

MEET OUR HARBOR SPRINGS BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Steaven Chan



Rachel Couch



Pamela Ellard



Louis Fetherolf



Liz Johnson



Cheryl LaCount



Pamela Rivas

Steaven was born in Hong Kong, grew up in Southeast Asia, speaks five languages, has traveled to five continents, and has owned multiple businesses. He became involved in the field of education by home schooling all three of his children. He is a former board member for Faith Christian Academy, an Independent Study Private School Program. In addition, he coached under eight (U-8) to under 14 (U-14) kids' soccer teams with the Murrieta chapter of the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) for multiple years. Currently, he is on his third year of mentoring the Temecula FIRST Robotics Team 3470 for their engineering endeavors. With extensive travel and business experience, Steaven hopes to provide a global perspective to the Harbor Springs Charter School Board.

Rachel has 15 years of experience in teaching and counseling roles in various settings including the private and traditional public school sectors as well as charter school and private consulting, Rachel is committed to quality education as a life-long passion. After completing her degrees in Social Sciences from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, she was eager to gain hands-on experience and began teaching at a private school right away before earning her teaching credential. The teaching credential and other certifications were soon to follow as she developed an insatiable appetite for learning. This momentum led her into leadership roles including director of Renaissance High School in Chula Vista (with Eagles Peak Charter School). Honored to be a part of a team that is re-defining education, Rachel is committed to helping create a world where youth and elders are valued and people of all ages and backgrounds can acquire the tools they need to live their best life. Harbor Springs Charter School's philosophy of parent choice, community as the classroom, and personalized learning inspired Rachel to become actively involved in supporting a value-based educational model that meets the needs of our youth with measurable outcomes. Specifically, she is enthusiastic about helping to facilitate the growth of happy, healthy, confident people and turn them loose into the world to make their contributions. Together with a team of equally passionate and skilled colleagues, she plans on setting precedents for education that help set global standards. When Rachel isn't collaborating to build a school, she is writing a series of books, practicing Energy Medicine, and teaching yoga for war veterans.

Pamela Ellard - As a mother of three, Pamela began homeschooling when one of her children began to struggle to read and spell in the first grade. As a founding board member of the Eagles Peak-Inland Empire Charter School Board of Directors, Pamela wanted to support and give back to the school that so helped and supported her and her bright students who struggled because of Dyslexia. Before homeschooling, Pamela worked with children at the elementary school on the playground and in the classroom. Her passion is to see students soar where they are able, without watering down the rest of their education because they struggle. Pamela believes when learning is creative, challenging, and fosters curiosity, talents and strengths are developed within that encourage us to work through our weaknesses.

Louis began his law enforcement career in June of 1968 when he joined the Los Angeles Police Department. There he where worked various assignments in Patrol, Traffic (two-wheel motorcycle enforcement), Investigations, Narcotics, and Administration. Since being appointed to his first Chief of Police position in 1980, over the past thirty years he has commanded six police departments in four different states prior to retiring from the Salinas Police Department in Monterey County in December of 2011. Chief Fetherolf has always had a keen interest in education and endorses the charter school concept. He is interested in contributing to his community, after retiring from full-time public service, by taking an active part in improving the quality of education our youth receive. His philosophy is that effective education is an important key to overcoming the problem of youth violence in society. In his opinion, charter schools have taken a significant step forward to reach out to students and parents in an effective child/parent/educator relationship. Chief Fetherolf enjoys playing the five-string banjo, mandolin, and guitar and has played and recorded with various Bluegrass Bands. Chief Fetherolf is an avid martial artist holding a Fifth Degree Black Belt in Isshinryu Karate, and earned a Police Olympic Gold Medal in Karate Competition and a Bronze Medal in Pistol Marksmanship. Chief Fetherolf is married to his high school sweetheart, Christine McCarthy Fetherolf and they reside in Winchester, CA.

