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AIDING THE AGED IN BREA Nolunteers Pitching Output Description Out **Build Cheap Apartments**

By DORIS A. BYRON

oanded together in a unique effort to talling about the shortage of inex-pensive housing these days, but now the people of this community have banded together in a unique effort to Trenches are being dug, founda-ions poured and frames raised for a Everyone seems to be

Men who usually spend their days selling insurance or stocks, running a mortuary or a neighborhood market are trading their coats and ties for picks and shovels for an hour, a day, a "I call it a barn-raising," says Alan West, a Brentwood stockbroker who was the prime mover behind the creation of BREAL and now is chalman of its board.

"I'm a very conservative person and here it looks like I'm doing something socialistic. But it's not socialistic, it's something that needs to be done by local people.

The local people have come from the Rotary Club and churches, Club Hall and the community at large. They are people like Loren Wood. County. people don't think could happen in nism, an anomaly — something most people don't think could happen in create cheap housing is an anachroimpersonal, direction, this community effort

elderly men and women may be able to rent a home for as little as \$125 a month, largely through the sweat of volunteer laborers.

30-unit apartment building where

ing Inc. — BREAL for short. Direc-tors of the numbrofit corporation in-clude a city representative, a minister and five Bolary Club members. The project is officially titled Brea Rethrement Effort for Affordable Liv-ing Inc. — BREAL for short Disso But under any name and at any

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inspector without charge construction without charge. Firms of all sizes are donating lumber and steel, doors and plumbing that will make up the building and loaning the equipment to do the heavy work the equipment to the materials all

prints for nothing, and a retired city inspector goes over each phase of

Architects have drawn up blue-

weekend or more.

Fred Appleford, Doug Tripp, George

Wood is pastor of the Foursquare Church of Brea. He held the job from 1950 to 1959, left for eight years to work in Santa Fe Springs and then returned to the same post in 1968 to

minister with a contractor's li-A cense and a lifetime of construction experience, he's the project coordinator for BREAL and spends most of his days at the apartment site when his church work doesn't call him away.

"What we do is take whoever comes," he says about coordinating this modern barn-raiser. "You find out what they do and — whether you've got one or a dozen — you put them to work at whatever fits. The

majority of people can eatch on."

Some of the people are like Appleford, president of Memory Garden Memorial Park and Mortuary, a Brea

business since 1957.

Appleford can't take time away from his job to be at the site on workdays, but he has employees willing to take time out to drive the mortuary's grave-digging backhoe to the site and go to work digging trenches.

And on the weekends, the execu-

tive takes a shovel and goes to work

Doug Tripp is also a white-collar worker, but he has a job that allows him to slip away to the building site

during the day.

Besides the volunteered equipment. and donated labor, BREAL is also being built on gifts that range from smoke detectors to lumber and plumbing fixtures to doors, from firms as big as multi-faceted Norris Industries, Wood says.

"We're building with 50-cent dollars," he explains. "That means at least half the materials are donated or discounted."

The city chipped in by leasing a piece of surplus land once used as a storage yard to BREAL for \$1 a year for 50 years and waiving the usual permit fees, according to Develop-ment Services Director Richard Mag-

And United California Bank in Brea was able to provide a construction loan of \$300,000 at 6-12% interest be-cause the nonprofit BREAL obtained a tax exemption for the project, West

The net result of such cooperation is the low rent BREAL builders hope to guarantee.

"The whole object is \$125-a-month rent," said West. "If we were to build this for a profit, it would cost us \$1 million. We're looking at doing it for \$300.00." \$300,000.

Criteria for prospective renters are being developed by a special committee, which West said has determined that renters will have to be 65 years old and Brea residents for at least three years, among other require-

Applications will be available late in the year as the building nears completion, he added, and they will be evaluated on a point system rather than a first-come, first-served basis.

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Pastor Offers Talent, Expertise For Project

"The satisfaction of making life a little more pleasant for people" is all Pastor Loren Wood of the Four Square Church in Brea needs to donate his help and expertise in construction toward the BREAL housing project for seniors.

Project originator Alan West said BREAL is "exremely fortunate" to have a man like Wood.

He has built 20 projects like BREAL throughout his life, and it just so happens he's a paston.

Wood came to Brea in 1927 from a family of contractors and farmers. In 1950's, he obtained his general contractors license.

"The Lord has helped me," he stated, so he figured he could give both 40 hours to the church and making a living.

He said he wanted to provide for his own family without handouts from his congregation. At the age of 26, he was diagnosed as having malignant cancer of the throat. He had two children at the time.

"I asked God to let me live long enough to help my kids, and I'll help someone else," he told a group of BREAL supporters.

"I'm dedicated to helping anyone who comes across my path."

His brother has also built homes for the aged so they can "enjoy not endure the rest of their lives."

"In Brea," Wood stated, "we lost good people from the community from the rising cost of rents."

BREAL, he said, would "never have become a reality without Alan, the Rotary and the city. Without you (members of the community), there is no way it can"

In 1950, Wood along with mem-

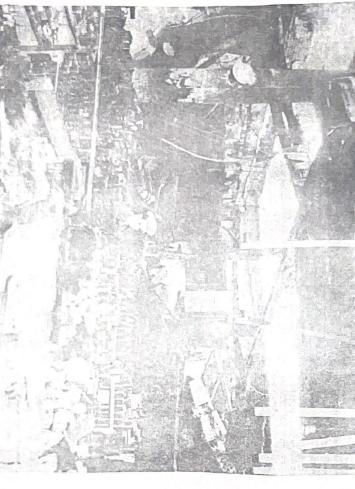
bers of the community built the Four Square Church on Imperial Highway for \$1.75 a square foot. (Continued on A-3)



Rev. Loren Wood

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everything was completely destroyed in the blaze, which was still smoldering 10 hours after it was reported at 6.30 a.m. Brea Fire Chief Kenneth Staggs is shown searching iteoris for claes to determine now a fire started at the Brea Market that destroyed the building Sunday morning with an estimated \$75,000 loss. Chief Staggs said 91 5:30 a m

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Fullerton, La Habra Units Rushed

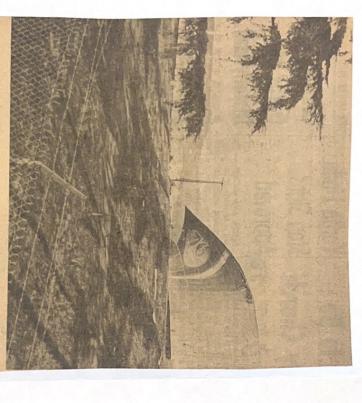
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BREA - Brea Market, this city's oldest food store, To Battle Blaze in Pre-Dawn Hours

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a toy store next door, and firethe rear of the market joined hut it was the only damage notmen lought constantly to keep he blaze confined. A sleeping A huge plate glass window in



DISAPPEARING LANDMARK -

Tanks at the Stewart tank farm on Puente St. and Central Ave., a landmark here for nearly 70 years, are being removed by the Union Oil Co.

be removed immediately, and all but one small building will disappear within five years. (News Tribune Photo) Officials said all but three tanks will

Oldest Brea Landmark

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all be gone.

Tanks on the farm range from 2.5-million gallon capacity to the huge 5.5-million gallon tanks.

The farm began operation in 1897 and was in full swing as headquarters for the Union Oil Co. in 1912 and all oil produced locally has been shipped from the location since.

Even the old brick pump station, built in 1912, will be removed within five years, they said. Company officials did not release information on what will be done with the land, which is now in the county area, zoned M-1.

Workmen are now removing a 2.5-million tank at the corner of Puente St. and Central Ave. The tank has been used as water storage and was at one time part of an agriculture irrigation system in the grea.

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30,000 hours of work Volunteers provide

By Aaron Boehme Brea Progress

City volunteers did more than 30,000 hours of odd jobs last year serving in the Community Ser-vices, Police and Fire depart-

ment volunteers put in 21.761 hours — valued at more than \$260.000 — while ushering patrons in the Curtis Theatre, putting together holiday food baskets and dozens of other activies, said Pat Tremayne, longteer program. coordinator of the city's volun-Community Services Depart-

"These people are coaches, they are receptionists, they are ticket takers. They do everything." Tremayne said.

Pat Fox has been "doing everything" for more than 20 years.

Fox started her volunteer work as one of the first members of the Brea Human Services Committee. She's never "Gosh, how the time goes by when you're having fun," she said.

people and there's always some-body, out there that needs a hand," she said. "You get so much more out of giving than what you give ... and it's a won-derful way to express yourself." looked back. "I volunteer because I love

For the Noss family - Elaine,

can directly report things they
see so we can send a regular
officer out," he said.
And some programs might
not exist without them, he said.

"We're one of the few depart-ments that does vacation house checks at all and that program has flourished because of the volunteers." Winder said.

Volunteers also help with emergency traffic control and crowd control, he said. "When we had the floods, they

saved the department a lot of overtime helping out with traffic control." he said.

1,500 hours," he said. "They're a pretty motivated group."

The Fire Department has 10 volunteer reserve officers serving as the fourth person on para-medic engines, said Capt. Jack Lehman.

