BREA CIVIC/CULTURAL CENTER

March 1, 1980

Cornerstone Ceremony

11:00 A.M.



PROGRAM



Musical Prelude Brea Olinda High School Band			
Entrance of Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers of California Free and Accepted Masons			
Followed by Masons of local lodges			
Master of Ceremonies			
Invocation			
Presentation of Colors Knight of Columbus			
Star Spangled Banner			
Pledge of Allegiance			
Welcome and Introductions			
Scripture Reading			
Mayor Sal F. Gambina remarks about the building			
Mayor requests Grand Master Vernon L. Gordon to perform ceremony			
Grand Master explains origin of ceremony			
Grand Lodge conducts ceremony			
Grand Orator delivers oration for the occasion			
Benediction			
Luncheon in Brea Olinda High School Cafeteria			

GRAND LODGE F & A M CALIFORNIA OFFICERS 1980

Vernon L. Gordon
H. Douglas Lemons
Robert O. West
Harry L. Maynard
John H. Sickenberger
Verne W. Hendrix
Burton O. Young
Arnold Crompton
Donald E. Weisse
Louis A. Lasell, Sr.
Ulysses G. Patropulos
Joe Hammond
Roy Jackson Henville
Morton B. Glick

Grand Master
Deputy Grand Master
Senior Grand Warden
Junior Grand Warden
Grand Treasurer
Grand Secretary
Grand Lecturer
Grand Chaplain
Asst. Grand Lecturer

Glenn D. Woody Sam M. Pavlovich Robert A. Klinger Gordon Vaughn Alejandro M. Navarro George C. Schrum D. Stanley Powell

Grand Orator
Asst. Grand Treasurer
Asst. Grand Secretary
Grand Marshal
Grand Standard Bearer
Grand Sword Bearer
Grand Bible Bearer

John A. Coulter
Ralph J. Loomis
Jack H. Rudy
Guice Bertis Vander Linden, Jr.
Dennis Shaffer
James C. Myers
Harry L. Hibler, Jr.

Senior Grand Deacon Junior Grand Deacon Senior Grand Steward Junior Grand Steward Grand Pursuivant Grand Organist Grand Tiler



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ABOUT THE BUILDING

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The Brea City Council feels that the Civic/Cultural Center represents an opportunity to bring the community together, and has been so structured that its construction cost is not a lien or debt against the community. The income generated through use of the building may also be sufficient to cover a major portion of its cost of operation. Visiting the Center will be an exciting experience for everyone and a real opportunity for citizen involvement.

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CITY COUNCIL

Sal F. Gambina, Mayor Donald L. Fox, Mayor Pro Tem Sam Cooper, Councilman Melvin J. LeBaron, Councilman Carrey J. Nelson, Councilman

Wayne D. Wedin, City Manager

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Richard Raymond
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C. Gordon Bishop,
District Superintendent

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By MOLLY GARNETT Register Staff Writer

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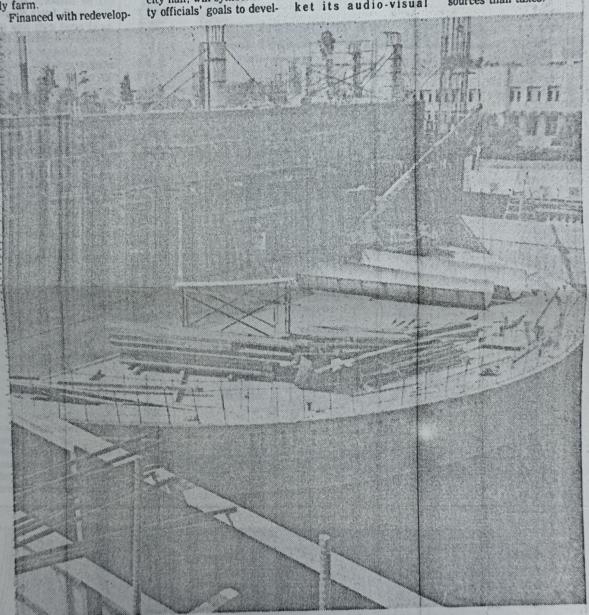
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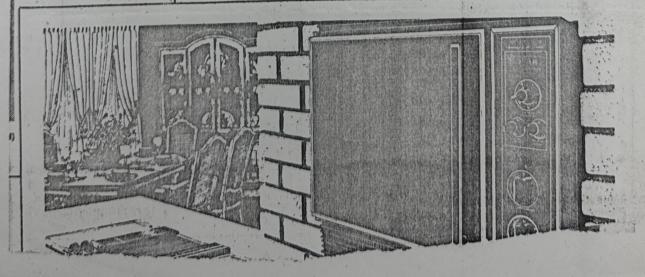
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CIVIC CULTURAL CENTER Number One Civic Center Circle Brea, California 92621 Telephone (714) 990-7600

. . . ABOUT BREA'S CIVIC CULTURAL CENTER

The Brea Civic Cultural Center is an innovative multi-use structure which includes a 6,800 sq. ft. gallery, a 199-seat theatre, a County library facility, a full color television studio, a 350-seat community meeting room, an executive-conference training center, City Council meeting chambers, local School District offices, all City offices, and rental office space. The building was designed by architects Warnecke and Dworsky and is impressive in appearance as well as diversified in function.

