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### **Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito Announces Dynamic New Board Chair**

SOLANA BEACH, Calif. (September 10, 2013) – The Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito (BGCSDTO) is excited to announce their new Board chair, Edward P. Wallace Jr., Vice President of Community Affairs and Sony USA Foundation for Sony Electronics.

“I am very honored and humbled to be picked by this passionate group of people, the Board of the Boys and Girls Clubs of San Dieguito,” said Ed Wallace.

Mr. Wallace has served on the board of directors for the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito for almost two years before recently taking the leap into the position of Board Chair. He serves on numerous committees within the BGCSDTO including the Club’s highly successful and most unique fundraiser, the Chip-in-for-Kids golf tourney at Torrey Pines Golf Club during the finals of the PGA Farmers Insurance Open. In addition, Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito, along with BGC of Greater San Diego, is the beneficiary to the Sony Charity Golf Classic.

Ed has been instrumental in forming a national partnership between Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) and Sony Electronics Inc. that introduces youth at Clubs nationwide to the latest in photography arts through a photography program called Image Makers. Ed personally selected the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito as one of the five BGCA organizations to participate in the pilot program of Image Makers. Image Makers recently finished its first season in June at the BGCSDTO and successfully taught over 40 youth photography skills and technology over a four month period. The program will start again in September at the Club.

“We are thrilled as an organization to have Ed lead our Board of Directors as Chairperson. His vision on strategic philanthropy and corporate social responsibility are aligned with the key focal points of the future with the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito,” said David H. Crean, BGCSDTO Chief Executive Officer. “I look forward to working alongside Ed as we drive this organization to new heights.”

At Sony Electronics, Ed manages corporate contributions and volunteer activities and is in charge of grant making in the United States. He also oversees the matching gifts program, scholarship programs, corporate sponsorships and in-kind donations for the Sony Electronics Inc.

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Wallace has been with Sony Electronics since 1990 and joined Sony in the financial information systems group in Park Ridge, New Jersey. He relocated in 2004 when Sony's headquarters moved from Park Ridge to San Diego.

Wallace is an active member and sits on several boards nationwide including; Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito, Heroes and Cool Kids, Great Friends Foundation, Carl T. Osterlof Foundation, California State Games and Association of Corporate Contribution professionals as past Chairman of the board (ACCP) – a national trade organization for corporate contributions and community relations professionals.

Wallace was named 2009 Father of the Year Honoree from the San Diego Father's Day Council of the American Diabetes Association.

Wallace graduated from Bergen Catholic High School and Saint Peter's College with a B.S. in Accounting. He lives in Murrieta with his wife of 31 years Nancy and has three children Kelly, EJ and Kevan.

### **About BGCSDTO**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of San Dieguito, founded in 1966, is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing positive activities to develop the education, health, self-esteem and character of youth. Today, the BGCSDTO is one of the most successful Clubs in the country serving more than 20,000 youth in the San Dieguito community. Our various branches offer exceptional programs for youth to include:

- Personal development through six Core Program Areas
- Clean facilities with dedicated, caring staff members who provide a safe environment for kids and teens
- Quality after-school programs and activities at affordable prices
- Diverse summer camps to fit the needs of all campers
- Innovative specialty programs in academics, music and arts, athletics, and healthy living

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