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WHAT'S NEW IN THE EEF?



Pam Putnicki

Leila Sackfield

Leila Sackfield, a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, a leadership society for women teachers, was recently honored as their California State Area X 2021 Distinguished Community Service Award Recipient. From coordinating and distributing Saturday Food events, providing over 3,900 boxes of food to members of the Escondido Community who became food insecure as a result of COVID, to the manufacturing of over 100 portable desks provided to support students in having an appropriate space to conduct school while in the virtual setting, Leila is hands on. As a former member of the Board of Directors of the San Diego Children's Discovery Museum, she continues to advise programming opportunities for the children of Escondido and is a long time and current member of the Escondido Charitable Foundation which provided rapid relief to

non profit organizations to respond to the many needs of those San Diegans impacted by the pandemic crisis. She also provided financial support to bring The Giving Arch to Escondido, which is a landmark sign that will welcome both residents and visitors to Escondido for years to come. She continues to contribute financially and act as a liaison between the Escondido Education Foundation and the Escondido Union School District.

She Served as a Moderator for California Ed Chat which is a weekly organized Twitter discussion of educators and people interested in education that meet virtually from all over the world and was a member of the Measure Q steering committee volunteering her time every night during the campaign in support of our local school bond Measure Q.

While doing all of this, Leila has been an active member of her church and its choir. A gifted musician, she frequently plays flute solos, and is also featured as a soloist, nowadays, in recorded presentations. If you've ever heard her sing, you know she has the voice of an angel.

Most importantly, Leila actually rescinded her retirement in the position of Deputy Superintendent of Human Resources in the Escondido Union School district to continue to assist the school district through this difficult time.

Pam Putnicki was recently recognized by Area X of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for being the Outstanding Member of her Delta Iota Chapter. Originally from Texas where she taught Special Ed and First Grade for eight years, Pam is a long-time resident of Escondido. She was selected by the Kiwanis Club of Hidden Valley Escondido to receive their Distinguished Service Award before she retired from teaching at Rose School. Pam not only is on the Board of the [Escondido Education Foundation](#), but is also a member of the Escondido Charitable Foundation. Additionally, she is an active member of her church, now serving on the vestry, and she and her husband have been ushers for many years and continue in that capacity at outdoor services, helping to ensure COVID 19 protocols. Not only that, but Pam arranges beautiful floral displays and is an expert calligrapher, both of which give evidence to her artistic eye. [EEF](#) is fortunate to have such a dedicated and talented person on its Board....

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Pam checking out the after-school tutoring project at Central Elementary

NEW CANOPIES AT EACH OF THE SCHOOLS!



Thanks to ERI Reprographics for their work on these beautiful canopies!

Thanks to our many donors, this year the Escondido Education Foundation was able to provide each school with a well-built canopy to be used in a myriad of ways. ERI Reprographics worked with us on the design. Schools will be able to use these on many of our hot school days as well as those few days it rains.

Teachers will be able to use them for outdoor educational activities. The EEF hopes they will be used for all sorts of school events.

As well as providing each school with a canvas canopy, each school library received \$1000 for new books! These can be accessed by children attending school as well as those students at home.

The Escondido Education Foundation would not be a part of enhancing children's education without the help of our many donors. Last year, the San Diego Gas & Electric company donated a huge sum, which saved our year, since with the pandemic we were unable to have our usual fundraiser in May. This year, the David T. & Dorris E. Staples Foundation, the Sunrise Rotary, and the Route 78 Rotary Club have been very generous. With the donations received from community members, innovation and inspiration are alive and well in the Escondido Union School District.



Watch for our yearly fashion show this November (assuming Covid is gone). The board members of the Escondido Education Foundation are eager to get back to earning money for the students and teachers in the EUSD!

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