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Tireless senior celebrated



El Dorado Hills resident Hal Erpenbeck was recognized by the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors and recently honored with a proclamation for his "dedicated service to the citizens of El Dorado County and El Dorado Hills."

Erpenbeck and his wife Barbara moved to El Dorado Hills from the Bay Area in 2002. Since then, "(Erpenbeck) has provided key leadership to numerous civic organization and has been instrumental in bettering his community and the county," the proclamation reads in part. Highlights include cofounding the Clarksville Region Historical Society in 2006, helping establish the El Dorado Hills Community Services District Foundation, helping launch a local history research program at Oak Ridge High School, serving on the Commission on Aging since 2009, volunteering at the El Dorado Hills Library and

Hal Erpenbeck

serving one term on the El Dorado Hills Grand Jury.

"I'm grateful to have received a proclamation," Erpenbeck, 76, told Village Life. "But I'm humbled and a little embarrassed too. There are a lot of people who have done a lot, who have done more than I have."

Of all his county work, the U.S. Army artillery veteran and father of two sons said his proudest accomplishment was seeing the Senior Day Care Center open in El Dorado Hills.

"I am passionate about seniors and senior issues, but not as passionate as Hal," District 1 Supervisor Ron Mikulaco said. "He has been supportive and a squeaky wheel. He has done a lot for the community, not just for seniors, but on his own time and on his own dime to make the community a better place. Hopefully we get more Hal Erpenbecks in our community."