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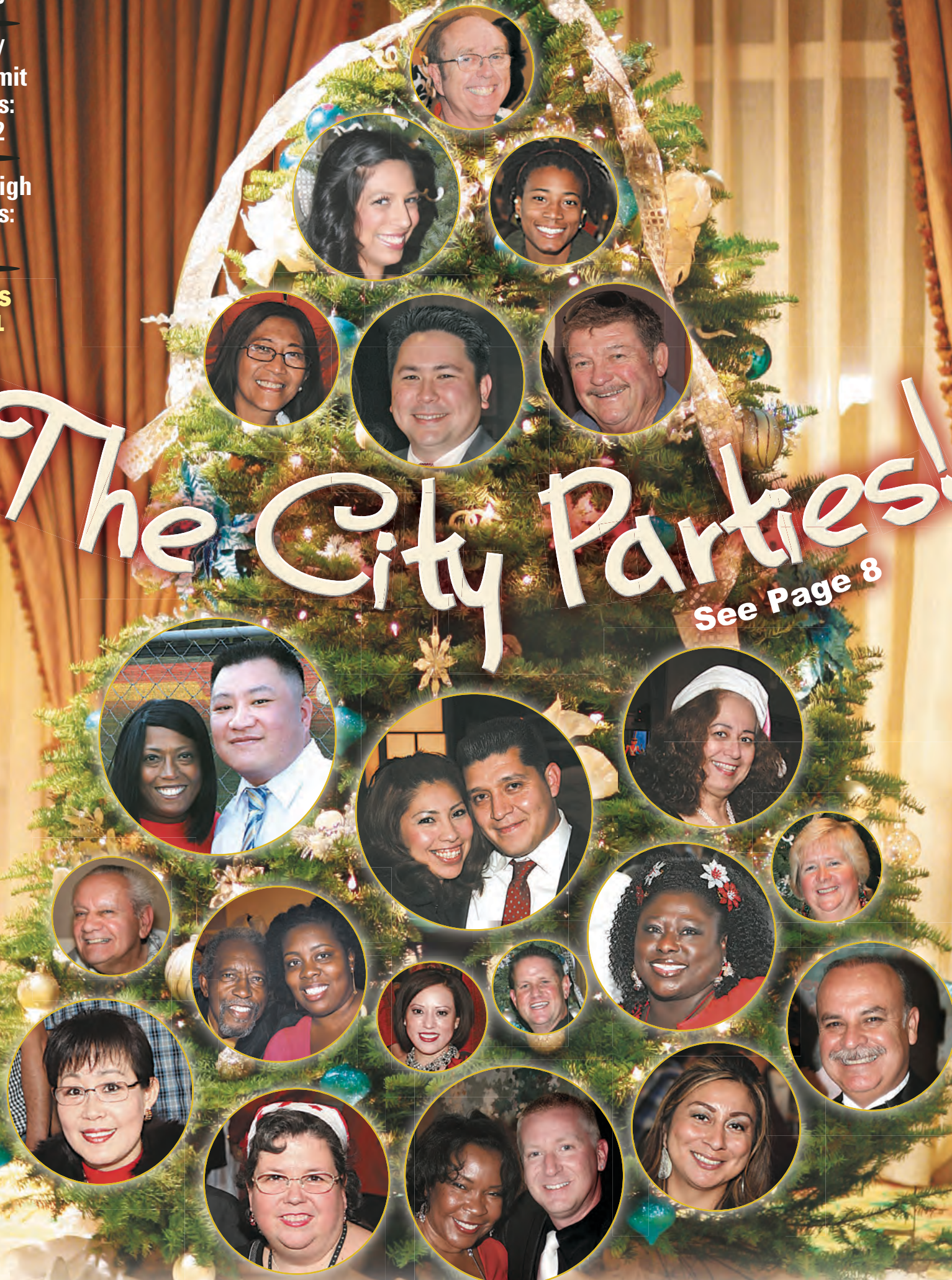


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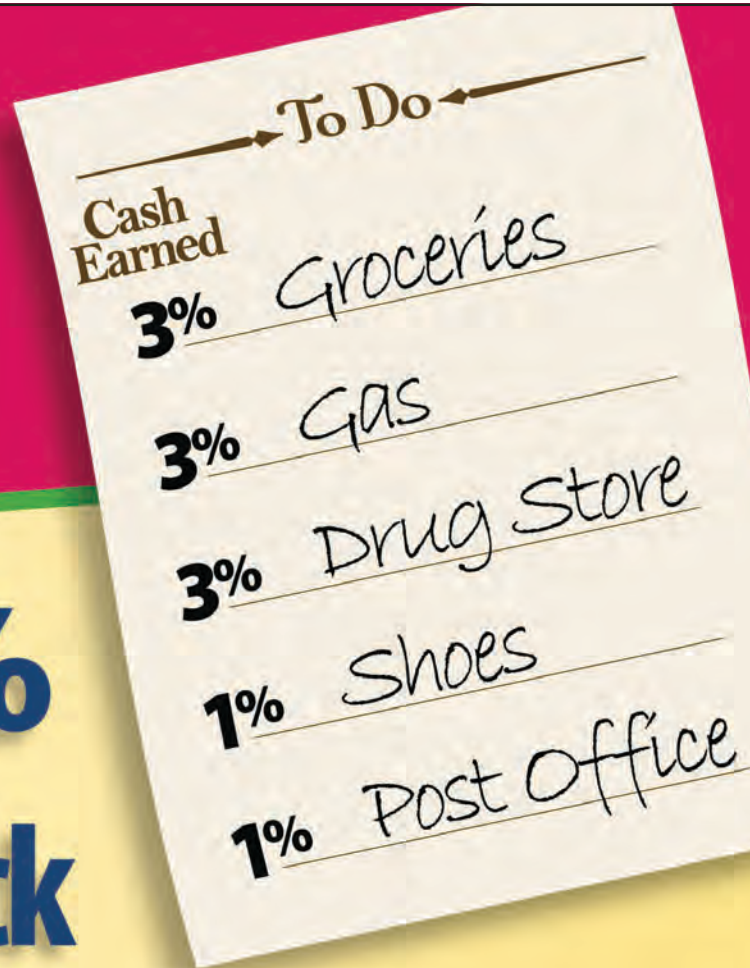
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A Message From the CEO

Keeping LA Warm in 2012

by John Hawkins,
President and CEO, The Club

Happy New Year, Club Members! I hope you had an awesome Christmas and holiday season. I sure did.

It might be the New Year as you read this, but as I'm writing this, a week before Christmas, we're putting the final touches on the issue you have in your hands. It's the busiest issue of our year, but it's also, in many ways, the best.

We've been producing "The City Parties" for several years now, and it's always a highlight of our year. We get to see so many of you celebrating your work, your department, and your friends. Sometimes we have two or even three parties to attend in a day, and getting all those photos and photo IDs organized, typed, edited, and in place before we go to print always brings out our best abilities. We love meeting our Club Members! We sincerely hope you enjoy our wrap-up and all the photos of your coworkers.

At the same time, we always look forward. And in this case, it means to 2012, and all the great Club events, promotions, and deals we'll bring you this year.

Of course there's our great discounts to lots of skiing destinations. A few years ago you told us that you wanted tickets discounts to go skiing, enjoying our great Southern California landscape and environment. So we set those up, and they went like gangbusters. So we've brought them back for you this winter. Thanks to Club Ticket Gal **Rachael Brecher** for delivering these deals with great Club discounts.



Join us as we Blanket the City!
From left: Marvin Williams receives a blanket from Club CEO, John Hawkins.

And then there's a project that's near and dear to my heart – Blanket the City. You can read about it on page 39, and you can learn how to help there, too. In a nutshell, here's the idea: we buy a bunch of inexpensive but sturdy blankets, and use them to keep the City's needy street people warm over the winter.

Alive! contains lots of great stories about City Employees, and you're very generous in telling us now much these stories mean to you. (Thanks!) But few stories garner as much feedback as our monthly column as "People We See." That touches us. So we're starting a new annual activity – the simple act of throwing a blanket over a person who's cold. Please help us in the effort; it's only \$7 per blanket. See page 39 for more details. And I want to give a big shoutout to the Club "Blanket Angel" **Angel Gomez**, who is a major part of this effort.

In other news... you've probably had your fill of leftovers by this time, right? Well, here's a bit of leftover news: I want to thank Miki Shaler, who used to be a press relations person for Animal Services. Her passion led to the creation of our regular Pet Club feature, in which we profile some of the animals up for adoption at the City's shelters. Miki moved on to another position with the City, and we've put the column on hold until we can re-establish it. We'll keep you up to date. Good luck, Miki, in your new position.

Another milestone worth mentioning, although she might shy away from the spotlight, but this issue marks the fifth anniversary of graphics pro **Heather Kurlander** working on *Alive!* as part of the excellent team at JJLA Associates. Heather does a great job pulling all of the content together and making it beautiful. Thanks, Heather! Your work is invaluable.

With all of that said, it's time to look forward to a great 2012 at the Club – great events... fantastic deals... and as always, the cheapest tickets in the City. I recommit the Club to you, the City Employees of the great City of Los Angeles. We like to say that you run the City, because you do. Everything we do here at the Club, we do for you.

Peace, prosperity, passion and fun to all of you in 2012!

JOHN

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THE CLUB

Club Toy Drive Collects a Bundle!

The Club's annual Toy Drive collected 151 toys for the needy during the 2011 holiday season.

That's incredible!

The toy bin in the Club Store was so filled that we didn't even have time to take a picture before its contents were out the door to those in need.



This year, the Club Toy Drive was held in conjunction with the LAFD Toy Drive, and the Club thanks them for their management of this great project. Special Club thanks to Eric Robles, Club Member, for his assistance.

We'll see you all next year with the next Club Toy Drive.



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Cecilia Talbot,
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— Ed.

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— Roberto Walsh, July 2011

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— Name withheld

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— Debbie Miller, July 2011

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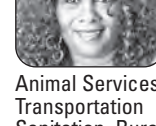
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LETTERS OF THE MONTH



Club Sports Is Becoming a Major Part of Club Experience

Thanks for running a great sports program, we appreciate all your effort!

– **Jordan Price,**
“I’d Hit It” softball team

I think it’s awesome for the City Employees Club to include sports activities for members. The Club has always been supportive, [and supported me] when I organized weight-loss contests and a cycling club for my former department. Please keep the good work!

– **Rene Jones**

The DWP Transformers softball team wishes to extend a huge helping of thanks and gratitude to the Sports Dude, Robert Larios, and all of the staff at the City Employees Club of Los Angeles, for their hard work and dedication in organizing and running the Club sports programs. We certainly appreciate the magnitude of the undertaking, and wish the Club continued success and growth.

Being a part of the softball program for the last several years has proven to be a most enjoyable way to make new friends and connections, not just within DWP, but also with other City Departments. These new bonds can only strengthen our City workforce.

We look forward to the next season!

– **Javier Cuevas,**
“Transformers” softball team

I wanted to send a special thank you to all the staff at the City Employees Club of Los Angeles, and especially to Robert Larios. The past softball season was once again an enjoyable experience. It marked the third season that our team has participated, and everyone on our team looks forward to game nights. This provides City Employees an opportunity to get away from the stresses of work and relive past glories. The times I visited the Club Store or dealt with the employees have always been pleasant.

Thank you for all your assistance over the years, and please keep up the good work and continue the sports programs.

– **Raul Montenegro**

To these great Club athletes who wrote in, and to all the others who mentioned to us how much you like our program and last month’s feature story, we say thank you! The Club Sports Program is has been a great success because of all of you, and future growth depends a lot on the wishes of Club Members. We’re all about celebrating your lives, and we’re happy exactly as we hoped it would.

– **Robert Larios,**
the Club’s Sports Dude

David Sees a Great Newspaper Wrapped Around Candy Deal

Congratulations to you and your staff for putting out great newspaper issues each month. Yesterday, I stopped by the Club and picked up 10 certificates for the specially priced See’s candy!

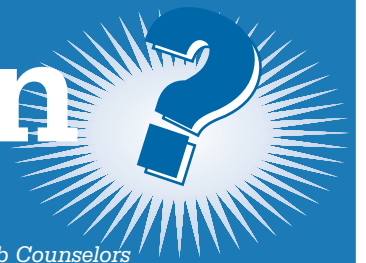
– **David Tulanian, Library**

Corrections

- In the November *Alive! Around the World*, we misidentified the location in which Shinetha Scott, Transportation, was photographed. She was at Eagle Point above the Colorado River in Grand Canyon West. That puts Shinetha in Arizona. Sorry about that, Shinetha. Keep sending in photos, though! — Ed.

FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS ANSWER THE

Question OF THE MONTH

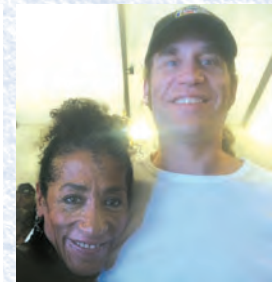


– as collected from around the City by your friendly Club Counselors

What’s your New Year’s resolution?



“Less sugar intake. Eat healthier.”
– Roger Villasenor, Electrical Mechanic, Harbor, 3 years of City Service, Club Member.



“Stop lying” (Joel). “Donate more of my time” (Eggie).
– Joel and Eggie Rosen, Retired.



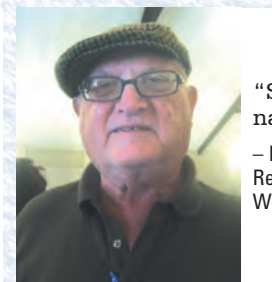
“I want to buy a home.”
– Dinora Platero, Custodian, Airports, 8 years of City service, Club Member.



“Be more patient and listen more.”
– Jose Deloera, Maintenance Supervisor, Airports, Club Member, 23 years of City service.



“Relax more” (Bill). “Eat less chocolate” (Lois).
– Bill and Lois Pickens, Retired.



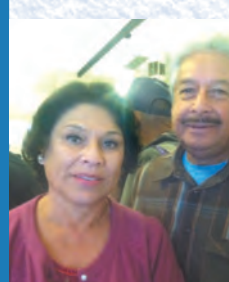
“Stop procrastinating.”
– Mico Rousso, Retired, Public Works/Engineering.



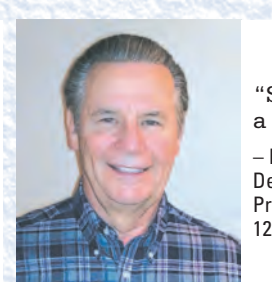
“Watch less TV.”
– Michael Fisher, Maintenance Laborer, LAPD, 6 years of City service, Club Member.



“Spend more time with my family.”
– Elena Menor, Custodian, Airports, 8 years of City service, Club Member.



“Get better at making a complete stop at stop signs” (Armando).
– Armando and Alice Tapia, Retired.



“Stop being a workaholic.”
– Benoit Beaulieu, Deputy Inspector Program Coordinator, 12 years of City service.



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Note: The Club Store will be closed Jan. 16 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

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Rosa Calderon,
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BELOW: Riley's Apple Farm was closed. I'll check it out next time.



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- ELEVATION:** 4,734 feet
- TRAVEL TIME:** 90 minutes from Los Angeles
- POPULATION:** Just more than 600
- DIRECTIONS:** Oak Glen Road/Live Oak Canyon Road exit, exit 85. Turn left onto Live Oak Canyon Road/Oak Glen Road. Continue to follow Oak Glen Road.
- PARKING:** Almost all locations in Oak Glen have free parking.



Talking with Scott about apple farming in Oak Glen.

Hello again!

Have you ever gone apple picking? Well, come along as we travel to Oak Glen, a fun orchard town in Yucaipa.

History

In 1876, Enoch Parrish opened his apple orchard, followed by the Wilshire family. Other families like the Rivers brothers came to Oak Glen in 1906. Their orchard, Los Rios Rancho (Spanish for "The Rivers Ranch") is still in operation today, as many of the original orchards (owners have changed however the orchards are still there). Then in the 1930s, the Law family came into the area with its own apple orchard and built the first roadside packing-house, first restaurant, and gift shop.

Oak Glen is an amazing place for everyone in the family. The drive up to Oak Glen was really nice and relaxing. The total drive time was about an hour and a half.

The open road was an amazing way to start our adventure. *Traffic Tip:* Try and leave early to avoid most traffic. Once we arrived, we took our time and visited lots of apple ranches, unique shops, and restaurants. There is much to see, and all the residents were very friendly and willing to help with any questions. We stopped outside of Los Rios Ranch, Riley's Apple Farm, Willowbrook Apple Farm, and Snow-Line Orchards, to name a few. There were more than 25 different places to visit all along Oak Glen Road, so you will literally drive from one place to another.

During our trip, we started wondering, could we see one of the farms in action? And as luck would have it, we got only halfway there. The owners of Snow-Line Orchards took us through the Snow-Line Cider Mill and showed us the actual equipment used to produce apple



Greetings from Oak Glen.

cider. This was so cool! A very nice gentleman named Scott gave us the grand tour. He showed us how the machines worked and also where the cider was stored. Thank you,

Scott, for all your time. It was a pleasure meeting you, your staff and your father.

The *Alive!* crew felt very welcome, and we appreciated all the history. Oak Glen is rich in history. On tour, we had no idea what was about to happen. Once we entered the Cider Mill, we began to smell apple in every room. The equipment was very basic and traditional.

I don't know anything about making apple cider, but Scott explained it in simple details. I really enjoyed listening to his enthusiasm. Sounds like fun.


I would like to thank everyone at Snow-Line, and also Michelle for the fresh apple donuts. Delicious!

During our trip, I tried lots of different apple products including apple cider, apple donuts and apple burritos. Can you believe they have apple burritos? Apple burritos look like an apple pie from the Golden Arches, but they're better! Look out Ronald, Oak Glen has some mighty tasty apple products.

Oak Glen is a wonderful place for more than just the apples; there were many fun activities in the five-mile general area. There are country shops, coffee shops, apple ranches, and unique shops. There's too much to mention and all lots of fun to visit.