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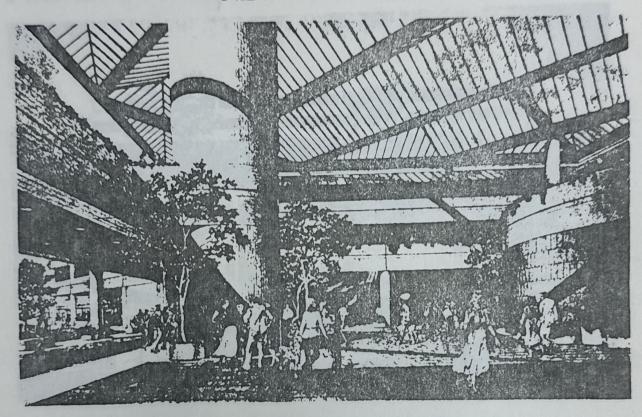
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The Brea Civic Cultural Center is located at Number One Civic Center Circle, in Brea, Orange County, California, and is part of an overall plan to develop a unique "City Center" which includes major retail space, a financial complex, major office spaces, restaurants, a 125 acre Regional Park, and speciality retail development.

For more information please call (714) 990-7707.

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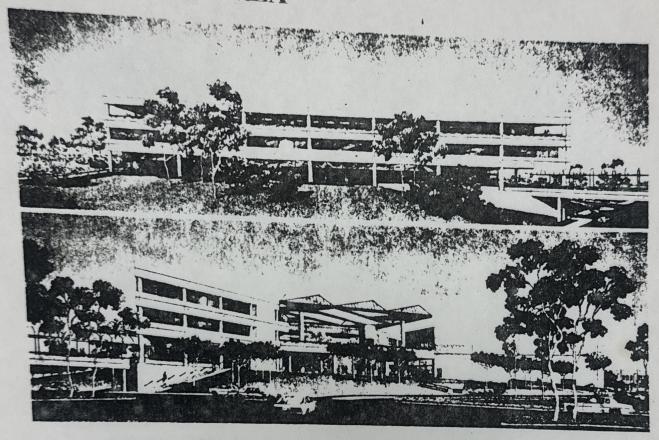
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FOR CITY OF BREA



Additionally, the high school is located across the street from the new site. "There were many people who said why should we have a library that services the kids during the day and then an entirely different library to service adults and those same kids in the evenings. We duplicate material, staffs, everything. We said there has to be a better way. We can put in a bridge and students can go back and forth across that."

Wedin continues, "So, if we take a look at all this, we see that we have a large park, an open space, the freeway, the highway, the educational center, the financial center, the retailing center, and office buildings—all in one area. We started pulling together a city center in the classic European sense of the word, the likes of which you can't find anyplace else in the country.

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"That's because people don't have the opportunity. The timing is all wrong. We were just plain unadulterated lucky. All these things happened to come together at a time when someone could say, if we don't act now, we'll miss the opportunity."

The new Center includes Brea's ultimate space needs. "We have built enough space to cover the city forever," says Wedin. "Brea will never be larger than 60,000 people because the terrain won't sustain any more than that."

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Even to the casual observer, the Center is an example of city government at its best in the sense that all possibilities

seemed to have been explored and acted upon.

All the city operations are there, including the police force. That provides security for the Mall and for the Genter itself. The police department shares a common wall with the gallery, enabling us to qualify for high security exhibits. All the city management facilities are there. The school district has rented its office space for \$1.50 a year. The library will service both citizens and students. It has a two hundred seat legitimate theatre. The art gallery is already booked through 1981. The building has a full color television studio. It has three darkrooms. We have the ability to produce 16 projector slide tape shows. Everything in the council chambers comes out so it can become a 125 seat theatre in the round. The building has full audio-visual capacity in the council chambers and in the library. Those same facilities have been duplicated on the fifth floor in the executive conference rooms. There isn't any conference space I know of in California that can duplicate the audiovisual support system we have.

"We're going to have a community of thirty to sixty thousand people that has major regional focus. Business will be done here. Decisions will be made here. Investments will take place here. Culture will be enjoyed here. And people will still be able to enjoy a relatively rural kind of lifestyle. A lot of people moved here for that and a lot of people stay, here for that. That's what that building represents."

CIVIC CENTER IN FLIGHT!

25 miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles, California, the City of Brea spreads out over a 15 square mile wing span somewhat like an eagle in flight.

At the northern end of Brea, oil derricks stand silhoutted against the sky, as they did when Brea was incorporated in 1917 and the population was 732.

Cattle can still be seen grazing behind rail fences; pepper trees line what once was a dusty trail and eucalyptus trees rise magestically over the roaming hillsides as we approach the 1980's and our population of 29,000.

Brea's involvement in the implementation of a Central Area Development Concept has created a desirable and balanced economy as well as an expanded social environment. Its impact has provided stimulus for development of North Orange County and the region as a whole. This concept has clearly reflected Brea's continuing desire to introduce development which will assist the City in being financially stable and capable of supporting a well balanced community.

The Central Area Development Concept is a unique idea in integrating various commercial land uses with governmental and recreational facilities.

In its desire to create a major "City Centre" in the finest European tradition, the City Council began its work by putting together a major commercial facility,—the Brea Mall, a substantial financial center, a 125-acre regional park, a specialty commercial area, space for offices, and a hotel, all in an area convenient to a freeway and adjacent to major education facilities. This "City Centre" concept now exists at the heart of the community.

Part of the process of implementing the "City Centre" was the selection of a site within the Brea Mall property for construction of a new Civic Cultural Center.

As planning for the project evolved, the location of a governmental cultural center in proximity to the Brea Mall emerged as an important element in the Plan and in the City's overall program.

In exchange for providing certain public works improvements, principally street widening and granting of rights-of-way, and as a consideration to the <u>owner?</u> participation agreement with Homart

Development Company, the City was deeded at no cost a four acre site in the project by the developer as the proposed side for the Civic Cultural Center. Financing for the Center was through the use of Redevelopment Agency bonds since the site was in a Redevelopment Area.

