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Lights, Camera, Destiny! A Red Carpet Night to Remember

On June 14, the Santa Fe Springs Chamber/League Youth Enrichment Fund brought the glamour to Corona del Mar with its annual Destiny fundraiser—this year dazzling guests under the theme “Lights, Camera, Destiny!” The historic Port Theater served as the perfect backdrop for this unforgettable evening, where community, philanthropy, and celebration took center stage.

Guests arrived dressed to the nines and were welcomed with a red carpet entrance, complete with paparazzi flashes, creating an authentic Hollywood-style experience.

The theater’s marquee proudly featured the names of the 2025 Youth Enrichment Fund scholarship recipients, a symbolic tribute to the students whose stories were celebrated throughout the night.

The evening began with a vibrant cocktail hour, where guests were treated to live music from Michael Parlett, whose smooth saxophone and vocals added a soulful, energetic vibe.

Delectable appetizers from Summit Event Catering circulated as attendees mingled, bid on silent auction items, and purchased raffle tickets—all to support the critical youth programs provided by the Youth Enrichment Fund (YEF).

This annual event is more than just



a celebration—it is a major fundraising effort for YEF, which supports vital programs such as the CHOICES program, the mentor program, Future Business Leaders, leadership development, career fairs, and college scholarships.

This year marked a historic moment for the Destiny Scholarship program. For the first time, two \$20,000 Destiny Scholarships were awarded, alongside the debut of a new \$2,000 Vocational Grant—expanding the fund’s support for students pursuing careers in both academic and skilled trade pathways.

Jaelyn Hernandez, a senior at Pioneer High School, was awarded one of the \$20,000 Destiny Scholarships. Jaelyn will attend UCLA in the fall, majoring in biology with the goal of becoming an anesthesiologist.

Her thoughtful interview and commitment to service deeply resonated with the scholarship committee, and she shared that her greatest values are her loved ones, caring for others, and appreciating life itself.

Mia Fernandez, a senior at Santa Fe High School, received the second \$20,000 Destiny Scholarship. Headed to UC San Diego, Mia plans to study biological sciences with a focus on women’s health.

Her academic excellence, combined with her leadership and compassion, made her an ideal candidate. Inspired by the women in her life and her early interest in science through the GATE program, Mia is determined to create positive change in the healthcare field.

In addition to these two major awards, the evening also featured the

presentation of YEF’s first-ever Vocational Grant. Estella Aguilar, a Santa Fe High School senior, was named the recipient of the \$2,000 grant.

Estella plans to attend Grand Canyon University to pursue a career in nursing. She recently completed a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program and is preparing for her state licensing exam.

Her drive and commitment to a healthcare career embody the very mission of this new grant—supporting students with a clear path toward a meaningful and impactful profession.

The success of Lights, Camera, Destiny! is a direct result of the hard work and passion of many. Sincere thanks go to the YEF and Chamber Board of Directors, the Destiny Dinner Committee, and the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce team. Their dedication, creativity, and leadership continue to elevate this event year after year.

To learn more about the Youth Enrichment Fund and how you can support its mission, visit www.youthenrichmentfund.org.

*Lights, Camera, Destiny! photos on pages 8 and 9
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Kathie Fink receives the President’s Award.

A Night of Cheers and Changes at the Board Installation Ceremony

On June 25, Town Center Hall was buzzing as the Santa Fe Springs Chamber and Youth Enrichment Fund gathered for their annual Board Installation and Recognition Ceremony.

The evening was all about honoring the dedication of the outgoing board members and giving a warm welcome to the new leaders stepping in for the 2025–2026 term. Guests enjoyed dinner catered by California Grill, featuring their famous Tequila Jalapeno Pasta, Caesar salad, a fresh fruit platter, and beef skewers.

Special remarks were made by Santa Fe Springs City Manager Rene Bobadilla and the chamber’s new CEO, John Wilson, who both shared encouraging words about leadership, service, and the future of the business community.

The event also marked a fond farewell to outgoing Chamber President Carlos Gallardo and YEF President Debbie Baker, both of whom were recognized for their incredible commitment and contributions.

Also recognized were Vivian Jacinto of Mobile Notary Public, who was surprised and honored to receive the Volunteer of the Year Award and Kathie Fink, former SFS Chamber CEO, who graciously and deservedly accepted the President’s Award.

