Chaux Talk
25th Anniversary
Kids’ News Day
A benefit for Rady Children’s Hospital—San Diego

Rady Children’s Hospital Auxiliary

Kids’ News Day Committee - 2014
Kids’ News Day Committee - 1990
Note from the Editor

Summer is not quite over as I write my Editor’s Note to include with the Fall 2014 issue of Chaux Talk, but I don’t mind using my summer vacation time to work on the Auxiliary newsletter. In fact, I am delighted to be continuing as the editor of Chaux Talk for the 2014-2015 Auxiliary year. And as I look over the articles for this issue, not only do I sense the fall season coming soon, but I feel the excitement for all the Auxiliary and Auxiliary unit events being planned for the coming year: the 25th Anniversary of Kids’ NewsDay (our cover feature for this Fall issue of Chaux Talk), the Semi-Annual meeting, Fantasy on Ice, unit fundraising events, Education Seminars, Unit Council meetings, New Member Orientations... The following pages include news and information about all of these upcoming events.

And in this issue we also take a look back at what we accomplished during the last Auxiliary year. You will be astounded when you read about the “2013-2014 Designation of Funds,” on page 4. You, members of the Auxiliary, raised more than $2 million last year to benefit the health of San Diego children! President Cheryl Steinholt’s article on page 2 includes a summary of last year’s Auxiliary support for 15 departments and numerous programs at Rady Children’s Hospital.

Can we top that this year? By the time you finish reading about all the plans for Auxiliary-wide and unit fundraisers in this issue of Chaux Talk, you will be convinced that we will!

Happy reading; enjoy the fall season...
President’s Message

Cheryl Steinholt
Rady Children’s Hospital, Auxiliary President

The summer brought a lot of changes around the Auxiliary. We settled into our new office space, met with our new Board members, and welcomed Amy Durazo to the Auxiliary staff as our new Auxiliary Development Officer. Amy has well-rounded experience in fundraising, public relations, event planning and graphic design. Amy will support the Auxiliary with membership, ways and means, special events and other duties. We are happy that with the addition of Amy our team is complete.

If you have been by the Auxiliary offices, you may have noticed that the parking lot has changed. The entrance off Aero Drive is closed, so all traffic is now directed to the main entrance off Kearny Villa Road. The first 30 minutes of parking are free; however, if you are here longer, don’t forget to get a validation ticket.

Several units worked over the summer planning their fall fundraising events. For details check out our new streamlined calendar on the website. All Auxiliary Board meetings, rep meetings and unit fundraising events are listed with more information and helpful links! Also included are Foundation events.

We’re excited to be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Kids’ NewsDay on Tuesday, October 21, 2014. This year’s edition will not only feature patient stories, but also take a look back to the early years of this wonderful Auxiliary-wide event. The essay contest “Captain Safety Saves the Day” generated hundreds of entries from students across San Diego County. Winners will receive iPad Minis donated by the San Diego County Credit Union, and will have their essays featured in this year’s Kids’ NewsDay edition. There are many ways to participate on this “Day to Donate.” For more information contact your unit Kids’ NewsDay rep or check out our website, kidsnewsday.com. Be sure to “like” us on Facebook at facebook.com/UT.KidsNewsDay. Use #kidsnewday when posting photos to social media.

The Shamu and You Family Walk is on October 26th this year. Several units have formed teams, and we also have an Auxiliary Team, CHAUX WALKers. Everyone is welcome to walk with CHAUX WALKers: husbands, significant others, grandparents, children and friends! Sign up at shamuandyouwalk.org, and look for us under “Join a Team.” There will be a one or two mile walk option, entertainment and refreshments. The Auxiliary will also have a booth for advocacy, membership information, and tile painting for kids.

