



Parent Support Group Newsletter

March & April 2011

Newsletter For the CVAS Parent Education

Programs on the Horizon Hills Campus

Upcoming Dates

March 28th

Conejo School Board

6 PM

District Offices

April 7 & 8th

Hearing Screening Makeup

During Class

Multi Age Classes

April 14 & 15th

Spring Boutique

April 18–25th

Spring Break

No School

May 5th

PSG Meeting 12:30–1:30

Horizon Hills Office, Rm 2

Child Care Provided

May 13th & 14th

Campout

Horizon Hills Campus

May 13th

Greg & Steve Concert

9:30 & 11 AM

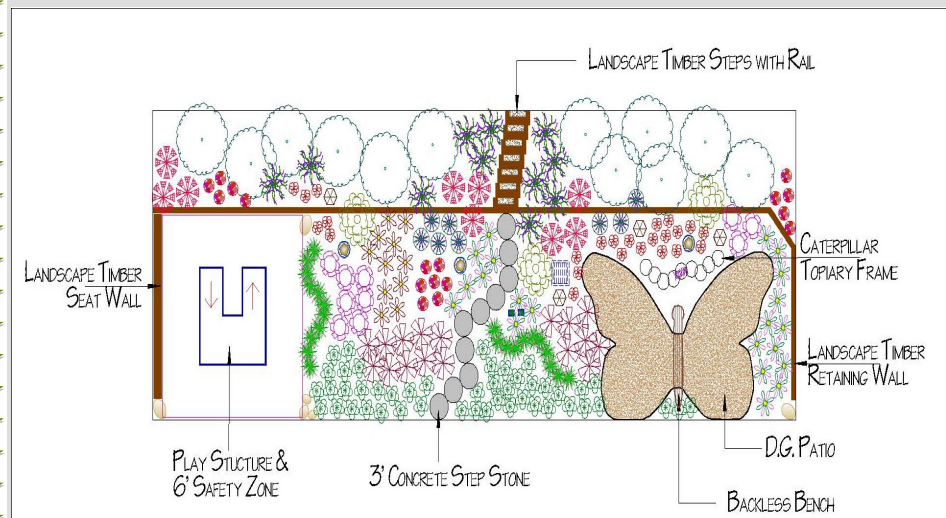
Civic Arts Plaza

Have you noticed some great changes at Horizon Hills?

Check out the upper playground, turf has been installed.

During Spring Break a Butterfly Sanctuary will be installed between the upper pod and the lower pod, Check it out after Spring Break!

All of the projects are possible because of PSG and fundraising, we couldn't do these thing without YOUR HELP!



Horizon Hills Spring Boutique

April 14 & 15th MPR 9 AM—1 PM

Don't miss this fantastic opportunity for:

- Easter & Mother's Day Shopping
- Yummy Bake Sale -Bakers still wanted!
- This Event supports the PSG fundraising!
- Have something to sell? Or a service to offer? Need additional information please contact:



Erin Larisey at 805-206-1244 or email emlarisey@gmail.com

Thank you to

Michelle Elliott

for running the Book Fair!

We couldn't do this without these awesome volunteers!

Spotlight on Staff



Kelly Cummings

Kelly is originally from central California where she grew up in a wonderful small community before moving down south for college. She attended Pepperdine University and earned a BS in physical education, a minor in biology and a single subject teaching credential. Kelly met her husband in college and has now been married for 21 years. She believes her best education has been raising her three children Jared (16), Jonathan (13) and Taylor (9) Cummings. Taylor is a graduate of Horizon Hills' toddler, multi-age and kindergarten programs. Once Taylor moved on to the local neighborhood school in Newbury Park, Kelly figured the only way to stay at Horizon Hills was to teach! She began as a substitute teacher for three years and has had her own classroom for the last four years. Before teaching at Horizon Hills, Kelly taught biology at Santa Monica High School. She never thought she would be living in Southern California for her adult years but has thoroughly enjoyed the last 9 years in the Conejo Valley. Kelly enjoys hiking, scrap booking, water and snow skiing.



