



# GECKO GAZETTE



A joint publication of the Green Elementary Foundation and PTA

## JANUARY CALENDAR Myron B. Green Elementary



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	

**The Fork & Spoon Monthly**

**GREEN SMOOTHIE**

You will need:

- 1 (or 2) fresh or frozen bananas
- 2 cups frozen or fresh berries,
- 1 cup frozen cherries or blueberries
- 1 - 3 cups fresh kale, chard, spinach, or any other greens
- 1 cup Plain Kefir
- 1 cup Filtered Water
- 1/2 cup Apple Cider

1. Throw in the bananas, berries, fruit, greens, kefir, apple cider, and water. If you are not using any frozen fruit, add some ice to make it nice & cold!
2. Blend all together until creamy and smooth! Add more liquid (kefir, organic juice, or water) as needed.

Recipe courtesy of [cookinglight.org/recipe.com](http://cookinglight.org/recipe.com)

Enjoy!!

This month's character trait is **TEAMWORK**

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# FOUNDATION NEWS

## FOUNDATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the Green Elementary Foundation, I would like to wish everyone a happy and joyous New Year.

Keep your eye on the calendar and watch for some exciting events the Foundation will be hosting this upcoming year. In just a couple of months, we will be having a Taste of San Carlos where you will be able to sample some of the great restaurants in our area and later in the year, we will be having our annual International Olympic Fair where there will be fun for the whole family.

If any of you parents out there are interested in volunteering for any of our upcoming events and fundraisers please feel free to contact me directly at 619-270-2118. I look forward to working along side you and continuing to make Green Elementary School the phenomenal success it is.

*Terry Harris*

Foundation President 2011-2013

## HELP WANTED:

**CPA** willing to audit financial records, prepare taxes, etc. for the Foundation.

**INSURANCE AGENT** willing to assist with obtaining the necessary special event insurance to host our fundraisers throughout the year.

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO VOLUNTEER IN ANY CAPACITY, OR WANT TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED WITH THE FOUNDATION, PLEASE CONTACT Terry Harris at [terry@tgharris.com](mailto:terry@tgharris.com).

## Get a Taste of San Carlos!

Join us for a planning meeting on  
**Wednesday, January 11 at 5:30pm!**  
**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!**

On Friday, March 9, the Foundation will host the "Taste" at the Mission Trails Golf Course Clubhouse! This will be a community event where you can taste different cuisines from participating restaurants all in one night at one location.

We are looking for volunteers to help with this fundraiser, including marketing, publicity, donations, entertainment, etc. and as always, for set-up, during event, and with clean-up. If you are able to help in any way, please come to the meeting or contact Peggy Dermody at [peggydermody@gmail.com](mailto:peggydermody@gmail.com) or (619) 697-7450 for more information.

## Foundation Funding...

**GOT GREEN! PLEDGE DRIVE** Many thanks to those of you who pledged \$14,955 to support the Foundation and your kids!! Please note that a tax receipt for all donations received prior to 12/31/11 will be sent to you this month. It is our intent to send them via email when possible to minimize postage costs. If you are making monthly donations, you will receive a receipt for money received, not money pledged.

Please remember to pay your pledge if you made one, we are counting on it to support our second PE teacher throughout the school year!

*The Green Elementary Foundation is pleased to announce we are now on FACEBOOK! If you are a Facebook user, check out our page, keep in touch with us. "like us", and get updates on our activities.*

# PTA GECKO UPDATE

Mom and Me READ  
Wednesday, January 18  
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All Students are encouraged to wear a hat for a \$1 donation that will be collected at a specified time during courtyard. This money will be donated to the Susan G. Komen foundation.

Moms, please join us for a yoga session in the MPR after reading with your child. Refreshments to follow in the Library.

Announcing a NEW Year Long Fund Raiser!

In keeping with our school mission of healthy lifestyles, the PTA will be coordinating with Suzie's Farm CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) for Green Elementary to become a drop off location for their

Boxes of harvested, items from Farm and specially local

The PTA profits from raiser to

weekly Green and Healthy program at lunches. This will also give us access to buy our produce directly from a farm and have it delivered to our school. Look for a flier to come home soon!

Good Farm freshly organic Suzie's other selected producers. will use the this fund fund the



Thank You, Stremick's Heritage Foods for providing Organic Milk to our students!



Stremick's Heritage Foods is sold locally at Albertsons, Kell's, and Wal-Mart.

## Ever wonder how our students are being taught?? Here is one 4th grader's journal entry on social studies....

This entry is from the journal of Jenny Russell in Mrs. Anderson's room 13 dated December 15, 2011....

*It is so cool how Mrs. Anderson doesn't make us read from boring social studies books. Everything we do is fun, so we get it done and it helps us to succeed.*

*For social studies, we do things like a character circle where we draw a big circle with a little circle inside. On the inner circle we write our name and on the outer circle, we write character traits about ourselves. We do this almost every month to see how we have changed.*

*I love social studies, but the budget cuts mean no more Old Town for 4th graders, grrrr! Luckily, the 4th grade teachers are going to try and to teach us the same things they do at Old Town. I'm glad there are such awesome 4th grade teachers at Green.*

*The main thing we are doing right now is learning about our cultures. I love writing about traditions the most, but cultures are great also. Today, we finished a paper about a country that was really fun. We are presenting them tomorrow. The thing I am looking forward to tomorrow is that we have to bring food from our country and we get to taste food from around the world, how fun is Mrs. Anderson's classroom?*

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**Business card ad:** \$25 per issue or \$200 for all 10 issues throughout year.

Reservations or questions should be directed to Peggy Dermody at [peggydermody@gmail.com](mailto:peggydermody@gmail.com) or 619-885-0376.