As I come to the end of my first President’s Message for Chaux Talk, I want to tell you how honored I am to be a part of this wonderful organization. A recent Rady Children’s Hospital San Diego internal email message written by Senior Writer Judy Minich for the hospital’s 60th Anniversary highlighted the Auxiliary’s accomplishments last year. In short, we hosted 39 fundraising events as well as Jersey Mike’s Month of Giving, Kids’ NewsDay and Fantasy on Ice, raising more than $2 million for 15 hospital departments, research, and the Hope and Healing Fund. We supported numerous advocacy initiatives including helmet safety, water safety and blood drives. We donated more than 4,000 in-kind items such as brown bags, new clothes, blankets, toiletries, magazines and toys for patients and families. What we do in a year to support Rady Children’s does have an impact.

Please know that every Auxiliary member helps us provide a healing environment and the best possible care for children. I’m looking forward to seeing what amazing things are in store for us this year. The sky is the limit!

Cheryl Steinholt
Rady Children’s Hospital Auxiliary President

Greetings from

Dr. Kearns

Dear Auxilians,

It is an honor to write to you as Rady Children’s newest President. As a member of the Rady Children’s family for 27 years, I have personally met many of you and have seen the direct impact that your efforts have made. Many of you have even trusted me to provide care for your children over the years. On behalf of the families, staff and faculty at Rady Children’s, thank you for dedicating your time and talents to help San Diego.

As we celebrate our 60th birthday at Rady Children’s, we can also celebrate many advancements and accomplishments that the Auxiliary has helped us achieve. This year, our first patient completed proton therapy. We also expect our first heart transplant surgery to be performed soon. With our innovative telemedicine program and the robots that you helped provide, we are able to expand services and provide real-time consultations in many locations across our community. Combined with our cutting-edge research in genomics, we are looking towards a brighter future for children both locally and globally.

Please know that every Auxiliary member helps us provide a healing environment and the best possible care for children. I’m looking forward to partnering with you and getting to know you better. Thank you for all that you do.

Warm regards,

Donald Kearns, M.D., MMM
President Rady Children’s Hospital
Semi-Annual Meeting:

A Time to Honor Unit and Community Members

Not only is the Semi-Annual Meeting a morning filled with great shopping, informative speakers and an opportunity to join fellow Auxilians, it is a time to honor both unit and community members who have excelled in supporting Rady Children’s Hospital Auxiliary. There are several categories of awards that enable us to recognize these achievements:

- **The Distinguished Service Award** is awarded to an Auxilian who has given exemplary service and made outstanding accomplishments, while providing continued support of Rady Children’s above and beyond the unit level. It is the highest award given by the Auxiliary.

- **The Honorary Membership Award** is given to individuals or organizations that provide ongoing support to one or more units.

- **The Very Special Person Award** is the Auxiliary’s opportunity to recognize a member of the Rady Children’s Hospital faculty or staff who has demonstrated outstanding support and friendship to the Auxiliary.

- **The Kite Award** is our newest category. This very special award is our highest award given to a community partner. The project must engage our organization on an Auxiliary-wide basis and address every component of our mission statement.

Please consider submitting a nomination and let us thank those who have gone “above and beyond.”

More information will be available through Unit Council and on the Auxiliary website Members Only Library.

I look forward to seeing all of you in November at our first Auxiliary-wide event.

*Harriet Bossenbroek*, Immediate Past President

From the Auxiliary Treasurer

Hello Unit Treasurers!

Hard to believe that our summer fun has once again come to an end and it’s time to begin the business of the Auxiliary. Every year our fall months at the Auxiliary seem to get busier and busier; Shamu and You Walk, Kids’ News Day, Fantasy on Ice, and all of the great fall events offered by our units. This will be my third year as Auxiliary Treasurer and I think I’m finally getting a handle on the job. If you are new to the treasurer’s job on your unit’s board, take heart — you will be able to figure it all out.

Probably the most important part of your job as treasurer is to keep current. If you stay up to date on all of the small things, the large picture will take care of itself. Even if you don’t have time every day or week to make entries in Quicken for your checks and deposits, make notes about items so that you can recall what the expenditure was for or from whom the deposit came. Also, please use Quicken to reconcile your bank account every month. This will help when it comes to audit time.

