

## Charlotte Brady named Historical Society's April Honoree

Awards ceremony  
scheduled for  
Wednesday  
morning in  
Clubhouse 6

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You might call Charlotte Brady the volunteer's volunteer which is why the Historical Society has singled her out as its Community Service Award honoree for April.

The Award Ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 4, in the Clubhouse 6 Main Lounge.

Opera 100 President Betty Hohweisner explains that Brady can "always be counted on to do all kinds of things: a 'Jane of all trades'."

Joan Nugent, wife of United Board Director Burns Nugent and club member of many of the same groups Brady is a member of, says Brady never stops giving back to the community.

"She's on the board of the Philharmonic Committee, delivers meals on wheels, arranges travel excursions to Sherman Gardens, coordinates bus trips for the Music Lovers to the Los Angeles Philharmonic, formally planned Ebell trips to places like China and Portugal and even belongs to a group that pledges to do good deeds, every day."

"And she's also a lot of fun, absolutely super charming, faithful to any thing she does - - to know her is to love her."

Nugent said, though, in spite of all that, Brady was a reluctant honoree having to be persuaded to get her due.

### BACKGROUND

Brady is a native of Los Angeles and earned her bache-



MARILYN YOUNG, LAGUNA WOODS GLOBE

**HONOREE OF MONTH:** Charlotte Brady (above in her home) is the Historical Society's community service honoree for April. She was selected for her outstanding volunteer work.

lor's degree at the University of California, Berkeley, though she also did post graduate work at the University of Paris in the late 1950s, "the perfect time" to be there, she recalls.

Her varied career focused on newspapers, insurance, but mainly teaching, kindergarten to high school (science, biology, chemistry and English), in the United States and abroad. Once she remembers with a smile she was named "Teacher of the Year."

She lived in, taught and visited various foreign countries; among them France, parts of

call throughout the Mediterranean, Germany and China and absorbed the various cultures, clothes, foods, architecture, arts, learning and people from glamorous ex-patriot Russian aristocracy to rogue artists such as Picasso.

Although Brady loved the adventures then and in memory now, she said she eventually came back home because she is an American and didn't want to live forever an exile in a foreign land.

She brought with her a well schooled love of classical music and opera, the ballet and

the fine arts. That's why, after she retired to Laguna Woods Village in 1989, all have continued to take up a large part of her time in the Art Association, Philharmonic Committee, Ebell, Opera 100 and Music Lovers.

A desire to serve attracted her to membership as well in the Women's Overseas Service League, the Red Cross, Laubach literacy program, Stephens Ministry, Daughters of the King, Veterans Service groups, American Association of University Women, the Women's Overseas Service League, the College Club, various book clubs, Ebell Club, Masonic Auxiliary, Film Club, Republican Club, the Historical Society, Meals on Wheels and Sherman Gardens.

When asked which of her many accomplishments she finds the most important and personally satisfying, she says it is "having the time and health to volunteer."