For those of you who visit Oak Glen, please take lots of photos and send them to me at agomez@cityemployeesclub.com. Bring plenty of water snacks and spend time just walking and enjoying the scenery.

**As always, be safe and Be Alive!,
Angel**



Angel's
Be Alive!

Send your photos to me at agomez@cityemployeesclub.com
I would love to see them!

Angel Gomez,
Club Director of Sales

Little Tigers

Zoo introduces Sumatran tiger cubs.

Photo by Tad Motoyama/LA Zoo

The Sumatran tiger cubs are ready to show their stripes to visitors of the Los Angeles Zoo. On Dec. 9, the Zoo welcomed the adorable pair on-exhibit as they joined their mother for their official public debut. Guests of the Zoo can finally visit the cubs and see first hand how energetic and playful they are. The cubs and their mother will transition off-exhibit various times throughout the day, allowing outdoor time for the Zoo's male Sumatran tiger.

The L.A. Zoo welcomed the birth of the Sumatran tiger cubs on Aug. 6. Since then, they've remained off-exhibit under the care of

their mother and zookeepers. While off-exhibit, Zoo fans have followed the cubs' growth and development on their dedicated Webpage. This is the third litter of Sumatran tiger cubs born at the Los Angeles Zoo.

Sumatran tigers are listed as endangered by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). The carnivores are found only on the Indonesian island of Sumatra and require a habitat dense in vegetation, in order to hide and ambush their prey, and a reliable source of water. Continued agricultural habitat destruction, poaching, and killing of tigers that come into contact with villagers, all intensify the crises surrounding tigers.



Sumatran tiger cubs (at right in photo).

BELOW: In front of Los Rios apple stand.



Snow-Line Orchard's "apple tree."



Willowbrook Apple Farm.



Who has ever tasted an apple donut? Delicious! Thank you, Michelle.



The Snow-Line Cider Mill.

Club CEO John Hawkins and Scott discuss the apple-cider-making process.



An antique steel and wooden wagon carrying Los Rios crates.



Snow-Line's famous apple cider.



An apple cider machine.

Happy New Year

From the Club!

May 2012 bring you health, humor and happiness.



The City Employees Club of Los Angeles
Celebrating the Lives of City Employees

The City Parties

Special Holiday Party Section

The **City Parties!**

Part 1

**It's an annual
Alive! tradition!**

Every year, City Departments put aside their hard work and come together for fun and socialization at their festive holiday parties. And *Alive!* publishes as many of your party pics as we can.

Starting this month, we cover the City Parties. And we'll continue in the next months as the photos continue to trickle in.

Happy New Year!



The City Parties

The LACECA Board with HOT 92.3 Radio Personality Josefa Salinas.



From left: Susana Reyes, Director of Human Resources Employee Health and Benefits and Worker's Compensation, DWP, 25 years of City service; and Stella Sias, President of LACECA.



From left: Felicia Brown, Sr. Personnel Analyst I, Personnel Dept., 26 years of City service; Carmen Lopez, Sr. Personnel Analyst II, Personnel Dept., 31 years of service, Club Member; and Ana Chavez, Sr. Personnel Analyst II, Personnel Dept., 29 years of service.

Chicano Employees Association



Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager; Photos by Robert Larios, Club Operations Director

The Los Angeles City Employees Chicano Association (LACECA) held its annual holiday party Dec. 1 at Luminarias restaurant in Monterey Park.

This year was significant – it marked LACECA's 40th anniversary. Congratulations, LACECA!

Toys were collected to benefit the Harvard Elementary School. Event hostess was HOT 92.3 Radio Personality Josefa Salinas.

The party featured dinner and dancing, and many prizes were handed out.

Special thanks go to Laura Rangel, Club Member, and Stella Sias, President of LACECA.

From left Sophia Garcia, Legal Secretary III, LA City Attorney's Office, 22 years of City service, Club Member; and Dan Chavez, Hearing Officer, LA City Attorney's Office, 31 years of service.



From left: Stella Sias, President of LACECA, with Rick Coca representing Councilman José Huizar.

From left: Angie Roman, LACECA Recording Secretary, Club Member, and Debrina Dante, Board of Directors, Secretary for Los Angeles County Chicano Employees Association, with proud new member of LACECA.



From left: Leonor Garcia, Management Analyst, DWP, 23 years of City service, Club Member; Luis DelaTorre, Utility Administrator, DWP, 25 years of service; and Mary Montes, Management Analyst, DWP, 6 years of service, Club Member.

From left: Laura Rangel, Executive Secretary, LAPD, Club Member; and Edna Meraz, Retired Sr. Clerk Typist, LAHD, 36 years of service, Club Member.



From left: Isaias Gonzalez, Police Officer III, LAPD Training Division, 10 years of City service; Manny Villalpando, Former Second Vice President, LACECA.



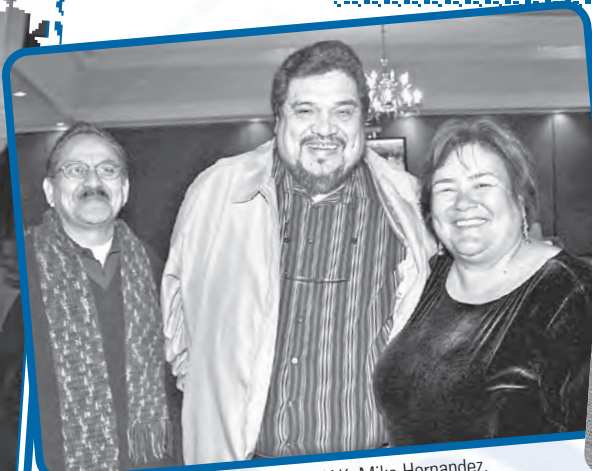
From left: Lupe Arriola, guest; and Adriane Buchanan, Local 3090 AFSCME, Club Member.



From left: Sgt. John Vasquez, LAPD, 34 years of service, Third Vice President of LAWPOA, Club Member; Angie Roman, Executive Administrative Assistant, LAPD, 36 years of service, LACECA Recording Secretary, Club Member; Jackie Zarate, Sr. Personnel Analyst, Personnel Dept., 27 years of service, Club Member; and Angeles Reynoso, First Vice President, LAWPOA.



Standing, from left: Mimi Walker, UES, DWP, 22 years of City service, with her husband, J. Michael Walker. Seated: Angelica Perez, Customer Service Rep, DWP, 5 years; Mirna Marin, Account Services, DWP, 13 years of service; and Esther Perea, Customer Service Rep, DWP, 22 years of service.



From left: Jesse Rosas, ANAHUAK; Mike Hernandez, Assistant Chief of Staff for Councilman Bernard Parks and Councilwoman Jan Perry, 20 years of City service, Club Member; and Stella Sias, Principal Workers Comp Analyst, DWP, 25 years of service, and President of LACECA.



Ray Garcia, Sr. Electric Trouble Dispatcher, DWP, 35 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Ralph.



Robert Larios, the Club's Director of Operations, holds some of the toys donated by City Employees Club of Los Angeles.

The City Parties

Public Works/Contract Administration



Story and photos by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor

A wonderful holiday luncheon and celebration was held Dec. 7 at the San Antonio Winery downtown. More than 90 attendees enjoyed lunch and then participated in an employee trivia game ("know your co-workers"). They sang "The 12 Days of Christmas" but added their own ConAd lyrics.

It was a nice event to celebrate the season!
Special thanks go to Paola Valencia for inviting us.



Back, from left: Rolando Alvarado, Systems Analyst, 5 years of City service, Club Member; and Robert Chhay, Clerk Typist, 4 years. Front: Faye Serafin, Mgmt. Assistant, 6 years; Sophy Tzeng, Mgmt. Assistant II, 5 years; and Melizza Estur, Clerk Typist, 5 years.

Some of the retirees included (from left): Jesus Aceves, Principal Construction Inspector, 40 years of City service, Club Member; Michael Warner, Sr. Construction Inspector, Club Member; and Bob Bartle, Sr. Construction Inspector, 57 years, Club Member.



From left: Robert Mines, Construction Inspector, 21 years of City service; Phil Sandoval, Construction Inspector, 33 years, Club Member; and Susan Smith, Sr. Construction Inspector, 21 years.



John Reamer, Director, 26 years of City service, Club Member.



Chris Cox, Principal Construction Inspector, 22 years of City service, with guest Jamie Engle.



From left: Greg Pifer, Principal Construction Inspector, 38 years of City service; and John Richter, Sr. Construction Inspector, 19 years.



From left: Del Zalra, Sr. Construction Inspector, 25 years of City service; Thomas Sze, Construction Inspector, 7 years; Ted Galsim, District Manager, 28 years, Club Member; Chris Young, Construction Inspector, 27 years; Red Medina, Construction Inspector, 25 years, Club Member; and Victor Manzo, Construction Inspector, 10 years.



Back, from left: Mano Intenano, Mgmt. Analyst II, 13 years; Assistant, 4 years, Club Member; and Rolando Tuason. Front: Mitch Arenas, Mgmt. Assistant, 6 years; David Chao, Mgmt. Analyst I, 6 years; and Raoul Mendoza, Mgmt. Assistant, 4 years.



From left: Thurman Green, Labor Compliance Analyst, 5 years of City service; and Chris Jensen, Sr. Compliance Analyst, 16 years.



From left: Lydee Su, Mgmt. Analyst I, 12 years of City service; Agnes Cabrera, Systems Analyst, 10 years; Tess Cordero, Sr. Clerk Typist, 10 years; Fred Ureta, Retired Inspector, 6 years; and Lynda McGlinchey, Sr. Mgmt. Analyst, 17 years.



From left: Joyce Sysak, Club Member, and wife of former Director Stan Sysak; John Reamer, Director, 26 years of City service, Club Member; Oscar Neal, Retired Sr. Clerk Typist, Airports, 28 years.

From left: Leah Chu, Mgmt. Analyst, 6 years of City service; and Phyllis Reysen, Clerk Typist, 6 years, Club Member.



Larry Williams, Chief Management Analyst, 27 years of City service, Club Member.



Back, from left: Irene Rhyu, Mgmt. Assistant, 4 years of City service, Club Member; Linda Cruz, Sr. Clerk Typist, 11 years; and Yono Hong, Mgmt. Assistant I, 5 years, Club Member. Front: Miki Shaler, Mgmt. Assistant, 5 years; Ed Gonzalez, Mgmt. Assistant II, 17 years, Club Member; and Wendy Young, Mgmt. Assistant, 3 years.



From left: Joe Apohen, Retired Principal Inspector, 31 years of City service; Bernadette Reyes, Construction Inspector, 9 years, Club Member; and Jimmy Dunn, Retired, 20 years.



From left: Todd Eller, Construction Inspector, 4 years of City service; and George Stofila, Principal Construction Inspector, 21 years, Club Member.



From left: Brian Lindsey, Construction Inspector, 10 years of City service, Club Member; and Clark Rozas, Construction Inspector, 4 years.



From left: Kimberly Mitchell, Clerk, 26 years of City service, Club Member; Becky Balbuena, Sr. Clerk Typist, 11 years; and Kim Fitzpatrick, Mgmt. Analyst II, 6 years, Club Member.



The City Parties



From left: Lt. Vic Dennis, 29 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Carol, and Sr. PSR II Beth Hicks, 34 years of service, Club Member.

Margarita and Sgt. II Felix Pena, 25 years of City service, Club Member.



The holiday committee.



From left: Yolanda Bunn, PSR III, 17 years of City service, Club Member with her husband, Charles.



Chris and Marie Garcia, PSR II, 12 years of City service.



From left: Esther Garcia, sister of Cheryl Garcia, PSR II, 6 years of City service.



From left: Jean Sarfaty, PSR II, Club Member and Rep; NBC4 Weatherman Fritz Coleman; and Arlene Herrero, Club's Product Manager.



Iris Dawson, PSR II, 16 years of City service, Club Member, with her spouse, Police Officer II Creighton Dawson, 12 years of service, Newton Station.



Stephanie Burkhart, PSR III, 11 years of service, Club Member with her husband, Police Officer III Brent Burkhart, 14 years of service, Mission Station.



Iver and Jackie Dreben, PSR II, Club Member.

LAPD Communications



From left: Iona Handford, Sr. PSR, 25 years of City service; and Todd Austin, Sr. PSR, 12 years of service.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager

LAPD Communications – the 911 operators and support staff – held their holiday party Dec. 4 at the Kyoto Hotel and Gardens.

It had a formal “black and white” theme.

More than 150 tickets were sold for the buffet dinner and dancing. TAC Frequency Band, comprised of employees in the LAPD Communications Division, entertained the crowd, followed by DJ. Special guest was NBC4 weathercaster Fritz Coleman. Cash and days off were some of the prizes awarded during the evening.

Special thanks to Sgt. II Felix Pena, Club Member, and PSR II Jean Sarfaty, Club Rep and Club Member, for their assistance.



Diana Montano, PSR II, 5 years of City service, Club Member, and her guest, George Martinez.



From left: Danny and Charlene Johnson, PSR III, 17 years of City service, Club Member; and Tashanda Fredrick, Sr. PSR I, 16 years of service, Club Member, with her husband, William.



From left: Todd Austin, Sr. PSR, 12 years of service, with his guest, Christian Madrid.



Standing, from left: Adam Timm, PSR II, 8 years of City service, Club Member; and Julia Cesena, Acting Senior, Valley, PSR III, 15 years of service, Club Member. Seated: Mae Ford, PSR II, 20 years of service, Club Member; Maria Moreno, PSR II, 8 years of service, Club Member; and Jean Sarfaty, PSR II, 14 years of service, Club Member and Rep.



From left: Aaron Johnson, PSR II, 5 years of City service, Club Member; Cheryl Garcia, PSR II, 6 years of service, Club Member; Christina Campos, PSR, 5 years of service, Club Member; and Larry Gates, PSR II, 7 years of service, Club Member.



From left: Janice Williams, PSR II, 15 years of service, Club Member; and Elijah Shelton, guest.



From left: Jason Cline, PSR II, 3 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Cheryl; and Adam Timm, PSR II, 8 years of service, Club Member.



Ron and Jean Sarfaty, PSR II, 14 years of City service, Club Member and Rep.



Catharin Chao, PSR II, 8 years of City service, Club Member, with her fiancé, Alex Liu, PSR II, 5 years of service, Club Member.



Deb Barrios, PSR II, 10 years of service, Club Member, and George Milosevich, guest.

The City Parties

From left: Scholarship awardees Bianca Tugonon, Erica Barin, Joseph Carreon, and Kristen Gran.

Allyson Carlos and Cora Soriano, President, LAFACE.

Erica Barin was the first-place recipient of a LAFACE scholarship as well as the winner of the Community Service Award and scholarship.



Kristen Granados was one of two third-place recipients of a LAFACE scholarship.



James Owen receives the Academic Achievement Award from Cora Soriano, President, LAFACE.



Bianca Tugonon was one of two third-place recipients of a LAFACE scholarship.



Joseph Carreon was the second-place recipient of a LAFACE scholarship.



LAFACE board members.

Filipino Employees Association

Story by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor; Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations



The Los Angeles Filipino Association of City Employees (LAFACE) held its general assembly, awards ceremony and Christmas party Dec. 9 in the Tom Bradley Room high atop City Hall.

More than 100 people attended this event and

honored scholarship awardees, high management awardees and LAFACE award recipients. Special recognition was given to Jaime de la Vega, General Manager, Transportation.

The party featured a lovely buffet dinner followed by music and dancing! Happy holidays!

Special thanks go to Cora Soriano, LAFACE President, Club Member, for inviting and welcoming us.



Allyson Carlos sang the National Anthem beautifully.



Erica Barin sang the Filipino National Anthem beautifully.



Theresa de Vera, Commissioner, Department of Disability, delivered the invocation.



Theresa Carter, Police Administrator, 22 years of City Service, Club Board Member; and Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations.



Cora Soriano, President of LAFACE, Management Analyst II, 25 years of City service, Club Member and Representative; and Jaime de la Vega, General Manager, Transportation, 16 years.

Remedios R. Aquino, Information Systems Manager, Airports, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



Pete H. Galang, Chief, Tax and Permit Division II, Finance, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



Theresa Carter, Police Administrator, LAPD, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



Mario C. Ignacio, CFA, Chief Accounting Employee, Assistant CFO and Treasurer, DWP, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



David Libatique, Second Deputy GM, Harbor, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



Silveria R. Silva, Financial Manager II, Airports, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management, but was not present.



The City Parties

Nanili Paxton, Outstanding LAFACE member.



Michael Paster received a special award from LAFACE.



Jaime de la Vega, General Manager, Transportation, with family and co-workers. He was honored at the ceremony.



Jamie de la Vega, General Manager, Transportation, with his new special-edition jacket. He was honored at the ceremony.



Noel Medrano received a special LAFACE Award. Cora Soriano, President of LAFACE, presented her a Certificate of Congratulations from Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa.



From left: Cora Soriano, President of LAFACE, with Monette Carranceia, Asst. Retirement Plan manager, DWP, who was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



Monette Carranceia, Asst. Retirement Plan manager, DWP, was recognized for being a Filipino in High Management.



Ramona Marie Soriano received the Entrepreneurial Achievement Award. She was not present, but her dad accepted the award on her behalf.



From left: Debbie Newman, Sr. Personnel Analyst, 24 years of City service; Terry Peña, Clerk Typist, 13 years of service; Lavivanh Tang, Real Estate Officer II, 34 years of service; Suki Lagman, Personnel Analyst, 21 years of service; Maria Larguel, Sr. Clerk Typist, 12 years of service; and Rea Lazo, SMS Payment Clerk, 23 years of service.

From left: Eric Robles, Special Operations, Club Rep; Tina Fermin, Executive Administrative Assistant, 22 years of City service; and Marie Saraos, Clerk Typist, 10 years of service.



From left: Ashia Villegas, Vocational Worker II, 4 years of City service; and Tonya Prodan, Reg. 4 Assistant Coordinator, 1 year of service.

