HOSPICE VOLUNTEER WINS REGIONAL AWARD

Jeanne Gormick, director of volunteers for Tustin-based OC Hospice, won the annual Kathy Shreves Hospice Volunteer Administrator Award.

Gormick received the award Oct. 16 during a Yucaipa retreat for the Hospice Volunteers Manager Association of Southern California.

The award was introduced in 2008 in memory of Kathy Shreves, a founding association member who lost a battle with cancer. The association developed the award to honor a professional who exemplifies the highest principles in the field of hospice volunteer administration.

As the honoree, Gormick received a plaque and a check for her OC Hospice volunteer department.

LOCAL MAN HELPS RENOVATE HOME

Michael Meyer – a Tustin resident and board member with Miracles for Kids – joined more than 200 volunteers, city officials, local construction companies and members of Institute of Real Estate Management to help renovate Miracle Manor.

The nonprofit Miracles for Kids is building Miracle Manor to provide a home for 12 families with children facing life-threatening illnesses who are receiving treatment at neighboring Children’s Hospital of Orange County.

The volunteers gathered Oct. 17 at Miracle Manor for a ceremonial tree planting to kick off a community garden. They also painted murals, installed closets, built IKEA furniture, framed family pictures and added other special touches.

Thanks to volunteers and supporters, renovations valued at more than $1 million are being completed at a significantly reduced cost to the organization.

MAYOR HONORS TUSTIN BUSINESSES

Mayor Chuck Puckett honored Tustin companies during the second annual Mayor’s Business Recognition Luncheon, held Oct. 15 at the Tustin Community Center in The Market Place. Here’s a list of honorees:

- **2015 Outstanding Businesses:** Draper’s & Damon’s, Big 5 Sporting Goods, Cream Pan Bakery, Kitajima Sushi & Thai, Mr. Sweeps Vacuums & More and DCH Tustin Acura
- **2015 Outstanding Community Partners:** Toshiba, Tustin Market Place, Smart & Final, Grandma’s House of Hope, Tustin Hearing Center, HealthCare Partners and Seven Gables Real Estate
- **2015 Top Employer:** New American Funding
- **Tustin Chamber of Commerce 2015 Businesses of the Year:** Pinot’s Palette, Black Parrot Sign Studio, Rasoi Curry Point, CuSELleration Marketing & Creative Services and Orange County Rescue Mission
- **2015 Mayor’s Faves:** El Camino Cafe, Kolache Factory and Bronx Sandwich Co.
- **Congratulations on 59 years:** Schick Moving & Storage
- **Congratulations on 57 years:** Weber Plywood & Lumber Co., Inc.
- **Chamber member since 1985:** Kelley Escrow
- **Chamber member since 1975:** Tustin Boys & Girls Club

MIRACLE MANOR volunteers, from left: Dr. Moni Mosharaf, Orange Councilman Mark Murphy, Orange Mayor Teresa “Tita” Smith, Harry Ashmore, Michael Meyer, Miracles for Kids CEO Autumn Strier, Peter Quill, Windell Mollenido, David Heil and Jordy Spiegel.