My finance committee is here to help so don’t hesitate to call us if you have questions. If we don’t know the answer right off, we will get it for you. Soon we will have a Treasurer’s Workshop where we will give the new treasurers their handbooks and answer any initial questions that you may have about your job. In the meantime good luck and thank you. Being treasurer for your unit is a very important job and we all appreciate your hard work.

*Sharla Coyle*, Auxiliary Treasurer
**Designation of Funds**

Here is the complete list of departments and funds designated by the Auxiliary in Fiscal Year (FY) 2014. All Auxiliary members will receive via email in the late fall a beautiful Auxiliary Impact Report that will describe how the funds are being used.

Thank you all for your endless dedication and hard work to help Rady Children’s. These numbers are incredible! Congratulations on an awesome year!

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*The total amount designated in 2014 includes the total amount raised and designated by units in FY 2014 plus a $200,100 payout from the Mabel Jessop Endowment.

**The amount raised by units includes a unit donation of $100,000 counted as philanthropy in FY 2014 that will be added to the designation list in FY 2015 rather than in 2014.

**Education Corner**

**Welcome back Auxilians!** I hope you had a relaxing summer! I am so excited to be your Education and Advocacy Vice President this year. By the time this arrives in your mailboxes, we will already have had our first education meeting. Unless there is a special tour where space is limited, all Auxilians are welcome to any of the education meetings. Usually, we meet the first Thursday morning of the month at 9:30 a.m. We have a speaker from a different department each month to keep you updated on the new advances and programs at Rady Children’s Hospital. Please talk to your unit education representative for more information about speakers. I look forward to seeing you at a meeting this year.

**Laura Stearn**, Education and Advocacy Vice President
Membership Corner

Welcome New Auxiliary Members

Every year over 100 men and women become new members of one of the 21 Rady Children's Hospital Auxiliary units. They join a group of over 1,000 individuals who commit to support sick children. In order to help members understand the mission of the hospital and Auxiliary, new members are asked to attend one of the two New Member Orientations held in October. These events are also open to current members who want to learn more about the hospital and the Auxiliary.

Please mark your calendars for these important meetings and watch for more information from your individual unit membership representatives.

Jeanie Scott, Membership Vice President

New Member Orientations (two options)

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<td>Friday, October 24, 2014</td>
<td>9:30-11:30 a.m.</td>
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Unit Membership Chairs Fall Meeting

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<td>9:30-11:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Rady Children's Plaza Building, 3665 Kearny Villa Road, Foundation Conference Room A</td>
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Unit Council Corner

I would like to thank all new and returning unit chairs for taking on their leadership roles for 2014-2015. You will find this position rewarding as you mentor your unit this year.

President Cheryl Steinholt and I made our first unit visit in August to the Coronado Unit. Being a new unit and preparing for their first fundraiser, the Coronado Unit’s “Turkey Trot,” to be held in November, it was great to see the enthusiasm and participation of unit members. The NICU and Healing Environment will benefit from their hard work.

Inland Empire, also a new unit, will be participating with the other units in the Shamu & You Family Walk, Kids’ NewsDay and other Auxiliary-wide events.

Cheryl and I look forward to visiting all the units this year to see how you are working to benefit children here at Rady Children’s Hospital.

Penny Rich, Unit Council Vice President
This pie is perfect for the end of summer, easy enough for the kids to make, and is sure to become a family favorite!

**Key Lime Pie**

Mix together 2½ cups sweetened condensed milk, 3 egg yolks, and ¾ cup lime juice (about 3 or 4 limes). Pour into a crumb crust and bake for 15 minutes at 350 degrees. Refrigerate and serve with whipped cream.