Kristyn "Liz" homeschooling experience has ignited her passion for serving the homeschooling community. Liz loves the ability to tailor learning toward the gifts and unique abilities of each child. She has learned the benefits of Springs Charter Schools through her experience with their special education program, helpful Education Specialists, and amazingly creative and dedicated teachers. Liz loves supporting other families in the pursuit of educating and raising the next generation. The goal of Springs Charter Schools to educate each individual child in their pursuit of lifelong learning inspires Liz to continue her learning and impart this mission on those she comes in contact with. Liz believes that active community engagement and volunteering has made the United State what it is. Liz's personal mission is to educate the whole person, involving them with their learning, igniting their passion for lifelong learning, and inspiring them to care for others.

Cheryl participates wholeheartedly in organizations that believe our childrens' education and welfare are paramount and aligns with her beliefs about how to achieve these goals. She has proven this over and over again, throwing herself into the organizations in which her children engage and her community is served. Currently, Cheryl is a Gold Award Committee member for the San Gorgonio Council of the Girl Scouts, Troop 558 Girl Scout Leader, a Cub Scout Advancement Chair, and a community volunteer with Keep Riverside Clean and Beautiful. She also served the Mom's Club Riverside West for ten years in leadership roles such as fundraiser, field trip coordinator, and historian. During that time, she worked as a classroom aid, school site council secretary, and private tutor. Cheryl hopes to accomplish a careful crafting and thoughtful growth of the current infrastructure, services, and personnel during her tenure on the board, and leave behind a stronger place for all to learn. Cheryl is a resident of Riverside and a mother of a daughter and a son who attend the Riverside STEM Academy.

Pamela Rivas - With an extensive background of over 20 years in the business world as Quality Assurance Supervisor at the Van Can Company, San Diego, CA, Pam brings the supervisory skills she acquired there to Harbor Springs Charter School's mission of preparing students to become productive members of society. Her interest to instill a strong work ethic, a love of learning, and the "people skills" of working together, strengthen the Charter School's program of educating the whole person. In 1996, Pam opted out of the work force to raise her two children. Her experiences as homemaker, and the wide variety of insights she acquired in her volunteer duties as Room Mom in her children's school and as Team Mom/Helper in their sports activities, have given her a fresh, broad approach to the responsibilities and qualifications demanded by the position of assisting the Harbor Springs Charter School Governing Board.

A great way to get help, right when you need it!



The Daily Refreshment's goal is to connect parents to our schools with something "Extra!, extra!" helpful for their students, coming to their email inboxes three times a week. It can be an upcoming festival in the community, an art competition, a fun book review, an inspirational quote or video, or the most inventive stuff to do with that leftover cardboard.

Sign up at our Springs Charter Schools' website! (In the home page, below the master calendar)

www.springscharterschools.org





Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 2, 2014. Don't forget to set your clocks BACK one hour Saturday night and enjoy that extra hour of sleep!

Tuesday, November 11, 2014, is
Veterans Day and is an official
Springs Charter Schools Holiday with
all Sites and Administration offices
closed. Veterans Day is a symbolic
day to honor and thank all who
have served in the United States
Armed Forces.







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To all our Springs Charter Schools employees and families.

A reminder that all sites will be closed November 21st through November 28th and the Administration Offices will be closed November 27th and 28th.

Enjoy this time with family and friends!



In the next few weeks, the IT and Facilities Department is going to be reopening our little TV studio! It will be a great resource to everyone with How To's, teacher trainings, and much more. Keep an eye out in the coming months for more information.







Feel like
your
Chromebook
is
missing
something?

You can find thousands of apps on the Chrome web store or Google Play to do things like create documents, edit photos, and create presentations. The Chrome web store makes it easier to find the exact apps you need with its collections and categories.

Once you find an app you like in the store, just add it to your Chromebook to find it in your apps list.

Chrome Web Store



As college application windows begin to open (UC system opens on November 1st and CSU system opens October 1st, check individual school websites for deadlines) families may be perplexed by the process. Correctly submitting all the different pieces of your college application is like a test — one you can easily pass.

While the process may seem complicated, a little organization and attention go a long way. Below are helpful tips from College Board and the Springs Charter Schools' Guidance Department to help you along the way.

