

## VU TIEN KINH

<http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-baby-lift25-2010mar25,0,6250038.story>

Martha Groves.

Vu Tien Kinh was a three month old orphan who was airlifted with 218 children from Saigon during the last days of the war. He was malnourished and dehydrated and landed at UCLA medical Center where he was treated by Barry Halpern, a UCLA resident.

Vu was adopted by a family in PA and earned a Bachelor's degree in Music Education at Westminster College in PA and a Master's in conducting at Penn State. This year, he will began a doctoral program in music education and conducting at the University of Minnesota.

While searching for his roots, he came across copies of his old UCLA records. Dr. Halpern had moved to MA where he presently practiced at Northridge Medical Center. The two arranged for a reunion in front of UCLA Medical Center.

