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## San Diego North Chamber Announces Keynote Speaker and New Venue for 2014 San Diego Women's Week

Child advocate, author, and kidnap survivor **Elizabeth Smart** will headline the list of speakers at the 2014 San Diego Women's Week to be held at Harrah's Rincon new event center

San Diego – The San Diego North Chamber of Commerce announced this week that child advocate, author, and kidnap survivor Elizabeth Smart will be the Keynote Speaker at the 2014 San Diego Women's Week. The week of events is scheduled for March 17-24.

In Smart's newly released autobiography, <u>My Story</u>, she reveals for the first time how she survived the horrific 10 months held captive by a religious fanatic and his wife after being abducted her from her Salt Lake City bedroom. At the 2014 San Diego Women's Week, Elizabeth Smart will share how her faith helped her stay sane in the midst of this terrible nightmare, how she found the strength to confront her captors at their trial, and the secret to forging a new life in the wake of a brutal crime.

Since her rescue, Smart has transformed from victim to advocate, traveling the country and working to educate, inspire and foster change. She has created a foundation to help prevent crimes against children and is a frequent public speaker and advocate.

Elizabeth Smart will be join an impressive list of speakers at the 2014 San Diego Women's Week to be held at the new Harrah's Rincon events center. Additional speakers will include Tanya Brown, sister of Nicole Brown Simpson, Patricia McArdle, Former US Diplomat, Kristen Kavanaugh, Military Acceptance Project and others. For an up to date list visit www.sdwomensweek.com

Attendees of the 2014 Women's Week will be inspired, empowered, and connect with women in the San Diego region throughout the week at different events being hosted focusing on Financial, Health, Networking and Business.

This year a new website will be launched on December 2<sup>nd</sup> with a new look, new content and updates daily on events and speakers. The website is www.sdwomensweek.com