Start early. Set deadlines for completing essays, collecting recommendations and filling out forms a few weeks before they're actually required. Mark these earlier deadlines on your calendar and don't miss them. College websites are the best place to find accurate deadline information.

Be consistent. Using the exact same name on all your forms makes things easier for admission officers. Decide if you want to use a shortened version of your legal name or your middle name, and then always use the same version. Switching names — going from Bill to Billy, for example — increases the odds that your materials will get misfiled.

Be careful. Careless mistakes on your application can hurt your chances of getting accepted. After you finish an application, put it aside for a day and then check it over for errors. If you can, have a teacher or parent proofread it as well. Save and review online applications before you submit them.

Alert your school. You need to let school officials know which colleges you're applying to so they can send along your transcripts. Transcript requests can be made by emailing transcripts@springscs.org. The people you ask to write recommendation letters also need to know where you're applying if they're mailing the letters themselves.leting the Package

Once you've completed your application, follow these tips to make sure all the parts get where they're going. **Den't wait.** Anything that needs to be mailed, including your application itself, should be sent in several weeks before it is due. This allows time for delivery and processing. Online materials should be sent weeks before the deadline as well.

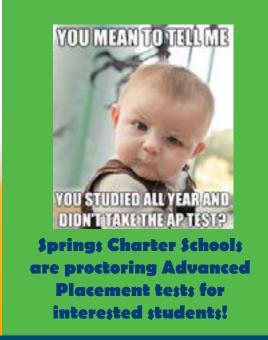
\$ubmit once. When you apply online, you'll usually get an automated response saying your materials have been received. If you don't, contact the college's admission office. Don't apply online again or mail in another application.

Keep copies. Make a copy of each piece of each application. Save personal identification numbers, passwords, canceled checks and notes or emails from admission officers. This documentation can save you if a problem arises.

Get confirmation. If you mail applications, put a stamped postcard addressed to your house in each package so admission officers can let you know that your materials arrived. The U.S. Post Office also offers a similar "return receipt" service. It may take a few weeks for confirmation cards to reach you. If you get a notice saying something is missing, don't panic. Just call the admission office and calmly ask what steps you can take. This is why you wisely saved copies of everything and sent in your application early!



College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Program gives students a unique opportunity to receive college credit for a course by passing the AP exam in May. We are very excited to work with students who are interested in this opportunity. Please take a look over the following information and contact the Guidance Department with any questions. Empire Springs, Harbor Springs, and River Springs students are welcome to participate.



Test Options:

College Board offers over 30 different AP exams. Detailed information about test subjects can be found at http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/subjects.html

Dates:

All AP exams have designated dates and times between May 4 and May 15 depending on the test subject. https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/takingtheexam/ap-calendar

Location:

Exams will be proctored at the administrative offices in Temecula. Test rooms to be determined.

Cost:

The cost will be \$91 per test. A fee reduction is available for income-eligible participants.

Accommodations:

Students with disabilities must submit requests for testing accommodations to the College Board between January 1 and February 20.

College Board:

More information about AP testing in general can be found on the College Board Website. https://apstudent.collegeboard.org

Exam Registration:

Please direct students and parents to contact the Guidance Department by December 1, 2014 to preregister for an AP exam by calling 951-252-8831 or emailing <u>pupil.services@springscs.org</u>

For more information about AP Courses, AP Exams, and test preparation, please contact your counselor or the Guidance Department at (951) 252-8831.













C Joshua Bailey

Beyond The
Light

Online CTE Digital Imaging students have created their own personal logos.

Here are some samples of our students' work.



