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Assistance League of Long Beach President, **Pat Reep**, was presented with a check for \$5,000 for its philanthropic programs from the Long Beach Open Charity Pro/Am on Sunday, July 29, 2009, at the El Dorado Golf Course. Assistance League of Long Beach members volunteer more than 54,000 hours of service each year to philanthropic programs that touch the lives of more than 17,000 Long Beach children and adults. The philanthropic programs include Operation School Bell, which provides school clothing to children in need. Since 1994, Operation School Bell has clothed more than 40,000 of the most disadvantaged children in the Long Beach Unified School District, and the Orthodontic Program provides high-quality, affordable care to underprivileged Long Beach children with severe orthodontic problems in addition to six other programs.

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

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

For more information about Assistance League of Long Beach, please go to [www.allb.org](http://www.allb.org).

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**Mission Statement:** Assistance League of Long Beach is a nonprofit corporation whose purpose is to create a community of volunteers to identify and deliver philanthropic services.