General Services

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations

General Services held its annual holiday party Dec. 8. It was held at El Pueblo de los Angeles Historic District. The Club thanks the department for inviting us to your excellent party.



From left: Edward Calvin, Payment Specialist, 31 years of City service; Leona Bloos, Security Officer, 1 year of service; Isabel Vasquez, Clerk Typist, 6 years of service; and Blanca Arauja, Clerk Typist, 6 years of service.



Napoleon Fuller III, Mail Services, leads other employees in dancing.



From left: Norman Gladden, Welder, 1 year of City service; Richard Simas, Heavy Duty Equipment Operator, 23 years of service; and Gus Vela, Machinist, 21 years of service.



From left: Toni Roberson, Sr. Clerk Typist, 22 years of City service; and David Ly, Management Analyst II, 11 years of service.



From left: Johnny Hardin, Storekeeper, 22 years of City service; and Bruce Hansell, Carpenter Technician Adviser, 21 years of service.



From left: Vickie Pearson, Sr. Clerk Typist, 9 years of City service, Airports; Dwight Craft, Management Analyst II, 11 years of service; and Jennifer Camacho, Sr. Clerk Typist, DWP.



From left: Maria Alpuche, Sr. Clerk Typist, 20 years of City service; and Rene Villa Agustin, Sr. Management Analyst, 20 years of service.



From left: Juan Delreal, City Craft Assistant, 4 years of City service; Allen Jackson, Plumber, 15 years of service; Terry Liarson, Plumber, 3 years of service; and Ralph Lucas, Plumber, 3 years of service.

The City Parties



Standing, from left: Rommel Fabella, Sr. CT, 10 years of City service, Club Member; and Jaime Ramirez, Sr. CT, 9 years of service, Club Member. Seated: Jennifer Meza, daughter, Joanne Meza, daughter; and Lilia Meza, Principal Clerk Police, 14 years of service.



From left: Sophia Chaw, Clerk Typist, 11 years of service; Becky Gonzales, Sr. CT, 16 years of service; Rose Rayos, Sr. CT, 12 years of service, Club Member; and Jon Blaine, Acting Principal Clerk Police, 10 years of service.



Standing, from left: Mario Valles, Sr. Clerk Typist, 5 years of City service, Club Member; Veronica Kenney, Sr. CT, 11 years of service; Pamela Turnipseed, Fingerprint Identification Expert, 26 years of service, Club Member; Trinidad, Clerk Typist, 5 years of service, Club Member; and Manny Rodarte, Sr. Management Analyst, 11 years of service. Seated: Julie Ramirez, Principal Clerk Police, 30 years of service.



From left: D'Anna Markley, Commanding Officer of Records and Identification, with Supervisor of the Year 2011 recipient Detra Kelley, PCP III, 25 years of City service, Club Member.

Standing, from left: Naomi Pantoja, Sr. CT, 11 years of City service; and Debra Avery, Chief Clerk Police, 29.5 years of service, Club Member. Seated: Leida Williams, Sr. CT, 3 years of service, Club Member; Mary Ellen Valliere, Sr. CT, 3 years of service; and Elenora Browne, Retired PCP II, 28 years of service, Club Member.



From left: Rosalyn Cavanaugh, Sr. CT, 3 years of City service; Pamela Turnipseed, FIE, 26 years of service, Club Member; Etta Bonner, Retired Principal Clerk, 30 years of service, Club Member; and Kisha Moreland, Analyst, 12 years of service, Club Member.



Standing, from left: Beverly Pippin, Chief Clerk Police, 32 years of City service, Club Member; and Marilyn Tarver, Sr. CT, 10 years of service. Seated: Jannette Allen, Sr. MA I, 26 years of service; and Richard Cardenas, Sr. CT, 10 years of service, Club Member, with his wife, Desiree.



From left: Norma Graziano, Sr. CT, 10 years of City service, Club Member; Robin McDaniel, Sr. CT, 32 years of service; Aisha Summers-Adams, Sr. CT, 26 years of service, Club Member; and Laverne Gentry, Sr. CT, 12 years of service.



From left: Rosalyn Cavanaugh, Sr. CT, 3 years of City service; and Michelle Yracheta, Sr. CT, 12 years of service, Club Member.



From left: Martha Ramos, Sr. CT, 12 years of City service, Club Member; Edward Murphy, Sr. CT, 24 years of service; Fee Lau, Sr. CT, 32 years of service; and Venus Juan, Sr. CT, 29 years of service.



Standing, from left: Doris Torres, Sr. CT, 12 years of City service, Club Member; Evelyn Edwards, Sr. CT, 8 years of service, Club Member; and Williana Johnson, Clerk Typist, 4 years. Seated: Linda Chen, Sr. CT, 22 years of service; Michele Kao, Sr. CT, 22 years of service; and Joseph DeVera, Sr. CT, 11 years of service.



D'Anna Markley, Commanding Officer of Records and Identification.



Seated: John Libby, Principal Clerk Police, 23 years of City service, Club Member. Standing: Terrence McGrath, Sr. CT, 20 years of service; and Melva Carter, LAPD, 5 years of service, Club Member.



Standing, from left: Marilou Romney, Principal Clerk Police, 30 years of City service, Club Member; Julius Lao, Sr. CT, 28 years of service; Franchesca Masson, Sr. CT, 7 years of service; and John Choi, Sr. CT, 12 years of service, Club Member. Seated: Erol Romney, husband of Marilou Romney; Teresa Massey, Sr. CT, 10 years of service, Club Member; and So Jung Oh, Clerk Typist, 22 years of service.



From left: Alecia Beason-Lee, Sr. CT, 12 years of City service; Ben Read, guest; Amoree Aguilar, PCP I, 25 years of service, Club Member; and La Vinia, Read, guest.



From left: Shannon Tellez, guest; Andrew Balledez, ICARS Supervisor, 8 years of City service; and Joyce Holland, Sr. CT, 31 years of service.



From left: Annie Ngo, FIE II, 23 years of City service, Club Member; Tom Tannous, Principal Clerk Police, 15 years of service, and Suzanne Aluzzi, Sr. CT, 25 years of service.



From left: Tramiaka Thomas, daughter; Detra Kelley, PCP II, 25 years of City service, Club Member; and LaJel Holloway, guest.

LAPD Records and Identification

Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

The LAPD Records & Investigation Division held its holiday luncheon Dec. 7 at the Almansor in Alhambra.

There was lots of food, and prizes were

awarded. Two employees were also recognized for 2011: Employee of the Year was Sr. Clerk Typist Rommel Fabella, who received a standing ovation and was in tears; and Supervisor of the Year was Detra Kelley, Principal Clerk Police II.

Thanks go to the holiday committee and D'Anna Markley, Police Administrator, Records and Identification Division, for their assistance.



The City Parties



From left: Ken Esteves, Treasurer, Parker Foundation/Reserve Police Officer; Sergio Ortiz, Instructor, LAPD, 24 years of City service; Norm Crosby, entertainer; Sgt. Steve Williams, 29 years, Club Member; and Philip Wong, Sr. Management Analyst, 17 years, Club Member.x



From left: April Broussard, Sr. Clerk Typist, 25 years of City service, Club Member; and Artillar Watts, Sr. Clerk Typist, 24 years, Club Member.



Sgt. Brad Lovitt, 23 years of City service; and Det. II Rosalind Lisenbee, 18 years.



From left: Monica Lewis, Clerk Typist, 28 years of City service, Club Member; Laura Rangel, Sr. Management Analyst I, 30 years, Club Member; and Miguel Rangel, Retired from DWP, 35 years, Club Member.

Back row, from left: Officer Charlotte Broughton, 16 years of City service; and Officer Marlo Lopez Delharo, 15 years.
Front: Sgt. Heather Gageby, 14 years; Officer Deborah Hernandez, 18 years; and Officer Louis Origel, 11 years.



From left: Officer Josuel Gooden, 26 years of City service, Club Member; Officer Tom Utley, 29 years, Club Member; Officer Carrie Dooros, 18 years; Officer Robin Grasso, 24 years, Club Member; Officer Dina Diaz, 8 years, Club Member; and Officer Alison Cate, 18 years, Club Member.



From left: Stuart Maislin, Commander, LAPD, 32 years of City service; Annabelle Whettam, Secretary, LAPD, 20 years; and Sgt. John Lortl, 15 years.



LAPD Training Division



From left: Justin Fein, Career Development Unit, 6 years of City service; Jeff Cox, Career Development Unit, 6 years; and Rashall Sanchez, OIC Career Development Unit, 11 years, Club Member.



The entire LAPD Patrol Rifle Tactical Shotgun Unit, from left: Officer III Jon-Dennis Kasper, 10 years of City service; Officer III Alex Guiral, 23 years; Officer III Bobby Lee, 18 years; Officer III Steve Alva, 28 years; and Sgt. III Robert B. 18 years.



Story by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Counselor

On Dec. 6, the LAPD Training Division held its annual holiday luncheon at Lawry's Prime Rib Restaurant in Beverly Hills. This is the second consecutive year that Lawry's has hosted the event, with the party consisting of multiple decorated banquet rooms, an extravagant lunch and a small awards ceremony.

Special thanks go to Laura Rangel, Club Member, for the invite.



Top row, from left: Sgt. Cris Korne, 17 years of City service, Club Member; and Officer Gary Correa, 29 years, Club Member. Bottom: Officer Roger Rampton, 22 years; Officer Tony Adler, 22 years, Club Member; and Officer III Mark Horton, 20 years, Club Member.



From left: Miguel Rangel, Retired from DWP, 35 years of City service, Club Member; Jose Guillen, Retired from General Services, 15 years; and Elizabeth Rivas, Retired from General Services, 15 years, Club Member.



From left: Officer III Claudia Martin, 21 years of City service; Officer III Kristin Traynor, 21 years; Sgt. III Deborah Mastin, 32 years; Lt. III Michelle Richards, Club Member; and Lt. Dana Berns.

Capt. Michelle Veenstra, 30 years of City service, Club Member; and Officer Ricky Santos, Club Member, Officer of the Year.

From left: Capt. Michelle Veenstra, 30 years of City service, Club Member; and Paul Dalton, Sr. Security Officer, 11 years, Civilian of the Year.



From left: Officer III Anthony Pack, 16 years of City service; Officer III Joyce Davis, 22 years of City service; and Officer III Sterling Gordon, 24 years.



From left: Patti Hashizume, Sr. Clerk Typist, 14 years of City service, Club Member; Pamela Ruback, Sr. Clerk Typist, 16 years; and Jenai Lyles, Management Aide, 12 years, Club Member.



Unit of the Year Award, from left: Sgt. James Sigman, Supervisor of Security, 6 years of City service, Club Member; Capt. Michelle Veenstra, 30 years, Club Member; Paul Dalton, Sr. Security Officer, 11 years; and Tony Stillwell, Security Officer, 7 years, Club Member.



Capt. Michelle Veenstra, 30 years of City service, Club Member; and Sgt. Andy Markel, 24 years, Supervisor of the Year.



From left: Det. II Manuel Arambula, 15 years of City service; and Officer Carlos Langarica, 16 years.

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From left: Ata Kirmani, AV Tech., 6 years of City service, Club Member; Officer Rhonda Baychue, 24 years, Club Member; Claudia Chaidez, Admin. Support, 5 years; and Rachel Smith, Management Aide, 30 years, Club Member.



From left: Officer Ill Enrique Ceja, 14 years of City service, Club Member; Ann Medina, PSR, 18 years, Club Member; and Jeb Panyarjun, Management Assistant, 15 years.



From left: Officer Ill Bob Sieger, 16 years of City service, Club Member; Paul Dalton, Sr. Security Officer, 11 years; and Sgt. James Sigman, Supervisor of Security, 6 years, Club Member.



Top row, from left: Officer Doug McCombs, 16 years of City service; and Sgt. Michael Delgadillo, 24 years, Club Member. Bottom: Adel Gutierrez, Club Member; Officer Saira Sedano, 6 years; and Capt. Michelle Veenstra, 30 years, Club Member.



From left: Willie Umama, Equipment Mechanic, 22 years of City service; and Ed Osipian, Management Analyst II, 13 years, Club Member.

LAPD Training Division



From left: Fernie "Elviz" Ramirez, Graphic Designer II, 26 years of City service, Club Member; Derrick Hill, Management Analyst, 21 years; Shawn Gabra, AVT, 6 years; Daniel Morehead, AVT, 10 years; Video Alchemist, 15 years; and David Gomez, Sr. Photographer, 15 years, Club Member.



From left: Det. Alejandra Sampson, 15 years of City service; and Officer Ill Jason Kwock, 19 years.



From left: Lt. Lynette Veazie, 18 years; Sgt. Il Randy Goddard, 16 years; and Teresa Haddad, EAA, 26 years, Club Member.



From left: Rosaelia Palacios, Clerk Typist, 6 years of City service, Club Member; and Yolanda Alaniz, Senior Clerk Typist, 22 years.

Be a Part of a Club Holiday Tradition

It's Party Pix Time

We want to print pictures from your holiday office party in *Alive!*

Is your office having a holiday party? Here are two ways to get your holiday office party pictures into the February Alive!:

Take the photos yourself:

Take the photos yourself, and send them in as soon as you can. Digital photos are always best. And make sure you give us a description of the party: when it was, where it was, and if something significant happened, let us know that, too.

If there are just a few photos, then email them to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com. But if there are a lot, then it's best to burn them onto a CD and deliver (or mail) the CD to the Club. The address is on the inside front cover. Make sure the photos are as high resolution as you can make them.

We'll take your holiday photos for you:

Let us know when your holiday party is, and we'll try to send a photographer. *Please note:* There are more City holiday parties than we can cover, but we will try. That's why it's best to send in your own photos. If you want us to cover your party, talk to your Club Rep (Arlene Herrero, Angel Gomez, Jackie Causillas, Gedina Bergstrom, Noelle Kauffman or Tanya Edwards) or email Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations, at rlarios@cityemployeesclub.com. We'll do our best to get to as many parties as we can, but we can't guarantee it. But let us know.

See you at the party!





Holiday Happenings



REC AND PARKS/COUNCIL

Winter Wonderland

Downtown on Ice continues through Jan. 16.

There are a few more weeks left of the holiday spirit downtown, as Downtown on Ice continues through Jan. 16.

Cool fun can be had with the low admission price of just \$6 and \$2 for skate rental. As the Southland tradition and favorite holiday destination, the community rink boasts a medley of free events.

The facility is open every day (including holidays).

Framed by towering skyscrapers and stunning historical landmarks, the spacious rink has a

family favorite, thanks to sponsorship from Rec and Parks, and Councilmember Jan Perry, Club Member.

Centrally located downtown, the facility is easily accessible by car, bus or Metro. A partnership with Metro and Metrolink allows riders to receive a discount on skating sessions. The convenient stop at Pershing Square Station makes getting there easy. Underground parking is discounted with validation. For more info go to www.laparks.org/pershingsquare/ or call (213) 847-4970.

Downtown on Ice

Pershing Square: 532 S. Olive St., Los Angeles

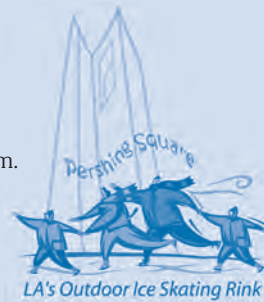
Cost: Skating session: \$6, Skate rental: \$2

Dates: Now through Jan. 16

Hours: Mon. – Thurs., noon to 10 p.m.; Fri. – Sun., 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Special Extended Hours through Jan. 2:
Noon to 10 p.m. on New Year's Day and Martin Luther King Day.

Info: www.laparks.org/pershingsquare/, or call (213) 847-4970.



At the Downtown on Ice press preview (previous years).



At the Downtown on Ice press preview (previous years).

LAPD

Looking for a Few Good Cadets

LAPD's excellent Metro Cadet mentorship program has openings for youths.

Story and photos courtesy Officer Nicole Evans, LAPD Cadet Trainer and Instructor

The LAPD's Randal Simmons Cadet Post 114, part of the Metropolitan Division, has openings for its January Cadet Academy. If you're between 13 and 21 (or know someone who is) and interested in a great police training experience, this is a great opportunity.

Approximately 20 to 30 service learning opportunities are available every year to Cadets through the LAPD Metro Cadet Program. The program is the youth in memory of fallen S.W.A.T. Officer Randal Simmons. The Division's specialized units include S.W.A.T., the Mounted (Equestrian) Unit and the Underwater Dive Team, the prestigious crime suppression platoons and dignitary protection platoons.

The Cadets and their activities are supervised by Metropolitan Division officers who also serve as mentors and role models. The Cadets (ages 13 to 20) are given access to special leadership training, horse handling, air support, and boat safety – opportunities that are only available to Cadets enrolled in the program. Every year, the Cadets help to organize and compete in the Cadet S.W.A.T. Fitness Challenge, a competition that attracts more than 200 participants from throughout the LAPD's 21 divisions.

The LAPD Metro Cadet program meets two to three times per week at the LAPD Elysian Park Police Academy, where Cadets have evening academic study hall and focus self-improvement, leadership, teamwork and a challenging physical training program. The emphasis on academics has allowed the Cadets to maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher. Two Cadets have won scholarships to participate in the Police Officer Preparation Program (POPP), a junior college program that leads to an Associates Degree in Administrative Justice.

