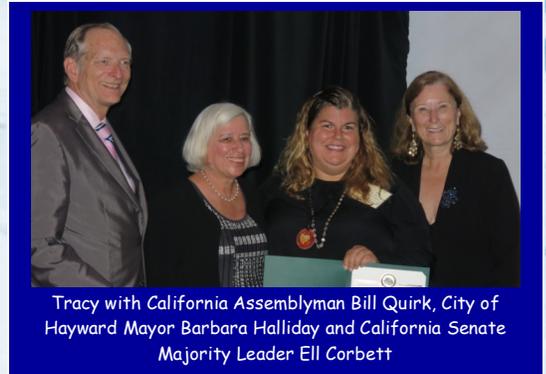


# The Splash

*Home of the Penguins*

October 2014

Congratulations to our very own Club President, Tracy Diaz-Dominguez for receiving the 2014 City of Hayward Mayor's Award. Tracy was recognized earlier in the month at the 37th Annual Volunteer Recognition and Awards Dinner for her commitment to the renovations and construction of the Southgate Swim Club in 2012.



Some of you may remember that our dearly loved pool was on the verge of closing due to a major leak. With many set backs, including our hired contractor disappearing, Tracy rallied the community, media, and our amazing membership to take on the challenge and re-build Southgate. It was tough for Southgate. The pool was closed for all of the 2012 season and lost many of its members. But with Tracy's leadership, the renovations were completed and opened it's doors once again in April 2013.

If you asked Tracy how she did it, she would humbly say that it wasn't her, it was the community coming together. Yes, without the many volunteers spending most weekends at the pool digging trenches, jack hammering the concrete and helping wherever they were needed; Or without the many donations received to help pay for this huge project, the pool may not have re-opened. But NONE of that would have happened without the leadership of Tracy Diaz. She is truly the one who deserved this award.

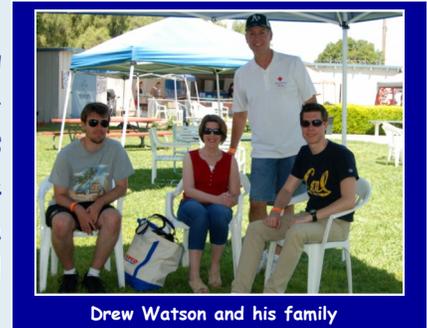


**Tracy, THANK YOU for all you do for Southgate Swim Club.**

# Southgate Swim Club Board

As the 2014 Swim Season comes to an end, we say goodbye to three dedicated Board Members. They have served on the Southgate Swim Club Board for many years. Please join me in saying a huge thank you to them along with a sad goodbye.

Drew Watson has been on the board for the past three years doing maintenance at the club. He joined the board when the pool was under construction and worked many weekends digging the trenches around the pool. But don't think Drew's volunteering started with the construction. Before joining the board he was always willing to lend a helping hand with keeping the grounds beautiful or cleaning the pool for all of us to enjoy.



Drew Watson and his family



Karen DiNatale and her daughters

Karen DiNatale joined the board 8 years ago as Vice President. This is no easy job. Karen was not only in charge of hiring and scheduling our wonderful lifeguards and swim instructors (which is no small feat). She also made sure lifeguard training was always up to date, took sign ups and maintained the swim lessons at the pool. She made sure every child who signed up for lessons was ready for the pool and had water safety.

Lisa Johnson was elected to the board ten years ago as Membership Chair. She has worked tirelessly at bringing new members to our beloved Southgate. She is the first contact that many of our members meet before joining the pool. She has continually maintained the membership binder for our lifeguards, sent out all notifications to our members informing them of what is going on at the pool, has helped at many events for the Family Fun Club and many other jobs at Southgate.



Lisa Johnson and her daughter

We would also like to welcome our newest Southgate Board Members; Jane Mullins will be joining the board as the Secretary. Heidi Adza will take over as Membership. Theresa Garcia will be joining the Family Fun Club and will be handling the snack bar at all events. And our newest Maintenance Board Member in charge of the grounds is Chris Ramirez. We welcome all of you to the Southgate Swim Club Board.

If you would like to see how the club is run, please join us for our last board meeting of the 2014 season. It will be on November 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Public Works Building on Kay and Turner in Hayward. We hope to see you there!

# THANK YOU



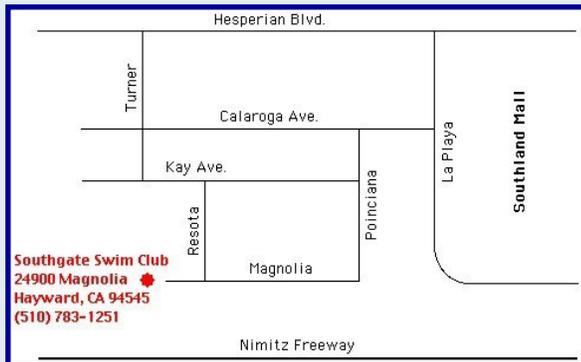
Thank you to everyone who helped out at the Clean Up Day on October 4th. Everyone worked hard to get the pool ready for the winter months. Southgate wouldn't be as successful as it is without the help of our many volunteers!



Please mail all membership payments to Lisa Johnson at P.O. Box 138, Mt. Eden, CA 94557. For any questions, please call at (510) 783-1305 or email at [lisa@southgateswimclub.org](mailto:lisa@southgateswimclub.org)

Next Board Meeting November 4th at 7:00pm at the Public Works building on Kay and Turner

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### Board of Directors

President	Tracy Diaz
Vice President	Karen DiNatale (Andrea Ford)
Secretary	Pam Laase (Jane Mullins)
Treasurer	Crystal Brauns
Membership	Lisa Johnson (Heidi Adza)
Maintenance	Drew Watson Chuck Hallinan (Chris Ramirez)
Fundraising Director	Karla Goodbody
Family Fun Club	Sheryl Hallinan Andrea Ford (Theresa Garcia)
Program Coordinator	Deanna Murchison
Pool Rental	Paige Adza
Swim Team	Cindy Diala

I am so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers.

~Anne of Green Gables