**Jackie Schloeder**, Ways and Means Vice President

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**Kids’ NewsDay Co-Chairs**

Mary Reynolds and Susan Atkins, Kids’ NewsDay Co-Chairs

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Kids’ NewsDay is October 21st and the Auxiliary is gearing up for a successful, community-wide event to advocate for our cause, Rady Children’s Hospital. Auxiliaries are spread out over the county contacting schools, posting Kids’ NewsDay PR materials in Starbucks stores, and getting out the word for the Kids’ NewsDay “Day to Donate.” One of our new slogans is “Kids Helping Kids,” and we’ve had a great response from schools and youth groups that are submitting essays, selling papers, and reading the inspiring stories of Rady Children’s patients. Other groups are stepping up to help, including Coldwell Banker agents who will cover Starbucks stores where we won’t have Auxiliary coverage. West Coast Escrow, Kiwanis, PTAs and many other community groups will help as well. San Diego County Credit Union will support our essay contest by purchasing the six iPad Minis for essay contest winners. USD and Bridgepoint college students will help with reading the essays. Kids’ NewsDay has really become a vehicle to teach San Diego about the great work of Rady Children’s Hospital!
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<td>North County Unit “33rd Annual Holiday Luncheon”</td>
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Bonita

With a little bit of relaxing and rejuvenating over the summer, the Bonita Unit has been busy working on the “Luncheon Auction by the Bay” which will be held on November 15, 2014, at the Loews Coronado Bay Resort. Since our event is only two months away, the Bonita Unit is already in full swing putting together baskets, making handmade objects, and finding unique items and fabulous trips for our guests to bid on. This year our event will benefit the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. One of the major needs in the NICU is breast milk warmers. Each of the 50 beds in the unit should have its own breast milk warmer. Through our fund-an-item participation, we hope to raise enough to supply at least five warmers. The cost of our event is $65 per person, or $650 for a table of ten. Reservations can be made on our secure website at tinyurl.com/rchabu-14 or contact Teri Bristow at tbristow2@cox.net.

The Bonita Unit welcomes the opportunity to partner with the entire Auxiliary team! We have been told that NICU staff members often spend their own money gathering paper and items for the new mothers to create scrapbook pages of their child’s stay at Rady Children’s. We would like you to help us provide some of these materials. Those items can be donated directly to the NICU or you can contact Marilyn Williams, 619-475-5572, Georgine Wynne, 619-482-0238, or Allyson Williams at padregirlally@yahoo.com and we will arrange to pick up your donated supplies.

Bonita Unit’s In-House Fundraising/Social Committee is busy putting together a fun afternoon, “Wine Auction Extravaganza.” We will have plenty of wines to sample and to bid on.

Kids’ NewsDay is always a favorite event for our members. The committee has been working hard to bring this fun morning together.

A big THANK YOU to all our committee members!

Dana Hartman

Coronado

The Coronado Unit is thrilled to present its first out-unit fundraiser, the “Turkey Trot” 5K on Thanksgiving morning, November 27th, and invites all units to join in the family fun on Coronado Island. Race time is bright and early: 8:00 a.m. “The Turkey Trot is the perfect opportunity to ‘move your feet before you eat,’” says Coronado Unit member Cathy Brown, the event organizer. “On Thanksgiving morning there is virtually no traffic on the island and the course is right along scenic Glorietta Bay.”

Just 18 months new, the Coronado Unit has participated in a number of Auxiliary activities, including sponsoring a Bubble Booth at the 2014 Celebration of Champions. The unit has sponsored two children and hosted a birthday party at the Bernardy Center, held drives to collect socks and pants for Rady Children’s Hospital patients, assembled treat bags for Rady Children’s families, and participated in Kids’ News Day at sites in Coronado.

In-unit fundraisers have included wine-tasting auctions, a “Strengths Finder” self-assessment seminar, and a shopping bazaar. And over the summer, unit members and their families got to know each other a bit better at a picnic at the popular Sunday night Coronado Concerts in the Park.

