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CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

A historical publication of the Corona-Norco School District presented by Corona-Norco Schools Educational Foundation

CORONA, CA – April 9, 2012 The Corona-Norco Schools Educational Foundation (CNSEF) announced today that it is adding a monumental project to its repertoire of fundraising activities – a publication that commemorates the first 125 years of Corona-Norco schools. The book, entitled *From One Room... An Amazing Ride through the 125-Year History of Corona-Norco Schools*, will highlight key events and capture cornerstones that led up to what we now know as the Corona-Norco Unified School District (CNUSD). The book is scheduled to be released in 2013.

This new publication will present a detailed historical timeline of the school district. The district's history begins with the first documented Corona school which opened in March of 1888 – one room above a local feed store. The book will offer many unique facts, photographs and documents, the untold stories behind educational monuments, key historical figures, and unusual events that shaped the Corona-Norco schools over the past 125 years. The CNUSD has evolved into the largest school district in Riverside County and is currently the eighth largest school district in the State of California.

All interested parties, including current and former students, faculty, staff, and community members are invited to attend a stakeholder meeting on Thursday, April 26th, 5 PM at Corona's Historic Civic Center auditorium/theater, (815 W. Sixth Street, Corona), to learn about this ground-breaking project. Everyone is encouraged to make available all historical information that can be used to develop an accurate, interesting, and comprehensive publication.

The meeting, hosted by Corona Mayor Eugene Montanez, along with Bill Newberry, President of the Corona-Norco Schools Educational Foundation, will have several interesting pieces of information to share about the project. There will be ample seating inside the facility which was originally constructed as Corona's second high school. This campus was in service for nearly forty years, and many symbols of its roots in District education can still be found on site.

Learn more about this project by visiting the CNSEF website at www.cnsef.org.

Corona-Norco Schools Educational Foundation (CNSEF) is a non-profit organization that pools efforts in fundraising and support from the Corona-Norco-Eastvale communities to give back to the Corona-Norco Unified School District in areas where budget cuts have hit hardest. These areas include interventions, technology, sports, music, and arts.

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