They're all graduates of a basic fire academy, and this way they can get practical experience while saving the department the expense of hiring new

city to do things such as vaca-tion house checks, inspect pub-lic buildings and public parks, and serve as an extra pair of eyes and ears for the depart-ment, said Capt, Jim Winder, "They are radio-equipped and

Volunteers also help staff the front desk, freeing up more highly trained clerical personnel for other duties, he said. "Though the program's only been in effect for six months, our CAP volunteers more than

New home scratches family's itch

in an alley to a 3-bedroom duplex on Poplar The Sernas moved from a ramshackle cottage

Brea Progress By Danielle Benson

of hours of waiting and hard A month ago they scratched it by moving into their new home after hundreds uan and Imelda Serna had a seven-year itch.

more space and we are so hapferent, but there is just so much Imelda, 40, said about her new home. "It doesn't feel any dif-I still can't believe it,"

share with another family. a duplex, which the Sernas new house is part of Habitat for three single-family homes and duplex on Poplar Avenue. bedroom cottage on Laurel Ave Humanity's Brea II project nue into a new three-bedroom ley from their ramshackle twomontns -Eric 10 and little John, 11 children — The Sernas and their four moved across the al-Andy, 14, Ernie, 13, for days after hearing the

Arovista Elementary School told the Serna's about the Habitat for Humanity Program. The program, which helps families who are living in substandard cayed wood, a delapidated front laped-up pipes, peeling, derented \$625 dirt-lot house with nomes, was their ticket out of a onditions move into new and a leaky roof. porch with rotting base boards 1989 when Andy's teacher at The Serna's quest began in

own it, Imelda said with a huge \$495 monthly mortgage pay-ment for 20 years. And they about \$50-75,000, gives them a Their new home, built for

Juan, 42, have lived in Brea for 17 years. "And he wanted to a translator, noting that she and er cities," Imelda said through ing a house in Riverside, but forced to buy into gangs in oth-Andy told us that he could be "We were thinking about buy

stay with his friends." the tedious process of screen-Habitat program. Thus began So the family applied to the

> people in Orange County.
> "What really impressed me ings, interviews and credit checks, all the while competing with thousands of other needy

nas and served as the family's liason with the non-profit housing organization. "And I just debt, thing they owed money for was to buy them. They had no other about them was that the only Margaret interviewed the Serdebt," Habitat volunteer and liason Margaret Webber said got good vibes from them. honest, hard-working people knew they were good, humble and they would be perfect for

The mother of four jumped for joy when accepted "I must have jumped this high," Imelda said, holding her hand about three feet off the

would get built, noting that he and Imelda completed the re-quired 600 hours of Habitat work before their house broke Juan said there were times when he didn't think the house postponing the Brea II project. to frustration when Habitat kept The excitement soon turned

couple from pitching-in to build their dream home when con-truction started in late 1994. The But frustration didn't stop the Sernas accepted the blisters, creating their future. calluses and sun-burnt faces with smiles, knowing they were

house," Margaret recalled. tion, Juan had tears in his eyes hammer to start building the when somebody handed him a the multitude of volunteers brought tears to her eyes the "The first day of construc-Imelda said thinking about

made her appreciate the house nouse. that much more, she said. first night she slept in the She said abiding by Habitat ineir sweat and labor

good condition isn't a problem rule that the house be kept in "They say I'm harder on

them now than before to not

ground. "I wasn't even hungry

Ron Soliman For the Brea Progress
The Serna Family — clockwise: Imelda, Juan, John, 11 months, Andy,
14, Ernie, 13 and Eric, 10 — gather inside their new Habitat for Humanity home that took seven years to build.

was inherently dirty and a handprint on the wall blended in with the holes. "They keep it clean because they are so proud to show off their house."

Juan and Imelda's friend and all clean," Imelda said of her didn't care because the house sons, noting that before she

which is now occupied by Imeltoo. Imelda's cousin and sister former neighbors are proud who live next door to her old da's three brothers, don't bea procession, helping the fortutune. Neighbors lined up to cargrudge the couple's good forry furniture across the alley in nate family move into the Habitat duplex, Imelda said.

to them," she said. "They are neighbors from before and talk home." very happy for us and wished us great luck in our new "I still see all my friends and

ors may not have changed, Juan and Imleda's self-esteem has sky rocketed. The couple is Although the Sernas' demean

"I am proud to know that I no longer ashamed and frushelped to build these walls,

Imelda bought new furniture throughout the seven-year se-lection/building process. He said the kids sometimes did without Juan said, adding that he and thing off. "We feel very lucky to live here.

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drafts and holes in the walls. cold before because of the And there were holes in the ceiling that I was always afraid "The children were always the kids' bedroom," she said bugs would crawl through into "But now, we have more space warm air and dry beds. And Juan feels better because we more money and it's a safer pay less for the house, save place for the family. What more could we ask for?"

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The City of Brea, Community Services Department, has many opportunities in volunteer programs.

Ushering in new era

guides, research figallery, hanging exhibite gallery, ushering theater, and hosting programs.

The opening of the new Civic/Cultural Center this fall will provide new volunteer possibilities within the gallery and the theater.

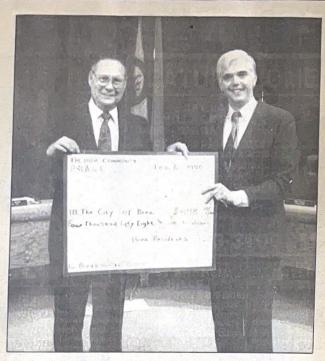
Some of the opportunities include training for tour, a.m. or 2 p.m.

guides, research for the gallery, hanging exhibits in the gallery, ushering in the theater, and hosting special events.

If you are interested in any of these areas, the Cultural Arts Division will be hosting an organizational meeting for all volunteers on Monday. Aug. 18, at Pioneer Hall at 10



STUDENTS CHIP IN — Donations from Brea schoolchildren to Project Homeless are tallied by project treasurer LaVeta Daetwiler and the Rev. George Saunders of First Baptist Church of Brea. Brea's schoolchildren were responsible for the smiles at the Brea. Senior Center recently, where the first donations to Project Homeless were tallied. The citywide project, administered through the Brea Ministerial Association, collected funds to provide emergency shelter for North Orange County's homeless by supporting operations at the National Guard armories in Santa Ana and Fullerton. Margo Mohn, City of Brea human services manager, represented the city on the Project Homeless Task Force. The Rev. George Saunders of the First Baptist Church of Brea was the Ministerial Association's representative to the task force. Principal Tim Harvey of Fanning Elementary School coordinated the efforts of the Brea schools. Contributions from service groups and city employees will be added to the \$1,350 collected from the students, Mohn said, and the City of Brea will provide matching funds.



Mayor receives check: The Rev. George Saunders from Brea Baptist Church (right), chairman of the Brea Homeless Project, presents a check to Brea Mayor Carrey Nelson. The \$4,058 check was matched by the city of Brea and will assist the County's efforts toward aiding the homeless.

\$8,000 raised in effort to aid local homeless

A month-long effort in Brea to raise funds to aid the homeless of North Orange County has resulted in contributions totaling over \$8,000

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The \$4,058 donated by local organizations and community members were matched dollar-for-dollar by the city of Brea.

The money raised by the Brea Homeless Project will be used to support continued operation of an emergency shelter at the National Guard armory in Fullerton. The facility will be open during extreme weather conditions to provide a place for homeless families and individuals to stay as well as get a warm medi-

to stay, as well as get a warm meal. At the request of the City Council, the Brea Ministerial Association led the fund-raising drive. Members of the association made personal appeals to community groups throughout the month of January to drum up support. Every group approached during the project gave something, including churches, service groups, senior citizens, and the schools.

"I learned something very important from this project," said Project Chairman the Rev. George Saunders during a check-presenting ceremony at the Feb. 6 meeting of the Brea City Council.

"The reason the Brea community has been so blessed through the years is because it's filled with such giving people," Saunders said.



Ygnacio Nanetti/The Orange County Register

Jeff Scott of Brea, pictured earlier this year, was one of 12 disabled athletes to climb Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania.

Special Olympics honors Brea man

11 others in state win same award for contributing to group

By Cerise A. Valenzuela The Orange County Register

BREA — A Brea man is among 12 distinctive recipients of the California Special Olympics Spirit of Friendship Award for "proving that people with mental retardation are capable of extraordinary accomplishments."

The award, to be presented at the organization's annual fund-raising dinner Saturday, is given to individuals who have contributed to the advancement of Special Olympics in California.

Jeffrey Scott, 21, was among

Jeffrey Scott, 21, was among nine Californians who reached Mount Kilimanjaro's 19,340-foot summit during the California Confidence Climb, sponsored by the California Special Olympics and

held in February.

Together, they helped post an Orange County Special Olympics flag on the mountain's summit.

The 12 will be honored at the dinner for their accomplishments throughout the past year.

The annual event raises more than \$500,000 each year to pay for year-round sports activities for about 25,000 Special Olympic athletes.

The climb was a privately funded trip organized by Jim Benson, a California Special Olympics board member.

The 35-member climbing group, including 16 coaches, a wilderness-survival expert and a six-member film crew, encountered the mountain's worst snowstorm in 25 years-prompting organizers to send back all but the most experienced climbers.

Special Olympics coaches chose 12 athletes for the trip from among 48 applicants throughout the state. All had participated in Special Olympics events. Scott was the only Orange County athlete.

"It was a great experience to travel to another continent and see

"It was a great experience to travel to another continent and see how people in other parts of the world live," Scott said. "The trip has left memories that I will never forget!"