INTERNSHIP NEWS - WELCOMING NEW BUSINESS PARTNERS

Internship would like to welcome our new business partners. We are so grateful to have so many business dedicated to our program. Please, support the businesses that support our interns! If you know of a business that may be a good fit for our program contact <u>judy.adair@springscs.org</u>

Doug Robinson Engineering - 41155 Lamar Circle Temecula, CA 92592 / 951-587-1583

Gamestop - 25312 Madison #103 Murrieta, CA 92562 / 951-698-0680

Gryphon Fitness Studio - 41658 Ivy Street #110, Murrieta CA / 714-519-1343

Hemet Public Library - 300 E Latham Avenue, Hemet, CA 92543 / 951-765-2440

Hemet True Value Hardware - 2007 E Florida Ave, Hemet, CA 92544 / 951-652-4011

Honeycutt Farms - 40477 Murrieta Hot Springs Rd D2, Murrieta Ca 92563 / 951-698-0098

Living Way Christian Fellowship - 12125 Day St, Moreno Valley, CA 92557 / 951-781-8800

Mary S. Roberts Pet Adoption Center - 6165 industrial ave, riverside, CA 92504 / 951-688-4340

\$t. Thomas Thrift Store - 39825 Alta Murrieta #B3 Murrieta, CA 92563 / 951-600-0043

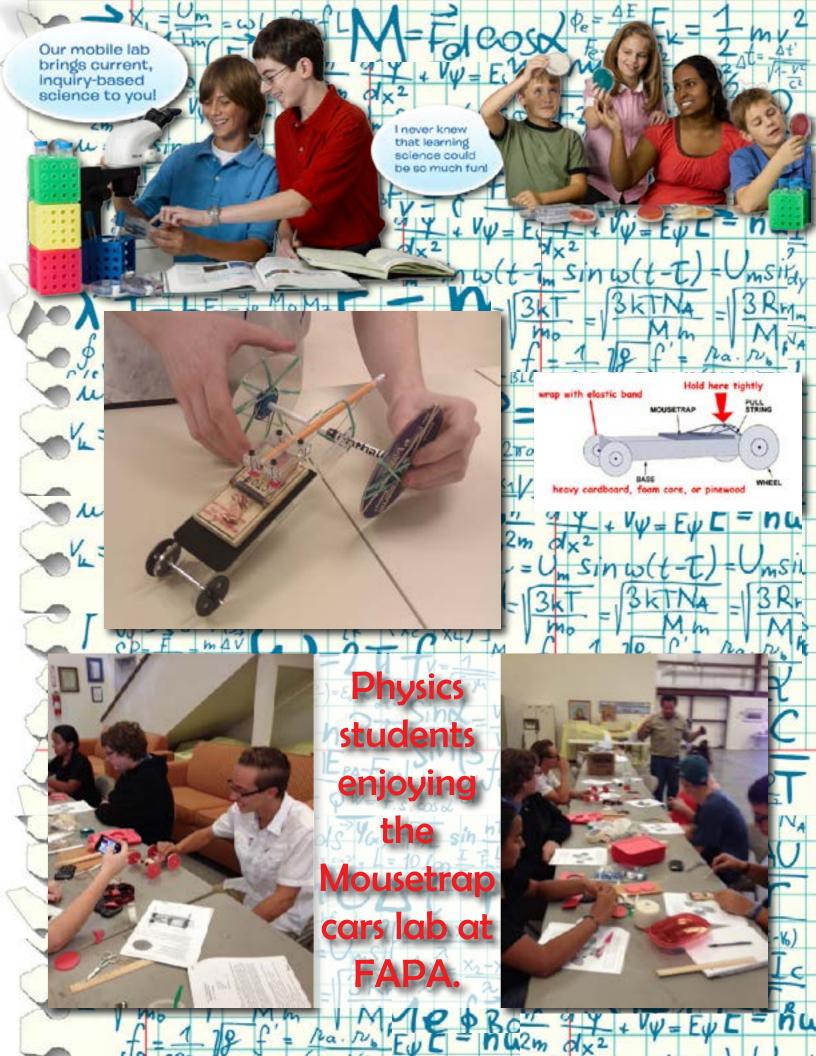
\$t John's Lutheran School - 26410 Columbia St, Hemet, Ca 92544 / 951-925-7756

Temecula Football Club - 45363 Escalante Court Temecula Ca 92592 / 951-795-1799

Tres Bon Salon - 143 Harvard Avenue, Suite D, Claremont, CA 91711 / 909-624-9116

Vistas - 28130 hemlock Avenue, Moreno Valley, CA / 951-247-2151

\$oundskilz - 42210 Roick Drive #3, Temecula CA 92562 / 877-357-5459



RIVERSIDE LEARNING CENTER



Audrey Sara Escamilla

JULY 29, 2014 9 Lbs. / 21,5 in

Our awesome Learning Center teacher, Michelle Escamilla, gave birth to the beautiful Audrey Sara Escamilla on July 29th. Now, at two months old, she likes to smile and coo. She is a wonderful baby and brings so much joy to her family. She is the first grandbaby on her mommy's side of the family!

