

# SPEAKING OUT



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Patrick McGlynn, left, of Monarch Dunes Realty presents a symbolic check for \$5,000 from The Gilbert golf tournament to Bridget Ready, co-founder of Jack's Helping Hand.

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Most recently, Oneschuck worked in the Supported Employment Program at Transitions - Mental Health Association in San Luis Obispo.

At Transitions, she designed curriculum and oversaw the instruction of clients learning the computer skills necessary to obtain competitive employment.

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### Golf tourney benefits Jack Ready Park

An annual golf tournament in August raised \$5,000 for the nonprofit Jack's Helping Hand to help build Jack Ready Imagination Park on the Nipomo Mesa, a tournament spokesman said.

The event began in 2010 as a grass-roots community effort to support Josh and Jennie Gilbert, at that time residents of Nipomo, after their 1-year-old son, Jake, was diagnosed with a rare form of brain cancer.

Organized by Patrick McGlynn of Monarch Dunes Realty, the second event Aug. 6 drew more than 100 people to Monarch Dunes in Nipomo and raised just over \$13,500.

"As a tribute to Jake Gilbert, we are contributing \$5,000 to Jack's Helping Hand and look forward to seeing Jake playing and enjoying the Jack Ready Imagination Park," McGlynn said.

Jack's Helping Hand was founded by Paul and Bridget Ready of San Luis Obispo in

memory of their 3-year-old son Jack, who died in November 2004 after battling a rare form of brain cancer.

The organization is currently building the Jack Ready Imagination Park on 33 acres overlooking the Oceano Dunes.

Geared toward children with special needs, but open to children without disabilities, the park will feature themed play structures, a sand play area, soccer and baseball fields, basketball courts and a therapeutic riding center.

Completion is projected for the end of 2012.

For more information, call 547-1914 or visit [www.jacks-helpinghand.org](http://www.jacks-helpinghand.org).

### Santa Maria Pacific donates to CASA

Santa Maria Pacific recently made a \$5,000 donation to CASA, Voices for Children, of San Luis Obispo County to help the nonprofit organization continue to represent abused and neglected children in the legal system.

Court Appointed Special Advocates recruits, trains and supervises volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children in court cases and social service issues.

For many of the children, a CASA volunteer is the most consistent adult in their lives, an organization spokesman said.

Santa Maria Pacific LLC is an independent energy company committed to responsible exploration and development of natural resources in Santa Barbara County, said Bob Poole, public and governmental affairs manager.