FULL OF HOLIDAY SPIRIT



MINDY SCHAUER/The Orange County Register

John Sandy of Brea has been working with the Operation Santa Claus program since 1970. 'At Christmas time I can't stop thinking about the foster children who don't have permanent families,' he says.

for many O.C. children real-life Santa Claus

PEOPLE: A Brea man munity for 24 years. nations from the comhas been collecting do-

Social Services Department-

By DEBORAH ROBIGLIO
The Orange County Register

John Sandy doesn't know he af-fected the lives of 15,000 foster and underprivileged children

his part-time volunteer effort on behalf of Operation Santa Claus has practically turned into a yearlong, full-time job. Since 1970 he's drummed up support from companies and individuals for the Brea chapter of the giftgiving group. He lost count a long time ago as

"I don't have contact with the children," said Sandy, a retired Shell oil executive. "So I don't know who's getting what or how many kids are getting gifts. It's immaterial to me that I'm not the one personally handing them out. But it's important to me to get the gifts for them."

endless hours of volunteer deeds, Sandy will receive The Register Angel Award before the Califoraheim Stadium. The award is a joint undertaking between The Orange County Register and the nia Angels baseball game at An-California Angels to honor people Tonight, in recognition of his

ABOUT THE AWARD

REGISTER ANGEL AWARD



Register make each ers. The award fort to help oth make an ex-traordinary efpresented month

during the baseball season be-fore an Angels game at Anaheim Stadium. Those honored receive four tickets to the game, a com-memorative plaque, a family pass to Knott's Berry Farm and Airlines. destination served by American round-trip tickets for two to any

Sandy spearheaded Brea's involvement in the Orange County who make an extraordinary ef-fort to help others. Those initial contacts have turned into a roster full of Brea companies that now lend sup-

sponsored Operation Santa Claus when he was president of the Brea Kiwanis Club in 1970. His role began with calling on the help of other service clubs to donate presents or money. even got my husband to wear a Santa Claus suit as they went around picking up gifts at different companies." match \$10 for every gift that an employee gave. So, he ended up raising \$8,000 from them. He just compared to the other participating ci a," said Joanne Noyes, the highest gift-giving totals has a way of stroking people. He opera of Santa Claus coording tor "He got one company to "He ent companies. "Collectively, Brea has one of n Santa Claus coordina-

Personal recognition is not high on Sandy's list of priorities.

"He's so modest, it's hard to know what he does," Noyes said.
"He's one of those unsung people. He's a workhorse and he's not waiting for a pat on the back. He just has a goal to do something for the kids."

A resident of Brea for 29 years, Sandy, 72, has reasons to contin-ue carrying the torch for Opera-tion Santa Claus.

"At Christmas time I can't stop thinking about the foster children who don't have permanent families," Sandy said. Some don't expect anything heart a long time ago. even gifts. Well, that touched my "Some will never get adopted

By Danielle Benson Brea Progress

Community volunteerism is essential for Bob and Shirley Brickel.

"If you didn't have volunteers, there would be a void in the community," Shirley Brickel said. "It's those hundreds of people in the background that make things happen."

Bob Brickel has volunteered at the Brea Senior

Center for seven years. Shirley got into the act two years ago helping out at the Arovista Elementary Library. Now, they're both hooked.

"I just get a certain amount of self-satisfaction from my work," Shirley said. "I take my energies and work them with people."

The Brickels are just two of the more than 500 core volunteers whose efforts keep the city ticking.

According to a report by the Community Service Department, more than 22,000 volunteer hours saved the city about \$380,000 last year. Figures include repetitive volunteer jobs, local business support and corporate cash donations.

"We've always relied heavily on volunteers," said Volunteer Coordinator Pat Tremayne, "Literally, programs couldn't happen without volunteer help."
Tremayne said the county

bankruptcy and subsequent city administrative right-sizing, in which positions were streamlined and certain duties combined, made volunteer efforts indespensible.

Volunteers get as much out of the work as the com-munity does, Tremayne

said.

"Volunteers experience the community and grow as people. They get to know themselves and their neighbors," she said.

The Brickels agreed. But while Bob appreciates recognition, he doesn't like to have his photo made public.

"You get to meet new people and keep up on what's going on," Shirley said. "It feels like we had so much when we were younger, now we have a chance to give something back."

And for Shirley, that's as good as it gets.

"My favorite part is being out and involved with people—young or old—I love it," she said. "If Volunteer my time and I get a glass of lemonade out of it—Hey, that's fine with me."

February 29, 1996 Brea Progress



weeds and Ben Stricklen hoes the trees in Jubilee Grove during Earth Day cleanup in Arovista Park: Volunteer Claire M. Loren Hernandez/Brea Progress unteer Claire Schotterbeck

volunteers for cleanup No picnic

By Aaron Boehme Brea Progress

It was no walk in the park.
But the 88 volunteers who
cleaned up Jubilee Grove in Arovista Park Saturday didn't expect one. Armed with shovels,
hoes and a lot of heart, the volunteers labored in the hot sun.
Some workers grew weary. Yet
when they finished at noon and
surveyed the grounds, the weeds
were gone, the basins were built
and the trees could weather another year.

Maintaining the grove has been the city's annual Earth Day project since the grove was planted in 1992. This year the cleanup coincided with Volunteer Connection Day said Susan Perlson, coordinator of the

cleanup each year.

The grove, which sits atop an embankment overlooking the southeast corner of the Arovista Park baseball fields, was planted a few years ago with 75 trees to commemorate Breat 75th birthday, Perlson said.

"The city maintainence department remains responsible for it, and they take care of the grass, mowing between the trees, but they really don't have the staff to do the extra work that the trees require," she said.

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"We were able to go in and do more of the necessary tasks that aren't a priority when you're on a tight budget."

Perison said the toughest task is digging out and shaping earth basins around each tree to collect water and keep it from draining away

from the roots.

"The recent rains helped soften the earth a bit, but it was still a very physical, ardous task." The trees are still very young and need care, she said.

Nine species of trees, arranged in clusters, make up what may someday be a very shady picnic

spot. But when the sun was high in the sky Saturday, the grove was no picnic for the families, cub scouts, Girl scouts and high school clubs who volunteered.

"I just want to say that everyone's efforts were greatly appreciated."

Members of the now defunct city beautification committee have developed a marker to distinguish between the Jacarranda trees, the Crape Myrtle trees and the Roseled Plum trees in the grove, she ated," Perlson said.

said.

"And we'll put that in once we figure out where in the grove it should go," she said.

25 years of food, clothing and compassion for Brea's needy

based at St. Angela each month by Active 350 families are helped Merici Catholic Church Christians Today group

By Jennifer D'Andrea Brea Progress

church office. at a busy cafe than a closet in a he storage room at Ac-tive Christians Today looks more like a pantry

The room is stocked full of bags of rice, canned foods, pinto beans, tuna fish, tomato sauce, pancake mix and other foods that some Brea families simply

can't afford. Active Christians Today is rary lodging to the needy in Brea on a daily basis.

The organization provides food and clothing to about 350 Brea families each month.

teers. It functions primarily through donations from mem-bers of the public and parishio-ners of St. Angela Merici. based at St. Angela Merici Catholic Church, Active Chris-tians Today is run by three staff members and several volun-A nondenominational group

ate," said Gena Fernandes, a "We've seen the very desperthe only charitable group in Brea that — for the last 25 years — has provided transpor-tation, food, clothes and tempo-

staff member at Active Christians Today. "The thing that bothers me the most is not being able to get them medical care."

ne of the group's most popular annual charities is the distribution of Christmas baskets filled with food and toys. Last year, volunteers distributed baskets to 200 Brea families. "They're (needy families) very excited to pick up the baskets."

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GENA FERNANDES

Active Christians Today staff member

kets," Fernandes said.
"They're so afraid to miss out on that one. I think that what they like in the baskets is the toys."

provide proof of residence and income to qualify for the Christmas baskets. Applications for baskets will be accepted start-Low-income families must

ing Monday.

The group is working with Brea's Kiwanis Club, the city, and a young adult group at St.

Angela Merici to distribute turkey dinners the night before

founded in 1972 by Fred and Fran von Voight. Fred was a deacon at St. Angela Merici who determined that there ex-Thanksgiving.
Active Christians Today was table group to help the poor. isted a need in Brea for a chari-

Building on its track record of 25 years of reaching out to people in the community who are in need, the group keeps on going strong by helping one person at a time.

"My best memory is when we

helped someone who was very, very sick," Fernandes recalled. "That was very rewarding to me. It felt like we really made a difference."

Volunteer Opportunities



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

What It's All About

How I Fit In

Some Specifics

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of a volunteer program is two fold. One is to provide the community an opportunity for direct involvement in the operation of their city. The volunteer becomes more knowledgeable about its workings while being enriched by new and rewarding experiences. A second benefit is that the city receives valuable contributions through contact with its residents. Task completion, labor cost savings and new ideas are additional pluses.

What It's All About

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Volunteer Privileges

- To be assigned a job that is worthwhile and challenging, with freedom to use existing skills or develop new ones.
- To receive orientation, training and supervision for the job accepted.
- To expect that time will be utilized in a worthwhile manner.
- To be treated respectfully as a co-worker, not just free help.
- To know as much about the organization as possible; its policies, people and programs.
- To seek new assignments within the organization, as personal interests evolve.
- To increase personal awareness regarding the operation of the city's government.