With a round of applause and plenty of positive energy, the ceremony welcomed incoming Chamber President Mark Gutierrez of GILMAR Automotive Group and new YEF President Daniel J. McMillan of Stifel.

It was a night full of gratitude, celebration, and the promise of another successful year ahead.



Vivian Jacinto receives the Volunteer of the Year Award.



2025-26 term SFS Chamber President Mark Gutierrez (center), SFS Chamber CEO John Wilson (left), SFS City Manager Rene Bobadilla (right) and city council members John Mora, Juanita Martin, Mayor William Rounds, and Annette Rodriguez.

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By Mark Gutierrez, GILMAR Automotive Group

The Future is Bright

It has been 11 years since I opened my business, GILMAR Automotive Group in the City of Santa Fe Springs. Soon after opening, I decided to join the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce and was eager to discover everything that the chamber membership had to offer.

I quickly discovered it would be the best business decision I could have made. The opportunities and exposure I have been given from this organization is a true testament of what community involvement really means.

I am so proud and grateful to be the next Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce president and look forward to an exciting new year. This is going to be a year of growth, new endeavors, and productivity, all while keeping the heritage this chamber of commerce is so well known for.

With the help and guidance from our new chief executive officer, Mr. John Wilson, the remarkable chamber staff and my new executive committee, my

commitment to this business community is to represent all of you equally and celebrate your success.

I am proud of the relationship we have with the City of Santa Fe Springs and look forward to strengthening that bond to bring more and more businesses to our city and drive this chamber forward.

I invite you to visit our chamber of commerce office, explore our website and participate in the many events we offer. I value and desire your feedback and opinions and look forward to a bright future with you all.

In conclusion, I want to recognize our outgoing chamber of commerce chief executive officer, Mrs. Kathie Fink a joyous retirement. Kathie gave 27 years of dedicated service to our business community and will be truly missed.



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John Wilson Named Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce CEO, Continuing a Legacy of Civic Leadership

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the appointment of John Wilson as its new chief executive officer, effective June 2, 2025. Wilson brings with him over two decades of leadership experience in chambers of commerce, hospitality, and tourism, with a proven track record of driving strategic growth, building community partnerships, and advocating for local businesses.

“We are excited to welcome John to lead the Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce into its next chapter,” said Carlos Gallardo, recent president of the board of directors.

“His vision, energy, and commitment to economic development will be vital as we continue to support our business community and navigate future opportunities.”

Prior to joining the chamber, Wilson served as director of business development at ChamberWest in Utah, where he spearheaded economic development initiatives across five cities. He also held a leadership role at the Davis Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, where he demonstrated a passion for community engagement and business advocacy.

But for Wilson, this new role is more than a professional milestone—it’s a deeply personal one. He is the grandson of the founding Santa Fe Springs Mayor Betty Wilson and the son of retired Santa Fe Springs Fire Chief Bob Wilson. His appointment marks a continuation of a proud family tradition of public service in the city.

“I am honored to step into this role and look forward to working with the talented team at the chamber, our members, and our partners,” said Wilson. “Together, we will champion the growth and resilience of our local economy and ensure that businesses of all sizes have the resources and support they need to thrive. It’s especially meaningful to serve the city that has meant so much to my family. I’m proud to follow in the footsteps of my ancestors and contribute to the community they helped shape.”

Wilson succeeds Kathie Fink, who is retiring after 26 years of dedicated service. Under her leadership, the chamber expanded its membership, launched key economic initiatives, and strengthened its role as a voice for business in the region.



Santa Fe Springs Crime Statistics Year-to-date Comparison of Part I Crimes May 2025

Crimes reported	2024	2025	-/+	%
Total	659	559	-100	-15 %
Homicide	0	0	0	0 %
Rape	4	2	-2	-50 %
Robbery	31	12	-19	-61 %
Aggravated Assault	31	30	-1	-3 %
Residential Burglary	5	5	0	0 %
Commercial Burglary	145	92	-53	-37 %
All Thefts	314	328	14	4 %
<i>Shoplifting</i>	57	45	-8	-14 %
<i>Burglary/Theft from Vehicle</i>	145	123	-22	-15 %
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Summer Concerts in the Park

Come out and join us for the annual return of the Santa Fe Springs Summer Series as we bring an awesome lineup of live concerts at Heritage Park for the whole family to enjoy.