Unit members have quickly grown to recognize the mutual support that is extended among Auxiliary units and wishes to especially thank New Unit Coordinators Sherry Beckhart (Bonita Unit), Penny Rich (North County Unit) and Barbara Leos (Tierrasanta Unit).

Kris Grant

Carmel Valley

The ladies of the Carmel Valley Unit are looking forward to another exciting year ahead. We’ll host a membership reception early in the fall as part of our unit’s growth initiative and we look forward to welcoming new members to our group.

Preliminary planning is underway for a spring event. We will keep the Auxiliary posted on our progress and details as they become available. We look forward to a fun, meaningful, supportive and successful year ahead.

Jeanne Neylon Decker
**Dana**

**Dana Unit plans to pack plenty of social activities** into our first monthly meetings of the new volunteer season. It is our continuing effort to strike a balance between the happy effects we feel from working together on another successful Garden Walk and the joyful fun of just spending time with each other. We start with our traditional September Welcome Back dinner/meeting hosted by Debbi Greaves. October brings an afternoon soiree at the Jamul ranch of Deirdre and Gresham Bayne. In November, our own Barbara Tourtellott from Fit To Work, Inc. will share with us important tips we should know in order to use all our tech gear in an ergonomically correct way. We are determined to Look Good, Feel Good and Do Good!

Pam Caldwell

**Del Cerro**

**Have you ever considered just how incredibly amazing** it is that a small group of dedicated women can accomplish so much in so little time? That would certainly apply to the Del Cerro Unit! With each of our specific gifts: balancing books, creating beautiful crafts out of a single piece of material, contacting potential donors, writing letters, attending education outreach programs, chairing committees, learning more about our history or writing articles for Chaux Talk, we all remain enthusiastically involved to support the children of Rady Children’s Hospital.

Most of our attention these past few months has been focused on our upcoming “Fall Fantasy” on October 18, 2014, at the DOUBLETREE by HILTON hotel. We find the relationships that we’ve come to enjoy over the course of many, many years, continue to develop a deeper connection through our work. We know that other units share our vision as well. The Del Cerro ladies like to encourage each other to attend celebrations hosted by other units. Each event is unique and provides a plethora of opportunity to have a lot of fun.

I was especially inspired by the word “INNOVATION” on the Rady Children’s Hospital San Diego website this month; new ideas, different approaches and better solutions encompass the definition of that word. Just a few of our members who contribute often to that innovative spirit are Kay Lauth, Joke Kouw, Jean Buck and the “giggling girls” Joyce Seyffert and Mary Kay Butler. Thank you for being such motivating examples and mentors!

As we all move into the end of this action-packed year, let us commit to make a difference in the life of a child through our donations, volunteer and fundraising efforts, or by simply joining the Auxiliary.

Kim Emerson
The Del Mar Unit was thrilled to bring back the historic event “Hats Off to Children,” benefiting the highest and most urgent needs of the hospital. Ladies gathered from near and far for a fashion show put on by TRE Boutique. Hats and fascinators designed by Jennifer Buckley were flying out the door to be worn on Opening Day of the Races.

Over 15 years ago, the first “Hats Off to Children” was held at Scalini’s, and the theme for the fundraiser was centered on finding the perfect hat for Opening Day of the Races.

High profile ladies donated “Hats with a History,” fabulous, gently-worn designer hats that were sold at auction. That first-ever “Hats Off to Children” proved so successful, the event was moved to the L’Auberge Del Mar where Neiman Marcus provided modeling of hats. Again, it was so successful that the 3rd Annual event was moved to the Turf Club at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. Over the years, many members have chaired the event and it has moved to different venues, including the Four Seasons and the Hyatt. This year’s event sold out early. We are thankful for the Auxiliary’s support and hope to bring the event back again.

Watch out for our Marching Mermaid team at the Shamu and You Family Walk. We are so very proud to have Mary Reynolds and Susan Atkins chairing the 25th Annual Kids’ NewsDay. We are looking forward to supporting Mary and Susan, Kids’ NewsDay and all the Auxiliary-wide events and other unit events in the year to come.

