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DISCOVER THE WONDER OF THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS AND BALBOA PARK

On Monday evening September 17th, 185 people from our community boarded buses bound for the San Diego Natural History Museum to see The Dead Sea Scrolls exhibition. The trip was sponsored by the Rancho Santa Fe Foundation, as part of its efforts to increase awareness by our residents of the Natural History Museum and the other museums and theatres in Balboa Park.

The San Diego Natural History Museum's exhibition Dead Sea Scrolls is the largest, longest, most comprehensive ever assembled in any country. Spanning two floors and 12,000 square feet, 27 Dead Sea Scrolls—10 exhibited for the first time ever—will be on display over the course of the exhibition, which runs until December 2007.

The six-month exhibition brings together materials never before exhibited together: Dead Sea Scrolls from Israel and Jordan reunited for the first time in sixty years, never-before-exhibited ancient Hebrew codices from the Russian National Library, medieval manuscripts from the British National Library, and stunning modern interpretations of the texts. Tracing the scrolls and their meaning through time, the exhibition connects the ancient world to the modern.

The Dead Sea Scrolls—objects of great mystery, intrigue and significance—are widely acknowledged to be among the greatest archaeological treasures ever discovered. Log on to [ww.sdscrolls.org](http://www.sdscrolls.org) for more information.

On behalf of the Foundation and our guests who journeyed to Balboa Park for this wonderful event, we encourage you to make a trip to Balboa Park – it is truly one of the treasures of our region, and this is one exhibition that you may never see again in such a unique presentation.