



# Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation

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## Fun in Your Future!

The Foundation calendar is filled with lots of fun events to enjoy with friends and family. There's something for everyone. Take a look, and make a date to join us!

### Save the Date:

### 6th Annual Gala on October 23, 2010

Celebrate the fall season at our "Harvest Moon" Gala on Saturday, October 23, 2010, to be held at the San Mateo Elks Lodge. It is a silent and live auction as well as a dinner...sponsorships are available!



### Golf Tournament and BBQ

Our 3rd Annual Golf Tournament is set for Sunday, June 27th at Los Lagos Golf Course in San Jose, CA. New this year is a shotgun start at 7:30 am. Tickets are \$110.00 per person and include green fees, golf cart, BBQ, and prizes! For non-golfers, \$25.00 per adult and \$15.00 per child to join in the BBQ and award ceremonies. All levels of play welcome! To purchase tickets, go to [www.remembertim.org](http://www.remembertim.org).

### Win a 2010 Toyota Prius or \$18,000 cash!

Last year's raffle winner purchased his winning ticket from us for Tim's House, and chose the \$18,000 cash prize. This year, the choice could be yours! The drawing for the winning ticket will take place at the July 4th Redwood City celebration. Tickets are \$5 each and make great graduation gifts. The Redwood City Rotary Club sponsors this raffle and invites several local non-profits to participate; the good news is that 100% of the money raised goes directly to the non-profits. As an extra incentive, anyone who purchases \$100 worth of tickets will receive a "Shop For A Cause" Macy's discount card that can be used on Saturday, October 16 at your local Macy's. Come out and visit the Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation and Rotary Club booths on July 4th and hear your name called as the raffle winner! Go to [www.remembertim.org](http://www.remembertim.org) to purchase tickets online or to send an email request for tickets.

### Pets Rule at the Redwood City Pet Parade

Come visit the Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation booth at the May 22nd, Redwood City Pet Parade. Our volunteers will be ready and willing to sell raffle tickets! Bring your four-legged family members and join the fun - dog treats available at no charge!

## GRANTING, SERVING AND RECEIVING

*The Foundation has been busy granting money, taking in grants, and providing services in our communities. Check out the activities taking place during the first few months of the year.*

### First Meadowlark Mothers Retreat

The Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation hosted our first weekend retreat for ten mothers who have experienced the sudden loss of a child. Carolyn Yates donated the use of Grace Ranch in Graton, CA providing a comfortable and peaceful setting for the grief work. Facilitated by Leslie Chin and Shelly Gillan, the mothers held discussions and participated in activities honoring their children and delving into the grief process. The Foundation was awarded a grant of \$1,000 from the Redwood City Rotary Club to support the first Meadowlark Mothers retreat. This grant covered the cost of food for the entire weekend for both participants and staff. Please let us know if you might be interested in sponsoring a mom for our next retreat this fall!

*"To simply say "Thank You" would never come close to the overwhelming gratitude I have for all of you who have allowed us mothers to gather in a beautiful, safe place to continue our very difficult journey of losing our children." ~ Meadowlark retreat mother*



### Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation Gives Grant to Tim's House

Stacey Redman and two Foundation Board Members presented a \$25,000 check for the first half of 2010 operating expenses for Tim's House. The check was presented to Mike Nevin and Karen Francone of the San Mateo County Service League who emphasized that this type of community partnership is especially critical during times of state funding cutbacks.



— *The Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation* —

*recognizes and thanks the Redwood City and Sunrise Rotary Clubs for their ongoing support of TGMF.*





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### OUR MISSION

*The Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation heals and strengthens Bay Area communities by providing support and services to those impacted by addiction, violence and loss.*

## Saratoga High School Fashion Show

Saratoga High School presented their annual fashion show featuring the students modeling local merchant clothing and accessories. Over 200 people were in attendance at this fundraising event. This year the students generously donated the proceeds of the event to Tim's House.

Pictured here are the organizers of the event: Alexa Francis, Paxton Barco, and Kelsey Berryhill (all seniors at SHS). LeAnn Kanowsky, Al Cunningham and many more



Foundation supporters were on hand to thank the event participants and organizers for their generosity. The Foundation sold over \$1000.00 in raffle tickets at the event! *Thank you all!*

## Tim Griffith Memorial Foundation Volunteers Kick into Action!

Volunteer needs and volunteer talent came together at Lisa Moreno's home for a Volunteer Kick-off party. Experienced Foundation volunteers mixed and mingled with new recruits and looked at the activities for the year ahead to determine how they will support the foundation. Everyone had the chance to meet Betty, a volunteer with us since January, who donates 16 hours a month to help with operational tasks. Other volunteers signed up to help with the Golf Tournament, the annual Gala, and the Pet Parade. It's not too late to volunteer - we need many hands to accomplish the work we do. For more information, contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Lisa Moreno at [Lisa4T@gmail.com](mailto:Lisa4T@gmail.com).