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A Night to Remember

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Our 13th annual Tribute to the Stars, held on May 6th, at the all new location at Sony Picture Studios was a resounding success. The sold out crowd of over 420 included sponsors, honorees, parents, CCUSD teachers, administrators, classified employees, and supportive community members. We had more people than ever before, everyone had a fabulous time, the awards ceremony was especially meaningful, and the gala event brought in over \$80,000!

Everyone associated with this event was incredibly generous: from the business community which donated auction items and the fabulous food; to the awards and event sponsors, including Antioch University Los Angeles, Culver City Federation of Teachers, Fagan, Friedman & Fulfroost, LLP, Lise and David Friedman, Heather & Art Coombs-Perez, Realtors, Playa Vista, Plains Exploration & Production, Rotary Club of Culver City, See's Candies, Sony Pictures Entertainment, The Graduate School of Education & Psychology at Pepperdine, Westfield Culver City & Paula and Tom Wilson and the attendees who opened their wallets to purchase auction items and make donations

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The festivities started out with our magnificent Culver City High School Jazz Band while guests sipped wine and enjoyed the festive cheese table generously provided by Akasha. After the memorable award show, the silent auction was happening, the dance floor was rocking, the photo booth didn't stop, the magician kept on doing fabulous tricks, and the balloon lady had a ball making wonderful one-of-a-kind hats.

It took a lot of effort and teamwork from our Chair Lise Friedman, trustees and volunteers and the support of the Culver City community to make it successful, demonstrating how much our great schools are valued, even in these difficult times.

Thank you to all of you...

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Sony Pictures Entertainment Teacher of the Year - Karen Burkenheim (LtoR) Karen Burkenheim and Janice Pober, Senior V.P. for Corporate Social Responsibility



Rotary Club of Culver City Classified Employee of the Year - Lupe Aguila
 (LtoR) Leslie Lockhart, CCUSD, Lupe Aguila, and Linda Black, Rotary Club President



See's Candies Volunteers of the Year
 (LtoR top Row) Tracy Pumilia, Principal El Marino - Amanda Chapman, Volunteer Lin Howe - Dina Wahlert, Volunteer Farragut - Jeff Thompson, See's Candies - Joan Salvaterra Volunteer El Marino - Heather Moses Volunteer La Ballona Ellen Craig, Principal El Rincon
 (LtoR bottom row) Amy Anderson, Principal Lin Howe - Pattv Fskridae Teacher Farragut - Cheri

Noda, Volunteer El Rincon - Chris Collins, Principal
La Ballona



See's Candies Volunteers of the Year - Continued (LtoR) Audrey Stephens, Director and Anne Burke Volunteer Office of Child Development - Kevin Kronfeld, Principal and Doris Childs, Volunteer Adult School - Jeff Thompson, See's Candies - Bonnie Seeberger, Volunteer Culver City Middle School - David Hauptman, Volunteer Culver City High School.



**Playa Vista/CCEF
Presidents Award
Alan Schulman**

(l to R) Sihvi Buchanan Playa Vista and Alan

Schulman



Antioch University Shining Star Wally Marks (LtoR) Wally Marks and Dr. Tex Boggs, Interim President Antioch University



Westfield Culver City Superintendent's Award:
Symantec

(LtoE) Patti Jaffe, CCUSD Superintendent, Lily De Los Rios, Symantec, Senior Site Executive and Chuck Martinez, Westfield, Culver City General Manager



Guests enjoying the festivities



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Mission Statement of the CCEF

The Culver City Education Foundation is a charitable, non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and enhancing quality educational programs for every student in the Culver City Unified School District.

To accomplish our mission, the Foundation reaches out to the community to secure funds and resources.

Founded in 1981, the Culver City Education Foundation has donated over \$2.2 million to the Culver City schools.

You can reach CCEF at (310) 842-4220 ext.4212, or CCEF@ccusd.org.

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