

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Real Giver

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Thursday, July 12, 2007 | Last month, close to 500 of San Diego's most generous citizens gathered at The Museum of Man in Balboa Park. The occasion?

A birthday party. Why is that newsworthy? It wasn't just anyone's birthday. It was the 40th anniversary of our vibrant, principled and effective philanthropic institution: the San Diego Jewish Community Foundation.

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At a time when most of our attention is drawn to those nonprofit organizations who miss the mark, wouldn't it be educational, hopeful and heartwarming to profile one that exceeds it?

And, they are right here in our own front yard.

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