Volunteer Responsibilities

- To fulfill assigned volunteer obligations or give early notification to an immediate supervisor so other arrangements can be made.
- To follow guidelines established by the organization; decorum, dress codes, etc.
- To provide feedback, suggestions and recommendations to a supervisor so as to increase the effectiveness of the program.
- To be considerate, respect confidences and work as a team member with staff and other volunteers.
- To continue with assignments only as long as a worthwhile contribution is being made.
- To use time wisely and not interfere with the performance of others.

How I Fit In Some Specifics What My Choices Are

Please fill out the enclosed application completely and submit to:

Brea Civic & Cultural Center, No. 1 Civic Center Circle, Brea, CA 92621 Attention: Volunteer Coordinator

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Interview	All individuals are interviewed by the Volunteer Coordinator. Interests, talents	edge.
	After we receive the application, the individual will be contacted to arrange an appointment for an interview.	

How To Get Started

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VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

City of Brea Community Services Brea Civic & Cultural Center 1 Civic Center Circle, Brea, CA 92621-5758

Volunteer Coordinator 990-7776

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Scheduling

Training regarding work assignments will be provided by the supervisors.

Record Keeping

Accurate record keeping is essential for Department Volunteer Reports and the annual Recognition Banquet.

Recognition

An annual recognition program is held for volunteers successfully completing the

minimum hours of service.

Questions

For further information regarding the City of Brea's Volunteer Program, contact the Community Services Department at

990-7776.

How To Get Started

How Does Volunteering Enhance Lives?

Volunteers Can...

- Explore possible career options
- Learn new skills
- Change daily routines
- Expand social contacts
- Help others in need
- Have fun
- Gain self-confidence
- Gain "on the job" experience
- Meet new people
- Experience community involvement
- Become a team member
- Learn leadership skills

Assist Us With Special Events and Programs

- Mayor's Prayer Breakfast
- Country Fair
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Holiday Tree Lighting
- Concerts in the Park
- Breakfast With The Easter Bunny
- Children's Holiday Workshop
- Breakfast With Santa
- Gallery
- Theatre
- July 4th Fireworks Show
- Youth Theatre

- Day Camp
- Brea Fest
- Youth Baseball
- Youth Basketball
- Christmas Basket Program
- The Plunge
- Letters To Santa
- Hobby Instructors for Senior Center
- Assisting Seniors With Deliveries
- Art in Public Places
- Tiny Tots

Rewarding Opportunities

As a Community Services volunteer for the City of Brea we welcome you to a dynamic team, gifted in the art of serving people. We are committed to the Brea community and work hard to implement a wide range of programs and services. Below are some of the opportunities where your skills and talents can be shared...

Assist with the delivering of donated items to and Drivers

from the Senior Center.

Theatre Ushers Assist by taking tickets, handing out programs and

seating of patrons and selling concessions.

Assist the Curtis Theatre by selling tickets to Theatre Box Office Attendants

Gallery Work on a one-to-one basis with Gallery patrons by handling phones, answering questions, greeting patrons and conducting gift shop sales. Receptionists

Learn more about the arts by leading groups of school children and organizations through Gallery exhibits. **Gallery Tour** Guides A training session is provided prior to the opening of each exhibit.

Share creative ideas in the Gallery by assisting with

Exhibit the exhibit layout designs, hanging of the artwork, Installation some painting and labeling. Assistant

Assist with the Gallery Gift Shop by creating merchandise displays, conducting sales and inventorying merchandise. Gallery Gift Shop

Share those special talents in graphic designing, drawing, sign-painting or calligraphy. Volunteer artists design flyers, brochures, newsletters and **Graphic Artists**

banners. We have endless projects for those people that enjoy artwork.

Work with people of all ages by volunteering at parks Recreation and schools to lead recreational activities, coach sports Workers or teach crafts.

Keep those clerical skills fresh by performing clerical Clerical Aides duties such as filing, typing, answering phones and

general office work.

Students in business management, public College Interns

administration, communication, human services or recreation gain work experience for professional careers and/or earn college credit by volunteering.

Teaching a trade or hobby to enthusiastic senior citizens can be exhilirating for yourself and the Senior Instructors

Share bilingual skills by translating materials, interpreting information for staff or patrons and providing direct service to non-English speaking **Translators**

residents.



Volunteers Make a World of Difference



The City of Brea Community Services Department

1993-94
Volunteer Recognition

Social and Welcome

Dinner

Courtesy of Brea El Pollo Loco

Awards Presentation

Entertainment
Brea Civic Light Opera
"The Music Man"

A World of Thanks to Our Volunteers

Mary Agrusa Tim Alexander Nellie Anderson Tino Anzurez Rosemary Barnett Kim Beckley Pastor David Berg Bob Bickel Helen Briggs Erna Brown Carl Brydon Rochelle Cabiltos Carlos Calderon Mike Carpenter Lee Carter Marty Chambers Mildred Chapman Delores Cherry **Beth Cinderey** Frank Conversano Dorothy Daversa Frank Davies Sandy Dickenson Marie Domenico Carmen Dominguez Jean DuPuy Mary Dvoracek Dave Evans Pat Fox Yvonne French Harold Frieley Tamara Goodell Theresa Gray Tracy Greer Mabel Groth Teresa Hampson Donn Harlow Mariorie Harwell Marion Hedegard Barbara Holguin Martha Hollis Denise Howard Cindy Howells

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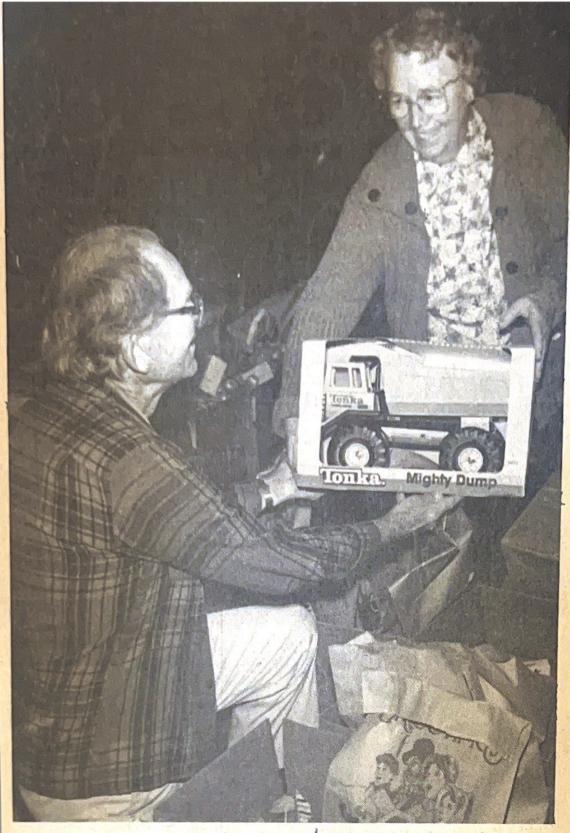
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Active Christians Today B.C.E.C. BOHS M.E.Ch.A. **BOHS Chamber Choir BOHS Girls League BOHS Interact Club BOHS International** Club **BOHS Key Club Brea Boy Scouts** Brea Civic Light Opera **Brea Girl Scouts** Brea Junior High School National Junior Honor Society **Brea Lions Club** Brea Ministerial Association **Brea Noon Rotary Brea Soroptimist** Cole Vocational Kiwanis Club of Brea Fullerton Community College M.E.Ch.A. Club O.C. Youth Centers Salvation Army Stagelight Family **Productions** United Methodist Church

The Brea Foundation Brea Disposal, Inc.



GETTING ORGANIZED — Isabelle Rhymes helps arrange food donated by local school children and toys from the Kiwanis Club with another Brea Community Emergency Council Volunteer. The packages went to help needy families this Christmas.

driver program.

The designated driver in a group of four or more people will be given a lapel sticker and free non-alcoholic drinks between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 a.m., said Baxter's manager Dave Smith. The program, in effect at the Fullerton restaurant for three months, is offered year-round but its presence is even more important during the holidays.

"People have the tendency of going out and overdoing it," Smith said.

Brian's Beer & Billiards in Fullerton is offering a special New Year's Eve package that includes transportation to and from the bar.

Owner Brian Fairley said the

Battle may be near an end

GUERNEVILLE (AP) — The end may be in sight for a year-long battle to save the nearly 70-year-old Guerneville Bridge after state highway officials offered Thursday to fix up the span as a footbridge if locals will take over its maintenance.

The dispute began more than a year ago when the state announced plans to demolish the 16-foot-wide, steel-truss landmark because they said it is unfit for modern traffic. A new, \$8 million bridge is planned to take its place.

Establishment managers or bartenders simply call (714) 535-2211 for cab service whenever they determine a ride is needed.

Straub is joined by Consolidated Beverage Distributors, Coors Distributing Co., Quality Beer Distributors, and Southland Beverage Distributors in sponsoring the project.

To help law-enforcement efforts in curbing DUI-related accidents, people can also be on the lookout for intoxicated drivers this holiday season.

Roop said telltale signs of a possible drunken motorist include weaving, driving outside of the lane, and other erratic behavior.

When an intoxicated driver is seen, stay behind or away from that motorist. "Give them a wide berth and stay back," Roop said.

