



Into the blue

Real-estate entrepreneur's love for the ocean helps reduce the stresses of daily life.

During the week, Barry Saywitz, president of the Saywitz Co., is busy completing office-lease negotiations on behalf of his clients. If he's not at work, he's most likely on his yacht at Newport Beach Harbor enjoying the ocean, wind and sun. Even as a child, he enjoyed being in or on the water, whether it

was renting speed boats, snorkeling, deep sea fishing or water skiing.

Today he bonds with his son while appreciating the wild life in the water. Over the years, they've seen sharks, giant sunfish, a migration of more than 1,000 dolphins and a 60-foot whale up close.

Saywitz is also an active philanthropist promoting awareness and raising funds for autism research and programs. As a parent of an 8-year-old son who was diagnosed with autism at age 2, he created the fundraising event called An Evening for Autism, which he holds at his home.