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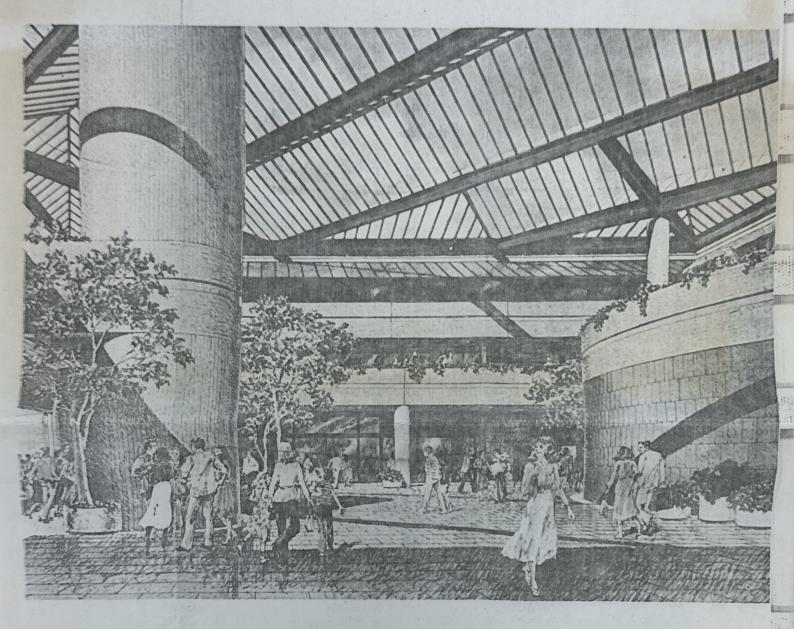
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The City of Brea recognizes the responsibility and duty that is before it. The Council sees Brea's destiny as a positive and optimistic one, a destiny the citizens will shape and share. Brea has a very rich heritage and a very exciting future.

The City Council is striving to keep the quality of life on a high level in order to make sure that the spirit of Brea is nurtured.

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Brea Facility Becomes A Center Of Concern

By DAVID WITTY Register Staff Writer

BREA — City officials are dedicating a new \$14 million civic-cultural center this weekend, but there are two hitches: construction won't be finished for three months and critics argue there might not be money to pay for it.

Norma Hicks, a city council candidate in the April 8 city election, Wednesday challenged city officials who contend the money to pay for the center will be raised through a special assessment district that hasn't been formed yet.

"The outlook for the civic-cultural center is not as secure as many people would like us to believe," Mrs. Hicks said at a council candidate forum.

"The city does not have adequate income to cover the \$1.2 million annual debt services on the civic-cultural center," she told an audience of approximately 100.

And council candidate Ron Isles gave her sentiments support, saying the city could face an 18 percent to 20 percent annual operating deficit if the new center can't be paid for through the special assessment district.

Incumbents Sam Cooper and Carrey Nelson dispute

that there will be any trouble paying for the center.

Cooper wasn't at the candidates' forum. But contacted Thursday, he said a reserve has been built into the revenue bonds sold to finance the facility.

That reserve is more than adequate, he said, to pay off the installments due on the bonds for two years in the absence of other money.

Nelson declared at the candidates' forum that he was confident that the special assessment district would be created.

Formation of the district to finance building of the center, a redevelopment project, is outlined in Senate Bill 55, passed last year.

The original method of paying for the new civic-cultural center was wiped out by passage of Proposition 13 in 1978. The city council had expected to pay for the center with increased property taxes generated by construction of the Brea Mall, located in the redevelopment area where the civic center is being built at 800 E. Birch

But Proposition 13 more than cut in half the money the city expected to gain, according to finance director John Stark, and city officials are looking elsewhere to raise money.

And while Mrs. Hicks argued that a lawsuit against the city of Corona has challenged the constitutionality of creating a special assessment district for redevelopment purposes, city attorney Jim Markman said Thursday, "We can make a strong case for its validity."

He said at least one city, Corona, has been successful so far at paying off a redevelopment project using the assessment district. The lawsuit against that city hasn't passed the Superior Court stage.

"Anybody can sue anybody," Markman said.
"It's speculative to assume what's going to happen."

Stark said even if the city is unable to form the district, other alternatives for raising the money can be considered.

"We'll give this our best shot... the one you end up falling back on, as the course of last resort, is that the city would take the money out of the general fund." Stark said.

The possibility of using general fund money is what worries Mrs. Hicks, who argued city services like the fire and police departments already need expansion.



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By RUTH RYON

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The old city hall, a historically sig-

nificant site, probably will continue to be used "for some kind of public purpose," Wayne D. Wedin, city manager, said. But in March or April, local government activities will be concentrated in the \$14-million Civic/Cultural Center that is starting to take shape at 800 E. Birch St.

"Brea is the only city in the United States that we know of to attempt this innovative idea," Sal Gambina, Brea's mayor, said. The idea is to combine community and commercial activities in one building in the town center, a concept Wedin says has been "built and nurtured for 10 to 15 years."

"A lot of people have been involved

—different mayors, different city councils," he said. "We wanted to establish a regional presence. The cultural center is one part of that attempt."

Once a sleepy little town surrounded by orange groves and oil company land, Brea has been focusing on commercial and industrial growth. The town center, near the Orange Freeway, is the result.

It features the Brea Mall, a 1-million-square-foot regional shopping center that will be connected to the Civic/Cultural Center by a pedestrian bridge; a financial complex with banks and savings and loan institutions; two specialty European restaurants, 2 million square feet of industrial development that is in the process of being built, a 125-acre park and plans for what Wedin terms a "Class A" hotel with 250 rooms.

