

## **2007-08 Excellence in Education Awards**

Over 300 friends, family and co-workers attended the Pleasanton PTA Council and Pleasanton Unified School District's Excellence in Education Award Ceremony on Wednesday, June 4th at Trinity Lutheran Church. The sixteen honorees were selected from hundreds of applications submitted by the Pleasanton community. Many students and their parents watched and waited for their favorite teacher to be honored. A history of the educator's background and stories of their dedication and accomplishments brought tears to the eyes of many.

Those honored were Nancy Falcone (Hearst Elementary), Elicha Gastelumendi (Valley View Elementary), Lisa Highfill (Fairlands Elementary), Kara Magaro (Hearst Elementary), Donna Melvin (Pleasanton Middle), Chris Murphy (Amador Valley High), Carol Raimondi (Harvest Park Middle), Mary Ellen Rodda (Walnut Grove Elementary), Karen Swift (Walnut Grove Elementary), Joan Thomas (Amador Valley High), Carolann Carter (Pleasanton Middle), Christina Clark (PUSD Barton Reading), Sharon Glitchell (Hearst Elementary), Joe Kettwig (Mohr Elementary), Bill Radulovich (Walnut Grove Elementary) and Lois Treiber (Hearst Elementary).

The ceremony was sponsored by Rotary Club of Pleasanton and the reception was made possible by Cold Stone on Main Street, Alexandria's Florist, Safeway, and Nob Hill.

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