled in our schools without the unfailing support of some 7,504 classified employees working in more than 699 job classifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the San Diego Unified School District does hereby acknowledge those contributions of dedicated classified employees and joins with the entire education community in supporting appropriate activities recognizing May 16-22, 2010, as Classified School Employees Week.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the San Diego Unified School District, San Diego, California, at a public meeting thereof duly called and held this 18th day of May 2010.

[Signatures of Board Members]

Richard Barca
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Ceremony Proceedings

Welcome – Richard Barrera

Presentation of Colors – Morse High School JROTC

Pledge of Allegiance – Cherokee Point Elementary School students

Our National Anthem – Kara Pepper, Marshall Middle School student

Classified School Employees Resolution – John Lee Evans

Board of Education Remarks – Board Trustees

Sponsor Message – Tiffany Lynch, Time Warner Cable

Master of Ceremonies – William Kowba

Special Performance by Cherokee Point Elementary Choir

Introduction of the Classified Site Representatives & Nominees of the Year

Introduction of the Classified Employee of the Year Runner Up
Sandra Huezo

Introduction of the Classified Employee of the Year
Sandra Huezo

Special Recognitions
- California School Employees Association Paraeducators Chapter 759
  Joan O’Hara and Kala Williams
- California School Employees Association OTBS Chapter 788
  Frances Fierro and Becky Simmons
- California School Employees Association OSS Chapter 724 – Ethel Larkins
- Administrators Association of San Diego – Betsy Cook
- San Diego City Schools Police Officer’s Association – Joe Knuteson
- California Coast Credit Union – Robyn Quaco
- Mission Federal Credit Union – Nancy Harvey

Concluding Remarks – Richard Barrera
Welcome Reception & Menu

Co-sponsored by:

Menu

Presented by
Morse High School ROP Culinary Arts Program – Hungry Tiger Café
(Sara Smith, teacher)

- Panini Triangles with Smoked Mozzarella, Sundried Tomatoes and Pesto
- Wild Rice Pancakes with Smoked Salmon and Crème Fraiche
- Crab Crostini
- Lobster Strudel
- Middle Eastern Meatballs with Coriander Yogurt Dip
- Brie and Roasted Pear in Phyllo with Raspberry Drizzle
- Swiss Chard Quiche

Presented by
Madison High School Culinary Arts Program (Justin T. Halbert, teacher)

- Cookies & Cream Chocolate Truffles
- Mini Red Velvet Cupcake Bites
- Roasted Apple Pie “Cookies”

Special Presentations & Entertainment by:

San Diego High School Cheer Squad (Stacey Seiders, teacher)
Madison High School Warhawk Regiment (Ricardo Garcia, director)
Kara Pepper, soloist, Marshall Middle School (Katherine Girvin, teacher)
Morse High School JROTC Color Guard (SGM (R) Harold E. Williams, instructor)
Cherokee Point Elementary Choir (Diane Park, teacher)
### Site Classified Employees of the Year

*District Classified Employee of the Year Nominee*

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Jose Delao*
Human Resource Services Division

Joyce Dirksen
Ross Elementary School

Vikki Fahn
Jones Elementary School

Eric Franklin
Transportation Department

Gina Gamez
Memorial Preparatory for Scholars and Athletes

Gloria Garcia
School of Creative and Performing Arts

Jose Gonzales*
Roosevelt Middle School

Evie Gottlieb*
Kumeyaay Elementary School

Janet Gray*
Boone Elementary School

John Groll
Strategic Sourcing and Contracts

Paula Harkey
Clay Elementary School

Adam Hayes
Behavior Support Resources

Hilda Hernandez
Farb Middle School

David Herrera
Twain Jr.-Sr. High School

Roxanne Hill
Distribution Services

Lorena Hodgins
iHigh Virtual Academy

Laura Huezo
Mark Twain – Morse Satellite

Magda Jackson
Kearny DMD High School

Jeff Jenkins
Fay Elementary School

Tim Jollett
Transportation Department

Jan Kosaka*
Chesterton Elementary School

Marie Lawson
Monroe Clark Middle School

Phuong Lan Le
Translation Department

Ryan Leighty
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Communications Department