While learning about public service and careers in law enforcement is an important goal, the LAPD Metro Cadet program's curriculum

gives youths the skills and experiences that will support success in any career track or academic pursuit. In addition, the program promotes a

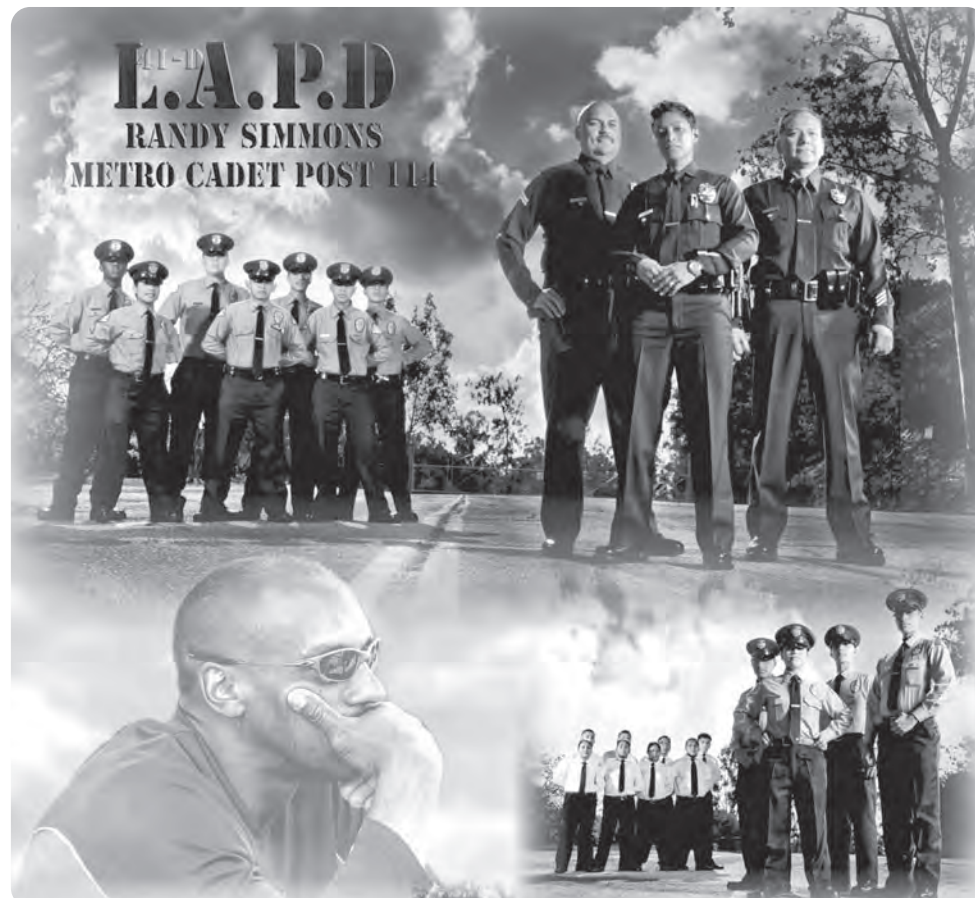
health-conscious lifestyle through exercise, healthy eating and positive peer reinforcement. Currently the largest individual weight loss by a Metro Cadet is 68 pounds... and counting! We are very proud to demonstrate success in the national effort to fight childhood obesity, a health problem that plagues 42 percent of our kids in Los Angeles, according to a UCLA study released in November.

Better grades... improved self-discipline and motivation... healthier living... and academic and career achievement: If you're looking to encourage these qualities in your child, please contact:

LAPD Randal Simmons Metropolitan
Cadet Post 114: (213) 359-0110
(ask for Officer Nicole Evans)
Email: 37628@lapd.lacity.org

The next Cadet Academy Class will begin in January 2012.

Don't let this once in a lifetime opportunity pass your loved one by! Call today!

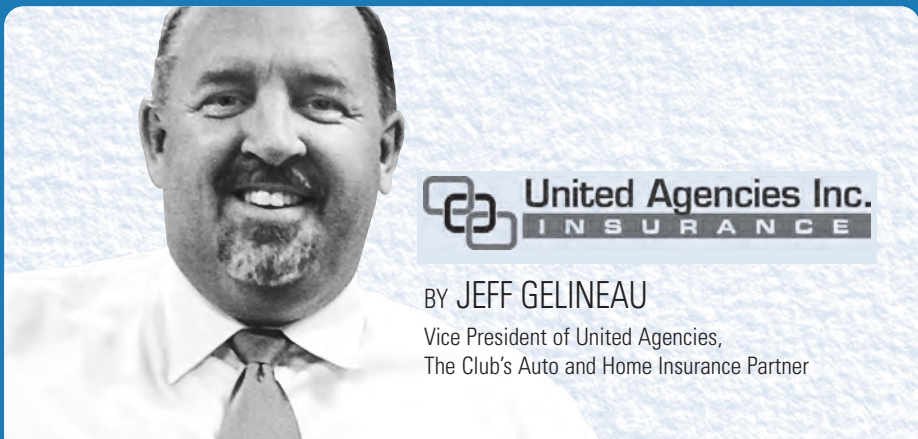


The LAPD's Randal Simmons Cadet Post 114 is an excellent mentorship program. Photo by Randy Simmons' brother in law: Fred Sumlin (who is a supervisor for Department Water and Power). This photo collage depicts P3+1 Randy Simmons watching over the Cadet Post created in his name and to promote his legacy.



Cadets perform a number of services.

REST INSURED



United Agencies Inc.
INSURANCE

BY JEFF GELINEAU

Vice President of United Agencies,
The Club's Auto and Home Insurance Partner

How to Insure Rental Properties

With the continued downtrend in property values, there are several really good opportunities available in Southern California. If you have planned carefully and saved, this might be an ideal time to invest in a rental property that can generate income for you in the future. While this type of investment is often a great idea, it's important that you properly protect your investment with the right insurance coverage. Before you give the keys to your first tenant, make sure that you have properly addressed your insurance. Having a home owners policy for the rental property will not be sufficient. A landlord's policy will probably be more expensive than your homeowners policy, because it takes into account the fact that tenants are not a careful with the property as the owner.

When it comes to insurance for rental properties, one common mistake people make is to carry only fire insurance. While this is a minimum, you really should consider carrying broader coverage. The more comprehensive policies cover the contents of the building, such as furnace, air conditioning, tools, and landscaping. The majority of policies do not cover tenant's possessions. If you rent the house unfurnished, this can reduce your insurance policy, since it doesn't need to cover the costs of the furnishings.

Often policies do not cover the appliances that are installed at your rental property. Check to make sure that your policy does, or if it doesn't, inquire about a separate appliance policy if they are valuable. Don't forget about earthquake coverage also. If you are depending on this income to supplement your retirement, you will want to ensure that it is protected against any calamity.

For rental properties, another major consideration is liability insurance. This includes accidents on your property and protection against being sued. Be sure that your policy includes full liability coverage. This type of coverage is extremely important, since it covers your legal costs if you

are sued in a personal injury lawsuit. Landlords are especially vulnerable to these types of lawsuits, since tenants can ultimately blame them for anything that goes wrong on the property, from a loose step that causes a fall, to a faulty hot water heater that scalds someone in the shower. In addition to personal injury, your liability policy should also cover claims of libel, slander, discrimination, invasion of privacy, and unlawful eviction.

Remember that liability policies cover the legal costs only, not any monies awarded to the injured party in a lawsuit. But, legal defense costs (generally attorney's fees) are often more expensive than the final award for damages. You should buy as much liability insurance as possible, so even if your policy is limited to \$500,000, talk to your agent about additional limits available through an umbrella liability policy.

One more item of concern is loss of rents coverage. If your rental property is damaged so severely that it is uninhabitable, you cannot collect rent until it is repaired and reoccupied. Make sure that your policy includes loss of rents coverage sufficient to provide you the full amount that you would normally collect for monthly rent. You should plan on having at least 12 to 18 months' worth of coverage, as rebuilding can take a while. Generally, most policies provide 10 percent of the insurance coverage on the building as a limit for loss of rents. (For example, if you were insuring the house for \$400,000, then you would receive \$40,000 for loss of rents.) If the house rents for \$2,500 a month, then \$40,000 would provide enough coverage for 16 months. Sometimes a house could take two years to be rebuilt, so be sure that you have purchased enough coverage.

Feel free to call our agency if you have any questions about what we can do for you, would like to know what it would cost to buy your insurance through us, or would like a question answered on any type of insurance.

Be safe and have fun!

About United Agencies

United Agencies is the Club's partner in helping members with their home and auto insurance, and related products. We specialize in creating personal relationships with our customers, and serving their needs in a prompt, efficient and friendly manner.

Check out our City Employees Club page on the United Agencies Website at www.unitedagencies.com/cityclub. This website lists the upcoming visits we'll be making to City Department meetings where you can ask us any question in person, and get an instant quote!

Have a question?

Is there something about insurance that you've always wanted to know, but were too ashamed to ask? Maybe something that you've just always been curious about? Feel free to send me an email at jgelineau@unitedagencies.com, and I will try to answer your question in one of our monthly columns.

PUBLIC WORKS

Good Employees At Hyperion

Sanitation treatment plant hosts end-of-year employee recognition event.

Story and photos by Tanya Edwards,
Club Counselor



On Dec. 7, the Hyperion Treatment Plant held its annual employee recognition ceremony. The event took place at the plant.

Matt Poire was the Employee of the Month for October. For November, the honor went to Andy Bobchalk, Mike Girouard and Carvella Woodward.

Thanks to Marcus Lyons, Acting Sanitation Manager I, for his assistance.



With Ollie Veasey, Club Member, is honoree Obi Quevedo.



November Employees of the Month, from left: Andy Bobchalk, Mike Girouard and Carvella Woodward.



October Employee of the Month Matt Poire.



Maintenance Department employees and management created a great time and a winning event.



Employees got to spin a wheel, made by the Hyperion employees, for cash and prizes.



At the employee recognition event.



With Ollie Veasey is honoree Jose Rizo.



With Ollie Veasey are honorees Brandy Blue and Dennis Walker.



With Ollie Veasey is honoree Dennis Perkins, Wastewater Treatment Mechanic, Club Member.



Games, gifts including a Kindle Fire, Club hats, movie tickets, tool kits and cash helped make the event a success.

Take the Club with you, wherever you go!



Alive! AROUND THE WORLD



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New Zealand



"Having a great time down here in New Zealand. As always, I have my trusty paper with me. Cheers!"
 – Capt. Michael Barnes, Harbor

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Caribbean

"My wife and I recently went on a cruise to the eastern Caribbean."
 – William Flowers, Airports



"On Junkanoo Beach in the Bahamas."



"On a pier in the U.S. Virgin Islands."



"On the beach in Philipsburg, St. Martin."

The *Alive!* Around the World Map at Club Headquarters

Take the Club with you, wherever you go!

Club members are a well-traveled bunch. Bring your recent copy of *Alive!* with you. Snap a **high resolution** photo with you **holding a copy**, send it in, and we'll publish it. Send to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Sending Digital Photos:

When you send digital photos through the Internet, please send the full, original digital file yourself, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print. We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!



A depiction of the *Alive!* Around the World map at Club Headquarters



CLUB SPORTS

News from Sports Leagues sponsored by the City Employees Club of Los Angeles • Jan. 2012

A Club Sports Poem!

Club Member and Club Sports Program participant Lady Smith, Fire and Police Pensions She played on the Sluggers softball team, and that was her inspiration.

Thanks, Lady! We love it.



Twas the Inning Before Christmas

Twas the innings before the third, and all on the field,
Not a Slugger was playing. Injured reserves, unhealed.

The bats were all cold and empty and hollow,
And the same goes for every Slugger that followed.

Enforcers with their congenial, happy-go-lucky selves,
Kept hitting and running with all pride on their shelves.

The runs kept growing and piling up, and before we knew it,
We were in jeopardy of mercy, and almost blew it.

Yet low and behold, I never heard such a clatter,
As Demitrius the batter, hit the ball with a splatter,

Though it really didn't matter, cause the chatter
of the batters made the ball and enforcers scatter.

And we were back in the game with the quickest pitter patter.

I can't recall every play to say each was legit,
Fail to recollect every triple except the one Delta hit.

I think Demitrius hit a homerun, lots of RBI's and more,
Too much, but too little to even keep score.

I'd have more for this recap if I could take a look,
At something our coach knows nothing about; a scorebook. =)

Anyway, we caught up enough for a chance of winning,
the game if Lady wasn't batting last inning.

The Enforcers know that it is Sluggers they admire,
Enforcers would've gotten served, had it not rained-out the week prior.

I know this recap is getting off key,
from the ranting and raving of someone like me.

I'm tired of hearing, "We'll get them next year.
Meet us at the bar for pizza and beer."

Sluggers, let's face it we ran outta gas,
Let's change the outcome next year, and smack down on that a**.

On Alfred! On Claudia! On Judith! On Mike!
On Albert! On Patrick! Elena, bonafide strike!

We'll take them to the window. We'll take them to the wall.
On Ray! On Cesar! Jets, Guzzlers, will fall.

Sluggers, good effort, determination, great fight.
Til next year, where's my pizza? And to all, a good night.

- Lady Smith

A Mid-Year Break

■ Signups starting for the softball summer season.
Running gearing up; soccer is a possibility.

Happy New Year from Club Sports!

All of us here at the Club are really looking forward to another great year. We took a break in December, as softball wasn't in season, basketball was on hold, and the Club runners didn't have a race to run.

Here's to a great 2012! Oh, and thanks for all your great comments on the *Alive!* feature story last month. It's your participation that makes the Club Sports Program the so great!

Soccer

Interested in playing soccer? Do you have a group of players who want to play? Contact the Sports Dude to get the league started!

Basketball

The current Club Basketball League is on break until the construction that is under way at Expo Center is complete. Check the Club Website for complete schedule and standings details.

Softball

The next coed softball season begins this July. Now is a good time to think about forming your team. Meet new friends or play against your buddy from the other department. This is one of the most unique leagues for its sponsorship. The Club pays for team jerseys, umpire fees, and trophies. This adds up to a

wallet size of dollars saved. Contact the Sports Dude at sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com or call him at (800) 464-0452.

Running Club

The Sports Dude is proud to announce the start of the new year of running events that the Club will sponsor registration for members. New Club members will be sponsored for one race per calendar year. Club Members who have been members for 12 months or more are allowed two races per calendar year. All members have the opportunity to participate in additional races by recruiting new Club members. Five new members will authorize one additional race. Please contact the Sports Dude for more details.

Full Marathon
Sun & Fun Marathon in Playa del Rey
DATE: March 2012 (exact date to be determined)

Half Marathon

Playa Del Rey
DATE: March 2012 (exact date to be determined).
The Club is proud to announce the sponsorship for the 10K Hollywood Mini Marathon on April 7. Details will be forthcoming.

Please contact the Sports Dude or visit the Club Website for more information.

Contact Robert Larios, the Sports Dude, for Club sports registration information:

- sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com
- (800) 464-0452, ext. 134
- www.cityemployeesclub.com

**Join
a Club
Sports
League
Today!**



Sign Up Mondays!

Stop by the Club on Mondays (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) to sign up for any upcoming Club sports league!

- Club Soccer League
- Club Basketball League
- Club Softball League
- Running Club

Come meet Robert Larios, The Sports Dude



The Sports Dude is also on Facebook by searching him with the words Club Sports Dude - Robert Larios.

Visit the Club Website for all sports scores, updates, and photos:
www.cityemployeesclub.com

For Retired Club Members

The Best Years



By Mary Beetz,
RLACEI Publicity Chair

City Retiree Associations

DWP Retirees Association



Dolores Foley, *President*
Phone: (626) 445-7376
E-mail: vinmar@altrionet.com

Los Angeles Retired Fire and Police Association

Bill Quinn, *President*
Phone: (323) 283-4441
Fax: (626) 285-1461
9521 Las Tunas Dr. #4,
Temple City, CA 91780
www.larfpa.org

Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI)



Ed Harding, *RLACEI President*
www.rlacei.com
Contact him: (800) 678-4145 Ext. 703
or via E-mail:
rlacei@verizon.net

Change of Address?

If you change your address, notify Helen Salgado, Membership Chair, at (800) 678-4145 Ext. 713, or write to her at 8372 Arnett Dr. Huntington Beach, CA 92647. Also notify LACERS.

Have News About Yourself?

Contact Phil Skarin, 5301 Norwich Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91411-3910, or call (800) 678-4145 Ext. 709.

RLACEI Upcoming Events:

April 12: General meeting, 1 p.m., Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles.

June 7: RLACEI Golf Tournament, Alhambra Golf Club

Aug. 9: Picnic, 11:30 a.m., Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park, Los Angeles

Oct. 4: Annual corporation meeting and elections, 1 p.m., Friendship Auditorium

Dec. 6: Holiday party, noon, Friendship Auditorium

Call (800) 678-4145
ext. 701 for reservations

RLACEI:

Will State Deficits Push Pension Reform?

President Ed Harding reports:

2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



Ed Harding

"The holiday party we had Dec. 1 was a great success!

"We had a 'full house,' with some great people attending (to name a few): LACERS Commission President Rick Rodgers and Vice President Jerry Bardwell; LACERS General Manager Tom Moutes and Assistant General Manager Lita Payne; ACEBSA President Fred Dowell and his CEO/Executive Director Roslyn Carter-Phillips; and

the Club's CEO John Hawkins and Director of Operations Robert Larios.

"I would like to thank Commission President Rick Rodgers for installing our Directors, who were elected by the members at our October annual corporation meeting and elections. Rick also installed Clifford Cannon as a new director for a one-year term. Clifford was appointed to fill a vacancy left by Jerry Bardwell when the mayor

reappointed Jerry to LACERS Commission. Clifford will come up for election along with Directors who are up for election this October.

"On another note, I would like to apologize for the late serving of our lunch at our holiday party due to a miscommunication, but we all know that Chris and Pitts' lunch is well worth the wait!

"I wish you all a Happy New Year."

Let's start 2012 by honoring Phil Skarin, former RLACEI Publicity Chairman for more than 16 years, with a "Phil Skarin Poetry Contest." Winner will receive \$25.

Submit all poems to Mary Beetz by email at mbeetz4841@aol.com or general mail to 137 Westmont Dr., Alhambra, CA 91801. Deadline: Jan. 15, 2012!

Poetry Contest

Deadline: Jan. 15, 2012

Legislative Report by Michael Karsch:



Michael Karsch

"The State of California faces increasing deficit projections for the current and next fiscal years. In mid-November the State Legislative Analyst Office said the end of the current fiscal year deficit as \$3.7 billion and a projected deficit for fiscal year 2012-13 of \$10 billion. The continuing deficits will increase pressure to enact pension reform for the state pension systems for teachers and state and local employees (this does not include jurisdictions with their own pension systems, like Los Angeles).

