

Long Beach Golf Festival

WHO: Assistance League Golf Tournament
WHAT: Long Beach Golf Festival, an annual series of golf tournaments presented by the City of Long Beach and American Golf Corporation.
WHEN: July 23, 2008
WHERE: El Dorado Golf Course on Studebaker Road
WHY: Long Beach Open Charity Open Pro/Am

Nanci Gee, president of Assistance League® of Long Beach, was presented with a check for \$5,000 for its philanthropic programs from the Long Beach Open Charity Pro/Am. As "hands-on" volunteers, Assistance League members contribute over 54,000 hours of service each year to philanthropic programs that touch the lives of more than 17,000 Long Beach area children and adults. The philanthropic programs include Operation School Bell®, which provides school clothing to children in need. Since 1974, Operation School Bell has clothed nearly 40,000 of the most disadvantaged children in the Long Beach Unified School District, and the Orthodontic Center provides high quality, affordable care to underprivileged Long Beach children with severe orthodontic problems, in addition to many other valuable programs.

The generous contribution came from entry fees for the Long Beach Open Charity Pro/Am that was held on July 23, 2008. This was part of the overall Long Beach Golf Festival, an annual series of golf tournaments presented by the City of Long Beach and American Golf Corporation.

Assistance League Golf Tournament event chair, Melanie Dietz led her committee of 21 volunteers who helped support the tournament on Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday. Volunteers checked in players, tallied golf scores at the Pro/Am event on Wednesday, and served as scorers during the weekend play.

Seen at the scene: Mary Ann Anderson, Kathy Burke, Melanie Dietz, Nanci Gee, Annette Groen, Leslie Herbst, Sheila Hernandez, Marcha & Allen Katz, Barbara Kedwards, Donna McGuire, Bette McKinney, Judy Muehlebach, Beverly Pandora, Ellie & Ralph Nantais, Suzanne Powell, May Pinkman, Pat Reep, Cathryn & Douglas Smythe, Ellie Schaffner, Joan Smock, Mary Yasuda, And Pauline Strong.

FYI: Assistance League of Long Beach was chartered in 1940 and is the largest chapter of National Assistance League®. Its programs include Operation School Bell /Middle School, Orthodontic Center, Scholarships, ALa Carte, The Kids on the Block™, Howard Collection, and Assault Survivor Kits®. The organization currently clothes more than 6,000 needy children in the Long Beach Unified School District each year. Assistance League of Long Beach is a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to create a community of volunteers to identify and deliver philanthropic services. For more information about Assistance League of Long Beach, please go to www.allb.org.