

Lori Elder ~ Board Member, Friends of San Marcos Parks & Recreation



I grew up in Del Mar, San Diego. My Grandparents were long time residents of San Marcos, where my parents also reside. I now live in San Marcos where I am an artist, and owner of Studio 5 Design. I have over 25 years experience as a metalsmith specializing in working with precious metals, all types of stones and mixed media.

One of my passions is getting involved with my community in some way that also incorporates supporting the arts and family fun. In every City I have lived in throughout my life, I have been involved with my community in some way by organizing events, and volunteering for Chamber of Commerce and tourism boards.

I grew up with a grandfather who was a life long YMCA camp director and life long Rotarian, which is where the “Getting involved with my community gene” most likely came from! As I was growing up, the Boy’s and Girls Club was also a big part of my after school education from getting involved with sports to being a part of and leading youth groups.

In my spare time, I compete with my border collie Sadie in the dog sport of “Flyball”, a relay race for dogs, on the team “Coastal Express Flyball”, College studies included advertising design, marketing and the fine arts. I created and maintain the “Friends” website as well as the newsletter.