

Village Properties

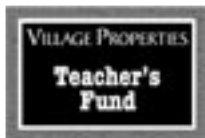
Teacher's Fund

H EEDING A CALL FOR ASSISTANCE, the Village Properties Teacher's Fund, celebrated teachers and announced this year's grant recipients at their 7th annual reception held October 8th at the Santa Barbara Natural History Museum.

"It has been our pleasure to assist local teachers with grants that support children and our local schools," commented Renee Grubb, owner of Village Properties.

The Village Properties Teacher's Fund is a non-profit organization that was started in response to the needs of elementary schools. The Teacher's Fund was joined by the Orfaea Foundation and the program was expanded to include junior high schools and North County Schools. To date, the Village Properties Teacher's Fund has provided over 1,200 grants, totalling \$515,000.

The annual reception, included prizes and surprises for more than 375 teachers who were in attendance. The event was emceed by Larry Crandell and Mayor Marty Blum was in attendance along with Superintendent of Santa Barbara Schools Bill Cirone. "Realtors realize how important schools are to families when they are looking for a home. They are also keenly aware of the importance of quality education and how it will affect the future of all of us," said Zena Drewisch, Manager of the Teacher's Fund.



Village Properties established the Teacher's Fund in 2002 to help local public and private elementary school teachers purchase the supplies and books they need. For more information about the Teacher's Fund visit www.teachersfund.org.



Cara Leach, Foothill Teacher with **Renee Grubb**, Owner of Village Properties and **Bridget Murphy**, **Paul Suding**; and **Joshua Ramirez** all of Village Properties



Emcee **Larry Crandell**; **Pamela Holst**, Monro Teacher; and **Barbara Bazeghi**, SB Charter School Teacher



Catherine Brozowski and **Solveig Chandler** of the Orfaea Foundation with **Ed Heron**, candidate for Santa Barbara School Board



Joan Roberts, **JoAnn Pomatto-Gomez**, and **Elaine Abercrombie** of Village Properties



Judy Cortright and **Christy Morse**, Teachers at Hollister



Tim Taylor, Metrocities and **Jackie Walters**, Village Properties



Bob Grissom, Cox Media with **John Leonard**, Daily Sound



Lara Puente Castagnola and **John McGowan** of Village Properties



Marilynn Byers, Marymount Teacher and **Francine Steele**, McKinley Teacher



Margaret Allard, St. Raphael Teacher



Carol Lake, **Marilyn Larsen**, Principal **Lorna Glenn**, and **Tuey Keller** all Teachers at Santa Ynez Elementary



Julie Barnes, **Dianne Johnson**, **Jim Witmer**, and **Susan Manzo** of Village Properties



Claire and **Macy Krock**, Teacher at Montecito Elementary

