

# LAGUNA BEACH COASTLINE PILOT

## **The Big Tuba**

Gene Pokorny, principal tuba player for the Chicago Symphony, will be the featured guest musician at the Laguna Concert Band's performance on Feb. 19 at the Laguna Playhouse, according to a news release.

The concert at 3 p.m. is being billed "America the Tubaful."

Tickets to the show cost \$10 and can be purchased by calling (949) 497-ARTS (2787).

The Laguna Beach Community Foundation has also awarded the Laguna Concert Band a \$2,000 grant, which will go toward the all-volunteer band's programs and operations, the release said.

The band is a 65-member concert band, including two 18-piece big bands and smaller ensembles, which play during the year in the Laguna Beach area.

The grant was one of 27 grants awarded to local nonprofits on Dec. 1 at the home LBCF Trustee Don Clurman, according to the release.

"Laguna Beach is world renown for art," band President Matt Wood said in a prepared statement. "Our goal is to raise the musical arts to the high standards which the visual and performing arts have achieved...."

*—Imran Vittachi*