Cheri La Grotta



This is my 10th year at Horizon Hills and my 8th working with two classes 5 days a week. After 10 years I am still so impressed with the amount of time, effort and energy parents invest in their child's early development. I received my AA and AS at Moorpark College and took every Child Development class possible before they pushed me off to Northridge where I earned my BA. I've had the privilege of teaching at Moorpark College Lab School and CSUN Lab School. I was a Court Appointed Special Advocate for Ventura County and taught Mandated Parenting Classes. I have been with my wonderful husband, Bob, for over 20 years and have two adult children, Nicole and Nicholas. When I'm not at school, you can find me enjoying my 28 nieces and nephews, volunteering for Guide Dogs of America, running marathons, scrap booking, or creating new chocolate creations.

Carol Williams

Carol began working with the Parenting Program as an Instructional Aide with a Speech & Language Preschool Grant. She enjoyed working with the preschoolers and their parents so much that she got her Adult Ed credential. She has been at Horizon Hills since it opened in 1985. She has a BS in Elementary and Special Education and, before having children, she was a special education teacher in Rhode Island and Florida. Carol and her husband, John, have two grown sons and a grandson. When she's not teaching, she enjoys counted cross-stitch, knitting, gardening, reading, oil painting and going to the beach. Carol enjoys the freedom of teaching at Horizon Hills and she loves watching the parents and the children discover themselves and the world around them.



Celebrating the Life of Juanita Perez Escoto (1935 - 2011)



We are saddened to hear that friend and colleague Juanita Escoto died on March 17, 2011

We send our deepest thoughts of sympathy to her family. We will miss her. Her commitment and support for the Parenting Program and young children will continue through her desire to set up the Juanita Escoto Parenting Program Scholarship Fund to commemorate her dedication to families and early education.

Donations can be made in her honor to the 'Juanita Escoto Parenting Program Scholarship Fund,' which will allow families who could otherwise not afford the opportunity, to attend the program.

Mail to: Conejo Schools Foundation, 1400 Janss Rd. , Thousand Oaks , CA 91362



Horizon Hills Family Gardens

Do you have a green thumb? Are you longing for your own garden?

Do you want to be part of the leadership team to establish the garden guidelines?

Serious Gardeners and volunteers needed!

Contact:

eileneg@conejo.tec.ca.us

Come to the family garden meeting

March 28th, 7 PM, Rm 14, HH Campus

Garden plots are ready, Come to the meeting and get ready to plant!



Plot Map for the Garden!

Summer School is Coming!

Forms available 1st week of April

July 5-July 30th

- Classes offered for all ages!
- Infants, toddlers & 2's can continue your unique class time
- 3-9 year olds (Yes, we want our school age kids to come back!) 4 weeks of fun: candlemaking, tie-dye, water play, music, dance, songs, sewing, knitting, and ceramics!
- 10 & Older have the opportunity to develop leadership skills while experiencing summer fun as Jr. Helpers and teacher assistants.



FALL 2011 ENROLLMENT

Time to plan for a class in the Fall!

- Enrollment being taken now.
- Spaces still available.
- Now taking enrollments from the general public.
- Come to the office for the fees and information.
- Tell a Friend!
- Tours held weekly.

Creative Sewing Classes

Opportunities for Parent & Child, Teen & Adults

Does your child have an old dress/blouse/pants that you absolutely love but it doesn't fit anymore?

Learn how to take old favorites and make them new again!

Come to the office for private & Group times!



PSG Meeting April 6th! We Need Your Help!!!

April 6th Meeting will be a critical meeting to set up the events for next year!

Without your active participation, PSG Does Not function!!!!

The PSG Fundraisers and events pay for our gardens and playgrounds, and many extras!

WE NEED YOU





CONEJO VALLEY CHILDREN 'S CONCERT

SERIES

Greg & Steve May 13th 9:30am & 11:00am

For additional concert information, please call Carol or Kelley at (805) 338-3021. Voice mail only, calls returned: Mon.-Fri. 8am - 8pm.



Last screening in the Conejo Valley!



March 27th 4:00 PM
Horizon Hills MPR

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Month of May all treatments and boutique sales ChiChi will give 20% back to Horizon Hills

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