



## Local Heroes Breakfast 2008

At the annual Local Heroes Breakfast, the Foundation awards grants and honors the work of local non-profit organizations. This year, PCF handed out checks totaling over \$800,000.



Below: Margie Martinez accepted a grant award for CHAP; right: Chuck Carroll, Wendy Munger and Joan Fauvre accepted grants for PUSD



2009 Grant guidelines and applications will be available in January on our website: [www.pasadenacf.org](http://www.pasadenacf.org)

## Annual Luncheon

At the annual Advisory Council luncheon, PCF honored Gloria Pitzer for her service to the Foundation and to the community. The members of the Foundation's Legacy Society were also honored.

The Pasadena Delta Foundation is a PCF Legacy Society member.



Far left: Board chair Bob Carlson with Maureen Carlson and Gloria Pitzer; left: Gordon & R-lene de Lang, Lori Samuels, Tom & Jane Glover



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## If You Love Pasadena...

... let us help you express that through a Legacy Gift



Al & Rose Marie Lowe join the Endowment Fellows

## Al & Rose Marie Lowe Leave a Legacy for Pasadena

Over *dim sum* in his new community of Hayward, California, Al Lowe shared some of the important milestones in his life. He and his wife Rose Marie of 60 years raised their children in Pasadena, closed their furniture business in 1987 and left Pasadena in 2000 to be close to their four children and eight grandchildren who all live in the Bay area.

Still he and Rose Marie have strong ties and fond memories of Pasadena where they raised their family, ran their business and got involved in the community. Al served on the Pasadena Community Foundation Board for ten years from 1985-1995. His other involvements included volunteering with the Tournament of Roses, serving as president of the Board of Education, Rotary Club of Pasadena and numerous other civic organizations.

This fall Al & Rose Marie became members of the Foundation's Legacy Society and Endowment Fellows through the establishment of the Albert & Rose Marie Lowe Endowment Fund at the Pasadena Community Foundation. The fund will support the grant making programs of the Foundation.

## The Schug-Nordin Fund will Benefit from Retirement Accounts



John Schug and Rick Nordin call Pasadena home

Rick Nordin & John Schug have lived in Pasadena 30 years and 23 years respectively. They share a home, they share a sense of humor and after 23 years together, they share a marriage license. They also share a desire to give back to Pasadena.

An easy way to do that was through the Pasadena Community Foundation. They named the

Schug-Nordin Fund at the Foundation as beneficiary of their IRA and 401K retirement plans. "The foundation serves the whole community and it was so simple. We requested change of beneficiary forms, completed them and sent them back to the organizations holding the retirement accounts. We sent PCF a copy."

In making such a charitable provision to benefit the Foundation, John and Rick have joined the Foundation's Legacy Society.

## Message

from the Executive Director

Jennifer DeVoll



2008 completes our 55th year of service to Pasadena. Our growing number of legacy funds strengthens Pasadena's future as thoughtful individuals create permanent funds that will provide ongoing support. In this issue we share stories of new Legacy Society members and celebrate grant making successes.

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**Youth Initiative** (2008 – 2010)

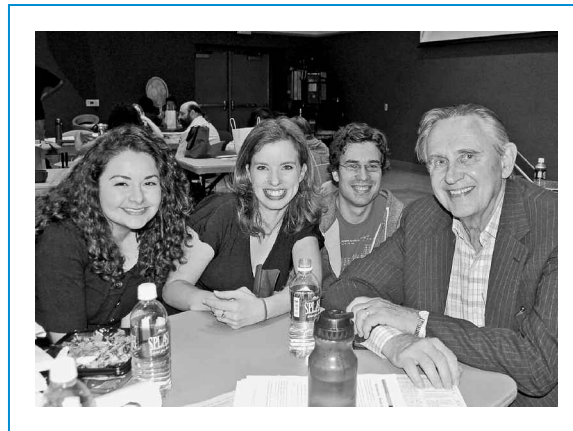
**Helping teens transition to successful adulthood**

As part of a three year Youth Initiative, PCF has committed \$450,000 to help teens. The first grant of \$150,000 was awarded to John Muir High School to support teacher training and on-going coaching to help teachers be more effective in the classroom.

