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### **NEW FACES AND JOBS FOR TUSTIN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Former Tustin Mayor **Lou Bone** has joined the ranks of the directors of the Tustin Community Foundation. Joining him are new members **Kay Kearney** and **Steve Nelson**; all three were installed Jan. 29.

Newly-elected officers for 2009 are **Paul Irby, Esq.**, president; **former Tustin Mayor Chuck Puckett**, president-elect; Tustin Community Bank President **Gene Micco**, chief financial officer; **Jill Leach**, secretary; Senior Vice President of Doctor's Ambulance **Kay Kearney**, vice president of grant distribution; Office Max District Manager, **Archie Dove**, co-vice president of resource development; and **Kim Leason**, co-vice president of resource development.

Other Directors include **Richard Bray**, superintendent, Tustin Unified School District; **Elizabeth Cobb**, vice president, Legacy Park Partners; **Scott Jordan**, Tustin Chief of Police; **Maria Lazaruk**, Community Recycle Manager, CR&R Inc.; **Carol Novy Merritt**, community leader; and **Amy Ronce**, school and community leader.

New for 2009 is the formation of a new Community Advisory Council whose members include **Jyothsna Buddharaju, Vern Glaser, Peter Holzer, Linburgh McPherson, Elissa Salter** and **Christine Uribe**. "We are very excited about the caliber of our Board and Advisory Council members," said Erin Nielsen, foundation executive director. "They each bring something unique and important to the board, helping us to achieve a clear vision for the foundation's future."

The Tustin Community Foundation was established by community leaders in 1991 with a mission to foster programs and initiatives that enhance the quality of life for people living and working in the greater Tustin area. Funds raised are used to provide grants to local not-for-profit organizations. In 2008, foundation members awarded over \$40,000 to more than 20 non-profit organizations serving the residents of greater Tustin including the Council on Aging, Special Olympics Tustin, Tustin Area Council for Fine Arts, Tustin Public Schools Foundation, Assistance League of Tustin, American Legion Post No. 227, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Orange County, the Blind Children's Learning Center, Tustin Aquatics and Families Forward. For a complete list of recipients and events, visit [www.tustincommunityfoundation.org](http://www.tustincommunityfoundation.org).