

# Community Giving Through the Generations

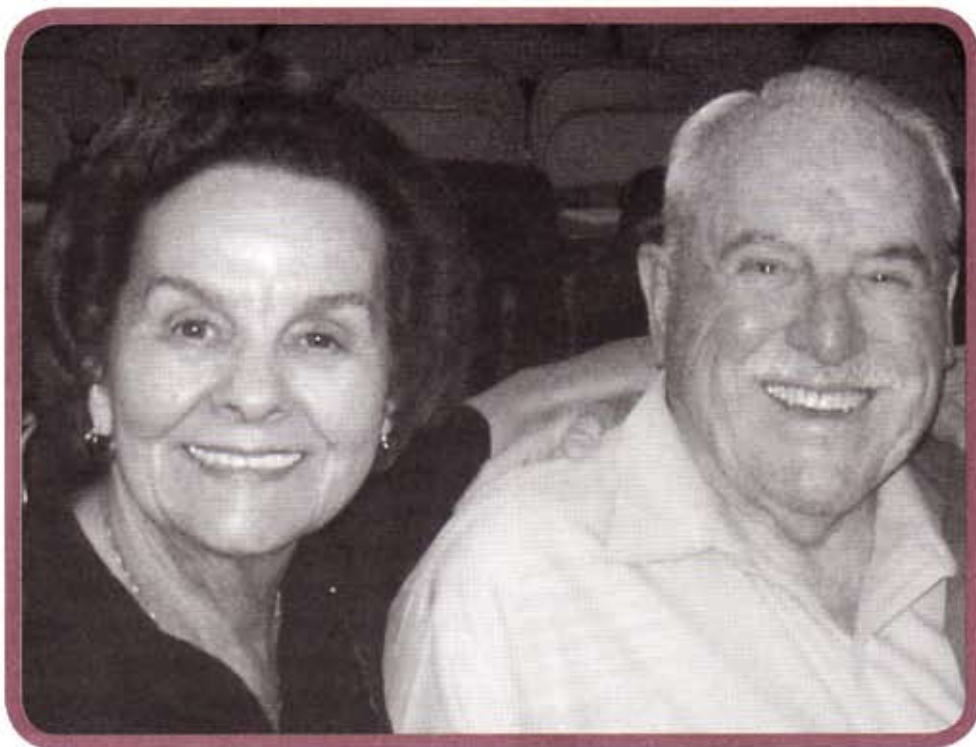
One of John Morrison's fondest family memories has to do with his great grandfather, Henry Guthrie Morrison, who served as fire chief of Sacramento from 1880 to 1910.

"When the big earthquake hit San Francisco in 1906, my great grandfather dropped everything and went to San Francisco. The journey wasn't so easy in those days," says John. "For weeks, he worked day and night to help get the city back on its feet. He was a very generous man always helping people in the community."

Henry Guthrie's legacy lives on five generations later. In 1948, Gayle Morrison and his wife Mitzi (Henry's granddaughter) started the Sunset Moulding Company in Yuba City. The successful company has grown into a family business now run by the couple's sons, John and Ric, whose children are also involved in the business.

From its inception, the company has contributed to numerous local charities, schools and organizations. Sutter North Medical Foundation, Fremont-Rideout Hospital and Yuba County High Schools are just a few of the organizations to benefit from the family's generosity.

"Since we were young children, our parents have always driven home that where we live is important and that we have a duty to give back to the community," recalls John. "Our parents led by example and donated their time and money wherever they saw a



Mitzi & Gayle Morrison passed down the family value of giving back to the community whenever there is a need.

need. It's a family value that has been passed down through the generations and one my siblings and I have instilled in our own children."

Ardent supporters of health-related causes and organizations, the Morrisons' contributions to Sutter North Medical Foundation have benefited Sutter North, the community and the Morrison family.

"Julie Eckardt came to see me a few years ago and told me all about the wonderful work the Foundation does to improve the health of our community. Her presentation really impressed me

and so did the people I met at the Foundation," says John. "I like the idea that all the money we donate to the Foundation stays in our community. Plus our family and employees directly benefit from our involvement since we also use the health care services at Sutter North."

According to Julie Eckardt, Fund Development Director, Sutter North Medical Foundation, "The Morrison family is a leader in community philanthropy and Sutter North is honored that they invest their resources in not-for-profit health care."