

## Planned Parenthood establishes fund to honor Lou Terrell

In honor of former Del Mar Mayor Lou Terrell, Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest has established a fund in his name to ensure reproductive rights and access to care. Terrell served in several key leadership positions, including chair of the Board of Directors at Planned Parenthood for more than three decades. A tireless advocate of social justice, Terrell was fatally struck by a train last week while walking his dog in Del Mar.

Longtime friend Mary Ann Emerson says Terrell would be proud to know that the Lou Terrell Fund has been created to contribute to the cause he believed in so dearly.

"Lou was one of the most compassionate people I've ever known," says Emerson. "He understood how important Planned Parenthood was to women, and he worked so they could receive the care they deserved."

Another close friend and Del Mar resident, Rosanne Holliday, says Terrell understood issues of reproductive rights in a deep and meaningful way because he was a feminist at heart. "Being an activist for Planned Parenthood was natural for him," says Holliday, smiling as she remem-



**Lou Terrell (second from left) flanked by his good friends and fellow Del Mar residents Rosanne Holliday and Molly and Arthur Wagner.**

bers her friend.

Terrell loved sharing with friends that he was literally born to work with Planned Parenthood because the obstetrician who delivered him was president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Alan Guttmacher. The Guttmacher Institute is one of the world's most respected sources for research, policy analysis and education in the fields of reproductive health. Terrell was fond of saying that he's been with Planned Parenthood since the day he was born.

Terrell was active in numerous progressive causes, as well as being an active member of the Del Mar community, where he once served as mayor.

"Whether advocating for access to reproductive health care, or equal rights — in our local Del Mar community or the greater San Diego community at large — Lou was the consummate community leader," says Planned Parenthood board alumna Linda Katz. Holliday agrees wholeheartedly.

"Lou was responsible for creating the Summer Twilight Concert Series in Del Mar, which is absolutely magical," she says.

Terrell's friends say he was a devoted father, husband and friend. "Everyone in my family loved him whether they were 5 years old or my age; Lou could connect with anyone," says Emerson. "He will be so missed."

Gifts to The Lou Terrell Fund can be sent to: The Lou Terrell Fund, Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest, 1075 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego, CA 92108.