Evan Maxwell Fisher September 26th 6 Lbs. / 19.5 n.

We are also happy to announce that another Fantastic Learning center teacher, Meghan Fisher, gave birth to a healthy baby Loy on September 26th **CHE Named HIM EVAN** MaxWell Fisher. Evan after her husband's older brother He greatly admires, Maxwell after Her **OWN dear younger brother** WHO passed away They are all doing very Well and completely in LOVE WITH THEIR NEW Baby



The RSC football club is nearing the end of an exemplary season of determination and hard work. Our parents and students have been there with us every step of the way and really helped make this happen. We are excited to compete in the Tournament against our fellow River Springs Schools on October 18th, 2014.







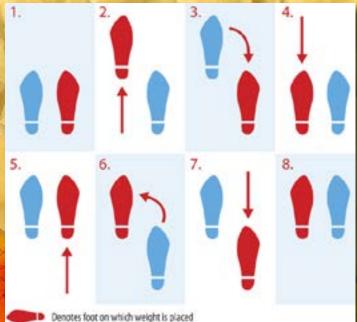








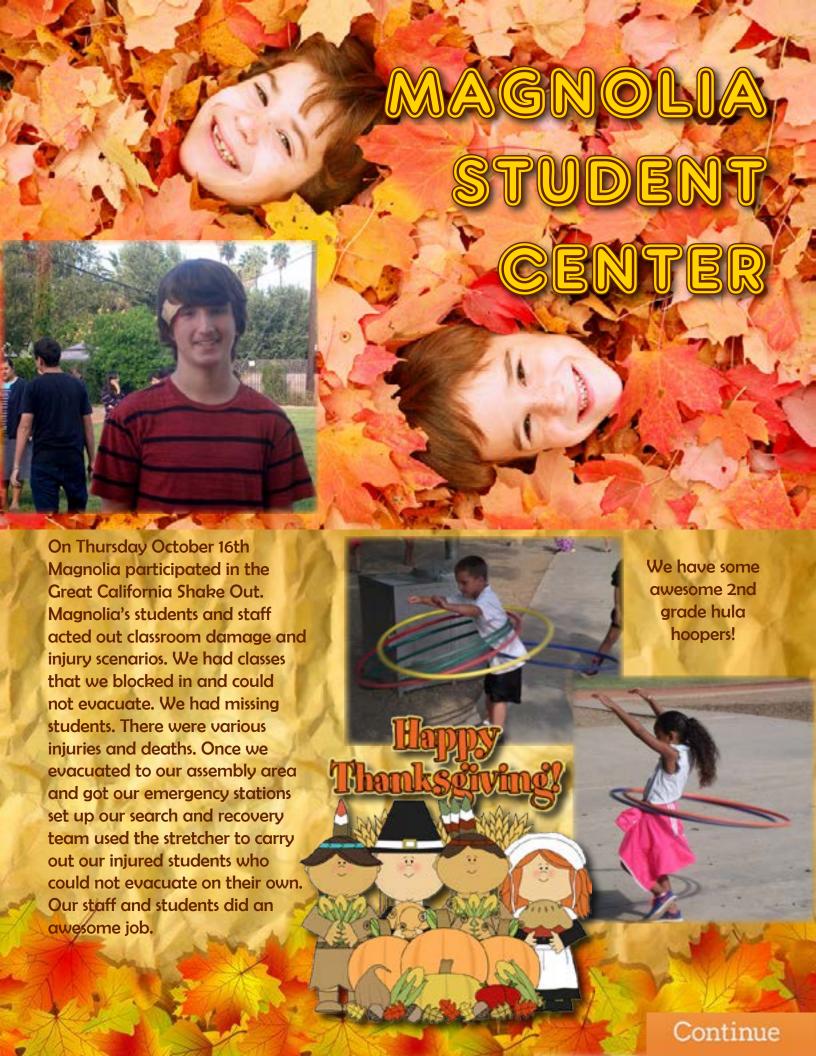




Friday Community Visitors

Come by any Friday morning from 8:30-9:30 and learn about a member of our community. Friday speakers alternate weekly between English and Spanish. They always bring a unique perspective about life and learning to our students. Hope to see you!







Wyatt Lavoie, Magnolia Student Center's Principal for the Day!

October 16 was not a typical day at Magnolia Student Center. Yes, we participated in the California Shake Out Drill. Yes, our students attended classes and after-school activities. Yes, so much was the same. However, what was most unique was that 1st grader, Wyatt Lavoie took on a new and memorable role. You see, during our most recent fundraiser, he earned the most money, giving him the opportunity to be "Principal for the Day!" As Principal for the day, Wyatt had many opportunities; including