**33-YEAR GRANT FUNDING HISTORY TO PASADENA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

**Total Grants:** \$872,677      **Grants Funded:** 47  
**First Grant:** 1975 – \$2,000 for computers  
**2008 Grant:** \$150,000 Youth Initiative to John Muir High School

The re-invented Muir opened this fall with 42 new teachers of the 77 on staff. 63 of these teachers participated in the three week summer training program sponsored by PCF. The grant will provided for on-going coaching and staff development throughout the year.



Board member Dr. G. Arnold Mulder lunches with some of Muir's new math and science teachers.

Bobby Samuels celebrated his Bar Mitzvah in 2005 and asked his guests to make donations to the Mitzvah ("good deed") Fund at the Pasadena Community Foundation. Since then the fund has been living up to its mission to support good deeds through grants for after school programs in Pasadena. One program that has received Mitzvah funding is the Pasadena Youth Center.



**Mitzvah Endowment Fund**

(established 2005)

**Helping kids after school**

**GRANT FUNDING HISTORY**

**Total Grants:** \$14,348  
**Grant Recipients:** \$6,174 – Pasadena Youth Center  
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 \$2,000 – Neighbors Empowering Youth

**Pasadena Youth Center** (established 2001)

**Helping youth realize their academic, vocational and leadership abilities**



Pasadena Youth Center (PYC) provides programs to youth to learn about careers and the training and skills required to attain them.



**Walter Hoving Home** (opened in Pasadena in 1984)

**Rebuilding Lives Shattered by Drugs & Alcohol**

Walter Hoving Home operates its own school as part of its recovery program for women. They

teach life skills, computer training and offer career assessment for 40 women. PCF provided the funding for 40 new desks for the Home's Learning Center. The residents helped remove the old desks so the new ones could be installed.

**22-YEAR GRANT FUNDING HISTORY**

**Total Grants:** \$210,611  
**Grants Funded:** 19  
**First Grant:** 1986 – \$2,296  
**2008 Grant:** \$10,000 to replace Learning Center Desks



The kids at Altadena Christian Children's Center enjoyed a back-to-school surprise as new tables and chairs funded by a grant from PCF were delivered. These will replace 15-year-old plastic chairs and well-used tables.

**Altadena Christian Children's Center**

(established 1982)

**Making quality child care accessible to families from a wide range of socio-economic backgrounds**

**17-YEAR GRANT FUNDING HISTORY**

**Total Grants:** \$170,202      **Grants Funded:** 16  
**First Grant:** 1991 – \$6,000 for construction materials & furnishings for enlarged facility  
**2008 Grant:** \$7,780 for chairs & tables for preschool

*By Oscar Farfan, 13 years old*

*I am writing about Mustangs because of my step-dad. He showed me the 1998 Mustang, which is now my favorite car. When I grow up I want to become a mechanic, so when my car does not work, I'll just fix it. My dad and I want to open a garage together.*

*I feel good about becoming a mechanic. I feel happy when I think about my future and I think I am going to do well. Sometimes I feel that I am going to be shy and I think I am going to back down. But that is what I want to be when I grow up. It makes me feel nervous to think about when the customers will come in, but I will try my best.*

*I will need mechanic's training for 1 to 2 years, and when I finish, I could be earning about \$45,000 a year. So this is why I am writing this for you. If you want to be a mechanic, you could possibly make a lot of money and have a good job. You do not have to be worried about your bills for next year, pay your car insurance and still have money to spend.*

*Another thing that I want to do is to paint cars, because a lot of people will come and ask for that. We will say "yes", and we can grow the business, make more money and buy more parts that we need for the shop.*

**4-YEAR GRANT FUNDING HISTORY**

**Total Grants:** \$23,866  
**Grants Funded:** 3  
**First Grant:** 2005 – \$8,000 for 6 Mac computers  
**2007 Grant:** \$7,924 for 6 computers & computer locks