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**Los Altos Educational Foundation
Announces New Board Roster for 2007-2008
-- Board to Drive New Fundraising Goals for the Los Altos School District --**

LOS ALTOS, Calif., October 10, 2007 – The Los Altos Educational Foundation (LAEF) today announced its new board roster for the 2007-2008 school year. Board members come from the parent community representing all schools within the Los Altos School District. The board's charter is to drive fundraising programs, community outreach and awareness in support of overall LAEF goals. Board members for the 2007-2008 school year include: Kim Gavenman, Jay Gill and Jean Limbach, Almond School; Ed Baer and Sue Weber, Blach School; Bin Hue and Shalini Gupta, Bullis-Purissima School; Julie Arnheim, Mark Boennighausen, Katie Gray and Katie Roper, Covington School; Teresa Kersten, Rupal Mehta, Cindy Walden and Katie Wiederholt, Egan School; Kristine Bardman, Glenn Goldberg and Anna Weldon, Loyola School; Mike Maciag, Jim Martin and Joe Seither, Oak School; Andy Cohen, Alan Cyron and Julia Erwin-Weiner, Santa Rita School; and, Trinka Dyer, Michael Milliken and Jim Stroud, Springer School.

For the 2007-2008 school year the LAEF board will embark on a new fundraising campaign goal commitment to the LASD of \$1.7 million. Allocations of the \$1.7 million grant will enable the district to fund teachers and aides to maintain smaller class sizes and enrichment programs such as technology, science, art, music and physical education for children in grades K-8. This year's funding will also help continue the well-received "Step Up to Writing" program, enhance science programs, and invest in "best practices" training for teachers to better utilize digital technologies. Without LAEF funds, these vital district-wide programs would not be possible.

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"We are delighted to welcome new and returning board members to LAEF for the 2007-2008 school year," commented Shobana Gubbi, executive director for LAEF. "Each year these diverse and talented parents help us reach out to the entire Los Altos parent community. Without the ongoing support of the parent community within the Los Altos School District, the rich educational experience our children receive would not be possible."

LAEF also wishes to thank those individuals leaving the LAEF board this year for their many contributions including: Eric Doctor, Nick Fravala, Jay Gerstenschlager, Jessica Lisi, Connie Miller, Vicki Moore, Gil Porat, Indu Singla and Mike Stanley.

Founded in 1982, the Los Altos Educational Foundation (LAEF) is comprised of all Los Altos elementary and middle school parents who contribute to making the Foundation's fundraising goals. The funds are used to enrich children's education through smaller class sizes, art, music, physical education, and science and technology. Over 95% of the foundation's annual goal is achieved through parents' contributions and matching funds from their employers. LAEF is not endowed by a few large companies or wealthy families; the difference is collectively made one family and one pledge at a time. The Los Altos Educational Foundation (LAEF) is a 501(c3) not-for-profit organization, tax id **94-2862793**. For more information, please call LAEF at 650-559-0445 or donate online at www.laefonline.org.

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