Annette Fargo
Long-time Fuerte Hills Auxiliary member Leslie Dupree recently received heartfelt feedback from her lifelong friend, Cristine Gee, regarding the work of Rady Children’s doctors and nurses, the Ronald McDonald House and our Auxiliary. We wanted to share the story because it is something for which we can all be proud.

Baby Reef Makai Buttons Whittemore was born on May 8, 2014, to Meridith and Robe Whittemore. An emergency C-section was performed because a large malformation was found on his brain via ultrasound at Meridith’s 37th week appointment. Not only was the aneurysm extremely serious, it is also very rare. According to doctors, there was only a one-in-a-million chance of finding that aneurysm. The day before he was born there was a staff meeting in the Rady Children’s NICU to let everyone know that a special child was coming, so they could be ready. Reef’s doctors even created their own simulator on which to practice this unique surgery, similar to the “SIM Baby” donated by the Fuerte Hills Unit in 2012 with proceeds from the annual Sweet Charity fundraiser. Since birth Reef has required one surgery, a blood transfusion and 26 days in Rady Children’s NICU. Although the Whittemores live in Point Loma, they camped out at the Ronald McDonald House for three weeks to be near baby Reef 24 hours a day. Nearly a month later Reef was able to go home with his parents.

Grandma Cristine Gee told Fuerte Hills Auxiliary member Leslie Dupree:

“...I can’t thank you enough for all that you’ve done for Rady Children’s Hospital for all these years... As you know I have been blown away by Rady Children’s Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House. I really had no idea what a wonderful resource the Ronald McDonald House was or really what it did. I gave to your Auxiliary...and happily... but until 3 weeks ago I just didn’t know. Now I have experience with both the hospital and the Ronald McDonald House. What a treasure they are for us and all of San Diego and further away (we have met families from Hawaii and Arizona!). The doctors and the nurses call Reef the miracle baby! Oh Lordy! That is astounding! We are so blessed to have been in their care.”

Baby Reef is home and doing well. Feel free to follow his progress and send well wishes on “The Reef Report” on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-REEF-Report/246561662197059

Sandra Holloway
UNIT NEWS

La Playa

The La Playa Unit is thrilled to announce that our 19th Annual Celebration of Champions was an enormous success. Hundreds of pediatric cancer patients and their families enjoyed a memorable day at the Embarcadero honoring those patients in treatment, celebrating those enjoying good health, and remembering those who have passed away. The “Circle of Life” ceremony and release of white balloons was beautiful. The passing of the torches with celebrities and young Champions running and laughing together, followed by their families, and cheered on by the masses, was an inspirational sight. Picnic lunches, candy and sweets galore, live music, and a carnival with crafts and activities helped make this day amazing.

We would like to thank all of our fellow Auxiliary units who made this day so special with their creativity and fantastic carnival and craft booths, their sponsorships, and their enthusiastic support. We could not do this event without you. The smiles and peals of laughter in the carnival area were heartwarming. We also wish to express our deepest gratitude to all our sponsors and volunteers whose contributions were vital to this event. Our proceeds will benefit psychosocial and other programs at Rady Children’s Hospital Peckham Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders, and will hopefully ease some of the burdens patient families face during treatment.

We ended the year with a luncheon at the San Diego Yacht Club where we welcomed our new Chair Jean Federici and her new Board.

June Olcott

Mountain View

Our unit had a very successful Bunco Night fundraiser in April. The evening began with a catered dinner. Afterwards members and friends walked about the room bidding on the many beautiful baskets. There were baskets for the gardener, the sports fan, the cook, the beach-goer and everyone in between. There were a variety of items in the opportunity drawing. The tickets were sold and winners announced throughout the evening. It was a successful event with the proceeds donated to the Asthma unit of Rady Children’s Hospital.

