

**MEMORANDUM**  
OFFICE OF THE  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Robert Weygandt, Supervisor District 2

DATE: March 21, 2006

SUBJECT: REVENUE SHARING – Approve appropriation of \$2,500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Lincoln arts and Culture Foundation Annual Feats of Clay Celebration as requested by Supervisor Weygandt (\$2,500).

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve appropriation of \$2,500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the Lincoln arts and Culture Foundation Annual Feats of Clay Celebration as requested by Supervisor Weygandt (\$2,500).

**BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

Once again the Board is being asked to support the Annual Lincoln Arts Feats of Clay Celebration. This event has helped to keep the arts available for the Lincoln community. Gladding McBean is the only remaining major manufacturer of architectural terra-cotta products to survive the Depression, and it now employs about 250 people, a third of its early 1900's staff. It has been in continuance operation since 1876. In years past, this event has attracted over 6,000 visitors and has generated over \$200,000 in revenue to the local economy. The funds designated towards this event will help pay for the printed programs handed out to all who attend Feats of Clay and signage for the grand opening benefit dinner.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None



January 18, 2006

Placer County Board of Supervisors  
ATTN: Robert Weygandt  
175 Fulweiler Ave  
Auburn, Ca 95603

Dear Robert,

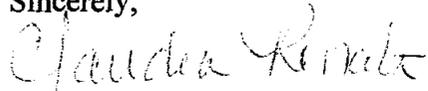
Feats of Clay, Lincoln Arts' national juried ceramics competition and exhibition, is now in its nineteenth year. Last year we had well over 6,000 visitors attend and at least 500 had to be turned away from this unique event, bringing highly favorable attention and over \$200,000 in tourist dollars to the Lincoln Community as well as Placer County.

The proceeds from Feats of Clay represent approximately two-thirds of Lincoln Arts yearly budget, and support all its community arts programs such as the summer concert series, gallery exhibits, and art education programs for our schools.

Because the presentation of Feats of Clay is so expensive (about \$90,000) for such a small arts agency, but its economic impact is so great, Lincoln Arts is seeking support and sponsorship for its efforts. We request \$5,000 from the Placer County Supervisors to support the printing of the program that is handed out to all who attend Feats of Clay XIX. The cost of this program runs about \$5,500. As you know, all funding for the arts has been cut out from the state budget and your donation is greatly needed.

Lincoln Arts will be very grateful for your support.

Sincerely,



Claudia Renati  
Executive Director