"On Dec. 1, the governor appeared before a joint legislative committee to pitch his reform proposal in general terms; a fully detailed proposal is still in the

works. Initially he asks for an increase in the retirement age to 67 and to enroll state workers in a partial 401(k) savings plan, a smaller benefit-defined pension (i.e., continuing the traditional pension but for only a portion of the retiree's income), and social security.

"In addition, he seeks an increase in taxes: a half-cent increase in the sales tax, and gradual percentage increases in the income tax for those making more than \$250,000 as individuals (from 1 to 2 percent increases, depending on how much more the income is). Some of the governor's plan can be enacted by the legislature, but other pieces will have to be approved by the voters in November. The ballot

measures will have to be first approved by the legislature for placement on the ballot.

"Commentary reported at the hearing reflected strong disagreements from both parties on various elements of the general plan. Some cautioned that many talked-about changes could not be done due to legal obstacles, namely the constitutions at both the state and federal level's protection of the right of contract, which is the pension, promised to each government employee when he or she began working for the government agency. It is still too early to have a detailed reform, but one could emerge within several months."

RLACEI Website

Hal Danowitz asks you to visit the RLACEI Website at www.rlacei.com to find the latest retirement news. If you find it helpful, or have suggestions for improvement, call Hal at (800) 678-4145 Ext. 707.

Contact LACERS

The Los Angeles City Employees Retirement System is at 360 E. Second Street, second floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Phone (213) 473-7200 or (800) 779-8328. Contact them to arrange direct deposit of your retirement checks, change your tax withholding or beneficiary, or for questions about your health plans.



The Best Years

Retiree Hotlines

Who to call? Call the Helpline and reach the officers of the Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. If you move or change your address, contact Helen Salgado. Also notify LACERS, ACEBSA, and LAFUCU. For information on problems, activities, meetings or membership. Each officer's extension is listed below.

City Employees Retirement System: (213) 473-7200

RLACEI Retirement Counselors and Retiree Helplines (800) 678-4145

• Mary Beetz	Ext. 711
• Hal Danowitz	Ext. 707
• Americo Garza	Ext. 710
• Edward Harding	Ext. 703
• Michael Karsch	Ext. 704
• Gary Mattingly	Ext. 702
• Neil Ricci	Ext. 714
• Helen Salgado (membership)	Ext. 713
• Phil Skarin	Ext. 709
• Ken Spiker	Ext. 705
• Tom Sternock	Ext. 708
• Michael Wilkinson	Ext. 712

Questions: Ext. 0
RSVP: Ext. 701

DWP Retirement Plan Office (213) 367-1722

RLACEI:

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- Mary Beetz: Publicity Chair
- Hal Danowitz: Secretary/Treasurer
- Edward Harding: President
- Michael Karsch: Treasurer
- Phil Skarin: Director
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- Tom Sternock: Second Vice President

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- Mary Beetz: Publicity
- Hal Danowitz: Bylaws
- Americo Garza: Picnic, Holiday Party and Installation
- Neil Ricci: Health and Nominating
- Helen Salgado: Membership
- Phil Skarin: Parliamentarian
- Ken Spiker: Legal and Legislative
- Tom Sternock: Audit
- Tom Sternock and Phil Skarin: Golf

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- Michael R. Wilkinson



Hal and Evelyn in front of the Trevi Fountain.

2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



By Hal Danowitz, Secretary, RLACEI

Rome, the First of 28 Days

Hal and Co. begin their 28-day cruise from Europe to Singapore.

On Oct. 11, Evelyn and I, with our cousins Don and Myrna, left for Rome, where we were going to board the *Ocean Princess* Oct. 15 to sail for 28 days to Singapore. On the cruise we were scheduled to visit Sorrento, Italy; Athens; Ephesus, Turkey; through the Suez Canal; two ports in Egypt; Aqaba, Jordan; Dubai in the United Arab Emirates; Muscat, Oman; and India. In India, we were scheduled to take a side trip to the Taj Mahal. Finally, the cruise would take us to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, before ending in Singapore. We both had reserved mini-suites on deck eight. The *Ocean Princess* is a small ship, which only accommodates slightly more than 600 passengers and a crew of 250.

We flew on Air New Zealand to London and then British Air to Rome. Our flight out of LAX left at 4:30 p.m., and we arrive in London around 11 a.m. the next day.

As usual, Evelyn and I pushed the weight limit on our bags, but we made it. We flew premium economy on a Boeing 777. The seats were like a module office, with lots of private space. We landed in London about 15 minutes early after we circled for about 20 minutes. Evelyn and I thought the flight was very good, but some in our group were unhappy with the seats. In London, we transferred from Terminal 1 to Terminal 5. We have done this before and it is very easy using the underground. We could not check our luggage all the way through to Rome because of the way I purchased our tickets. Oops!

We made it to Terminal 5, but we had a surprise when we found out we were allowed only one bag each on British Air, because we were on an "internal" flight in the European Union. I thought I looked it up on the BA's Website, and it said two bags. Anyway that cost us 35 pounds each bag. Oops again! (*No shame in that Hal; I've made the same mistake, although on a different European airline. - Ed.*)

I also got stopped at security. I forgot I had water bottles in my carry-on bag. They took everything out of my bag and even tested for explosives.

We arrived in Rome about 6 p.m. The time change from LA is nine hours later. Going from one EU country to another is easy. They stamped our passports; we picked up our bags and left the airport. We had a car waiting for us (€90), and it took about an hour to get to the Hotel Savoy.

The hotel is very well located, one block off the Via Veneto, two blocks from Harry's Bar and within walking distance of the

Spanish Steps. Evelyn and I were here two years ago and stayed in the same area, so we were familiar with this part of Rome. We were upgraded to a corner room with lots of space and a completely updated bathroom.

After we settled in, we walked up the Via Veneto and then about three blocks to the right to Il Pomodorino for pizza. It was very good.

We had our breakfast in the hotel, which is included as part of the room, and caught the hop-on-hop-off bus.



Myrna and Don on the hop-on hop-off bus in Rome.

We used the Ciao Roma bus (\$27 per person) because it was close to the hotel, and we received a small discount. The bus makes 12 stops as it travels around Rome. It's the easiest way to see the sights. We got off at the Trevi Fountain and then walked to the Spanish Steps. We then got back on the bus to go to the Jewish Quarter. We were told there are 17,000 Jews in Rome and 38,000 in all of Italy. We had lunch at a small



cafe and walked around the synagogue, which was closed. Most of the restaurants in the area are kosher. We caught the bus back to the hotel to rest up before dinner.

The weather had been overcast, with some sun. The temp was in the middle 70s, but there was no rain so far.

For dinner we walked back to the Spanish Steps (20 minutes) for dinner at a restaurant that was recommended to Myrna. The name is Number 34, and I think overall we enjoyed the food. The service was a little iffy, but a good experience. The place was very busy and the price seemed reasonable. With tip it was €120 for the four of us.

We had no sense of Italy's debt problems and saw little evidence of the economic slump. Prices were not cheap, and we saw a lot of people in stores and restaurants.

We took a taxi back to the hotel. I wasn't about to climb those steps again. We took a little walk around the Via Veneto to settle dinner and then went to the roof bar of our hotel for a drink.

The next morning it was hard to get up (7 a.m.). We must have been a little jet-lagged. We took a walking food tour, and Don and Myrna went to the Vatican.



Hal at the fish stall in the food market.

For Retired Club Members

We left the hotel about 9:15 a.m. and caught a taxi to Piazza Testaccio, where we were to meet for our food tour (www.eatingitalyfoodtours.com) – \$120 for the both of us. The taxi ride was about €12. Our guide, Kenny, was from the United States (Philadelphia, to be exact) and had lived in Rome for about four years. We made seven stops and tasted fresh *mozzarella de bufala*, a tomato selection, *culatello* and *pecorino* with truffles, *tiramisu*, a sit-down pasta tasting (three pastas, with wine), and *suppli alla Genovese* (like a croquette). We finished off with really good old-school gelato. We also visited the non-Catholic cemetery, first used in the 1400s, where Keats and Shelley are buried. We also stopped by the old slaughterhouse. This was a great tour.

That night we had dinner at Nino by the Spanish Steps. This restaurant came highly recommended. It was more expensive than last night. I had the bean soup, a specialty, which was good, and a lamb stew, which,



Evelyn samples the food.

while tasty, wasn't for me. Everyone else enjoyed their meal, but we agreed that we would not return. The cost with wine and service was €154, with no dessert or coffee. Frankly it's interesting how you order, what you are familiar with and what you expect can influence your judgment about a meal. This particular establishment was highly recommended. Thinking about the meal and the food tour earlier in the day, I found the pasta that was part of the tour to be a small piece of heaven. Next trip to Rome we will include some of the food tour recommendations; they are local, longstanding and off the tourist path.

The next day, we were scheduled to board our ship. We had a car picking us up at 11 a.m. to take us to Civitavecchia, which is the port for Rome.

We haven't really done any shopping, although we did pick up a couple of bottles of good Italian reds to take on the ship.

The weather reports were no more accurate than at home. Today was supposed to be cloudy with showers. It was beautiful, with a blue sky and a temperature in the mid-70s.

We then knew my phone wasn't working. Last night we got a call from our alarm company, saying there was a fault in the system (no alarm ringing); as we had not heard any more, we assumed there was no more problem. Our niece was housesitting, and we assumed she handled whatever problem there was.



Hal and Evelyn on the *Ocean Princess* waiting to sail.

We were picked up a little before 11 a.m. for the drive to Civitavecchia. We were told to allow more than two hours, and we were there in just more than an hour. We were able to board immediately after checking in. The cabin was bigger than the mini-suites on the larger Princess ships. There was lots of space, a queen bed, a sofa, a table and chairs, a desk area and good closet space. The bathroom was okay, with lots of storage and a tub/shower.

It didn't seem they were ready to board passengers yet. There were no robes, and some of the information and normal first-day items were missing. We were told they had stormy weather the day before and were unable to complete some of these things. The Internet was unavailable.

We had lunch with a couple from Australia, who we found out later had the cabin next to ours. We spent the afternoon unpacking. The good news was that all of the bags were delivered quickly. I felt a lot more organized. Basically we had everything we needed for Rome in one bag, so it was nice to be surprised by what you packed almost a week ago.

The lifeboat drill was scheduled for 5 p.m., and then we were to go to the first cocktail party for the elite, platinum and suite passengers, where they have complimentary hors d'oeuvres. They featured a different theme at each party, with a special drink. All cruise lines have loyalty programs for their passengers.

Princess has three levels: gold, which you get after your first cruise; platinum, which takes six cruises; and elite, which takes 16 cruises. At each level there are benefits: with platinum, you get Internet minutes free, and with elite, in addition to the Internet minutes, you get free laundry. I like the idea of free laundry.

The next day was our first stop, Sorrento. The Internet service began, and we had good wireless service in our cabin.

We had the late seating for dinner (8:15 p.m.) and were seated at a table of eight. Two of our tablemates were a couple from Canada, Don and Barbara. He had a large cattle ranch before retiring, and she was a social worker who worked with abused women. They seemed like a nice couple. The other couple must have eaten somewhere else. So now we had two Dons at the table and, later when the other couple joined us at the table, we had two Barbaras.

We skipped the entertainment that night. It's when they introduce the staff and officers and tell you what the entertainment is going to be during the cruise. We will be surprised.

We had to up early the next day as we tender into Sorrento at 7 a.m. for our tour of Capri.

We'll pick up our story next month.



Evelyn in front of our hotel.



Hal rests at the Spanish Steps.

Asking Our Retirees



"Keep the house tidier!"
– Marilyn McPherson



"Be there next year!"
– Gene McPherson, Public Works/Engineering



"Be a good son!"
– Jose Montes, Rec and Parks



"Do more for the world."
– Bob Cutler

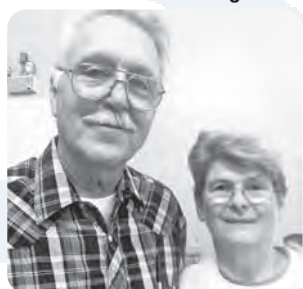


"Enjoy retirement and become a better artist with oil and water painting."
– Mic Bacon, Housing



"Keep myself healthy so that I can retire healthy!"
– Faith Mok, Controller's Office

"Relax more" (Bill). "Eat less chocolate" (Lois).
– Bill and Lois Pickens, Retired



What is your New Year's resolution?

Alive! asked Retirees what their New Year's resolution for 2012 would be.



"To be happy and healthy."
– Mei Yee, Controller's Office



"More traveling."
– Larry Tamashiro



"Get better at making a complete stop at stop signs" (Armando).
– Armando and Alice Tapia, Retired



"Get in touch with all my friends!"
– Carol Takafuji, ITA



"Making thousands of people smile!"
– Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations



"Do more things with my daughter."
– Beverly Anderson, LAPD



"Stop procrastinating."
– Mico Rouso, Retired, Public Works/Engineering



"Stop lying" (Joel). "Donate more of my time" (Eygie).
– Joel and Eygie Rosen, Retired



"To find fun things to do, like watching movies and plays."
– Mariam Skarin



"I don't have one... maybe next year!"
– Carole Milemore



Photos by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor

Special thanks to Ed Harding and Americo Garza, RLACEI

For Retired Club Members



By Mary Beetz,
RLACEI Publicity Chair

LACERS Update

"CMS Announces New Medicare Part B Premiums for 2012: Each year, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) establishes the annual basic Medicare Part B premium rate for the following calendar year. For 2012, CMS announced there will be a single basic Medicare Part B premium rate of \$99.90 per month. This basic rate will apply to all retirees enrolled in Medicare, even if their 2011 Medicare Part B basic rate was higher.

"The Los Angeles Administrative Code requires that all retired members, upon turning age 65, enroll in all parts of Medicare for which they are eligible. Retired members must provide proof of enrollment to LACERS in order to receive a LACERS medical plan premium subsidy.

"Only Retired Members who are enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B; and a LACERS medical plan or the Medical Premium Reimbursement

Program (MPRP), are reimbursed their basic Medicare Part B premium.

"The retired member pays any income-related monthly adjustment amounts or penalties. Surviving spouses/domestic partners are not eligible for reimbursement of their basic Medicare Part B premium.

"Note: Your Medicare Part B reimbursement for 2012 will be automatically adjusted by LACERS and will be reflected in your monthly retirement allowance beginning in January 2012. Approximately 88 percent of our members will see a slight increase in their Part B reimbursement while the rest will see a decrease.

"For more information on the 2012 Medicare Part B premium rates, please visit the Medicare Website at <http://questions.medicare.gov>.

"Form 1099-R: LACERS will mail retired members their IRS Form 1099-R (Distribution

from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement, etc.) by the end of January. Members who do not receive their 1099-R by Feb. 15 should contact LACERS to request a new one. Regenerating a 1099-R may require a few working days to process. Also, retirees who recently moved should contact LACERS to update their address information.

"**Poetry Contest:** The poetry contest is becoming a great success. Keep on sending them in! We're starting 2012 by honoring Phil Skarin, former RLACEI Publicity Chairman for more than 16 years, with a "Phil Skarin Poetry Contest." Winner will receive \$25. Submit all poems to Mary Beetz by email at mbeetz4841@aol.com or general mail to 137 Westmont Dr., Alhambra, CA 91801. Deadline: Jan. 15, 2012."



From left: Trisha Currie; Sharylon Davis; Irene Keys; Mildred Dixon; Sandra Gibbs; and Michael Hones. Seated: Janet Glascow.



From left: Americo Garza, Director; John Hawkins, Club President & CEO; and Martha Harding, wife of RLACEI President Ed Harding.



Jose Montes, Rec and Parks.



From left: Leo Rosen, Joel Rosen, Norma Rosen, Eygie Rodes, and Jack Rosen.



From left: Lee Burrell, Sam Hochberg, and Robert Jacobs.

Representing the Los Angeles Federal Credit Union were Mariam Levy and Robert Aguirre.



RLACEI Holiday Fun

Retired employees association hosts annual holiday party.

Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

The Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI) celebrated their annual holiday party Dec. 1 at Friendship Auditorium.

Longtime friends and past co-workers had a chance to catch up, share a meal, and win a prize or two if they were lucky.

Americo Garza coordinated the event and invited wonderful Christmas musical entertainment. A buffet-style lunch was served, featuring various sandwiches, sides, and carrot cake.

As always, the Club thanks Ed Harding and Americo Garza for their welcome.



Maria Ream and Tony Alvarez.



Marilyn McPherson.



Gene McPherson, Retired, Public Works/Engineering.



From left: Phil Skarin, RLACEI with John Hawkins, Club President and CEO.



Bre and Maurice Jacobs.



From left: Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations, and Carole Milmore.



From left: Ed Shum, Jerry Bardwell, and Rick Rodgers. Seated: Icle Davis.



From left: Leroy Richard, Sylvester Warsaw Sr., and Carol Warsaw.



From left: Renee O'Malley and Wilma Rebbe.



Robert Jacobs and Rosalinda Johnson.



From left: John Hawkins, Club President & CEO; and Miriam Skarin, wife of Phil Skarin.



From left: Bob Cutler; Mic Bacon; Faith Mok; Mei Yee; Larry Yamashiro; Dorothy; Carol Takafuji; and Beverly Anderson.

RLACEI MEMBER NEWS:

Mary Beetz reports: "I received an email from **Don Beach**, a retired City Employee who writes: 'In 1998 during my 30 years of service with the City, I was mainly employed by Public Works/Street Services as a Management Analyst under the supervision and direction of Ed Harding. "After retirement, I have kept busy with several things: I am a magician and mem-

ber of the Hollywood Magic Castle; I am also a singer, and have performed at various opera companies throughout the Southern California area and also sing at musical theaters and enjoy singing Al Jolson songs. I am also a writer who writes poetry and novels. I have written and published six books (four books of poetry and two novels). My books are available under my name at www.BN.com.

