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LAEF Kicks Off 5th Year of STEAM Fairs at Los Alamitos USD Schools!

(Los Alamitos, CA) – For 5 years now, the Los Alamitos Education Foundation (LAEF) has

helped to bring STEAM programs into all 9 of the Los Alamitos Unified school campuses by

offering free STEAM classes, providing STEAM Fairs at all schools, and sponsoring a district-wide

STEAM showcase for all students to participate in. LAEF is committed to inspiring children to

pursue careers in the areas of science, technology, engineering, the arts and math through its

annual STEAM Initiative.

The LAEF STEAM Initiative is funded by generous donations to the annual King and Queen

of Hearts campaign. This year's campaign ended on Friday, February 8th at the coronation gala

and raised a record \$215,000. With these funds, LAEF is able to provide the STEAM classes and

STEAM Fairs free of charge to the students. LAEF not only provides all the instructors for the 4-

week classes, but also provides the materials for student projects. LAEF is proud to inspire more

kids in the district each year as the STEAM Initiative continues to grow with more participants!

The entire community is invited to the STEAM Showcase on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 10

a.m. to 12 noon in the Los Alamitos High School Gym. The Showcase is free of charge! Students

of all ages will present their projects and have their work on display for all to see. STEAM

professionals will also be on-hand to provide interactive booths that will introduce students to career opportunities.

STEAM Fairs will be held on all 9 school campuses this Spring where students will present their STEAM projects to their peers. Every year the STEAM Fairs continue to grow in numbers and students look forward to touring the fairs.

LAEF is the non-profit partner of Los Alamitos Unified School District. LAEF enhances educational excellence in our community by providing after-school and summer enrichment programs to Pre-K to 12<sup>th</sup> grade students. For more information, visit <a href="www.LAEF4kids.org/steam">www.LAEF4kids.org/steam</a> or call (562) 799-4700 Ext. 80424 today!

Pictured below are candidates from the 2018-19 King & Queen of Hearts Campaign. Pictured from left to right: Jen Rohdenburg, Paul Rohdenburg, Rachael DeMarco, Tony DeMarco, Linda Sagen, George Sagen, Vhenus Belisle and Jim Belisle.

