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## Meet Our New Board Members

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- Gloria Pitzer, Chair*
- Jim Gamb, Vice Chair*
- Dave Beringer*
- Guillermina Gutierrez Byrne*
- Robert Carlson*
- R-lene de Lang*
- Raymond Ealy*
- Betty Chin Ho*
- G. Arnold Mulder*
- Peggy Phelps*
- Diane Scott*



## A Tradition of Hospitality & Philanthropy

**R-lene Mijares de Lang** upholds a proud tradition started by her grandmother. "When my grandmother opened Mijares in 1920, the restaurant and her house and garden were indistinguishable. She treated all those who came as honored guests to her home." Today, R-lene continues that tradition of hospitality as General Manager of Mijares, Pasadena's oldest Mexican restaurant.

A graduate of John Muir High School, R-lene began her undergraduate studies at UCLA and completed them at the University of the Americas in Puebla, Mexico. She went on to do graduate work in Education at California State University at San Diego.

Married to Gordon de Lang and mother of 14 year old Derek, R-lene is a gourmet cook who loves family gatherings. She's the one to pick up a guitar and lead the singing. A passionate travel bug, she is also the first to pack her bags and go "anywhere, anytime."

Another family tradition that R-lene perpetuates is that of giving back to the community, R-lene has been actively involved with many non-profit organizations. R-lene is deeply committed to her family, her faith and her community and brings business acumen, philanthropic experience and deep roots in the Pasadena area to the PCF Board.

## Strong Business Skills Enrich Community Involvement



**Raymond Ealy** brings over fifteen years of management and sales experience to his new appointment as a member of the Board of the Pasadena Community Foundation. Before joining Countrywide Home Loans as their Vice President for Competitive Analysis, he worked with several leading California banks.

Altadena Little League and Chair of The Advisory Board of LA's BEST. He is also one of the founding members of the Friends of Cleveland Elementary School.

Raymond obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree in Government from Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida. Shortly after graduation he went to work as a Management Trainee for Toys "R" Us, eventually leaving to enter the banking industry.

Ray brings strong business and financial skills to the Foundation and a commitment to giving back to his community. He has already joined the PCF staff on some site visits to local agencies.

A resident of Altadena, Raymond and his wife Charmayne have always participated in the education and extra curricular activities of their son, Aaron. Raymond is a current Board member of the Central

## PCF Awards \$285,000 in Major Grants\*

- Bishop Gooden Home*
- The Center for Aging Resources*
- Community Health Alliance of Pasadena — CHAP*
- Five Acres*
- Foothill Vocational Opportunities*
- Hillsides*
- Pacific Asia Museum*
- The Sycamores*
- Foothill Unity Center*
- URDC Human Services Corp*

### Grants in Action

Pasadena Community Foundation (PCF) funding has long been focused on capital and equipment projects and needs. Here are a few highlights of projects we helped to fund:



### Ronald McDonald House, Pasadena

On Valentine's Day 2004 Ronald McDonald House in Pasadena opened its doors. The seven bedroom house was furnished with funds from PCF, and the tasteful welcoming décor chosen by Executive Director, Marchelle Elliott.

### Pasadena Public Library

In the spring of 2004, the Pasadena Public Library completed a project to install an elevator. This project provides direct access to the Library's wealth of electronic databases including ten new Internet work stations representing an increase of more than 800 hours per week of Internet access for library patrons!

### Boys & Girls Club, Pasadena

On May 27th the Boys & Girls Club of Pasadena dedicated the Mackenzie/Scott Tech Center, a computer lab funded by PCF. The Boys & Girls Club of Pasadena provides after school academic and enrichment programs to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential.



*Real People  
Real Relationships*



## Message from the Executive Director

I've not gotten this much attention ... well ... ever! Appearing on a huge billboard on the 210 freeway as one of many satisfied customers of Citizens Business Bank is the closest I will ever get to super model status. So, I am enjoying my moment in the sun. It also gives me a chance to talk about the "Real Relationship" we enjoy with Citizens Business Bank.

The Foundation's portfolio, started in 1953 with a \$1 million gift from our founders, Louis and Marion Webb. Today, CBB's Wealth Management Group manages the \$19 million collection of over 80 funds that has grown both through competent money management, prudent overview by our Board, and generous bequests received through the years to support the work of the Foundation.

In this issue we are pleased to announce the most recent grant recipients from the Foundation's local grant-making programs. You will also read about how planned giving, donor advised giving or current giving can enable you to participate in the mission of the Foundation: to improve the lives of people in the greater Pasadena community.

*Jennifer DeVoll*

\*Visit our website for a complete listing of recent grants and information about grant guidelines and application procedures.



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## We Work with Donors to Establish Charitable Funds



### OK Earl Leaves A Legacy

He was a well-recognized community leader noted for building more than 1,000 structures throughout Southern California and for playing a mean game of golf at Annandale Country Club. What many did not know about Orrin K. (OK) Earl was how deeply he was committed to Pasadena which he considered one of the best places in the world to live. To help keep it that way, even after his death, he left an unrestricted bequest to the endowment of the Pasadena Community Foundation where he had served as a Board member for almost 12 years and as its Chair for one term. During his tenure at the Foundation, he helped determine how the Foundation's unrestricted grant money was spent to support non-profits in the community. He also gave generously of his personal resources with Donor Advised Gifts through the Foundation.