"My other interests include studying philosophy and linguistics. I am a scholar of everything from Plato to the modern philosophers such as Jacques Derrida and Richard Rorty. Yes, Mary, there is life after retirement!"

"If you are a retiree and have interesting news about yourself, your family or other retirees, send them to

mbeetz4841@aol.com. I am sure your co-workers or friends who made during your employment with the City will enjoy reading about your life after retirement.

"As a wise man once said: 'I shall retire and grow old, but never lose life's zest, Because the road's last turn will be the best.'"

Hang On, Pamela!

Pamela Hirneisen, rappels from the top of a downtown hotel, for a good cause.

Photo courtesy the Boy Scouts of America

Pamela Hirneisen, Vice President, Marketing, Convention Center, took fundraising to new heights when she participated Oct. 7 in the second annual Over the Edge. The event raised funds and awareness for scouting in Los Angeles by having participants rappel from the top of the Westin Bonaventure Hotel downtown.

Pamela raised more than \$1,500. Each participant was asked to raise at least \$1,500 in support of scouting programs. Many funds will be directed to inner-city programs, according to event organizers.

Not for the faint of heart, the experience lasts from 8 minutes up to 15 minutes. Participants first strap on a helmet, harness and gloves. Rappelling, the controlled descent down a surface using a rope, takes some mental and physical toughness. After some quick lessons in Rappelling 101, participants head to the roof, undergo safety checks and prepare for their journey down the high rise. According to the scouting event coordinators, everyone says that the first step is a doozy and you have to challenge yourself. Participants are met on their descent with cheering from their friends, colleagues, family and scouts.

Getting down requires some work. The squeezing motion to activate the descender requires quite a bit of force, and using the same hand the entire way down can be a little tiring. You can stop to rest, or switch hands when you need a break.



Pamela Hirneisen, Vice President, Marketing, Convention Center.

Reviews by Fellow Club Members

ENTERTAINMENT

At the Movies • *In the cinema*



J. Edgar

Rated R

My Score: 1 (out of 5)

On paper, the movie *J. Edgar* has it all: great director (Clint Eastwood), great star (Leonardo DiCaprio), and fascinating subject (J. Edgar Hoover's life story). But this is one biopic whose parts never measure up. Except for the first 20 or so minutes showing the genius and rise of Hoover in the Department of Justice, the film just slogs, bogs down, and is humorless and dull. Flipping from flashback to flashback, the storytelling grows ever more confusing and tedious, and the amazingly bad makeup (from old faces and fat suits) is just plain distracting.

Advice to the moviegoer: Skip this one.

— Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks



The Muppets

Rated PG

My Score: 3 (out of 5)

They made a new Muppet movie. Cause for celebration.

That it isn't great or graceful is a bit sad, but greatness can't last forever. Of course I miss Muppet creator Jim Henson, whose tone can never be matched (although *A Muppet Christmas Carol* comes closest of all the post-Jim Henson projects). I also miss the guiding spirit of original puppeteer and current writer/director Frank Oz, who reportedly didn't approve of this script. And I miss Jerry Juhl, the rarely heralded writer whose genius brought us the original *Muppet Movie*, and all those great half-hours of *The Muppet Show* decades ago.

Still, there are good moments here. Current comedy star and Muppet fanatic Jason Segel,

who really got this movie into production, plays a man/boy (think of a typical Will Ferrell character) who takes his brother, Walter (an actual Muppet), along on an anniversary trip with his girlfriend (Amy Adams). There's something about the Muppet Theatre being torn down, and a need to pull the gang together for a fundraiser.

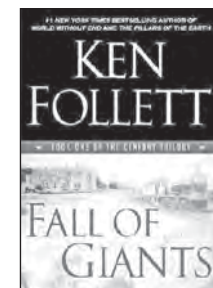
There are funny moments for sure, and a decent song or two. Rowlf's lack of a need for a montage was my biggest laugh from the movie; you'll know it when you see it.

I'm glad I saw this movie, and I'm glad it exists. I hope the next one is better.

— John Burnes, editor, *Alive!*



Book Reviews



Fall of Giants

Ken Follett

Historical fiction, 985 pages

Dutton Adult

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

This is the first installment in Follett's *The Century Trilogy*, as the author intends to tell the social and political history of the 20th century. The interconnected stories concern five families from Britain and Wales, Germany, Russia, and the United States.

Despite a politically progressive viewpoint, Follett's novel entertains while dealing with various historical landmarks, including women's suffrage, the European class system, and even the Russian Revolution. The causes of the First World War are shown within the context of story. The book is nearly 1,000 pages in length, but is both readable and enjoyable.

— Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

Your Reviews!

You can be a reviewer! Have you just seen a great movie or DVD? Read a great book? Been to a great play or musical? Write a brief review. It's easy! See the instruction box.

100 Words or Fewer

- For movies: Make sure the movie is still in theatres. For DVDs and books, make sure they are generally available. For theatre shows: try to submit your review before the show closes.
- All reviews must be written by you (not taken from another source) and exclusive to *Alive!* (not offered to another outlet). Violations could end your ability to be published in *Alive!*

- Have fun!
- Keep all reviews to 100 words or fewer, but try to write more than one or two sentences.
- Your own comments are more important than a long plot summary.
- Give us your score on a scale of 1 to 5. Use this format: **My Score: X (out of 5).**

Here's how to submit your review. *Alive!* accepts entertainment reviews of 100 words or fewer. We might not print them all, especially if we receive multiple reviews for the same movie or DVD. Follow these rules:

- Make sure you give us your name and City department (or retired).
- Submit your review to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
- *Alive!* will send you a small but appropriate "thank you" if we publish your review.



Winner
5 & under
YEARS OLD

Anthony Choi, 5

- FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Tom and Jerry"
- FAVORITE SNACK: Popcorn
- BEST FRIEND: Sean
- WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO LEGOLAND: Because there is fun stuff.
- PARENT: John Choi, Sr. Clerk Typist, LAPD.

Honorable Mention

CHILD	AGE	PARENT/GUARDIAN	DEPT
Jack Lucas	3	James Christopher	DWP
James Reusch	3	Christine Reusch	Public Works
Sophie Chou	4	Gene Chou	DWP
Omar Reza	4	Guillermo Reza	Rec and Parks
Rayven Barfield	5	Sarita Williams	LAPD
Natalia Cole	5	Barbara Cole	Retired
Akash Moreno	5	Abel Moreno	Airports
Angel Reza	5	Guillermo Reza	Rec and Parks
Dylan Thome	5	Christine Thome	Harbor
Raymond Trinh	5	Thai V. Trin	Public Works
Chris Bowers	6	Terree Bowers	City Attorney
Josie Chou	6	Gene Chou	DWP
Isabella G.	6	Raymond Galoostian	Airports
Sydney Hernandez	6	Eduardo Hernandez	Rec and Parks
Amaya Maynard	6	Norma McPhoy	Airports
Brillana Munoz	6	Martha Castaneda	LAPD
Alex Palmer	6	Elena Asucan	LAPD
Vriah Vigil	6	Ernie Vigil	DWP
Samantha Bohorquez	7	Rick Bohorquez	Housing
Kaylee Gallegos	7	Leonard Gallegos	Harbor
Alex Guder	7	Karl Guder	General Services
Tiaara Patterson	7	Christiann Adtkins	LAPD
Daniel Reusch	7	Christine Reusch	Public Works
Elisa Ruiz	7	Robert Ruiz	DWP
Elena Vargas	7	Arturo Vargas	Public Works
Olivia Zordilla	7	Emil Zordilla	Harbor
Angel Cooper	8	Aracely Galicia	Transportation
Caleb Felder	8	April Lawson	Airports
Kaylee Gabon	8	Audie Gabon	DWP
Daniel Hoffman	8	Arlene Hoffman	LAPD
Kristen Kohles	8	Chris Kohles	DWP
Grant Martinez	8	Kimberly Martinez	LAPD
Marissa Neder	8	William Neder Jr.	General Services
Peter Otoshi	8	John T. Otoshi	DWP
Dennis Reza	8	Raymond Reza	DWP
London Wright	8	Hope Wright	LAPD
Trevor Canton	9	Thomas Canton	DWP
Vian DeLa Torre	9	Anthony De La Torre	Airports
Jackie Ibarra	9	Elvia Ibarra	LAPD
Kelsy Palacios	9	Ed Palacios	Airports
Lindsey Szabo	9	Ed Jurado	DWP
Katrina Aguirre	10	Mike Aguirre	Public Works
Eduardo Arvizu	10	Elsa Rivas	Library
Tatiana Cole	10	Barbara Cole	Retired
CJ Felder	10	April Lawson	Airports
Kate Gabon	10	Audie Gabon	DWP
Maya Horvath	10	Robert Horvath	DWP
Celine Millan	10	Manny Hernandez	Housing
Katerina Plascencia	10	Gustavo Plascencia	City Attorney
Daniel Rios	10	Guillermo Rios	LAPD
Jonah Flores	11	Cheryl Garcia	LAPD
Abbey Gallegos	11	Leonard Gallegos	Harbor
Joseph Otoshi	11	John T. Otoshi	DWP
Joseph Reza	11	Raymond Reza	DWP
Sofia Salcedo	11	Rafael Salcedo	DWP
Elizabeth Vargas	11	Arturo Vargas	Public Works
Ashley Carlos	12	Renee Ramirez	LAFD
Sherell Smith	12	Chermaine Fontenette	Public Works
Carina Szabo	12	Ed Jurado	DWP
Valerie Truong	12	Richard Truong	ITA
Dominque Wright	13	Hope Wright	LAPD

Winner
6 to 7
YEARS OLD



Iman Holmes, 7

- FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Jessie"
- FAVORITE SNACK: Peaches
- BEST FRIEND: Trinity
- WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO LEGOLAND: Just to have a good time with my family and to have a great time over there.
- PARENT: Edward Holmes, Maintenance Worker, Street Services.



Winner
8 to 10
YEARS OLD

Kyle Reusch, 10

- FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Regular Show" and "Amazing Race"
- FAVORITE SNACK: Hot Dog
- BEST FRIEND: Travis
- WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO LEGOLAND: Because it's Legotastick!
- PARENT: Christi Reusch, CE Assoc, Engineering.





Congratulations to the WINNERS!

of our Club Coloring Contest!

Congratulations to the winners of *Alive!*'s last coloring contest. Everyone who turned in a design is a winner in our opinion! But our top four participants win 4 Free Tickets to LEGOLAND!

Look for our next contest in this edition of *Alive!*

Ashley Carlos, 12

- FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Wizards of Waverly Place"
- FAVORITE SNACK: Hot Cheetoes
- BEST FRIEND: Kathleen (she's my big sister and my best friend too!)
- WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO LEGOLAND: I want to go to legoland because I've never been there before. It looks like a lot of fun. I would like it for sure.
- PARENT: Renee Ramirez, Sr. Clerk Typist, Fire Dept.



MY DISABILITY

Personal Experiences Shared By Fellow Los Angeles City Employees

Karen Kennedy, Age 41, LA City Employee - 12yrs

On August 26, 2007, Karen Kennedy at the young age 41, and a single mother of two, unknowingly stepped into a pothole while getting out of her car. Her little misstep caused her a whole lot of grief for years to come. With a popped knee, a damaged articular cartilage, and dislocated disc on her back, Karen was unable to go back to work.

Good thing Karen has Disability Insurance with the Club. With over \$73,000 collected to date, Karen was able to provide for her two children while she slowly recovers from home. With the Club's Disability Insurance, Karen does not need to worry about her financial security. As a matter of fact, she will continue getting payments until the age of 65 if she is still disabled.

Don't let an injury or illness stop you from providing for your loved ones. The Club's disability insurance is essential to securing your financial future as well as your family's.

Does your disability insurance...

- ✓ Cover you on or off the job?
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- ✓ Cover you beyond 12 or 24 months?
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- ✓ Provide you Death Benefits?
- ✓ Waive your premium when you are disabled?
- ✓ Pay you tax-free benefits?
- ✓ Cover your most current salary level?
- ✓ Pay you up to the age of 65?

There are many disability insurance providers out there. Not all disability insurances are the same. Does your disability insurance provide you the best coverage for your needs?

At the Club, our disability insurance will provide all the these benefits and more. That is why over thousands of city employees have our disability insurance today.

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Scan to View



John Hawkins, Club CEO

John's Picture Perfect Contest

WIN
\$25 Walmart
Gift Card



"My daughter, Sophie, makes friends with a kelp bass at the Long Beach Aquarium."

- **Mike Aubin, Airports**

John's comments: Mike, this could be a photo that's used in a movie poster. It's intriguingly calm yet powerful. Nice work!



"A beautiful moment between my godsister's daughter, Jizelle, and her new best friend, Murusa. Murusa is a rescued dog recently adopted by Jizelle's grandparents."

- **Marilou Romney, LAPD**

John's comments: I just can't help but smile every time I see this picture. Now I'm laughing! I love it, a pure Picture Perfect!



"In our playing with bubbles, I was able to capture this photo."

- **Anna Burton, Emergency Management**

John's comments: It's amazing how much fun blowing bubbles can be, even for we adults! Great shot Anna; you captured the moment perfectly!



"Here are a few pics from a recent stop at Avila Beach. My kids were enjoying the sunset and the solitude of the moment. They are few and far between, but it is nice to slow down."

- **John Otoshi, DWP**

John's comments: For me this is a very surreal shot - I think it's your kids in flannel shirts on the beach and their pose that make this so intriguing. A perfect moment to capture! Nice work, John!

"Squirrel! Actually, I didn't have a furr-tailed rodent in the house to get this dog's attention. About 10 minutes of snapshot patience and a dangling neon light stick attached to the hot shoe of the Canon 7D did the trick. Woof!"

- **Dominique Daito, LAPD**



John's comments: This is the same look my German shepherd has when we say "squirrel," too!! Great shot, Dominique!

RULES:

- The contest is open to all Club members in good standing. Non-members are welcome to submit, but only Club members are eligible to win the monthly prize.
- If your photograph does not win, you are welcome to re-submit.
- Winners are chosen by Club staff. All decisions will be final.
- You must certify (if asked) that you indeed took the picture. No ringers!
- Photos can be submitted either on paper or digitally. Please don't send both.
- If you want your print photo returned, please write your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.
- Photos can be of any subject matter: vacation, portraits, families, landscapes, still lifes, pets, etc. Subject matter must be appropriate for *Alive!*
- Paper prints can be mailed to: Picture Perfect Contest, *Alive!*, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
- When you send digital photos through the Internet, **please send the full, original digital file yourself**, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print.
- We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com
- The contest is all in good fun: The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering *Alive!*, or for delays in the transmission of responses.



The *Alive!* Children's Coloring Contest:

Compiled by Lupe Medina,
Administrative Services
Representative



Coloring with Lupe! →

Color this fun picture, have an adult send it in, and you could win four free tickets to the Amusement Park of your Choice!

We want to know about you! Tell us a little about yourself:

Your name _____ How old are you? _____

When is your birthday? _____ What is your favorite television show? _____

What is your favorite snack? _____

What is the first name of your best friend? _____

What amusement park do you want to go to, and why?: _____

For parents/guardian to complete:

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Job title and department with the City: _____

Parent/guardian phone number: _____

Child's address/state/zip: _____

Submit to:
Club Coloring Contest
City Employees Club of Los Angeles
120 West 2nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Deadline for submission:
Feb. 6, 2012

The Club will do everything it can to gather all the submissions, but it cannot be responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

Good luck, and have fun!

Lupe says,
"Win 4 free tickets to the Amusement park of your choice!"

An award package will be given for each age group:

- Ages 5 and under**
- Ages 6 to 7**
- Ages 8 to 10**
- Ages 11 to 13**

New Prize Category!



Thanks to the Custodians

General Services hosts annual Custodian Appreciation Day.

Story by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

On Nov. 3, General Services hosted its annual Custodian Appreciation Day to honor all the hard-working custodians and supervisors. The event, held near City Hall, included awards, raffles, and great food for all to enjoy.

Congratulations to the winners and all of the custodians for the work they do!

Special thanks to Loretta M. Quenon, Director; Tony M. Royster, General Manager; and Valerie Melloff, Assistant Manager, for their assistance.



From left: Valerie Melloff, Asst. General Manager, 25 years of City service; Loretta Quenon, Director of Custodial; Luz Morelos, Custodian, 8 years; Ceola Beard, Custodian, 23 years; Pablo Ortiz-Diaz, Custodian, 14 years; Juan Maroquez, Custodian, 27 years; and Tony Royster, General Manager, 18 years.



From left: Custodians Luz Morelos, 8 years of City service; and Alejandro Navarro, 15 years.



From left: Michael Shannon, Sr. Custodian, 23 years of City service; Jacqueline Shannon, Custodian, 12 years; Derrick Shannon, Acting Supervisor, 12 years; Terence Latson, Custodian Supervisor, 12 years; and Dan Ortiz, Head Custodian Supervisor, 31 years.



From left: Miguel Santos, Sr. Custodian, 14 years of City service; Damiana Reyes, Custodian, 6 years; Felamy Garcia, Custodian, 4 years; and Maria Rivas, Custodian, 9 years.



From left: Custodians Emiliano Ramos, 7 years of City service; Taiwan Swaeregene, 11 years; and Rosalin Ross, 5 years.



From left: Alphonso Word, Sr. Custodian, 15 years; Luz Morelos, Custodian, 8 years; Erica Nicholson, Sr. Custodian, 24 years; Lloyd Lewis, Sr. Custodian, 11 years; Leonardo Velasquez, Sr. Custodian, 11 years.



From left: Custodians Santos Burgos, 14 years of City service, and Kenneth Simon, 9 years.



From left: Custodians Elizabeth Rivas, 14 years of City service, and Maria Salazar, 14 years.



From left: Custodians Davidson Cato, 8 years of City service, and Pleasant Williams, 12 years.



From left: Yadira Magallon, Clerk Typist, 5 years; Bertha Mata, Clerk Typist 27 years; and Jessica Caballero, City Contractor.



Fely Maladaga, Library Supervisor, won Legoland tickets donated by City Employees Club.



