

CASPS 2010 IN REVIEW

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Board News

* **CASPS** has a brand new website! We are excited about the potential for networking with our friends and supporters, and look forward to utilizing the variety of management and communication tools the Internet provides. We invite you to take a virtual tour of our cyber home, and to share your comments and suggestions.

* **CASPS** is happy to announce that Annette Zarian, retired GUSD Teacher Specialist, has joined its team.

Honoring GUSD High Achievers

In keeping with its time honored tradition of fourteen years, CASPS recognized 185 seniors graduating with GPAs of 3.5 or better, from Glendale schools. This community

celebration is a CASPS tradition which includes a keynote address, messages by valedictorians, monetary awards, for the highest GPAs, sponsored by the AEF, as well as certificates from CASPS and elected officials. Longtime Hoover High Principal



Kevin Welsh, Hoover High Principal

Kevin Welsh's keynote address expressing his admiration for Armenians, was deeply appreciated by students, families and administrators alike.



A group of graduating Seniors

Honoring LAUSD Local District 2 High Achievers

CASPS hosted a dinner and awards reception at the LA Valley College Auditorium, recognizing Armenian students in grades 9-12, who maintain GPAs of 3.5 or higher. Keynote speaker, La City Council member Paul Krekorian, shared vignettes from his many "firsts" as an Armenian in public service, and encouraged eve-

ryone to be trailblazers in their future careers. All students in grades 9-12 received certificates of achievement from CASPS. Seniors also received certificates from elected officials, and four seniors with the highest GPAs received monetary awards, sponsored by Laura and Eddie Atoian, and the Armenian Educational Foundation.



Keynote Speaker LA City Councilman Paul Krekorian

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K-12 Healthy Start & Case Management

For fourteen years, CASPS has collaborated with the Healthy Start Program at GUSD. Our work includes Case Management services to K-12 students in Glendale schools. Our responsibilities include academic counseling and support for at-risk students, and facilitating access to community resources that are not within the scope of the academic community. Our partnership with GUSD is a vital part of what we do to assist newly arrived youngsters and their families adjust to the American public school system.

K-6 Intervention Prevention Clinical Group Counseling

In 2010, CASPS celebrated ten years of work on this special program for elementary students in need of behavior modification. The simple premise of “nipping failure in the bud”, and age appropriate play/talk/create activities, drive the program, helping students develop self-discipline, respect for authority, coping skills, and academic responsibility. The I.P. Program continues to be offered at Columbus and Keppel Elementary schools by Dr. Ida Karayan and her staff. It is partially funded by a Community Development Block Grant, administered by the City of Glendale. Each year, CASPS raises funds to cover the balance of the program’s costs.

Annual Art Contest

The theme of the 2010 annual Art Contest was “Your Role Model, Your Inspiration”. CASPS held an awards reception at the GUSD boardroom. District leaders attended the event and thanked CASPS, teachers and families for supporting artistic talent among our youth. All participants received certificates of recognition from GUSD. Monetary awards were sponsored by Artists For Kids, the Armenian Educational Foundation, and CASPS.

CASPS thanks AEF and AFK for their support.



GUSD Art Contest Participants

Annual Leadership Conference

As in previous years, the conference theme was “Connecting to Your Community”. A large group of high achieving GUSD seniors attended the event, held at the site of the Western Prelacy, in La Crescenta. The program included talks by community leaders, the personal story of Mrs. Nova Hindoyan, named Woman of the Year by



GUSD Conference participants with Keynote Speaker Paul Krekorian

Congressman Adam Schiff, an interactive exercise of “share and tell”, and a very well received keynote address by Los Angeles City Council Member Paul Krekorian.

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