Location: Heritage Park, 12100 Mora Drive

Activities begin at 6:00 p.m. / Concerts from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

New this year! Relax and enjoy our Beer & Wine Garden from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (21+ with valid ID).

Kings of Queen (Queen Tribute Band) - Friday, July 11
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Harry Katz and the Pistachios - Friday, July 25

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Director of Business Development, Rick Landis, speaks to guests about the history of the swap meet.



Members and guests enjoy a special display of food options and treats.

Midday Mingle at Chick-fil-A Brings Community Together

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber's Networking at Noon lunch on May 15, brought members together for a fun and casual midday meet-up at Chick-fil-A. Guests enjoyed a special boxed lunch with the classic favorites like chicken sandwiches, crosscut chips, and chocolate chip cookie while chatting with fellow business professionals in a relaxed, friendly setting. The restaurant's team offered warm hospitality, keeping famous iced tea and lemonade drinks filled and smiles coming. Conversations flowed easily as attendees made new connections, shared updates, and caught up with familiar faces. The afternoon served as a reminder that sometimes the best business moments happen when you turn your lunch hour into more than just a meal.

June Networking at Noon Serves Up History and Fried Favorites

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber's Networking at Noon lunch on June 19 was a sizzling success at the Santa Fe Springs Swap Meet. Attendees gathered outdoors to enjoy sunshine, conversation, and classic swap meet fare—think crispy fried delights and nostalgic bites that hit the spot. Adding flavor to the afternoon, Rick Landis gave an engaging talk about the history of the swap meet, sharing fun facts and stories that highlighted its longtime role in the community. The relaxed, open-air setting made it easy for guests to mingle, connect, and take in the lively atmosphere of the venue. The lunch had a fun, throwback feel. It was a reminder that great conversations—and great stories—can happen just about anywhere, especially over a plate of fried food and a shared appreciation for Santa Fe Springs history.

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Sunrise, Burritos and Business Cards: A Bright Morning in Santa Fe Springs



Ivy Park at Cerritos staff.



Chamber member George Brumis takes the mic (and the taco) to answer the ice-breaker question.

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce kicked off May with a full house and a full breakfast at the Business Card Exchange on May 7. Hosted and sponsored by Ivy Park at Cerritos, the early morning event drew a lively crowd eager to make connections over warm breakfast burritos and hot coffee.

Held at the bright hour of 8:00 a.m. outside in the beautiful rose garden by the lovely fountain, attendees arrived ready to mingle and swap business cards—some before even finishing their first bite. Ivy Park at Cerritos not only provided the delicious breakfast but also offered a warm welcome and gave guests a glimpse into their senior living community and services.

With plenty of handshakes, smiles, and introductions, it was a morning well spent—and a reminder that the early bird doesn't just get the worm, they get the burrito too! Thank you to the wonderful Ivy Park staff for the attention to detail and a successful event.

A Morning of Connection at the June Business Card Exchange

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber Business Card Exchange Sunrise Breakfast, held on Wednesday, June 4, brought early morning energy and community spirit to Mr. Rosewood Family Restaurant. Hosted under the restaurant's signature giant tarp, the event welcomed a lively crowd of local professionals ready to connect and kick off the day.

Guests stayed seated at their tables to tackle thought-provoking roundtable questions, sparking conversation and fresh ideas. But the real movement came when everyone got up for a playful ice breaker ball toss and networking game that had the crowd laughing, exchanging cards, finding out who is a good referral for them, and moving on their feet.

With a hearty breakfast, great company, and a few unexpected tosses, the morning struck the perfect balance between business and fun. A big thank you to Jason Perez and his staff at Mr. Rosewood who always sponsor a most enjoyable networking event.



Owner of Mr. Rosewood, Jason Perez, enjoys a delicious cup of café de olla.



Attendees take a quick photo before getting down to business.



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La Jara Mixer Kicks Off Summer with Sizzle and Connection

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce welcomed the summer heat in style with its Summer on Tapp Evening Mixer, hosted Tuesday, June 24, at La Jara Brewing Co. in Norwalk. The event brought together members of the local business community for an evening of vibrant networking, delicious food, and refreshing drinks.

Guests enjoyed juicy smash burgers, classic potato salad, and soft drinks while building new connections and reconnecting with familiar faces in the laid-back, fun ambiance of one of the area's favorite local breweries. The mixer proved to be the perfect way to launch the summer season with meaningful conversation, community spirit, and flavorful fare.