If possible, jot down the license plate number and description of the vehicle and driver, then pull over and stop at the nearest telephone and call 911, Winder said.

Other safe-driving measures include concentrating while on the road and not assuming "the other driver is going to do what he is supposed to be doing," Winder added.

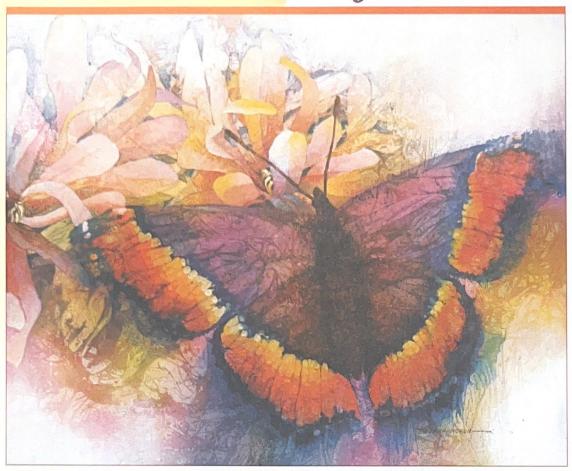
Roop suggested motorists also take their time when they're behind the wheel.

"Be patient. Drive defensively and be careful," he said.

MEMORY GARDEN Memorial Park and Mortuary

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Theatre



Senior Center



Gallery

Meet new people • Learn new skills • Get involved in your community and help make a difference!

For more information call 990-7771 or write to:
Volunteer Coordinator
1 Civic Center Circle, Brea, CA 92621

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There will be a martial arts
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demonstration at Johns Tae
Kwon Do Academy in Fullerton
on July 4 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
The event is free.

Information: (714) 526-1990.

be held at the Coyote Hills Golf Course in Fullerton on Sept. 15. The proceeds will go to abused children. Information, call Marilyn Salzman (714) 680-8218.

COMMUNITY CENTER

Sports and fitness offerings at the Brea Community Center inthe Brea Community Center include: Drop-in/Challenge base-ketball from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. ketball from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, and Friday; Monday, Tuesday, and Friday; Monday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sat-Thursday; 8 a.m. to 1.45 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 1.45 p.m. Sunday, Drop-in/Challenge volleyball from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Wednesday.

All-Stars will be playing the 1998 All-Stars on at 1 p.m. on 1998 All-Stars on at 2 p.m. on June 28 at Arovista Park.
Information: (714) 836-7100.

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Volunteers of the Year honored

on four Breans City bestows award

By Vanessa Jezin Brea Progress

city's Volunteers of the Year. four people — the most ever se-lected — were honored as the this year's annual Volunteer Recognition ceremony in which "Team '98" was the theme for

More than 150 people attended the 10th annual event at the Com-munity Center last month. It was hosted by the city's Community Services Department. The award winners were se-

lected because the community services department felt that "they all went above and beyond the call of duty," Pat Tremayne, events specialist for the city. outstanding and unique contribu-tions benefiting the community. Criteria for the award is that individuals must demonstrate

Here's a closer look at the four

► WILMA SAUER

Sauer has volunteered for the

High School teacher also works with Brea Canyon High School students, the American Association of University Women, the Library Task Force, Historical Society, YWCA and Brea Republication. Youth & Family Resource Center on a weekly basis for the past two years. She has helped with Brea Fest, several Community Center dances and Family Nights. The former Brea Olinda can Women.

Andre started volunteering for the Curtis Theatre in January of this year and was the "House Manager" for the theater production of The Wiz. He helps train and supervise other theatre volunteers, has assisted with the Holiday Fashion Show, and gave tours at this year's Arty Party. He is currently in the process of making and donating new unform vests for the theater volunteers. teers.

► AUDREY OXANDABOURNE
Audrey has been a volunteer at
the Brea Gallery for more than two years. She works at the re-ception desk every Thursday

helping with the daily opera-tions, bulk mailings, greeting guests, working in the gift shop, opening night receptions and Sat-urday workshops. She has also day. and Community-Center dances. She also volunteers at the Brea volunteered for past Brea Fests Community Hospital every Tues-

▶ BOB BICKEL

dent of the Site Council, Participant Council and Feedback Foundation. He works weekly with the center's surplus food distribution, serves food during lunch programs, emcess events and celebrations, delivers food to homebound seniors and works at special events like Concerts in the Park and Community Center Bob has a long history in Brea and is an active volunteer at the Senior Center. He is past presidances.

Services Commission and has been a member of the County Fair Steering Committee and Brea Youth Sports Foundation. He has also served as both commissioner and chair for the Parks, Recereation and Human

'Unsung Hero'

Brea Parent-Teacher **Association honors** longtime community volunteer Pat Fox

By Vanessa Jezin Brea Progress

unning is a word that comes to mind when people hear the word fox. But that's the last thing friends of Brea resident Pat Fox think of when they hear her name. Selfless and caring are more like it.

The 67-year-old retiree re-cently received the Brea Parent-Teacher Association Coun-cil's "Unsung Hero Award" another plaque to add to Fox's extensive collection of honors. Fox was selected among six candidates for her work with

students.
"She's really touched and made a difference in our lives," said PTA council president Donna Prince. "I attribute a lot of my leadership skills to her. Her goals and her outlook is al-ways giving."

Fox started making a difference when she decided to pur-sue her childhood dream of becoming a nurse.

For a time, nursing didn't seem to be a possibility and her dreams were put on hold.

"I'm a Depression baby. I went on a loan through nursing

went on a loan through nursing school, never dreaming I'd finish," Fox said.

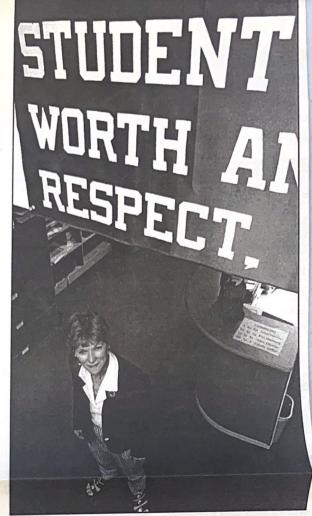
Not only did she finish, she wholeheartedly put herself into her work and in 1956 she became the school nurse to the 650-student Brea High School.

At the time, Brea families still lived in the oil fields and in small rooms at the Brea Hotel.

Fox would make house calls to

Fox would make house calls to children that called in sick. Often times the problem would be that a child didn't have shoes, so they couldn't go to school or they had a toothache but couldn't afford to go to the den-

tist.
"With the kind of people we have in this community, I would always be able to have someone



Jack E. Hancock/Brea Progress Brea resident and BOHS counselor Pat Fox recently received the Unsung Hero Award from the Brea PTA Council.

bill me or find a service club that would cover the costs for such things," Fox said. Pat says she is most proud of

the work she did for Brea Welfare in the late '50s, which is

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FOX

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now Brea Community Emergency Council, a group that providing groceries and medi-cine for sick children. She helped form the social services program and is proud that it is still going today.
Pat and her husband Don of

48 years, moved to California from Indiana in 1953 with their 8-month-old son, Craig. In 1955, twins Karyn and Kathy were born.

The family has lived in the

same house off of Elm Street

for the past 44 years.
"We've bought and sold about a hundred houses in our head, laughed Fox."We just like our little house."

After serving the school dis-trict as a nurse for twenty years, Fox became a high school counselor and Girls League advisor in 1976 until her retirement in 1991. Working with students has always been a need for Fox. She still volunteers as a counselor, helping high school freshman plan for the future.

"All you need is to believe in a kid and give them a chance,

Fox said.

Through nursing and her husband's involvement in the city, Fox was exposed to volunteerism. Pat became the first lady of Brea when Don became maydor in 1974.

Not only does she serve Brea but helps out in other communities as well. Fox co-chairs Youth & Family meetings and serves on the Master Plan for Brea Park and Recreation and

Human Services.

The latest of Fox's adventures is portraying Emma Lazarus as a member of Women of History. Going around to local elementary schools, she plays Lazarus in 5th-grade classrooms.

Pat has been involved with the Crippled Children Relief Association in Orange County since 1957 when she was asked to be a case worker.

"(The Association) has been real close to my heart through the years," Fox said.

Pat is no stranger to service clubs either. She is a charter bmember and former president of the Brea chapter of Soroptimist International. She's a past president of the Brea Parent Teacher Assocation Council and has been involved with the Kiwanis Club, and Rotary Club and former Womens' Club. She also serves on the city's senior and volunteer task forces.

"I think that the workers behind the leaders are the important people," Fox said about being president of an organiza-

Fox blushes when asked about all the awards she's re-

ceived. She's received life membership for two PTA councils, the Orange County Parks and Recreation community service honors, was Brea's "Woman of the Year," in 1972, and was the recipient of Soroptimists' "Woman of Distincition" award in 1991.

"I feel very passionate about everything I do," Fox said. "I was brought up that way." Being a grandmother to her

four grandchildren is a passion Fox enjoys the most, she says. As for the future, she says the hardest thing about being retired is learning to relax. Plans include a trip with her husband to Australia next year and finding time for her hobbies.
"I like to sail, cook, read, col-

lect antiques and do needlework," Fox said. "I'm also going to continue getting up at 5:30 a.m. everyday to do my

three-mile walk.'