Describing himself as a builder, not a contractor, OK Earl was always concerned about the future of the community where he had graduated from high school and raised this family. Upon his death in January of 2004, OK Earl became the 21st member of the Pasadena Community Foundation's Legacy Society. The Society was created through gifts from an extraordinary group of people, both living and deceased, who support the future of the Pasadena Community Foundation through a provision in their will, trust or other estate planning vehicles or through the establishment of an endowed fund.



To become a Legacy Society member, please contact the Pasadena Community Foundation and let us know that you are planning to make a provision for the Foundation in your will, trust or estate planning documents. The amount of the gift is not a consideration and does not have to be disclosed.

### The Legacy Society of the Pasadena Community Foundation

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| <i>Anonymous</i>                | <i>Cornelia L. Eaton</i> | <i>Ralph &amp; Margaret Norrington</i> | <i>Ella C. Price</i>                | <i>Louis &amp; Marion Webb</i> |
| <i>Rebecca R. Anthony</i>       | <i>Orrin K. Earl</i>     | <i>Norman &amp; Sossi Sarafian</i>     | <i>Yes, Virginia Fund Committee</i> |                                |
| <i>Carl &amp; Lynn Cooper</i>   | <i>Virginia Krueger</i>  | <i>Dorothy J. Phillips</i>             | <i>The Thorpe Family</i>            |                                |
| <i>John &amp; Lucille Crumb</i> | <i>Elizabeth Lent</i>    | <i>Sterling and Didi Pile</i>          |                                     |                                |

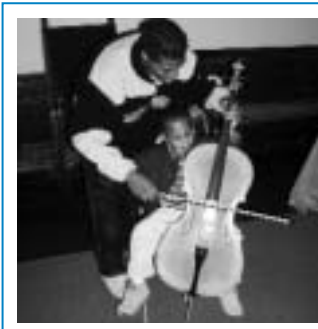
### Villa Esperanza Services



OK Earl believed in endowments as a way to provide stability for non-profit organizations. In 1986, he was a founding donor to the Ann & Ernest Loebbecke endowment fund at Villa where he also served on the Board.

Villa Esperanza Services provides love, care & hope for individuals with disabilities and their families.

### Pasadena Symphony



In memory of his mother, and as a tribute to her love of classical music, OK Earl endowed the conductor's podium of the Pasadena Symphony. Mr. Earl's gifts live on as his charitable legacy to our community.

The Pasadena Symphony's Musical Circus program gives children "hands-on" experiences with musical instruments and lets them attend live musical performances.



### Peggy Phelps Uses Property to Benefit Pasadena

Rather than giving a property to a single charity, the Pasadena Community Foundation can help donors turn a gift of real estate into gifts to many charities over many years. This was the course chosen by Peggy Phelps when she donated her Aspen condominium to PCF. She now has the ongoing pleasure of actively recommending distributions from her fund to those agencies she knows, values and wants to support.

Once an avid skier, Peggy purchased an Aspen Condominium in 1965. In the intervening years, her use of the condo declined while property values skyrocketed. So did Colorado state property taxes. She decided to avoid capital gains taxes and turn the equity in the condo into a significant charitable fund with the Pasadena Community Foundation. The Foundation sold the property and the net proceeds were deposited into Peggy's Donor Advised Fund. In her view, the Foundation offered a simple way to benefit many non-profit agencies over several years. She gains a tax credit for the year

of her donation, but does not have to distribute the proceeds in her account until she is ready.

Peggy is now enjoying active involvement as an advisor to her fund. She is very clear that only organizations she knows well and with whom she has a close connection or deep interest will receive grants. For many local service agencies, that's good news. She also will remain active in advising where her gifts should go. This is just one more way they will benefit from the resourcefulness and generosity of a Pasadena resident who is deeply committed to giving back, PCF Board member, Peggy Phelps.

### Armory Center for the Arts



Peggy Phelps firmly believes in the power of Art to transform lives. She has supported the Armory for many years both financially and as a Board member.

Through teaching, creating and presenting the visual, performing and media arts, the Armory Center for the Arts enriches individual lives and the community as a whole.

### AIDS Service Center



Peggy is also a past Board member of the AIDS Service Center and continues to support their work as advocates for families affected by HIV/AIDS.

AIDS Service Center develops and delivers comprehensive and innovative services for individuals and families impacted by and at risk for HIV/AIDS.



The Pasadena Community Foundation currently manages 64 Donor Advised Funds. When you make a gift of real estate, appreciated stock, or other assets to the Pasadena Community Foundation, we can establish a Donor Advised Fund in your name. You will receive immediate tax benefits in the year your gift is made. You can have ongoing involvement in the use of your gift.