It will be built adjacent to the 270,-000-square-foot Civic/Cultural Center, which will include city offices, a 13,000-square-foot library, a 200-seat theater, a 60-seat executive confer-

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INNOVATIVE IDEA—Artist's conception of Brea Civic/Cultural Center under way at 800 E. Birch St. Completion is slated in early spring.

Library Branch Is Negotiated For Brea

By JOHN KILROY News Tribune Writer

BREA — By re-allocating its portions of county revenue sharing fund, this city has successfully negotiated a branch of the Orange County Library system into its \$14.2 million Civic-Cultural Center.

With Councilman Sam Cooper dissenting, the City Council approved a "conceptual" agreement as to the city's and the county's future actions in moving a library into 10,000 square feet of the center.

The space has been reduced

from 13,000 square feet.

City Manager Wayne Wedin explained to the council that it is a county policy that the county must contribute \$800,000 for a new branch of its library system.

The procedure that the council approved, which must also be approved by the Orange County Board of Supervisors, involves channelling revenue sharing funds allocated by the county to Brea for a park and a community center into a library account.

While the city may pay for between \$150,000 and \$200,000 for interior work to the library space,

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Wedin said it will be paid off by the county through a 55-year lease.

Preliminary estimates show the county paying about \$11.50 per month in its lease for the space, said Wedin. The county will be responsible for the upkeep of the space and additional operating expenses such as utilities.

The re-allocated money will be taken from its previous designation for use to complete the city's Nike Missile Site park and to turn the police station into a community center when the police department moves into the Civic-Cultural Center.

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A total of \$250,000 would be rechannelled from the 32-acre Nike park project and \$150,000 from the community center, said Wedin.

The city acquired the Nike site, located in the Puente Hills, from the federal government for free. Wedin said the city will attempt to maintain the free services of the Seabees, who have been renovating the site, as well as finding other alternatives to complete the park.

Wedin said the park is far from being completed according to its master plan, but said it is nearing the stage where it can be available for "controlled use," such as allowing supervised youth organizations to camp on the site.

Alternative ways will also be sought to change the police station into a community center or a youth center, said Wedin, as well as exploring existing facilities for communities needs.

Along with the \$400,000 in reallocated revenue sharing funds and the maximum \$200,000 that may be paid to the city through the lease, Wedin said the county will also contribute another \$200,000 to stock the library.

Cooper said he dissented on the vote not because he opposed the library, but because he wanted a survey of registered voters in Brea conducted to see if they approved of the re-allocation of funds.

He attacked Councilman Carrey

Nelson's support of the measure quoting a campaign statement by Nelson that his top priority was the conversion of the police station into a youth center.

"Things change," answered Nelson, adding that he still supports the youth center concept but that he'd "like to see the library more so."

In other action, the council approved spending almost \$17,000 to acquire an easement from Shell Oil Co. for a sewer in Carbon Canyon.

Although the issue of an assessment district as a means of financing the sewer has not been finalized, City Attorney James Markman said that the city was legally required to secure all right-of-ways before the public hearing on April 15.

NEW BREACIVIC CENTER

Continued from First Page ence training center, a 6,500-square-foot art gallery/exhibit space associated with the Museum of Science and Industry in Los Angeles, a city-operated television studio, space for cultural functions and two increments of office space, each 5,000 square feet in size and available for lease through the Orange County office of Grubb and Ellis Commercial Brokerage Co. Expected to be completed with the dedication of the city offices in March, the space for lease will be tailored to users who need to display

A 125-seat council chamber also will be situated in the center. It will be used for meetings of the city council, board of education and the planning commission. "We think it's unwise to have each body in a different place," Wedin said. "If it's worthwhile to be economical in our approach, we thought why can't this be

their products.

done? We can also use the room as a small theater, as for a lecture series."

When Wedin speaks of the city's economical approach related to the Civic/Cultural Center, he means the way it is being financed. There will be no general obligation debt to the city. The center is being funded by taxes from the Brea Mall to pay off the redevelopment bonds used to construct that facility.

"The city also feels the building may operate without cost to the community," Gambina said, noting its income-producing capacity.

"We think this approach is consistent with the financial tenor of the times." Wedin added.

Designed by Warnecke/Dworsky of New York and Century City, the Civic/Cultural Center is being built by CM Systems of Brea and M.R. Fisher of Los Angeles. Gustav Molnar of West Los Angeles is the landscape architect.

Brea

Bystander

By JOHN KILROY

BREA — The city has a new theme, selected recently by the Cultural Arts Commission from suggestions submitted by community members.

"Brea, City in Progress," is the brainchild of Anne Dorcan, according to city officials, and that theme will be carried out in the parade that will mark the transfer of city operations

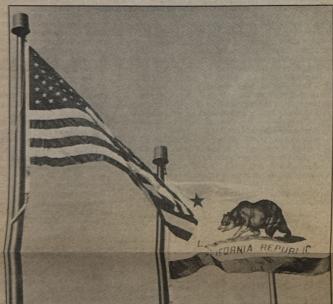
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Civic-Cultural Center dedication climaxes parade



By David E. Dittman

"Why spend all that money for this project?" Congressman William Danneymeyer asked during remarks at the dedication ceremonies for Brea's new Civic-Cultural Center last Saturday on the steps of the yet to be completed complex

Dannemeyer's question echoed the sentiments of some residents of the city and at least one candidate running for a seat on the city council.

"It is a symbol of what America stands for," Dannemeyer said. "It speaks to those that are here and to those that will come after us. This facility is a symbol of our dedication to self government," Dannemeyer continued, answering his own question.