From left: Jerry Collins, Custodian, 3 years of City service; Chaing Gae, Custodian, 16 years; James Martinez, Custodian, 11 years; Arturo Campa, Custodian, Club Member, 11 years; and Hector Galdamez, Custodian, 10 years.



From left: Fely Maladaga, Library Supervisor, 10 years; and Glenn Penny, Custodian Supervisor, 10 years.



From left: Daniel Ortiz, Head Custodian Supervisor, 31 years; Miguel Garcia, Custodian, 30 years.



From left: Fely Maladaga, Custodian Supervisor, 10 years; Ron Hardie, Custodian Supervisor, 22 years; Alma Mayes, Custodian Supervisor, 13 years; Lavern Cheatham, Custodian Supervisor, 14 years.



A winner of the cooler raffle was Bernardo Senires, Custodian, 10 years of City service.



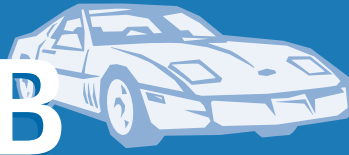
A winner of the cooler raffle was Othello Allen, Custodian, 26 years of City service.



Barbeque raffle winner: Custodian James Martinez.



The CAR CLUB



BY EVERETT BENNETT
Assistant Inspector, Public Works/ Contract Administration

Born in Detroit

I'm not an avid watcher of television. I have been known to catch an episode of *American Pickers* or *Storage Wars* from time to time, but that's about it. In between those moments of so-called reality television, I've seen a commercial that I found rather exciting not just because it is on the subject of cars but because of its message. What I like about the Chrysler commercials is the message of revival they project. An American city – Detroit – that was once deemed the Paris of the West and which had changed the car industry forever, now had more crime and empty buildings than anywhere else on American soil. I see in those commercials – “Imported From Detroit” – a reminder of the American Dream. Whether it is trying to achieve it for the first time, or to get it back, Detroit will prevail. Detroit will be high and mighty once again and, with the car industry trickling back to Michigan, I can't wait to see what happens the second time around. Let's leave car building to those who know it best. Say hello to Motor City.

Harvey Nakamoto, a retired Sr. Inspector, Building and Safety, with 35 years of City service, has long been a fan of hot rods. He has had his fair share of dirt bikes, Baja bugs and Hallet boats, but what he wanted for his retirement days was something that was born in the design rooms of Michigan – the 1962 Chevrolet Impala. His quest led him to a Long Beach garage where he found a running Impala. That was a little more than nine years ago. Before he even got his new family member home, he had already constructed the crew that he would come to depend on to bring this dream to reality.

The first stop was to his friend Babe's shop. Babe is a man who builds award winning show cars. The car was stripped of everything, including all layers of primer and paint. Babe spent months making sure the body was just perfect. Once he was happy, the Impala was sent to George Gray in Van Nuys for one of his well-known paint jobs. After months and days of the Impala being sanded and prepped, it had final-



ly entered the spray booth where George does all his magic. What emerged a day later was an absolutely perfect '62 Impala Super Sport.

While the car was receiving its new outer glory in Van Nuys, Babe had been prepping the 350-cubic-inch ZZ4 crate motor for its new home between the frame rails. Harvey's friend, Sam Nakata, had rebuilt the 700 R4 transmission that would back the motor and ensure proper shifting. The Impala made its way back to Babe's lair, where everything was assembled. A Dynamax exhaust was bolted to the powerful ZZ4 motor so it would sound and breathe correctly. Before the project could go any further, the builders agreed that Harvey could not be seen in a car that sat so high, so two-inch dropped spindles were installed in front, and the rear received two-inch drop springs. To make sure Harvey can stop in L.A. traffic, a disc brake conversion was installed in front. Harvey knew he could not run the stock wheels on this masterpiece, so a set of 17-inch American Racing wheels wrapped in 235/50 series Goodyear tires came into the picture. The

3:73 gears in the rear end assure that this hunk of American steel can get out of the way of big rigs, while also keeping the RPMs low at highway speeds.

A long time later, the car made the trek to Albert Lara in North Hollywood. Albert is a master upholsterer who had the sewing machines running when the car arrived. The seats were wrapped in black leather with charcoal gray inserts while the floor was covered in black carpet. The dash received a set of Stewart Warner gauges and a reproduction steering wheel. Between the seats sits a 1962 Pontiac Grand Prix console that was sitting in the back of Albert's shop. After working out final touches, including the install of a Vintage Air conditioner unit, Harvey was finally ready to enjoy his new toy.

If the Impala isn't in the garage Harvey had specially built for the car or on any given road in Southern California, perhaps it is on its way back to Motor City to pay homage to the designers and builders that make this one of the most sought-after models in automotive history.



Send in a photo of you and your car, and we might publish it!

Send us your information, too – name, title and City department, a phone number (we won't print it) and a paragraph or two about why you love your car, what kind of car and year it is, and maybe some fun details of how you got it, how you restored it, etc. Send it all to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

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TIME: 2 – 9:45 p.m.

COST: Free!

Information:
www.griffithobservatory.org/pstarparties.html



Funds for the Future

Golf tournament raises funds for officer training and equipment.



From left: Paul Wetmore, Foundation Board Financial Adviser; Gary Lunch; Sgt. II Danny Roman, Northeast; and Brian Miyakawa.



From left: Ron Bossi, Sr. Lead Officer Gina Chovan, Northeast; and Officer III Victor Sua, Van Nuys.



Connie Lee, Management Analyst, 27 years of City service, Club Member, with Phillip Wong, Sr. Management Analyst, 16 years.



From left: Officer II Mario Botello, Central; Steve Bernard; and Officer II Daniel Trunco, Central.



From left: Bud Eyerly; Therman Calloway, Park Maintenance Supervisor, 28 years of City service; and Eric Rupe, guest and BMX professional.



From left: Zac Fridlender, Josip Lavric, Yaron Peters, and Mike Tubbs.



From left: George Sugarman, Foundation Board Secretary and tee sponsor; Jason Schimmel; Kim Bonnell; and David Griffin.



Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager; Photos by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor

On Nov. 14, more than 60 golfers swung into action to help support the William H. Parker Police Foundation. The Braemer Country Club was the picture-perfect location. The golfers enjoyed a great view and barbecue lunch before finishing off their day on the course. Then, dinner and a silent auction concluded the evening.

The Foundation provides financial support to the dedicated men and women of the LAPD through training grants for specialized police courses and specialized equipment.

Here are the tournament results:

Net

- **Fourth place, net:** Tim Gipson, Garry McQueen, George Bowen, Warren Porche.
- **Third place, net:** David Fryer, Mel Gerstner, Keith Youn, Eric Choi.
- **Second place, net:** Royce Reynolds, John Ocampo, Henry O'Neil.
- **First place, net:** Paul Wetmore, Gary Lynch, Danny Roman, Brian Miyakawa.

Gross

- **Fourth place, gross:** Blake Selover, Mark Dolan, Arron Dolan, Ray Gould.
- **Third place, gross:** Anthony Larghell, Kendall Veable, Tracy Thomas, Keith Kiyomura, Chris Sierras.
- **Second place, gross:** Brad Lander, John Stilo, Darnell Tyler, Imran Chaudhry.
- **First place, gross:** Anthony Melillo, Maurice Wells, Charles Koznick, Ralph Durham.

Thanks to Regina Menez and Steve Williams for the invitation to cover this worthy event!



Back row, from left: Yolanda Alaniz, Sr. Clerk Typist, 22 years of City service; May Argota, volunteer; and Kristin Childs, volunteer. Seated: Leos Legita, Clerk, 21 years; and Regina Menez, Sr. Clerk Typist, 25 years, Club Member.



From left: Therman Calloway, Park Maintenance Supervisor, 28 years of City service, Club Member; Sgt. Steve Williams, 29 years, Club Member; and Bud Eyerly, Building Repair Supervisor, 26 years.



From left: Stan Katzer, Russ Skoller, Tony Kravitz, and Gregory Gershuni, Foundation Board Member.



From left: Ramon Espinosa, Treasurer, LAPPL, 31 years of City service; Det. III Kent Oderinlo, 23 years; Motor Lt. II Al Zardeneta, Retired, 38 years; and Officer III Sergio Ortiz, 24 years.



From left: Chief Charlie Beck; Officer II Martin Beck, 77th; and Jon Greene, Foundation Board President.



A 1951 LAPD police car normally sits in the lobby of the Los Angeles Police Federal Credit Union in Van Nuys.



From left: Maurice Well, Ralph Durham, Anthony Melillo, Kylan Gamell, and Charles Koznick.



From left: Daniel Fernandez, Al Camuso, Jimmy Camuso, and Raul Da Costa.



From left: Blake Seloder, Mark Dolan, Arron Dolan, and Ray Gould.



From left: Det. III Tim Gipson, 31 years of City service; Det. II Garry McQueen, 21 years, Club Member; Det. George Bowen, 15 years; and Det. II Warren Porche, 21 years.

REC AND PARKS

Gone With The Wind



Rec and Parks crews work quickly to repair the damage.

Photos by JuanCarlos Chan, Rec and Parks

The fierce winds of Dec. 1 felled some 400 trees in Griffith Park, causing Rec and Parks to close the Los Angeles icon overnight due to debris covering the roads and the danger of limbs falling.

Most of the trees fell on Roosevelt Municipal Golf Course, according to reports.

Rec and Parks crews worked quickly to clean up the mess and lessen the chance of limbs falling unexpectedly.



AIRPORTS

Thanks For the Service

Six with Airport Police honored for their years of service.

Photo courtesy Officer Shawn Smith, Airport Police

On Nov. 16, Airport Police Officers Anthony Jenkins, Richard Aguilar, and Stevenson Agdeppa; Management Analyst II Drupad Adenwala; Sr. Clerk Typist April Clark; and Sr. Management Analyst II Martin Sato were recognized during the department's weekly command staff meeting for their years of service with the City. They received their well-deserved service pins at the meeting.

Officers Jenkins and Agdeppa, both assigned

to the Patrol Services Section, have 25 and 30 years of service respectively. Officer Aguilar, assigned to the Airport Response Coordination Center, has 30 years of service. Drupad Adenwala, assigned to Patrol Services Section, and April Clark, assigned to the Records Section, both have 30 years of service. Martin Sato, assigned to the Office of the Chief of Police, has 25 years of service.

The Club congratulates these six for their great example of service to the City.



From left: Former Airport Police Chief George Centeno, Officer Richard Aguilar, Drupad Adenwala, April Clark, Martin Sato, Officer Anthony Jenkins, Stevenson Agdeppa and Deputy Executive Director of Law Enforcement and Homeland Security Arif Alikhan.



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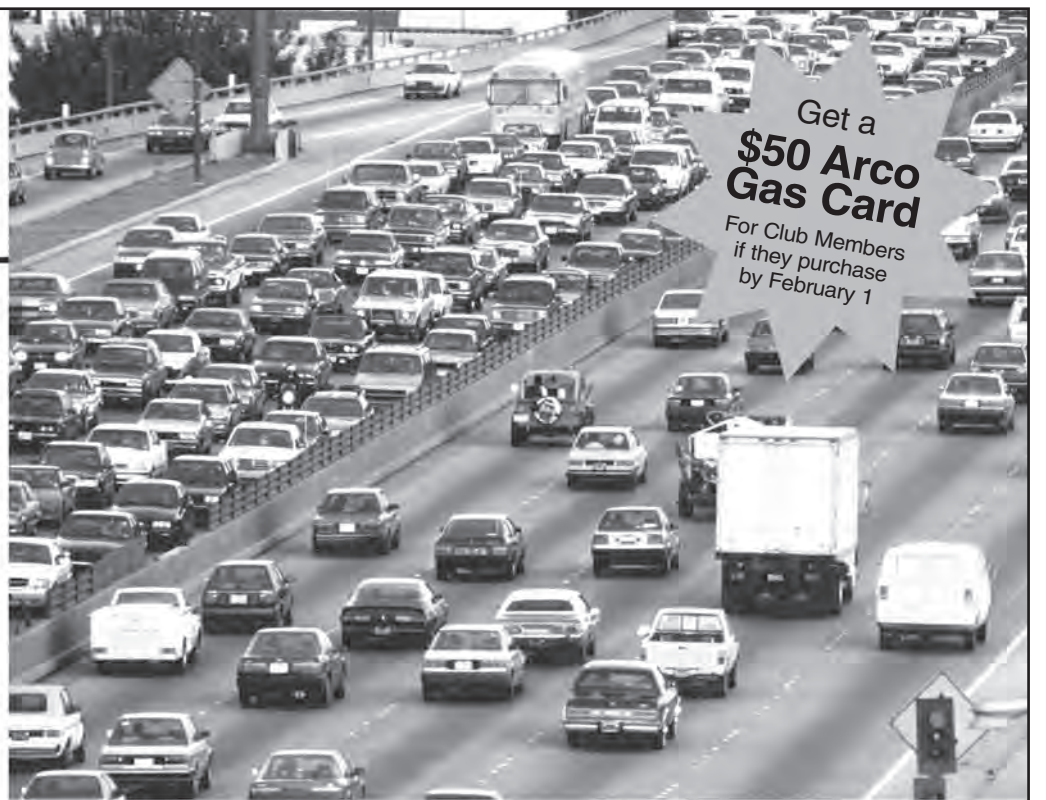
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Paul Ricchiazzi, LAPD, at Cable Airport in Upland, site of his new aviation business.

Ricchiazzi Aviation Takes Off

Police Officer has grand opening of his aviation business.

Story and photos by Club Staff

“I’ve always had a fascination for aviation for as long as I can remember,” says Officer Paul Ricchiazzi. Now the Command Post Specialist in the Emergency Operations Division has opened his own aviation business. And in keeping with the Club – there’s a Club discount!

With family and friends – and *Alive!* – Paul celebrated the grand opening of Ricchiazzi Aviation on the airport grounds at Cable Airport in Upland in November. His business offers aviation art, aerial photography, aviation novelty items, pilot supplies, scenic flights, custom picture framing, poster mounting, aviation themed interior design, and other services. Paul’s new

store is a pilot’s and airplane enthusiast’s dream. In addition to aviation art, he has flight jackets, watches, toy airplanes and helicopters and airplane novelties.

His love of aviation started when he took his first commercial flight when he was eight, from Buffalo, N.Y. to Los Angeles. “I don’t think I had seen the sun in almost a month [in Buffalo], and we were only in flight for 15 minutes, at the most, before we were through the clouds! I knew that I had some future in aviation at that point.”

He took flight lessons as soon as he could. He became a flight instructor before flying scenic tours and then for Chataouqua Airlines, a small passenger line affiliated with U.S. Air. He made it to captain, but 9/11 put him on furlough and derailed his pilot career. He then joined the

LAPD; being a police officer was another lifelong dream.

“In a post 9/11 world, airports are becoming less and less appealing for people and families to watch airport activities since there is so much more restricted access. Luckily, Cable Airport has a fantastic viewing area right next to the approach end of the main runway, and they have a good cafe that has outdoor seating that faces the runway and my store with the San Gabriel Mountain Range for a background. Bring the family for breakfast!”

And don’t forget to visit his shop for memorabilia, or to schedule your own sightseeing flight. Don’t forget

to ask for your Club discount.

“I am very excited to have the opportunity to open this business and promote general aviation in a positive light,” he says.

Visit the Ricchiazzi Aviation Website – www.ricchiazziaviation.com – for directions and more information. And tell him we sent you!



ABOVE: Paul Ricchiazzi explains his history in aviation.



LEFT: Paul Ricchiazzi in front of his new Ricchiazzi Aviation.



BELOW: Paul Ricchiazzi at Cable Airport in Upland.



Paul Ricchiazzi (left) explains the cockpit to Isaiiah Hawkins, son of Club CEO John Hawkins.

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The viewing level over the court... it's a packed house!



The players from Fire Station 9.



Players get down to business on the court!



From left: Capt. II Jim Hall, Retired, 35 years of City service; and Renee Cline, Active Apparatus Operator, 19 years of service, Club Member.

LAFD

Handball For Heroes

FS 9 hosts a doubles handball tournament that brings the generations together.



From left: Asst. Chief Johnny Sampson, Retired Assistant Chief, 30 years of City service, and Capt. II John White, Retired, 45 years.



From left: Capt. II John White, Retired, 45 years of City service, with Jean and Maureen, Retired Fire Fighter, 20 years of service.



Story and photos by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor

On the morning of Dec. 3, past and present firefighters assigned to Fire Station 9 just east of downtown gathered for an epic handball tournament. By the sounds of it, it's a very busy station. I hadn't been there more than five minutes and they already had two calls.

The group of firefighters who bridged a large age gap gathered in the kitchen for a yummy breakfast before getting onto the court. Once the action got under way, there was very little sitting room at the viewing level! It was a great day had by all.



From the top of the viewing level stairs looking back into the station.



From left: Capt. II George Boalman, Retired, 34 years of City service, from Fire Station 38; Capt. II Leonard Cobb, Retired, 27 years, from Fire Station 80; Batt. Chief Don Cate, Retired, 35 years, from Fire Station 11; and Capt. II John White, Retired, 45 years.



From left: Refugio Vasquez, Firefighter, 9 years of City service; Adrian Vasquez, Firefighter, 9 years; Trevor McDougall, 6; and Anthony McDougall, 12 years.



The winners: Justin Voyson; David Dunivan, Club Member; Elliott Ibanez, Club Member; and Mark Tostado, Club Member.



Fire Station 9.



Winners, "No Class," from left: Justin Voyson and Dave Dunivan, Club Members.



Winners, "Lil Class," from left: Elliott Ibanez, Club Member, and Mark Tostado, Club Member.

SWOOSH!

Mountain High, Snow Valley, Snow Summit Passes at a Great Club Discount

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LAPD

Watch Out!

Police Dept. hosts a dodge ball tournament.