Pat's efforts and contributions to the many people she's touched has kept her life in per-

spective, she says.
"The good will that you create is the reward," Fox said. 'With me, what you see is what you get.'



STAR-PROGRESS

Pat Fox receives

cently, naming her its Woman of BOHS counselor Pat Fox re-Distinction for 1991

munity, according to the group. outstanding service to the com-Fox received the award for her

Brea many years ago as a regisschools in the Brea-Olinda School She began her involvement in nurse, serving all the

not being met many of their basic needs were sick children, yet more community involvement. While visiting the families of Eventually, that vocation led to noticed many families Fox discovered

cal and dental services, and soon, found doctors and merchants to Her concern grew into a 20proper clothing, or medi-

fill those needs.

came a counselor at Brea Olinda ter's degree in guidance, Fox bethe Brea Community Emergency Welfare Council, now known as year involvement with the Brea Later, after receiving her mas-

service award BREA - Soroptomist Interna-onal of Brea honored former

Colony facilities. projects at Metropolitan State Hospital, Fairview and Pacific Brea Junior Women's Club, she was involved in mental health While a board member of the

Mental Health Center. tive in support groups for Help youth and health, Pat Fox was ac-North Orange County Regional Placentia Linda Hospital and the for Brain Injured Children, and has served on the Boards of both Continuing her interests in

Brea at National Sister City conorganization and has represented ferences and during visits to Lagos de Moreno, Mexico. She is active in the Sister City

She has been an active member of the Brea Historical Society Committee, planning the celebra-Brea Historical Committee. She presently serves on the Jubilee Council as Vice Chairman of the cently been appointed by the City since its organization, and has re-

However, she still found time to

vice group honors former BOHS counselor

be involved in the Orange County tion of Brea's 75th year.

School Nurses Association of Or-Her other achievements inange County.

the Southern California Girls North Orange County Child Guidsentative to the Salvation Army, ance Board, and was president of eague Advisers. Fox has served as Brea's repre-

- Leaders.
- her community service.

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- make the Difference" award. ■ The city of Brea's "People
- one of Orange County Women ■ Recognition by the YWCA as

programs. years in the organization's youth Regional Chairman for several of directors, as well as being the served several terms on the board past president of Soroptimist In-ternational of Brea and has Fox is a Charter Member and



(Photo courtesy Soroptimist Inter

WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT — Former BOUSD nurse and counselor Pat Fox (center) was honored recently by the Brea Soroptimists. Fox received the award for her outstanding service to the Brea community. She is pictured with former award recipients Clarice Blamer, left, and Cleta Harder.

advice, enters retirement ounselor takes her own

Pat Fox to be honored for service to district

By Barbara A. Williams

remembers district offics in the 770 building remodeling the rage and blue jeans were for-bidden at the junior high. She Fox started her career in the had a certain "air of command" meeting a new substitute Birch Street high school, and fant hairdos were the campus local school system when bouf-School Guidance Counselor Pat leacher named Gary Goff who BREA - Brea Olinda High degree in nursing in 1966. children to earn a phasized home numan

Today is Thursday, Jan, 24 , 165, 285 with well Just the thought of leaving

The Associated Press

Today in History

- The Columbia (S.C.) State

Rather, he said, the right needs to be understood in the context of current times - times that cry out for tighter controls over the ownership of guns that kill and maim with horrifying efficiency.

tional right to bear arms should not be interpreted to block all gun regulation.

room nurse. a hospital nursing school in her hometown of Terre Haute, Ind., and had worked as a delivery

school and mothering her three fashioned a program that emvisit other school districts, then aside time between working at her the way, she decided to With no predecessor to show welfare. She also set visits and bachelor's of the matter herself, eyeglasses, community help

Aid for such projects Fox called Brea's

thinks people are the most im-portant part of life, that human beings are worth the effort."

gown - or she would take care needy students with food, shoes, ity to match people's needs with Fox became known for her abilcounselor Wilma Sauer said local resources. Fox sought Longtime friend or a graduation to provide and fellow

And let's get this straight: Between such thugs and he United States of America, there is no moral quivalence. The ideal that the use of force by uthless, may sound alluringly provocative in a po-tical-science classroom or the nave of an "enlightis harsh light. Saddam's treatment of our POWs is nly the latest refutation of the moral equivalency merica somehow places it on the same ethical lane as any and all potential foes, no matter how ned" church, but this nonsense withers under real-

MARX.

Convention, not to mention simple human deency. But who's surprised? Isn't this just another eminder that there are rules who sneer at civilized It goes without saying that all this flouts the Gene





Brea volunteers of the year Linda Jane Henry and Bill McLaughlin received honor from the city's community services department.

for her 'family' devotion Childless woman hailed

Bill McLaughlin honored seniors volunteer Linda Jane Henry and

By Jennifer D'Andrea Brea Progress

Linda Jane Henry does not devote time to a family of her own — she doesn't have one.
"I told the Lord a long time ago that if I can't have kids, then the

whole world is fair game and this is the perfect place for it," said Henry, who has lived in Brea for four years.

volunteers her skills at various events and programs around the city, including the Country Fair, Brea Fest, the Brea Gallery and the Senior Center. Instead of creating her own family, Henry, 51, has spent the last two years extending her family to include all of Brea. She

partment. In its tenth annual event, themed "You're the Star" and spotlighting Kenny Rogers, Elizabeth Taylor and Marilyn of two people recognized May 21 as volunteers of the year by the city's community services de-Monroe look-alikes, the city thanked about 150 volunteers who have donated at least 40 nours each to the community. For her efforts, Henry was one

Bill McLaughlin, who has lived in Brea for 20 years, was honored as a volunteer of the year for his contributions to the Senior Cen-ter, where he volunteers every weekday.

and sweets from grocery stores and brings them to seniors at the McLaughlin, 76, picks up bread

center.

"I love meeting people and doing things for people," he said.
"It keeps me active. I've been retired for 23 years and I don't want to sit around and do nothing."

McLaughlin was proud to receive the award, but was also a little nervous about being singled out he said

out to shut-ins for people who are ill or unable to get to the grocery store," he said, "That's my biggest thrill. As long as I'm active, I feel really healthy." out, he said.
"We're always sending food

able to work as a team player and to be a part of the family, and team player said Henry, who once made 28 Strawberry pies in one month and distributed them to friends in Brea. unteering is being around people. "Working as a volunteer, I'm Henry said the best part of vol-

"The City of Brea feels like a family. We have the services of a larger town, but the feeling of a smaller town."

LL TAKING HIS BEST SHOT

So-called retiree Bob to many volunteer uses skills in photography Hitchcock is putting his

By Jennifer D'Andrea Brea Progress

apturing people on film with the click of his camera was

once just a hobby for Bob Hitchcock. But today, Hitchcock, 79, is turning that longtime hobby into a vehicle for volunteering in the city he's called home since 1967.

After retiring in 1987 from the auto parts store he owned at 200 E. Imperial Hwy., Hitchcock volunteered his photography skills at the Chamber of Comstants.

manity and a local YMCA.

Hitchcock's interest in photography dates to World War II, when he worked in a photo lab while serving in the Army.

After the war in 1947, he shot weddings on weekends while merce for its monthly newslet-ter, "Communique." He has also volunteered to

working in an auto parts store in Los Angeles.

Among celebrities Hitchcock caught on film were Walt Dis-ney, Alfred Hitchcock, Eva Ga-bor and Rosemary Clooney. His fascination with photography grew when he landed a lob with a company that owned 22 airlines. He took pictures of celebrities as they stepped on and off airplanes.

"It was a lot of fun," he said so it would be advertising the name of the airline in the photo "The trick was to get the

Brea resident Bob Hitchcock, 79, received a statuette recently for his volunteer work with the Brea Chamber of Commerce. Hitchcock remains active with community organizations as a photographer and volunteer of other services. Jack E. Hancock/Brea Progress

Orange County in Orange twice a week for seven years. Hitchcock gives time and tal-ents to local service programs

worked for 10 years.

've been around people all my life, either selling

BREA PROGRESS

Brea Woman Sited For 6,000 Hours Of Volunteer Work

By VERN PERRY
Star-Progress Staff Writer
BREA — If service to fellow
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Mrs. Zwiener was recently presented a pin denoting 6,000 hours of volunteer work at the Veteran's Hospital in Long Beach. Over 6,000 hours of volunteer work that began back in 1950.

When asked what volunteer work consisted of Mrs. Zwiener, who lives at 515 S. Orange, said, "It is a program in which community volunteers contribute their service in a Veteran's Administration bospital. In no way do they replace staff members; rather they provide services beyond the scope of the busy professional staff." She went on to say that the volunteers provide.". a touch of bome, a feeling of belonging, a

bond with the outside world" for the patients. Mrs. Zwiener began her work

as an auxiliary member of American Legion Post 181 in Brea, of which she is still a member. She said that the first meeting held to organize the Orange County workers was at the Brea Legion hall, she said.

When she began her work in Long Beach 20 years ago Mrs. Zwiener worked for Mrs. Beatrice Warren, the hospital's representative for the Veteran's Administration. Twenty years later, when she was presented her pin for 6,000 hours of volunteer service, Mrs. Warren was there to observe the ceremony.

For the first five years Mrs. Zwiener's duties were those of an escort, but in 1955 she took on new duties working with the patients in various manual arts and assisting them with photography, printing and other activities.