With the summer months upon us our members began their vacations, traveling across the United States. Some of our members stayed in San Diego and enjoyed the many wonderful vacation spots throughout the county. Later in August, we enjoyed a casual get-together to welcome everyone back and to invite prospective new members to our unit.

This fall our unit will again participate in an event at the Carlsbad Premium Outlets. It is called “Shop under the Stars” and will be held Monday, November 3, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 100% of the ticket sales sold by our unit will be donated to Rady Children’s Hospital. The Mountain View Unit sponsors this event along with several other charities. The cost is $30.00. The tickets include hors d’oeuvres, a glass of wine, lots of store savings and gift items.

We look forward to our first official meeting in September to begin another wonderful year filled with lots of activities, including the Shamu and You Family Walk and Kids’ NewsDay.

Brenda Clark

North Coast

The North Coast Unit started the year off with a summer social in August at Carruth Cellars in Solana Beach. We enjoyed catching up with old friends and welcoming prospective new members at this fun wine-tasting event, a great way to beat the summer heat!

We are also finalizing our event plans for the coming year. We expect to continue our “Date Night for a Cause” tradition at The Belly Up in the spring and will have more details on that in the next Chaux Talk -- as well as information on any other gatherings we will be hosting throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you all at the Semi-Annual Meeting and other unit events this fall.

Coleen Young
UNIT NEWS

North County

The members of the North County Unit traveled far and wide over the summer months taking well-deserved vacations.

In August our Ways and Means Committee, led by Holly Mikovits and Kim Panno, introduced our first Luau as an in-unit fundraiser. Held at the welcoming home of member Kim Panno, it was a big success. Attendees enjoyed an afternoon and evening of appetizers, drinks, a Polynesian dance show, dinner and dessert. Opportunity drawings were held and all proceeds will benefit Rady Children’s Hospital, as always. It was a lovely event and is now a colorful memory.

Work parties gathered throughout the summer months to create items for our main focus of the year, the “Holiday Luncheon and Boutique.” This event will take place on December 6th at the Shadowridge Country Club. It promises to be very special again this year, as it has been in the past. We look forward to seeing you all there. Surprises are in store!

Now we move on through a productive, enjoyable, and busy fall season as we work together to make this December event our best ever. Mark your calendars!

Nancy Baldry

Poway

The Poway Unit is active and strong and looking forward to 2014 and 2015. The unit, again this year chaired by Karen McPartland, has 45 active members and will hold a social in the fall for potential new members. The highlight of the last year was a very successful, eleventh annual “Tabletops and Tea,” held May 18th at the Rancho Bernardo Inn. Event chairs Missi Faucher and Caroline Lepore did a wonderful job on the event, which had 371 people in attendance. A special thank you goes to Auxiliary members from other units who purchased tickets, some even entire tables, and supported the event. “The Art of Tea” featured tables designed around famous artists’ masterpieces and proceeds benefitted The Healing Environment. At the event the talented musician Sundiata Kata gave guests a sampling of The Healing Environment by transporting them to a soothing beach with his drum rhythms. The attendees were also moved by the story of Anastasie Abboud, who sustained a skull fracture when a 250 pound statue fell on her. Her excellent care at Rady’s Children’s Hospital included The Healing Arts, which greatly enhanced her convalescence and recovery. She is now healthy, happy, and doing well in school.

Heather Skale

Presidio

HERE WE GO AGAIN! With summer behind us, Presidio Unit is looking forward to another exciting year supporting health and the well-being of children as we increase community awareness of Rady Children’s Hospital. Our September meeting will find us sharing stories of the many summer adventures we experienced with family and friends. Then down to business.

Planning our major fundraiser will be first on the agenda. Everyone pitches in to help, so the big job is handled in little pieces. We hope to repeat the fashion show and luncheon again. Watch for the date and details. Snack packs were delivered to will-call in May, and in September you will find us filling the clothes closet. We are looking forward to participating in Kids’ NewsDay and the Shamu and You Walk for the third consecutive year. During the holidays we will be inviting friends to dinner and watching the Christmas boat parade at C-Level Restaurant on Harbor Island, as an in-house fundraiser.