Each new thrust seemed to be phrased carefully,

providing the audience with what had all of the ear-marks of an official response to community criticisms of the redevelopment area project. American flag that flew above the nation's capital, was raised by a representative of the Brea scouting organization and 100 year old Brea resident, John

"Councils will serve as long as they reflect the will of the people," Dannemeyer concluded.

The atmosphere of the dedication was less formal, less rigid, than the cornerstone laying of two weeks ago.

From the musical prelude, played by the Brea-Olinda High School Band, to the singing of the Battle Hymn of the Republic by St. Angela Merici Choir, the ceremony was an all-Brea affair.

Don McBride delivered the innvocation, making special reference to representatives of Brea's Sister City, Lagos De. Moreno in Spanish.

Three flags were raised in the court yard. The first, an

American flag that flew above the nation's capital, was raised by a representative of the Brea scouting organization and 100 year old Brea resident, John LaRoche. The second flag, that of the state of California was hoisted aloft by Mayor Sal Gambina and El Presidente de Lagos de Moreno, Teodoro Esparza. The third flag, the national flag of Mexico, was raised in honor of the official delegation from Mexico.

Prior to the formal dedication ceremoaies, clubs, schools, civic and community organizations marched or road in floats and cars along a parade route that started at the historic city hall on south Brea Boulevard and ended at the steps of the new Civic-Center.

Few signs of the current (Continued on page 3)



Above the new Civic-Cultural Center provided and opportunity for community involvement before Mayor Sal Gabina officiated at the unveilling of the dedication plaque last Saturday morning. Related photos page 22. (News-Times photo by Rod Boren)



Civic Center dedication parade shifts traditional hub of the city



POINTING TOWARD THE FUTURE - Brea's Civic/Cultural Center begins to take shape. Construction scaffolding will begin to disappear soon as the complex comes closer to bringing original renderings into reality. (News-Times photo by David E. Dittman)

announced that dedication located adjacent to the Brea service clubs and ceremonies for the new Mall Civic/Cultural Center have been set for Saturday, mittee has selected the the week of January 21. March 22. As a part of these parade theme, "Brea, City ceremonies, a parade will in Progress," from the Art Department is awaiting take place, symbolizing the suggestions submitted by the the arrival of the banner transfer of city operations community. The official they have volunteered to from the fifty-year-old parade entry form is nearing paint, which will span Brea historical City Hall, located completion and will be sent Blvd Phones are ringing, please call 529-4951, ext. 336. on Brea Blvd, to the new

Commissioners appointed by Mayor Gambina

Appointments to three historically significant city commissions were completed at the last meeting of the Brea City Council. For the first time in memory, sitting commissioners who were seeking reappointment to the volunteer positions were passed over in favor of new applicants.

Clarence Chick, soon to retire Brea businessman and long time active participant with the chamber of commerce, was selected to replace Ron Isles, Chairman of the Planning Commission and brother-in-law of councilman Don Fox. Chick will assume a seat on the commission, but will not be replacing Isles as chairman

Bert Tracy and Dr. John Prentice were appointed to the Human Development

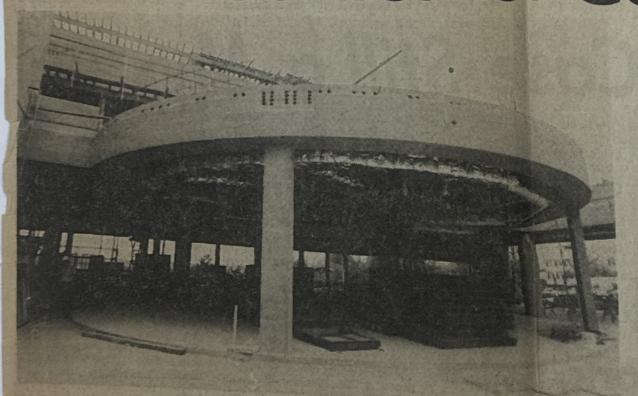
businesses. Applications will The Cultural Arts Com- also be available at City Hall

Brea Olinda High School parade.

The Brea City Council Civic/Cultural Center to local community groups, notifying youth groups, schools, businesses, and any interested residents to extend the invitation to participate in this special

Watch the News-Times for additional information and up-dates on Brea's parade. For further information,

Secret Word Behind Brea's Civic Center is: Combination



GRACEFUL CIRCLES, SHARP CORNERS MARK BREA CIVIC CENTER \$14.2 Million Building Under Construction Now; Will Open March 22

\$14.2 Million Plaza Has All-In-One Design

By JOHN KILROY News Tribune Writer

BREA - The philosophy behind Brea's Civic-Cultural Center, which is scheduled to officially open next March 22, is to combine all the functions normally associated with a city into one area.

The \$14.2 million complex will house all of the city's offices, the headquarters of the Brea-Olinda Unified School District, a 199-seat Little Theater, a cable TV studio, a community meeting room, 6,500 square feet of exhibit space and, possibly, a branch of the Orange County Library

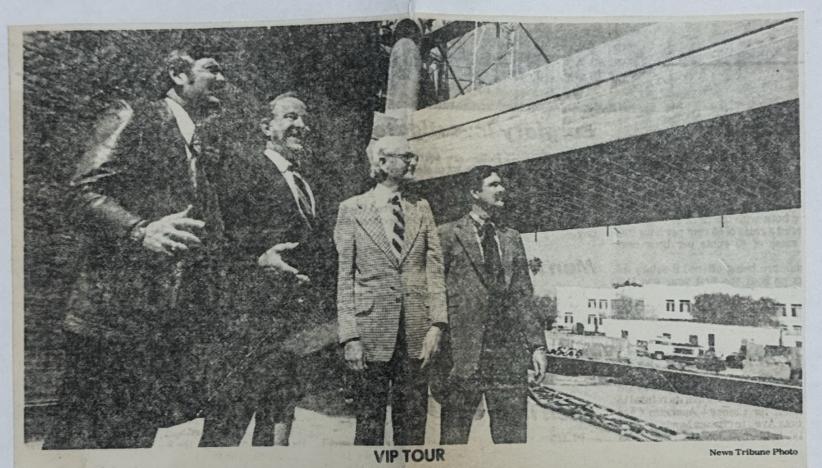
Of the 250,000 square feet in the center, 10,000 square feet will be leased to private operators until the

city has grown to the point where it may need additional office space.