It is a 50-mile round trip car ride to the hospital in Long Beach, but Mrs. Zweiner said she doesn't mind. 'I am happy to be of service to our veterans,' she said. She was presented a silver pin for 2,500 volunteer hours in 1956 and a gold pin for 5,000 hours in 1968.

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For the past seven years Mrs.
Zwiener has been collecting
and sending various needed
items to the needy Navajo Indians in Arizona.
Mrs. Zwiener has two sons

and four granddaughters. One son lives in Anaheim and the other in Kansas City, Missouri.

DISPLAYING PIN — Denoting 6,000 hours of volunteer work at the Veteran's Hospital in Long Beach is the pin being worn by Mrs. Margaret Zwiener of Brea, Mrs. Zwiener has been working as a volunteer since 1950.

(Daily Star-Progress Photo)

GOLDEN AGE OF VOLUNTEERING

Meet one of Brea's most dedicated volunteers: Pauline Riser, who is 85

By LaDonna Nicholson Brea Progress

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During those times, she suffered her share of heartache. In 1972, she lost her husband of 38 years and shortly after, her oldest daughter was bitten by a mosquito and fell into a coma with encephalitis. The daughter had blood on her



Lisa Billings/Brea Progress

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He's one busy retiree



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No. 1 volunteer John Spangler is Senior Center around the Brea

North County News By Toby Hill

of hours working. has been drawing a pension for nearly 10 years, he still logs a lot etirement can be a fulltime job. Although John Spangler

advisory committee for the Or-ange County Transportation Au-At the Brea Senior Center, he serves drinks during lunch and of fers literacy training, assists at flu clinics and serves on a seniors

He isn't paid a dime for any of

non-monetary compensation last partment. city's Community Services Deweek when he was named the Volunteer of the Year by the But Spangler received some

Spangler estimates he volunteers 10 to 15 hours a week.
"I do it because I want to do it, not because I'm counting hours," he said, however. "If you didn't want to do it, you wouldn't."
Spangler devotes much of his time trying to improve public

nia State University, Fullerton, intern, he is locating seniors' homes in Brea to alter bus maps with OCTA directors at the begin-ning of May, he said. niors and the disabled. for easier access. He is meeting With the assistance of a Califor

history class. When the teacher quit, Spangler was asked to take over. He's been conducting the class for three years now. the Senior Center to take an oral Spangler first started going to

being serious." "It's a laugh a minute," he "We make no pretense of

> first Christmas you remember; a special song and what it means to you; the first time you were Every Monday, about 20 people gather at the center to share their personal histories. Spangler provides topics for discussion: the spanked.

100 years. time capsule to be unearthed in what the class would put in a Last week's class centered on

day," Spangler said. Classmates would be hard-"It gives people a chance to talk about what's important to-

pressed to match Spangler's oral history, however. While many re-tire to travel and see the world, Spangler's job took him to five

Spangler was transferred 43 times. He's lived in 17 different countries, including Venezuela, Sudan, Portugal, Holland and Ko

"I would never recommend to anyone I don't know," he said of his nomadic lifestyle. "You have to enjoy it. You have to want to, and you have to have a wife who

"Our passport is a pretty thick

ries of Cape Town, South Allica where he lived early in his ca-He has especially fond memo-

He is compiling a lengthy mem-oir and scrapbook of his travels

for his teen-aged grandson "to let him know why we couldn't see him growing up," he said. Spangler noticed something about In trekking around the world,

"I didn't see it as being com-monplace anywhere but the Unit ed States. Which is a philosophy

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Brea Progress By Vanessa Jezin

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Cole 32, was volunteer coordinator for the city of Costa Mesa for more than two years, where she helped start their volunteer program. She is currently obtaining her masters degree in public administration from San Diego State University.
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Serenity only a facade in busy Mansur home

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P.J. makes a difference in community progress

By Barbara Glasone DSP Managing Editor

Subabbling from a backyard fountain and chairs rocking in the sunit bay window prove peace and tranquility can prove peace and tranquility can be caust five miles from 57 Freeway gridlock.

But don't be misled by the

But don't be misled by the serenity of this Olinda Village household.

Peggy Jane Mansur's domain is a beehive of activity.

Come September, "P.J.," as she is known to her friends, will head the Brea Republican Women, Brea Art Association and Cultural Arts Commission. In her spare time, she will continue as a visiting teacher for the Placentia Second Ward of the Mormon Church where she and her husband, Wade, serve as advisers for the singles group.

For kickers, the Midwest transplant will peddle tickets for Brea Theatre League — a job she's held for five of her 10 years with the dramatists.

On a recent summer aftermoon, with four batches of jam
cooled and nine quarts of plums
canned, Mansur settled in to her
favorite window-side chair for a
biographical recap.

"How do I handle stress?" she repeated, obviously unruffled by a schedule that would have most executives downing Excedrin. "I plan ahead, make daily lists, say personal prayers and never take things personally — that way I don't get hurt."

The ironclad philosophy appears to work. While scheduling issues that in her grandmother's day would have sent tongues wagging, Mansur isn't afraid to speak out for what she considers a better America.

"In the coming year, the local Republican women will concentrate on how we can make a difference starting at the local level," she explained. "We'll look into the sex-eduction materials offered in the Brea school district."

She quickly cited the new

California law, implemented July 1, that outlines teaching respect for marriage. "We'll look through the local school materials and check to see that what we're teaching here in Brean includes those moral aspects."

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On the cultural front, Mansur plans to implement a bus tour of Brea's widely publicized Art in Public Places program. People of



A GENEALOGICAL APPROACH — Longtime Brea volunteer Peggy Jane "P.J." Mansur relaxes in the foyer of her Olinda Village home. In a new approach to geneaology, Mansur paints pictures of family homes based on research and old photographs.

Cliff Oden saluted for Foundation work



(Star-Progress photo by Malante Rook)

A WINNING TEAM — Rita and Cliff Oden, who have donated hundreds of hours to organizing the Brea

Olinda Bingo and Booster Foundation, display a plaque presented by grateful members of the organization.

By Brian H. Greene DSP Staff Writter

board of directors for the Glenbrook Homeowners Association

BREA — Cliff and Rita Oden, two of the driving forces behind the formation of the Brea-Olinda Booster Foundation, will step down from their respective positions as executive director and vice director Jan. 1. But the groundwork they've played a part in forming the organization will benefit Brea-Olinda High School for many years to come.

non-profit corporation, was organized during the 1933-84 school year. Since its inception, Cliff has been the executive director while Rita has served concurrently on the board of

directors.

Through bingo games organized by the group, the volunteers have raised \$5,000 for BOHS activities — a figure that could be matched on a quarterly basis in years to come.

"This has been his baby for so many years, he doesn't want to cut the cord," said Don DeBore, interim executive director.
"They've done so much for so many organizations."
But because of a heart ailment, Cliff said his doctor's recommendation is that he resign and take a back seat for a while. He

DeBore listed Cliff's accomplishments including the president of Pop Warner Football in Brea, serving on the

retired from Arco with the medical disability more than a year

as well as coaching Little League
baseball teams. At the final
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of the Brea-Olinda
dation, will step
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Jan. 1. But the
green and gold jackets, the col-

ors of BOHS, lettered with the years they served on the Foundation. In addition, engraved plaques were presented to the Odens for their years of service.

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"As we become involved in activities in the community, all of a sudden we find ourselves right in the middle of it," Rita said. Both she and her husband tend to be leaders rather than followers, she explained.
"I'm reactive for substance of the said."

"I'm more of an organizer than a coach," said Cliff. He enjoys working to enlarge current programs already in existence in the city.

He rallied each of the booster club presidents in an effort to discuss forming a board of directors for all of the booster clubs more than four years ago.

"I was under the belief that the football boosters were having the same problems as the basketball boosters, and so on..." he said. "Why should these groups have redundant problems?" He believed the groups could help each other through a collective board of directors — and the Booster Foundation was formed.

"As these presidents became nore familiar with each other, hey began to see the benefit of

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organization." cided to form an official ing to get answers and we desolving problems together, Cliff said. "Now, they were start-

the band, baseball, boys basket-ball, girls basketball, football, ter clubs supporting aquatics, clude the president of the boosmembers of the board also intary and treasurer. The voting director, a vice director, secretors consists of an executive gymnastics, and soccer. The Foundation board of direc-

new method to raise funds about were beginning to search for a The individual booster clubs

18 months ago. Cliff said the door-to-door types of sales of cookies and candies were becoming less appealing. "People were just getting

turned off with these type of

clubs used these stands as their fund-raising activities," he said. major source of income for the Many of the athletic booster the sale of fireworks in the city. earlier this year which banned approved by the City Council progress was Another factor hampering the ordinance

> nights and offering cash prizes mined that holding weekly bingo would be the best route to take. deas, the board finally deter dozen potential fund-raising But after examining more than

get the project off the ground, bingo has only begun to reap the each Wednesday starting last February, and after paying off a \$15,000 loan to Founders Bank to They began holding bingo nights each Wednesday starting last used by organizations in believed would work in Brea came up rounding with a method they communities,

money, but we also want to use me, these people really started activities each week and believe saw a way of broadcasting our about," Cliff said. "Our group that time people are playing bingo to tell them what we're all appreciating it."

ing. It was the Foundation's goal to gear the event as more of a more support from the commu-nity through the weekly gatherand other groups have gained explained the sporting teams audience is senior citizens, Cliff social activity than a gambling casino.

candy. They can stay out on the door-to-door anymore selling practice field," Cliff said. "The kids don't have to go

They investigated the methods

rewards for BOHS activities. "We wanted to make the

Though about 70 percent of the

But what first sparked his

"We'll continue to participate, but we won't be quite as involved," Rita said.

mterest in Brea athletics?