For more information about La Jara Brewing Co., drop by their location at 13423 Excelsior Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650.



A big welcome to our newest members!

New Members Welcomed at Chamber Office

The Santa Fe Springs Chamber rolled out the welcome mat on May 28 for its newest members during a special New Member Welcome held at the chamber office. Attendees had the opportunity to meet the chamber staff, ask questions, and get a closer look at the many ways the chamber supports local businesses.

In addition to the staff, chamber ambassadors and board members were on hand to greet the group and share their personal experiences. Several gave heartfelt testimonies about how the chamber has made a significant impact on their businesses, from new connections and increased visibility to lasting partnerships. It was a warm, informative gathering designed to help new members feel right at home and inspired to get involved.

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The Youth Enrichment Fund's 'Lights, Camera, Destiny!' gala rolled out the red carpet for an unforgettable night of elegance, generosity, and inspiration. Local leaders, families, and community members came together in support of scholarships that change lives and help students follow their dreams.



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A Heartfelt Farewell and Celebration at YEF Mentor Luncheon

On May 15, the historic Clarke Estate set the perfect backdrop for the Youth Enrichment Fund's Mentor Appreciation and Farewell Luncheon—a beautiful afternoon filled with gratitude, stories, and a touch of music. Hosted to honor the mentors who have dedicated their time and heart to guiding students through the program, the event was both a celebration and a meaningful send-off.

Catered by Mr. Rosewood with a delicious spread of Mexican cuisine, the luncheon brought together students, mentors, and supporters to reflect on a year of growth, challenges, and triumphs. Students shared heartfelt stories about the impact their mentors had on their academic and personal journeys, while mentors spoke proudly of the transformation they witnessed.

Laughter, hugs, and even a little karaoke rounded out the event, creating a joyful atmosphere that captured the spirit of the YEF program—one rooted in support, opportunity, and genuine human connection. It was more than just a farewell; it was a reminder of how mentorship can shape futures and leave a lasting mark on everyone involved.



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SFS Chamber Seeks Director of Youth Services

Job Title: Director of Youth Services

Department: Youth Enrichment Fund (YEF)

Location: Santa Fe Springs Chamber of Commerce

Status: Full-Time, Exempt

Position Summary

The Director of Youth Services is responsible for the strategic planning, coordination, and execution of all youth-focused initiatives under the Youth Enrichment Fund (YEF). This role serves as the primary liaison to the YEF Board of Directors and leads the development and implementation of programs that empower youth through education, leadership, and community engagement.

Key Responsibilities

Governance and Leadership

- Serve as the primary staff liaison to the **YEF Board of Directors**, providing regular updates, strategic input, and administrative support.
- Collaborate with the **Financial Committee** and **Fundraising Committee** to develop and manage budgets, fundraising strategies, and financial reporting.

Program Oversight

- Lead the implementation and growth of the **CHOICES®** program, ensuring alignment with YEF's mission and measurable outcomes.
- Oversee the planning and execution of the **Destiny / Powell Scholarships**, including application processes, selection committees, and award ceremonies.
- Manage the **Destiny Auction & Dinner**, coordinating logistics, sponsorships, and community participation.
- Support the **Youth Education Committee** in developing and delivering impactful educational initiatives.
- Coordinate **Student Contests** that promote academic excellence, creativity, and civic engagement.
- Guide the **Future Business Leaders** program, fostering mentorship and career readiness among high school students.

Technology and Communications

- Maintain and update the **YEF Website**, ensuring timely and relevant content.
- Create and manage events in **ChamberMaster** and on the Chamber's website, ensuring visibility and accessibility for all youth-related programs.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Education, Public Administration, Nonprofit Management, or related field (Master's preferred).
- Minimum 5 years of experience in youth services, nonprofit leadership, or community engagement.
- Strong organizational, communication, and leadership skills.
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3. Own or rent the City of Santa Fe Springs residence where the security enhancements will be installed.
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To be eligible for the residential rebate, each security

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- Up to 80 percent of the purchase price not including taxes and installation will be eligible for a rebate not-to-exceed \$250 per application.
- If purchasing/installing cameras, they must be installed on the front facing exterior of the property prior to rebate application submission. Camera angle(s) must capture any of the following location(s):
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Attendees walked away with tangible tools and strategies to enhance communication, foster innovation, and accelerate growth through collaboration.

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