The center is located across Birch Street from Brea-Olinda High School, adjacent to the Brea Mall. A pedestrian bridge is planned that will connect the center with the mall, though Nordstrom Department Store.

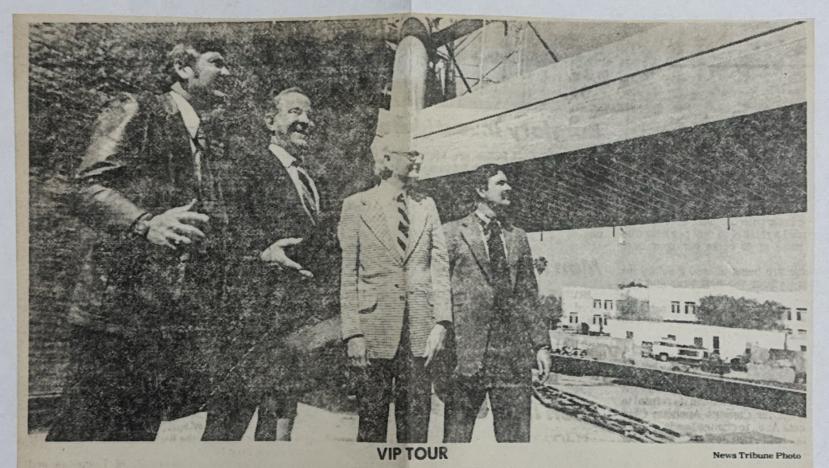
Financing of the center is being accomplished through bonds sold on the basis of the increased property tax revenues to the city from the development of the Brea Mall and Brea Financial Center.

Councilman Carrey Nelson is coordinator of the opening ceremonies of the Civic-Cultural Center, which will include a parade, a flag and theme contest, and historical exhibits.



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FEST OF FUN





More than 4,000 people participated in last week's Brea Fest (upper photo), featuring Brea Dance Club performers (lower photos), live jazz and country Western bands, dancing, theater and magic shows and a kids' entertainment area, as well as an art show, a raffle of two round-trip



M. Loren Hernandez/Brea Progress

airline tickets to anywhere in the United States, discount book sales and food. The annual event — a fund-raiser for Curtis Theatre, Brea Gallery, Art in Public Places, Concerts in the Park and Family Films in the Park grossed about \$20,000, from which expenses must be deducted.

FILL UP ON FEST

Annual fund-raising cultural event may draw more than 5,000

By Jennifer D'Andrea Brea Progress

Brea's Civic & Cultural Center on Friday will turn into a stage for live music, theater, gallery exhibits and food in the city's annual cultural fund-raiser, "Brea Fest: A Taste of the Arts."

More than 5,000 people are expected for the 7-to-10:30 p.m. benefit for Curtis Theatre, Brea Gallery, Art in Public Places, ily Films in the Park. Last year's fest netted about \$14,000.

A new Friends of the Brea Library book fair will feature book discounts of 30 percent to 70 percent. There will be free performances of Brea's Youth Theatre, magician Scott Miller, ProVOCE Concert Group, Good Guys Productions and the Bridges of Orange County at the Curtis Theatre. Brea Gallery's exhibit will be shown for free.

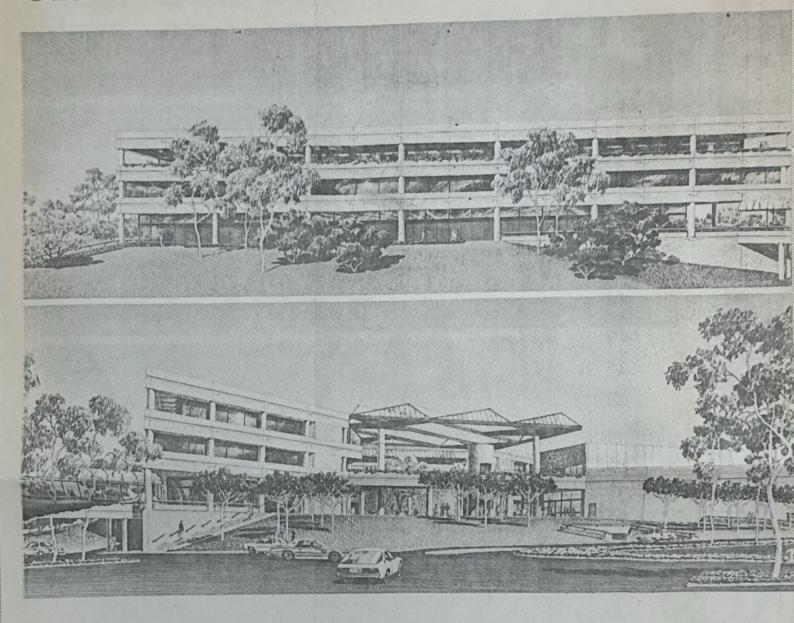
New this year is a kids and family area with kiddle art and tattoos, a clown, magic, caricatures and face painters. Brea Travel will raffle two roundtrip airline tickets to anywhere in the United States.

