



A Community of Learners

*Superintendent's Perspective
November 5, 2007*

This week is the first Corte Madera Larkspur Schools Foundation Pledge Week. We would like to take a minute of your time to remind you what benefits the foundation provides for your children's education, and how important your donation is today.

The Larkspur School District receives state and federal funding that is considerably less than what is spent to educate each student in our district. The Corte Madera Larkspur Schools Foundation plays a key role in bridging this gap and provides the supplemental dollars necessary to offer programs such as music, art, science, technology, motor skills, library, and to keep class sizes small. This year our fundraising goal is one million dollars.

Maintaining excellent schools requires the participation of the whole community. Each year we ask the families in our school district to make a financial commitment to help us bridge the gap. We want to thank you for your past support in helping us bridge the funding gap. This year we ask that you consider making a donation of \$650 per child as a "Full Share" contribution. If this is not a possibility, then we ask you to consider what you can give to make certain your child has a rich and rewarding education that prepares them for the future.

If you have questions about the Foundation, or are interested in learning more about the way your donations are used in our schools, we will be holding informational gatherings on November 6th. Please join us for coffee at Il Fornaio from 8:30-9:30, or for wine and cheese at the Miller's home at 89 Walnut in Corte Madera from 6:00-7:30. I will join the CMLSF Board Members, and we will be available to answer your questions. More details are in the Pink and the Bulletin this week.

Make a donation this week and be entered in a raffle to win a gift certificate for dinner at Il Fornaio!

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