

Volunteering for Vietnam vets



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Volunteers from the Plasterers and Cement Masons Local 300 Area 337 Union spread cement Monday at the Monterey County Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Salinas. The workers volunteered their time to work on the memorial. At center is Paul Puyod. Union spokesman Jose Mendez said material and labor were donated by Paul T. Beck, Misekell & Brock, J.M. Electric, Pajaro Valley Electrical, A.D.M. Electric and Jefferies Concrete. Concrete was donated by Creekbridge, grading by Don Chapin, electrical work by I.B.E.W. and irrigation by the Plumbers and Steamfitters.

look for ways to alter it and thus lower levels of acrylamide in food. Cincinnati-based manufacturer Procter & Gamble Co. says its scientists, too, have found the asparagine connection.

It is the first clue to emerge in

imals, but it has not been proved to do so in people. Still, Swedish scientists have said the levels are high enough that foodborne acrylamide might be responsible for several hundred cases of cancer in that country each year.