It will feel good to regroup and see the familiar faces at the many events planned this year. Working in harmony we do “make a difference”.

Claire Dale
Unit News

Rancho Bernardo

The Rancho Bernardo Auxiliary unit celebrated a successful year with a May luncheon planned by our Social Chair Lynn Cassidy. During our luncheon we discussed the possibility of launching a Rancho Bernardo Unit website, summer plans for our members, and our annual Poinsettia fundraiser.

Poinsettia fundraiser flyers and order forms will be sent out in the fall with the deadline in mid-November 2014. Poinsettias will be available in early December. Our poinsettias are beautiful and are florist quality.

Thanks to all who have supported us in the past and we look forward to providing you with beautiful poinsettias for your holiday decorating. Don’t forget they make wonderful presents to friends and family. We will donate the proceeds to the Peckham Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders.

In June we had lunch at the Rancho Bernardo Winery and viewed the paintings, on exhibit, of Rancho Bernardo Auxiliary members Meda Menius and Nancy Kempf.

Nancy Kemph

Rancho Santa Fe

Held on June 26th at the beautiful home of Charo Garcia de Guerra in the Coronado Cays, the Rancho Santa Fe Unit of Rady Children’s Hospital recently honored its Gala Sponsors with a delightful fete.

Themed “An Italian Soiree,” the Sponsor Party hosted Gala Sponsor honorees who were treated to tasty wines donated by the Merryvale Vineyards of Napa Valley and delicious food catered by Chef Drew. Musical entertainment was performed and donated by Michela Dalla Pozza, a friend of Gala committee member Cristiane Valdez.

The 62 honorees were also entertained with Venetian gondola rides navigated by gondoliers, who paddled their gondolas through the moonlit waters of the Coronado Cays. The gondolas were hosted by Sandra den Uijl, the Unit’s 2015 Gala Co-Chair.

According to Sandra, “We’re so appreciative of all of our sponsors for this year’s Rancho Santa Fe Unit’s Gala. Looking ahead towards next year, we’re welcoming new sponsorships for our 2015 Gala, Circus Nights, being held at the Grand Del Mar on January 31, 2015.”

Karina Lion
Southeast Cluster

We recently held our new member orientation and social. SECU member Dianne Joiner hosted the event in her beautiful home. Our luncheon was themed around 1970’s R&B music. This provided a nice backdrop for games, a delicious lunch and a little dancing. It’s always a good time when we get together. We extend a special welcome to all our new members!

Drum roll please...yes it is time for our annual “Jazz and Jeans” event benefiting the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Join us on Saturday, October 4, 2014, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. on the Berkeley Ferryboat at the Maritime Museum San Diego, 1492 North Harbor Drive. Event Chair Geraldine Williams noted, “Our committee has planned another wonderful event. This year we’ve invited S4-Jazz-R & B, a great band that promises to keep you on your feet. Our Master of Ceremonies is Mark Christopher Lawrence. He is an actor and stand-up comedian who has appeared in movies and on several television shows including Chuck, Dharma & Greg, Malcolm in the Middle, Martin, and Seinfeld, to name a few. This is an evening you won’t want to miss.”

For more information contact Dianne Joiner at (858) 673-5700 or Geraldine Williams at (619) 621-0867.

Carolyn Smith
Tierrasanta

“Fiesta” was the theme of our installation dinner in June. It was a great way to end the year. Many thanks to Rowena Treitler for offering her home, and Etta Osborn and Kelle Higgins for the food and festivity. Just a few weeks later, the planning for the coming year began with our Board meeting in early July. Marian Johns and Lynne Lurie will continue to be our fearless leaders. In August our unit helped with the Bernardy Center Birthday Party.

Pam Hanig

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