There will be dancing, karaoke sing-a-long and top 40 R & B, jazz and country Western bands. Art demonstrations and Brea Dance Center and Imperial Dance Studio performances will be free.

The arts always seem to be begging for support," said Roy Concerts in the Park, and Fam- Moore, chair of Brea's Cultural Arts Commission. "We have a lot of great programs, but there's always more we can do. We want to take Brea to the next level."

> Fest admission is free, with parking available at the Brea Mall, Brea Post Office, Embassy Suites Hotel and the Marketplace shopping center.

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dditionally, the high school is located across the street n the new site. "There were many people who said why uld we have a library that services the kids during the and then an entirely different library to service adults those same kids in the evenings. We duplicate material, fs, everything. We said there has to be a better way. We put in a bridge and students can go back and forth oss that."

Nedin continues, "So, if we take a look at all this, we see t we have a large park, an open space, the freeway, the hway, the educational center, the financial center, the ailing center, and office buildings-all in one area. We rted pulling together a city center in the classic European ise of the word, the likes of which you can't find anyplace

e in the country.

That's because people don't have the opportunity. The ning is all wrong. We were just plain unadulterated lucky. these things happened to come together at a time when meone could say, if we don't act now, we'll miss the oppor-

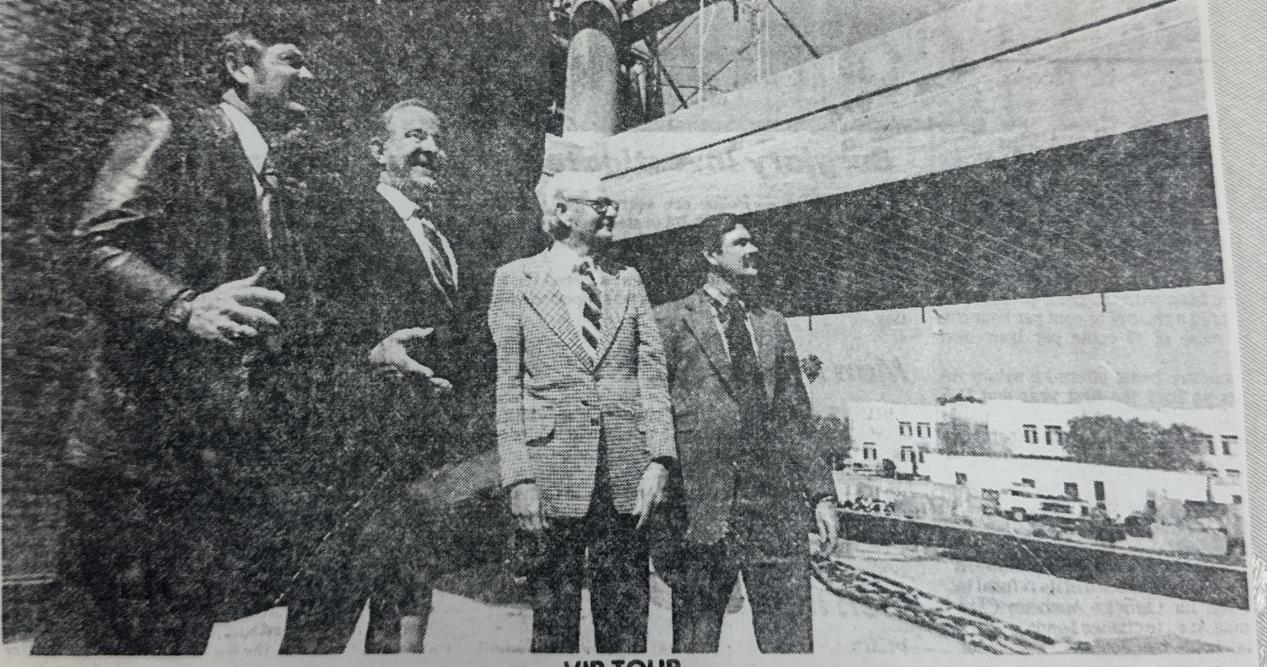
The new Center includes Brea's ultimate space needs. 'e have built enough space to cover the city forever," says edin. Brea will never be larger than 60,000 people beuse the terrain won't sustain any more than that."
Even to the casual observer, the Center is an example of

y government at its best in the sense that all possibilities

seemed to have been explored and acted upon.

"All the city operations are there, including the police force. That provides security for the Mall and for the Center itself. The police department shares a common wall with the gallery, enabling us to qualify for high security exhibits. All the city management facilities are there. The school district has rented its office space for \$1.50 a year. The library will service both citizens and students. It has a two hundred seat legitimate theatre. The art gallery is already booked through 1981. The building has a full color television studio. It has three darkrooms. We have the ability to produce 16 projector slide tape shows. Everything in the council chambers comes out so it can become a 125 seat theatre in the round. The building has full audio-visual capacity in the council chambers and in the library. Those same facilities have been duplicated on the fifth floor in the executive conference rooms. There isn't any conference space I know of in California that can duplicate the audiovisual support system we have.

"We're going to have a community of thirty to sixty thousand people that has major regional focus. Business will be done here. Decisions will be made here. Investments will take place here. Culture will be enjoyed here. And people will still be able to enjoy a relatively rural kind of lifestyle. A lot of people moved here for that and a lot of people stay here for that. That's what that building represents."



VIP TOUR

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The Brea City Council hopes that the entire community will become actively involved in the Opening Ceremonies of the Civic/Cultural Center. Please join us in your parade on March 22, 1979, which will symbolize the moving from the old to the new... We encourage organized groups, as well as families, schools, and churches to participate in your parade.

