

Kids Marathon Mile

Excited young runners prepare to race through LEGOLAND on January 17 as part of the Tri-City Medical Center Carlsbad Marathon and Half Marathon weekend. In addition to the 1-mile race through the theme park, the day included a diaper dash for the youngest participants and a postrace party (photo courtesy of MarathonFoto).



Tri-City Medical Center Carlsbad Marathon and Half Marathon

A pack of elite marathon runners races against the sunrise on Carlsbad Boulevard during the January 18 event. Bryan Morseman won the men's division of the marathon and Jennifer Zwick came in first for the women. Other winners from the weekend: the 19 charities represented in the races (photo by Rich Cruse).

Hearts for Hope 5K Run/Walk

More than 1,000 walkers, runners and spectators came out for the Mitchell Thorp Foundation's sixth annual event on February 7 at Poinsettia Park. The foundation provides financial, emotional and resource support to families whose children suffer from life-threatening illnesses, diseases and disorders. The event has grown every year, raising more than \$160,000. For more information, visit mitchellthorp.org (photo by Michele Friszell).



Sage Creek High School Musical: "Grease"

The school's drama department received help from a knowledgeable source when it staged its first-ever musical production: Jim Jacobs, the co-writer of the popular '50s-themed Broadway show. Jacobs assisted with casting and production development of the Sage Creek version, which ran February 26–28 at the Carlsbad Cultural Arts Center (photo courtesy of Sage Creek High School).

C3 Winter Formal Ball & Live Auction

Carlsbad Causes for Community (C3)—a nonprofit consisting of 45 local businesses and residents—raised money for programs such as kids yoga at the Boys & Girls Clubs at its January 30 event at Carlsbad Village Yoga Co-op. Guests enjoyed live music, a photo booth and bidding on silent and live auction items such as lunch at Paon with Mayor Matt Hall. For more information, visit carlsbadcauses.org (photo courtesy of Carlsbad Causes for Community).

