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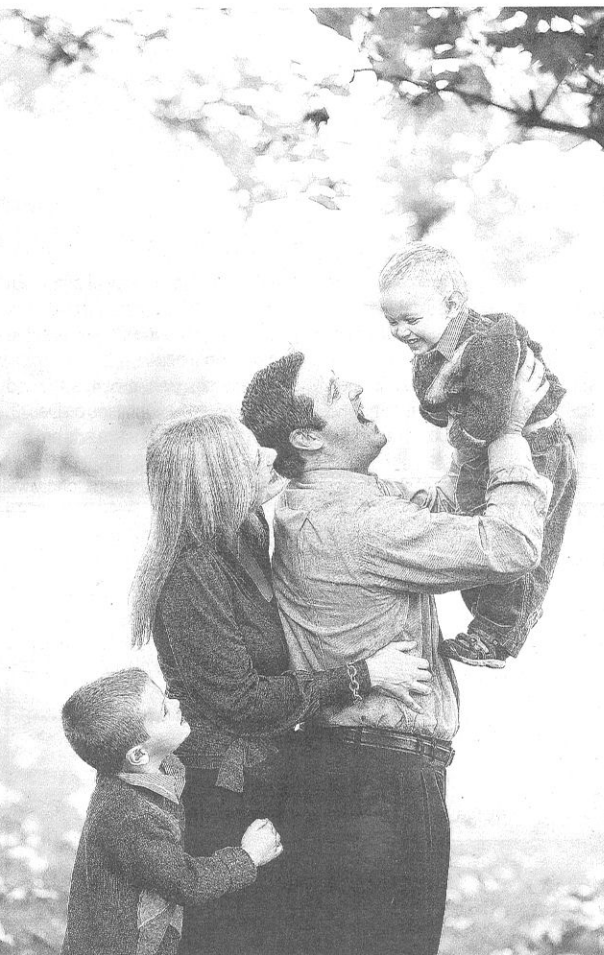
With a passion reflecting personal experience, a goal to unite families and a heart to seek a cure, Friends For Fragile X is hosting its first annual "Red, White and Blue Labor Day Party" Sunday, September 4, 2011, 6:30 to 11 p.m. at the Coto Valley Country Club in Coto De Caza. The fundraising event will feature live music from the band Vegas U2 along with American BBQ faire and expects to draw more than 400 local residents and guests.

Proceeds from the evening will benefit Friends For Fragile X, a local non-profit organization committed to raising awareness and funding to support scientific research in finding a cure for Fragile X Syndrome (FXS). Tickets for the "Red, White and Blue Labor Day Party" can be purchased at <http://www.friendsforfragilex.org/rwb2011.php>.

FXS is the most common inherited cause of mental retardation and autism affecting one in 3,600 children. The term "Fragile X Syndrome" is based from observations under a microscope with a portion of the X chromosome from an individual with FXS appearing "broken" or "fragile."

"Raising a child with an intellectual disability is a life-long journey and one of both joy and sorrow," said David Justus, co-founder of Friends For Fragile X with his wife Joy, Coto De Caza residents.

In April 2010, the Justus' son, Tyler, was diagnosed with the full-mutation of FXS at 17 months of age after a frustrating year of misdiagnosis and treatments for other conditions. The experience of taking care of their son inspired them to establish Friends For



Fragile X.

"Friends For Fragile X was founded to bring supporters, families and friends together to face the challenges of the disorder," said Joy Justus. "We wish to share Tyler's story as a conduit to raise money to help find a cure for FXS and also assist other families with FXS children that are

in need."

For more information on Friends For Fragile X or to make a reservation for the Labor Day Party, visit www.friendsforfragilex.org. Friends For Fragile X is a 501(c) (3) non-profit California corporation and donations are tax deductible.

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*"If you want to visit Paris,
the best time to go is during August,
when there aren't any French people there"*
Kenneth Stilling

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