The Brea City Council

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE, please feel free to call (714) 529-4951 Ext. 250 or 336, or, write BREA CITY HALL, 401 SOUTH BREA BLVD., CA 92621 to the attention of the CIVIC/CULTURAL CENTER PARADE COMMITTEE.

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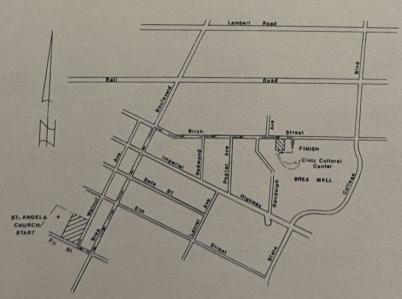
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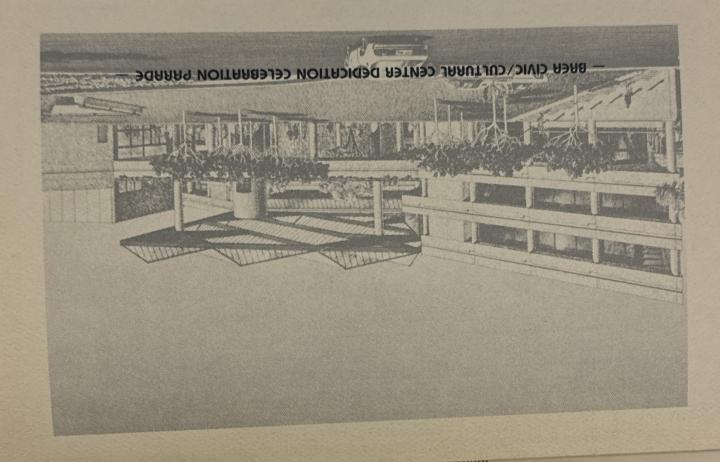
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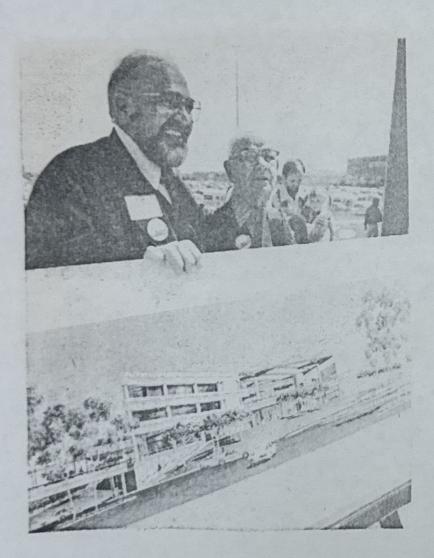
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Civic-Cultural Center Is Dedicated



Mayor Sal Gambing, John LaRoche,

By JOHN KILROY News Tribune Writer

BREA — For the first time in months, the weather smiled on Brea's Civic-Cultural Center as Friday night showers gave way to a bright Saturday morning for the complex's dedication.

Rain delays have postponed the completion of the \$14.2 million center for about 60 days, according to city officials. But Saturday's ceremonies, which were to mark the move of city government from the old City Hall on Brea Boulevard, went off with out a hitch.

The ceremonies began at 10 a.m. with a parade that wound its way north on Brea Boulevard then east on Birch Street to the complex, which is adjacent to the Brea Mall.

It was the type of parade where sparse crowds along portions of the parade route could be explained by the large number of the city's populace that were actually in the parade.

There were hundreds of multicolored balloons and small flags that were constantly being waved by smiling parade particicipants.

There were several troops of

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Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Brownies marching proudly behind their individual banners.

There were classic cars, specially designed cars, a mobile home, a double-decker bus and even a diesel truck carrying a group from Brea Pop Warner shouting cheers from a flatbed trailer.

Teodoro Esparza, mayor of Brea's Mexican Sister City, Lagos de Moreno, served as grand marshal. Other residents from Lagos de Moreno, who traveled to Brea for the special day, rode on a flatbed truck that carried a sign saying "Amigos."

Ronald McDonald waved from a float of McDonaldland. Mickey and Minnie Mouse traveled in a Mercedes Benz convertible.

There were equestrian groups, with riders dressed in a variety of costumes. The crowd goodnaturedly gave their heartiest applause to the youths following the Brea Mounted Posse with a wheelbarrow and a shovel.

And there were the groups from a variety of Brea community organizations and clubs.

In general, it was a parade of Breans for Breans. As the program for the ceremonies said, "The council feels that the Civic-Cultural Center represents an opportunity to bring the community together."

Although the center is not without controversy, the sentiment seemed to prevail Saturday.

The parade ended at the unfinished Civic-Cultural Center, which is designed to be the center of the city's government and cultural activities. Mayor Sal Gambina called the center "a major breakthrough that will be a model for other cities to follow."

It will house both the municipal government, including the police and fire departments, and the Brea-Olinda Unified School District offices. Gambina said that combining the headquarters will increase efficiency through less duplication of facilities and services.

The center will also house a 199seat theater and a 6,500-squarefoot space for exhibits and a branch of the county library.

More than 400 people gathered for the dedication ceremony following the parade. It included remarks by Rep. William Danneymeyer, R-39th, a transfer of bound minutes of City Council meetings from the old City Hall, three flag-raisings and the unveiling of the dedicatory plaques honoring the efforts of past and present councilmen.

Dannemeyer presented the city with a flag that flew over the nation's capitol.

He compared the Civic-Cultural Center to the memorials in Washington, D.C., honoring Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

"They put them there because they are symbols of what America stands for," he said. "This building is a symbol of our dedication to self-government."

Wayne Wedin, city manager, asked the crowd not to tour the building that day because of the large number of people present, but said that a tour may be arranged by contacting City Hall.

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