"Anytime our kids have been involved we've tried to become involved too," Cliff said.

and holds virtually every BOHS wasn't named to an All-CIF team. Craig was named All-CIF in 1983 attempts and completions in one brother's passing mark for most he managed to break his tough act to follow and though he Younger brother Eric had a passing record in the ligh School football teams. quarterbacks for Brea-Olinda The Odens' sons were both books.

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what my kids are being exposed or academics, I like to know involved in whether it be sports explained. "Whatever they get "We enjoy teen-age kids," Rita

role as consultants. ping down from their posts on the board, they will still play a Although the Odens are step-



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Team spirit wins

Talented players like Erin Sweeney, Erika Anthony and Tiffany Scott all do their parts, but with Brea Olinda High School girls' soccer team, 'There are no egos ... The girls aren't looking to pad individual stats. They're looking to win,' coach Mike Knaus said.



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Brewing in Brea ...

Royce to headline tax reform at town hall

Tax reform will be the topic when U. S. Rep. Ed Royce participates in a town hall meeting hosted by Citizens for a Sound Economy from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Brea Community Center, 695 E. Madison Way. "This will be a great opportunity to come and hear from tax experts, as well as offer any coments or questions people may

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Royce said. "One of my goals
this year in Congress is to change
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the current code and relieve the
tax burden on working families.
These meetings are valuable because I hear ideas — ideas which
I want to take back to Washington."

Joining Royce at the free, public event will be Matt Kibbe, executive vice president of CSE, former director of federal budget policy for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and ex-chief of staff for U. S. Rep. Dan Miller.

Perry to head League of Cities committee

Brea Mayor Pro Tem Bev Perry has been named chair of the Community and Economic Development Policy Committee of the National League of Cities for 1999.

The committee is one of seven such panels that develop policy positions on national issues involving municipal governments. Each NLC policy committee has a membership of approximately 200 officials from cities and towns throughout the nation.

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"Bev Perry brings solid experience to this committee, having been vice chair in 1998," said NLC President Clarence Anthony in announcing the choice. "Important local concerns involving fair housing, land use, economic development and workforce mobility are some of the key areas this committee will focus on this year."



Lisa Billings/Brea Progress
Sharon Gall drove to Brea from Rancho Santa Margarita to donate to recent bone-marrow drive for Tyler
Futala.

CAN YOU SAVE TYLER?

Blood drive planned to seek bone marrow match for a Fanning Elementary School pupil with leukemia

By Doug Borkman For the Brea Progress

ost eight-year-old boys care more about baseball than bone marrow. Most second-graders are more interested in touchdowns than triglycerides.

Tyler Futala is not like most children his age, however. Yet, at the same time, he's just like

he's just like every one of them. Approximately 15

mately 15 months ago, Tyler was diagnosed with leukemia, and it hit

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BLOOD DRIVES

What: blood drives to seek bonemarrow match for Tyler Futala, 8 When/Where: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 20, Brea Senior Center, 500 S. Sievers, Brea:

9 a.m.-3 p.m. March 6, Fanning Elementary School, 650 Apricot Ave.,

Appointments: strongly advised
Blood-type match to recipient: not

Info: Charla Hall, (714) 990-2515; City of Hope, (626) 301-8385

the Futala family completely

by surprise.
"When he was first diagnosed, it was traumatic," said Tyler's father, Mark, a manager at a software consulting firm.

"Tyler went from scoring touchdowns on a Saturday to going into respiratory arrest on a Tuesday. That's how sudden it was."

Immediately after the diagnosis, Tyler's mother, Gina, quit her job — ironically, as a nurse — so she could provide roundthe-clock care for her son.

Even with his mother present, sometimes the family brings in a nurse to administer medication and monitor Tyler's electrolyte and potassium levels (cardiac arrest can occur if these fall too low).

Children's Hospital in Orange provides treatments that can't be given at home. Tyler is popular with the nurses — Mark describes them as "wonderful."

> GINA FUTALA Tyler Futala's mother

Insurance pays for 80 percent of Tyler's expenses. Even then, however, sometimes Tyler's family spends up to \$500 per month on prescription medicines.

Tyler, who attends Fanning Elementary School in Brea, likes mathematics and reading Berenstein Bear stories, and

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Promenade plans get new pieces

By Eric Johnson For the Brea Progress

Designs for the final two pieces of Birch Street Promenade were unveiled to the new-look Planning Commission Tuesday, as three new commissioners attended their first meeting.

Both of the proposed lot designs will feature buildings with rounded towers at the front to bring attention to the downtown area. City staff members identified the buildings as cornerstones of the revitalization project.

One of the lots, located on the

One of the lots, located on the corner of Birch Street and Brea Boulevard, will have a large retail space on the first floor and two floors of urban, loft-style apartments. Thirty-two lofts are proposed for the building.

The other lot, one block west of the first lot on Birch Street, faces a plaza that will lead pedestrians from the Gateway shopping center on Brea Boulevard and Imperial Highway. The proposed design for this lot includes retail space on the first floor and office space on the second floor.

New commissioners Don Schweitzer, Ron Garcia and Tom Prenovost were also given an annual review of the city general plan. Staff members outlined general-plan projects for the year ahead, including construction of a sound wall on Imperial Highway in front of the Glenbrook housing development. The project is part of a county-funded improvement program for Imperial Highway.

The construction will raise the height of the wall from five to 12 feet and reduce noise from the road by five decibels, City Engineer Phil Wray said.

The wall is located on private property, but the city will be responsible for repairs and cleanup. The property owners will be responsible for landscaping.

City staff members didn't give a start date for the project.

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MARK FUTALA Tyler Futala's lather

down to a bone-marrow drive held last Sunday at St. Angela Marici Church in Brea to show support for Typer Futals. Futals, an eight-year-old attending Famining Elementary School who was diagnosed with leukemia 15 months ago, needs a bone-marrow transplant to increase his chances of survival.





Lisa Billings-Brea Progress an Wix, a four-year-old girl ring from acute lymphatic mia who was successfully ad for the disease, came





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They conduct these blood drives at communities through out Southern California, and if you donate a unit of blood during this blood drive, they do the testing for the national bonemarrow registry and they waive he lee," Hall said waive he lee, "Hall said waive he lee," Hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," that waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," that waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," that waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," that waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," that waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee," hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he waive he lee," hall said waive he lee, "I hall said waive he waive he lee, "I hall said waive he w adequate match
Blood drives have been organized by family friend Charla
Hall in ecoperation with the
City of Hope in search for potential donors. Little Rebecca waits while her parents donate blood at recent blood drive held at St. Angela Merici Cibruch in Brea to seek a bone marrow match for Tyler Liula. Free ciclhurch in Brea provided to blood-drive participants' offspring by Junior Brownie Troop 1878 of Brea.

Other family members were tested for suitability for bone

Siblings typically provide only a 25-percent chance for an marrow, but none was able to provide the required six-point match necessary for trans-

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ages." Gina and. "Tyler's not a statistic."

Throughout his ordeal, Tyler has kept a positive outlook. He can count on unconditional support from his parents, step-brother, John Heredia, 20, and brother, Mark, Jr., 12.

Tyler also benefits from "prayer chains" known to be strigthing across the country—

Mrs. Rains is his favorite treacher. After he was diagnosed, site set aside three days per week to become his home tutor. When he not occupied at school, he may be involved with hobbies including basketball, golf, bowling and football. Just put a sausage, cheese, pepperonal and mushroom pizza in front of him.

Ryan Hagen and Riley Sheahan, shaved their heads in a gesture of support. wo of his best friends,

Two of his best friends, Ryan Hagen and Riley Sheahan, shaved hier heads in a gesture of support. They always call me," said 'Yeley, 'and I've known them for a really long time. They're just always nice to me." Tyler's other classmates have been supportive as well, sending getwell cards.

Upon hearing his story, the Madic A. With Poundation contacted him and asked him what

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Flint Palmer of Yorba Linda gives at recent bone-marrow blood drive

he would like to do. Being a football fan, Tyler wanted to go to the Pro Bowl game in Ha-

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Tyler had a relapse before leaving for Hawati, but his rip was already scheduled. He was almost unable to make it, but his family made arrangements with a Hawatian bospital so that he could resume chemotherapy here. The family has been very pleased with the care that Tyler has received during his stay in Hawati, which started almost a month ago.

"The wood of the control of the hospital," Mark said. They the hospital," Mark said of They to the hospital, "Mark said of They to the hospital," Mark said of They to the family at good and they would be seen that activities are planned for every night to keep Tyler occupied.

In addition to the Pro Bowl, Tyler got to go to the players "golf tournament held the prior Wechnesday, and was even invited to caddy for a player. Tyler met Steve Young and Jerry Rice, among other profotoball players. Tyler also attended Pro Bowl practice on Thursday, met more players and was presented with a football signed by players representing the National Football Conference.

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