Fallbrook Alumni Association, Inc.

Summer 2009, NEWSLETTER



Hi Everyone! We've all heard these difficult times referred to as *"The*

New Normal." Happily, your alumni association continues our *"old normal"* activities to help in many diverse and greatly needed ways! There is no denying that these times have been tough on all of us, but **our students are our future.** It may well rest upon the shoulders of those such as three of our scholarship recipients, above, to solve the many challenges facing this and future generations.

FUNDRAISING is never easy, but we are able to help students whose families face hardships such as job loss, autism, and parental disability. Just knowing that our help has made it possible for a student to become the first in his or her family to go to college. These are the stories that make it all worth the effort! Generosity stems from many sources throughout our community, as well as from the Vista Lions Club (who donate dictionaries for the backpacks), and from individuals like you. A generous pledge of matching funds, dollar for dollar, up to \$500.00, has been a tremendous help. Our funds are growing and, this year, in addition to 75 backpacks filled with much-needed school supplies that we distributed to FHS students who needed them, we presented each of four students \$750.00 to use to further their educations. Awards were given to a student wishing to attend a technical or trade school; pursue a career in

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the arts; teach elementary education; and for outstanding citizenship. They will be heading off to Palomar, U. of Missouri, and Cal Poly, thanks to you! It is impressive to attend the FHS award's ceremony and witness, first hand, the tremendous amount of talent and perseverance displayed by our newest Warrior Alumni.



Jan and Cathy attended a day at the races to support the Lions Club in appreciation of their help!

And, below, some of the many and much appreciated...



BACKPACKS GALORE!

NEXT MEETING: Sept. 19, 2009, 4 P.M.

Jan's, 211 S. Stagecoach (at Via Feliz), Fallbrook. Potluck BBQ & Meeting! Directions/info: 760-645-0101

DONATIONS



We were again asked by the girl's gymnastic team for help. This time to help purchase a new balance beam. We also made a donation toward the purchase of a football jersey (#34). Be-

cause you have been so generous, we were able to help with this and other worthwhile gifts. Our energetic treasurer, Ruby (Tomes) Hoffman, is shown "hitting up" Gary Vix at the picnic!

In August, we will once again pack the backpacks. On Sunday, August 2, 2009, the Fallbrook Alumni Association will gather at Live Oak Park for a Picnic and Car Rally from 11-3. Those who attend will be able to help us fill backpacks for students: 3 in 1, fun, food, and production! Please plan on attending.

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GOOD WILL AND SUPPORT. IT REALLY DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Jan Mahr Owen, President

Alumni Picnic, Car Rally and Backpack Packing all wrapped into ONE FUN SUNDAY!!!



BACKPACK PICNIC & CAR RALLY August 2, 2009



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