a leadership role during the Great Shake Out drill, shadowing Mrs. Lopez in serving lunch to the students, his own special lunch with Mrs. Lopez, and reading a book to both the Kindergarten and 1st grade classes. Wyatt took on every role with confidence and was a great example of a future leader.

Congratulation; Wyatt on a job well done!





Firefighter Skype:

After an informative firehouse field trip, Ms. Maguire's fifth grade students were able to Skype with an expert firefighter. Firefighter Lingens in Santa Cruz, CA skyped with the class and answered any/all questions. Students enjoyed the interaction and feverishly took notes for the informative essay they will be writing on firefighters. They are looking forward to interviewing the next expert.





STUDENT

Congratulations to Janet Freeman who is the first published writer in middle school! Over the summer Janet submitted a story she wrote in Mr. Maria's Zylar class. Again Janet Freeman Congratulations, you are now a published writer! The staff and teachers are extremely proud of you, great work! We cannot wait to read more of your work. Janet's story in the Summer 2014 issue of Sesi.

Gamify your classroom! Highlights from Mr. Rusnak's Humanities class:

- A student showing her xpMiles chart. She cleared all four levels and mastered the Realm of Science Fiction in Genre Journeys: The Game.
- Another student using a netbook to create an online mosaic for the unit on ancient Rome.
- Teaching how to "VIP" it.
- A student writes her name in Cuneiform as part of the unit on Mesopotamia.



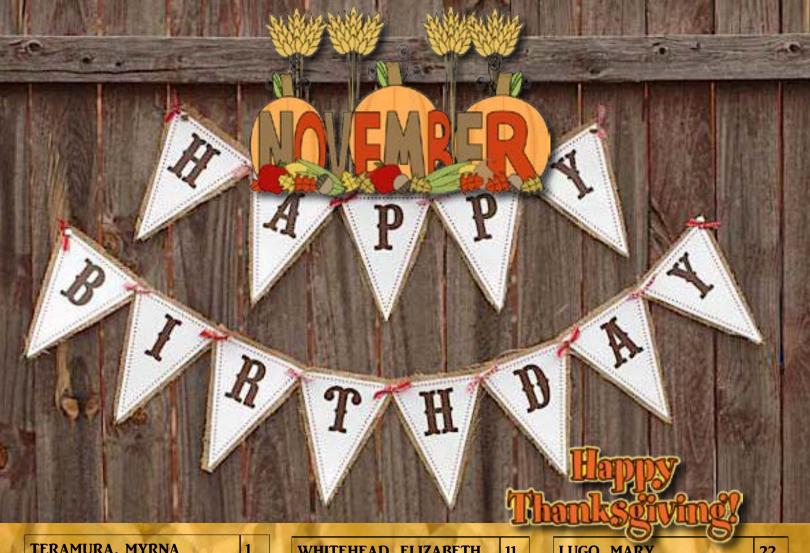












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