Sally Snipes*  
Palomar Outdoor School

Martha Socie  
Point Loma High School

Alejandra Sosa-Lopez  
Washington Elementary School

Deborah Stewart  
Toler Elementary School

Marina Stevenson  
Marston Middle School

Jack Tade  
Transportation Department

Philip Teates*  
Montgomery Middle School

Susan Thomas  
School Choice – Enrollment Options

Thomas Tomovich  
Physical Plant Operations

Irma Torres  
Nursing and Wellness

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School of International Studies

Martha Vazquez  
Encanto Elementary School

Judy Virgil*  
Hage Elementary School

Mike Wasinski  
Thurgood Marshall Middle School

Yolanda Watson*  
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Pat Wesch*  
de Portola Middle School

Benjamin Williams  
Old Town Program

Tracy Williams*  
Patrick Henry High School

Patrice Wilson  
Boone Elementary School

Delores Womack  
Facilities Planning and Construction

Deanne Wyttenbach*  
Ellen Browning Scripps Elementary School
Evaluators Panel 2010-11

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Jesus Montana
San Diego City Schools
Police Officers Association

Joan O’Hara
Para-Educators
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Michael Shefcik
Administrators Association of San Diego

Derrick Howard
Operations Support Services
California School Employees Association Chapter 724

Becky Simmons
Office-Technical and Business Services
California School Employees Association Chapter 788
Classified Employee of the Year – Runner Up

“Marina (Liz) Stevenson is an exceptional employee and a valuable member of the Marston Middle School staff. She touches virtually every aspect of the school – working with administrators to make sure the master schedule reflects the school’s educational philosophy, with counselors to ensure the most effective placement of students, with teachers to use data systems to drive instruction and with parents in getting connected to student information via technology. She exemplifies the term “life-long learner” while being one of the most patient “non-teacher” teachers I have ever known.”

-- Betsy Cook, Principal
Marston Middle School

“Liz Stevenson is one of the most dedicated and positive staff members on our campus...her wit and sense of humor make our work environment caring and fun, ensuring that her office is always a bright place to be. Her technological wisdom allows our staff to use relevant data and technology to create innovative programs that promote student learning and success. It is a sincere pleasure to work and learn from her each and every day. I believe I am a better educator because of the support that she provides in service to our community.”

--Joni Rullo, Counselor
Marston Middle School

Marina (Liz) Stevenson
Marston Middle School
Student Information Systems
Site Technician II
Jan Kosaka has been a “fixture” at Chesterton Elementary for more than 20 years. According to colleagues, she can generally anticipate what someone will need and how she can help them, even as they are walking towards her desk. She’s described as “extremely professional, gracious, pleasant to work with and irreplaceable.”

Kosaka started as a classroom aide and now works as an administrative assistant. She is much beloved by staff, teachers, students and parents alike. Although Jan Kosaka is known throughout the district for her expertise, strong work ethic, reliability and dependability, it’s her genuine smile that is most often recognized. She is admired for having a positive, easy going demeanor, balanced with the ability to do her job efficiently, going above and beyond her job description every day.

“Jan’s very thorough knowledge of school operations and budget, excellent organizational skills and gentle understanding of the needs of Chesterton’s students, parents and staff allows our school to function smoothly and efficiently,” states Principal Herb Delute. “Her sense of humor, calming influence and problem solving skills in the front office also promote a very positive atmosphere with both the public and the school staff.”

San Diego Unified congratulates Jan Kosaka and her family on her selection as 2010 Classified Employee of the Year.
Special Thanks to:

Cherokee Point Elementary  
Students, Staff & Parents  
(Godwin Higa, principal)

Board of Education

Office of the Superintendent

Serra High ROP Computerized Graphic Design Class  
(Michael Pedersen, teacher)

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