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PINELLAS A St. Petersburg couple may have finished 1991 uneventfully, but they'll begin 1992 as the nation's 656th "point of light," the White House has announced. Today, President Bush will recognize Susan and Terry Brimmer as a Daily Point of Light for their efforts as volunteers for Straight Inc., a St. Petersburg-based adolescent drug and alcohol program. The Brimmers became involved with Straight in 1987 when their son became a client of the program. When their son graduated from Straight, the Brimmers continued to volunteer. "Two of our boys are alive and well today because of Straight," Mrs. Brimmer said, referring to her son and another young man the Brimmers met through Straight. They consider him a family member. The Brimmers work in Straight's parent intake program, where they help parents enroll their children and help parents adjust to the shock of having a child with a drug dependency. They share their experiences with other parents during "parent weekends," usually four a year.

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