

# City of Grover Beach Parks and Recreation Department



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## **HAROLD HATLEY MEMORIAL BENCH TRUST FUND CREATED IN GROVER BEACH**

**GROVER BEACH, CA** – March 29, 2006 – The City of Grover Beach has created a trust fund to accept donations for a park bench and plaque in honor of Harold Hatley at Grover Heights Park, located at Atlantic City Avenue and North 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

Harold Hatley was a long time Grover Beach resident since 1952. He visited Grover Heights Park during his daily walks through the neighborhood. He was highly regarded in the community and a friend to many.

On Wednesday, March 15, a gunman entered the Denny's restaurant in Pismo Beach, opened fire, and started randomly shooting at customers. While Harold Hatley attempted to wrestle the gunman to the floor, he was fatally shot in the process, giving his life so that others may live. He may have prevented the bloodiest shooting in the South County community's history from being even worse.

Donations will assist with the costs of the bench, freight, tax and a special bronze commemorative plaque which will be permanently attached.

Please make checks payable to the City of Grover Beach and mail or drop off at 154 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Grover Beach, California, 93433. Please address the envelope to the Parks and Recreation Department, Attention: Harold Hatley Memorial Bench.

For more information, please call the Grover Beach Parks and Recreation Department, (805) 473-4580, or stop by 154 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Grover Beach, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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