Front, from left: Sr. Detention Officer Gerardo Ibanez, 15 years of City service; and Detention Officer Jose Hernandez, 11 years. Middle: Detention Officer Leonard Ramirez, 10 years; Sr. Management Analyst Dawn Eck, 25 years; Detention Officer Nick Cornejo, 5 years; Police Officer II Debbie Monaco, 2 years; Detention Officer Antonio Mezquita, 3 years; Mark Castellon (son of Sergio Castellon); Lt. II Holly Daniel, 26 years; Capt. David Lindsay, 25 years; and Sr. Detention Officer Dwight Sneed, 15 years. Back: Sgt. II Mike McComas, 8 years; Sgt. II Scott Engedal, 17 years; Officer II Richard Leon, 2 years; Detention Officer Cesar Resendez, 9 years; Sr. Detention Officer Timothy Charles, 21 years; and Detention Officer Solidene Hendricks, 15 years.

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations

On Dec. 3, LAPD Officers and Detention Officers teed off on each other during their dodge ball tournament. The wild fun took place at the LA Police Academy gymnasium.

Congratulations to all the employees who participated in this fun event. Employees are taking time to enjoy each other's company outside the daily grind.

Special thanks to Dawn Eck, Sr. Management Analyst II, OIC, Administrative Section, Jail Division, for her assistance.

Not pictured: Detention Officer Sergio Castellon, 21 years of City service; Detention Officer Alberto Baquero, 7 years; Detention Officer Amelia Tremino Cruz, 7 years; and Principal Detention Officer Cheryl Walker, referee, 29 years.



Principal Detention Officer Cheryl Walker, 29 years of City service, refereed the match.



From left: Officer II Debbie Monaco, 2 years of City service; Detention Officer Nick Cornejo, 5 years; Police Officer II Richard Leon, 2 years; unidentified; Robert Larios, the Club's Sports Dude; and Detention Officer Antonio Mezquita, 3 years.



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CITY EMPLOYEES AT WORK



Julio A. Alfaro, Club Member, DWP Security.



Andy Vargas, Street Services Supervisor, Public Works, 13 years of City service.



Daniel Rodriguez, Public Works/Street Services, 6 years of City service.



Here's **Carlos Loera**, Equipment Mechanic, Harbor Yard, and Club Member.



Officer Tyler Fox, 10 years of City service, works the entrance to the LA Auto Show at the Convention Center.



Mike V. Vega, Maintenance Laborer, 30 years of City service, Club Member, takes care of the East Valley Sanitation Yard grounds and also repairs the trash trucks.



From Public Works/Street Services, front: **Joyce Robinson**, Maintenance Laborer, 12 years of City service, Club Member. Back, from left: **Nick Barragan**, Street Services Supervisor, 22 years, Club Member; **Rudy Ramirez**, Sweep Operator 21 years, Club Member; and **Danny Rivera**, Sweeper Operator, 21 years, Club Member.

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ANIMAL SERVICES

A West Valley Visit

**West Valley Animal Shelter,
20655 Plummer St.
Chatsworth, CA
91311**
• 3rd in a series

Club Counselor Tanya Edwards continues her tour of Animal Services shelters.



Capt. Keith Kramer started as an Animal Control Officer 27 years ago and says one of the things he loves about his shelter is that it is "one big family," and that his goal is for it to be the "good mood shelter." He encourages his staff to have a good attitude as it's just as easy as the alternative.

This month, I'm visiting Animal Services' West Valley Shelter, also known as the "Good Mood" animal shelter.

One of the things that sets the West Valley Shelter apart is its "very high adoption rate," according to Capt. Keith Kramer. Saving animals is the primary goal of all of the LA shelters to the extent that they not only take in animals from other shelters within the City that may be overcrowded, but it is not unusual that they will ship animals to other shelters within the United States and Canada who are willing to take in the animals to save their lives.

Special thanks to Capt. Kramer for his assistance.



A little girl from the community drops in to pet the "kitties."



From left: Delfina Cantero and Jo Aguirre, ACT Volunteer Liaison, 5 years of City service.



Animal Control Officers, from left: Charity Anderson, 15 years of City service; and Nancy Page, 23 years.



Administrative staff, from left: Archie Cajucom, Clerk Typist, 23 years of City service; Delfina Cantero, Clerk Typist, 13 years; Rowena Quijote, Sr. Clerk Typist, 12 years; Margo Gonzalez, Clerk Typist, 6 years; and Daniel Luna, Clerk Typist, 10 years.



From left: Capt. Kevin Kramer; Karrie Demascio, Acting Lieutenant, 15 years of City service; and Glen Julian, Animal Control Officer, 5 years.



Animal Control Officers, from left: Larry "Santa" Herskovic, 11 years of City service; Sergio Rios, Supervisor, 21 years; Kevin Franklin, 10 years; and Oliver Gillon 13 years.



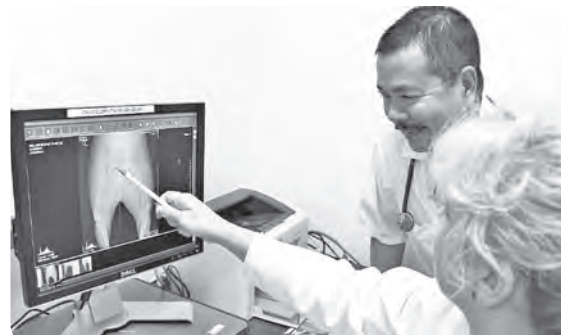
Animal Care Technicians, from left: Stella Sullivan; Jessie Franke, 5 years of City service; and Jeronimo Herrera, 4 years.



From left: Greg Lamug, Registered Vet Tech, 3 years of City service; Cynthia Hockman, MSDVM (Veterinarian), 4 years; and Ed Loria, RVT, 22 years.



West Valley Shelter cares for and has available for adoption unusual pets including horses and chickens.



Dr. Hockman points out an X-ray of a dog with a hip injury to Ed.



Scott Young, Animal Control Officer, 22 years of City service.



Candido Silva, ACT, 4 years of City service, received the "top seller" in adoptions certificate for all of the LA City Animal Service Shelters.



Evidence of the family atmosphere, there was a celebration of Sergio's birthday with a potluck, and pork roasts and baked potato casserole supplied by Stella Sullivan, ACT and New Hope Coordinator.



According to Capt. Kevin Kramer, volunteers like Sanson Chen and Iliana Baires Renuka Nadarajah and Christine Chisom "are critical to the Animal Shelters because we could not provide this level of care without them." Rabbit care volunteers (from left) Heidi Okuhara and Misty Miller.



Volunteer Sanson Chen.



Volunteer Iliana Baires.



From left: Volunteers Renuka Nadarajah and Christine Chisom.



From left: Volunteers Heidi Okuhara and Misty Miller.

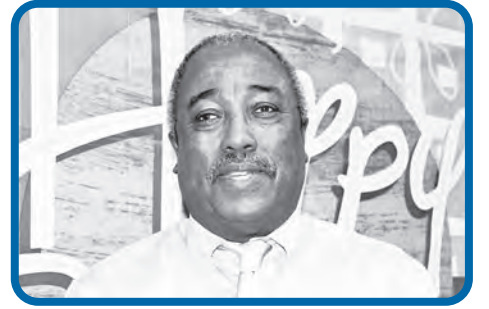
AIRPORTS



From left: Jerry Givens, Security Officer, 9 years of City service; and Lt. Arthur Rosby, 36 years.

Lt. Rosby Retires

Friends and family say goodbye to Lt. Arthur Rosby, who retired from Airports after 36 years of City service.



Lt. Arthur Rosby, 36 years of City service.



Sharon McQueen and her brother, Lt. Arthur Rosby, 36 years of City service.



Story and photos by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor

A retirement reception was held Oct. 27 for Lt. Arthur Rosby, Airport Police, who retired from the City after 36 years of City service.

The event was held at LAX. He was honored by his colleagues and family. The luncheon included great food and cake for dessert.

Congratulations, Lt. Rosby! Enjoy your retirement.

The Club thanks Sgt. Belinda Nettles, Airport Police, Club Member, for her assistance.



From left: Toya Johnson, Security Officer, 13 years of City service; Monica Vaughn, Security Officer, 4 years; Renee Barnes, Security Officer, 5 years; and Crystal Jackson, Security Officer, 13 years.



From left: Michelle Acquah, Accounting Clerk II, 19 years of City service; and Elaine Andrews, Chief of Operations II, 37 years.



From left: Retired Sgt. Rolando Turen, 30 years of City service; and Gerry Jackson, Security Officer, 23 years.



Front row, from left: Thims Dang, Security Officer, 10 years of City service; Marcellus Taylor, Security Officer, 5 years; Retired Sgt. Rolando Turen, 30 years; Michelle Acquah, Accounting Clerk II, 19 years; Lt. Arthur Rosby, 36 years; and Crystal Jackson, Security Officer, 13 years. Back: Sai Mensah, Security Officer, 20 years; Gerry Jackson, Security Officer, 23 years; Vanessa Roberson, Security Officer, 13 years; Dorsey Martin, Security Officer, 23 years; Retired Police Officer Donna Grimes, 30 years; Eric Grimes, Security Officer, 10 years; Toya Johnson, Security Officer, 13 years; Ida Keys, Security Officer, 4 years; and Monica Vaughn, Security Officer 4 years.



From left: Sai Mensah, Security Officer, 20 years of City service; and Marcellus Taylor, Security Officer, 5 years.



From left: Lt. Horace Rutherford, 17 years of City service; and Lt. Arthur Rosby, 36 years.

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Blanket the City: A new Club winter tradition

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Help the Club take care of those living on the streets this winter.

It started with John Hawkins, Club CEO, and Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager, coming into the Club Store one December night, shivering from the cold. And if they were chilly, they thought, what about those living on the streets?

So they hatched a plan: pass out blankets to those living on the streets downtown. To *Blanket the City*. That first night, they gave away 8 blankets. That was just a start.

During the winter months, the Club will be handing out military-grade blankets to those who really need them.

Blanket the City will become a new winter tradition here at the Club. Look for it January through March every year.



Marvin Brown gets cloaked by John Hawkins as the temperature dips below 50 degrees.



Angel Gomez drapes a blanket over a very cold Taylor.

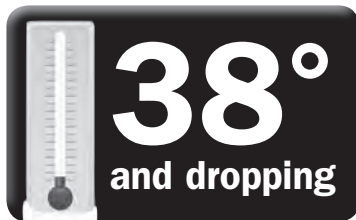
Won't you join the effort?
Here's how:

- The military-grade blankets cost \$7 each.
- Contribute what you can, and the Club will purchase blankets and hand them out for you.
- Want to contribute? Contact John Hawkins or Angel Gomez, and we'll take it from there:
jhawkins@cityemployeesclub.com or
agomez@cityemployeesclub.com

Help us *Blanket the City*



Angel Gomez finishes draping a sleeping Melvin Dillon with the warmth of the Club.



Ricci Sharpe.



Marvin Williams with Club CEO, John Hawkins.



Carlos gets first-class treatment from the "Blanket Angel."



Ray Johnson.



Cane Faulkner was about to spend a cold night in the Second Street Tunnel, but now he has a "Club" blanket to keep him warm.

{ In this monthly feature, Club CEO John Hawkins, Director of Member Services Angel Gomez, introduce you to people you see every day, but you might not know who they are. The Club reminds you that we all have names and stories to tell. }

Honoring the Best

Police Dept. honors its finest, in annual recognition ceremony.



Host, Deputy Chief Terry S. Hara.



Sr. Clerk Typist Rosalyn Cavanaugh.



Sr. Clerk Typist Linda Chen.



Sr. Clerk Typist Kelli Crawford.



Sr. Clerk Typist Norma Graziano, Club Member.



Sr. Clerk Typist Keith Greenwood.



Sr. Clerk Typist Margaret Holland.



Sr. Clerk Typist Clifton Hutchison.



Sr. Clerk Typist Michele Kao.



Sr. Clerk Typist Deborah Landry, Club Member.



Sr. Clerk Typist Teresa Massey, Club Member.



Sr. Clerk Typist Jaime Mendoza.



Sr. Clerk Typist Patricia Morales.



Sr. Clerk Typist Katina Palacios.



Sr. Clerk Typist Naomi Pantoja.



Sr. Clerk Typist Chrys Tillman.



Sr. Clerk Typist Doris Torres, Club Member.



Sr. Clerk Typist Mary Elen Valliere.



Sr. Clerk Typist Leida Williams, Club Member.



Asst. Inspector General Gary McCaskill.



Asst. Inspector General Django Sibley.



Police Performance Auditor Carolyn Charnay.



Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager; Photos by Angel Gomez, Member Services Manager

On Nov. 9, the LAPD honored four of its finest divisions. The event took place at the Ronald Deacon Civic Auditorium.

Police Chief Charlie Beck was on hand to present the medals. Host was Deputy Chief Terry S. Hara.

The four groups honored for their accomplishments were: Metropolitan Division's K-9 Platoon; Records & Identification Division's Automated Records Section; Rampart Area Officers Save Suicide Arrestee; and Office of the Inspector General's Consent Decree.

Honored as part of those four divisions were:

Metropolitan Division's K-9 Platoon:

Capt. Steven Zipperman; Lt. Robert Arcos; Lt. Suzanna Bower; Lt. Terry Pratt; Officer Christopher Amador; Officer Thomas Call; Officer Steven Carnevale; Officer Cliff Chu; Officer Steven Jenkins; Officer James McDonald; Officer Nicholas Milazzo; Officer Jeffrey Miller; Officer Brian O'Hara; Officer Dennis O'Sullivan; Officer Mike Peters; Officer Jason Schwab; Officer David Stambaugh; Officer Linda Travis; Officer David Wade; Sgt. Charles Buttitta; Sgt. Steven Groover; Sgt. Gina Holmstrom; Sgt. Jerry Mayeda; Sgt. Douglas Reid; Sgt. Douglas Roler; Sgt. Gerard Sola, Club Member; and Sgt. Miles Taylor.

Records and Identification Division's Automated Records Section:

Chief Clerk Police Debra Avery, Club Member; Clerk Typist Andrew Balladarez; Clerk Typist Lisa Carello, Club Member; Clerk Typist Cheryl Clark; Clerk Typist Marsha Cofield; Clerk Typist Martha Diaz, Club Member; Clerk Typist Adolfo Duarte; Clerk Typist Sybil Fields; Clerk Typist Cassandra Franklin, Club Member; Clerk Typist Engracia Limon, Club Member; Clerk Typist Irma Martinez; Clerk Typist Sojung Oh; Clerk Typist Clarencio Racho; Clerk Typist Raul Ramirez, Club Member; Clerk Typist Cynthia Rios Corlito; Clerk Typist Nora Taylor; Principal Clerk Police Amoree Aguilar, Club Member; PCP Sylvia McGee, Club Member; PCP Efreem Samarin, Club Member; PCP Raul Torres, Club Member; Reprographic Operator Christopher Moore; Sr. Clerk Typist Diann Brown; Sr. Clerk Typist Ana Castro; Sr. Clerk Typist Rosalyn Cavanaugh; Sr. Clerk Typist Linda Chen; Sr. Clerk Typist Kelli Crawford; Sr. Clerk Typist Joseph De Vera; Sr. Clerk Typist Evelyn Edwards, Club Member; Sr. Clerk Typist Norma Graziano, Club Member; Sr. Clerk Typist Keith Greenwood; Sr. Clerk Typist Margaret Holland; Sr. Clerk Typist Clifton Hutchison; Sr. Clerk Typist Michele Kao; Sr. Clerk Typist Deborah Landry, Club Member; Sr. Clerk Typist Teresa Massey, Club Member; Sr. Clerk Typist Jaime Mendoza; Sr. Clerk Typist Patricia Morales; Sr. Clerk Typist Katina Palacios; Sr. Clerk Typist Naomi Pantoja; Sr. Clerk Typist Chrys Tillman; Sr. Clerk Typist Doris Torres, Club Member; Sr. Clerk Typist Mary Elen Valliere; Sr. Clerk Typist Sharon White Whetetto; and Sr. Clerk Typist Leida Williams, Club Member.





From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Sr. Clerk Typist Tasha Tennell, Club Member.



From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Special Investigator David Andrews, Club Member.



From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Sr. Clerk Typist Beverly Pitts, Club Member.



Sgt. Scarlett Nuno.



Police Performance Auditor Jennifer Gomez.



Police Performance Auditor John Grosdidier.



Police Performance Auditor Benjamin Lopez.

Rampart Area Officers Save Suicide Arrestee:

Police Officer Carlos Jimenez; Officer Kathleen Talbot; and Sgt. Scarlett Nuno.

Office of the Inspector General's Consent Decree:

Assistant Inspector General Gary McCaskill; Assistant Inspector General Kevin Rogan, Club Member; Assistant Inspector General Django Sibley; Executive Administrative Assistant Danielle Jaimez, Club Member; Inspector General Nicole Bershon; Police Performance Auditor Carolyn Charnay; Police Performance Auditor Jennifer Gomez; Police Performance Auditor John Grosdidier; Police Performance Auditor Benjamin Lopez; Police Performance Auditor Sarah Richardson, Club Member; Police Performance Auditor Mona Samuels-Sego; Sr. Clerk Typist Gloria Blancarte; Sr. Clerk Typist Siv Chan; Sr. Clerk Typist Beverly Pitts, Club Member; Sr. Clerk Typist Tasha Tennell, Club Member; Sgt. Luis Bravo; Special Investigator David Andrews, Club Member; Special Investigator Brian Buchner; Special Investigator Julie Buchwald; Special Investigator Samuel Colina; Special Investigator Alexander Doverko; Special Investigator Charles Gaither; Special Investigator Danny Kono; Special Investigator Robert Leinweber; Special Investigator Alex Padilla; System Analyst Carlos Gonzalez; Special Investigator II Gary Buchman; Special Investigator II Sue Stengo; and Special Investigator II Daisy Ybanez.

Huge congratulations to all the honorees, and thanks go to Norma Graziano, Sr. Clerk Typist and Club Member, for assisting us.



Police Performance Auditor Mona Samuels-Sego.



Sr. Clerk Typist Gloria Blancarte.



Sr. Clerk Typist Siv Chan.



Special Investigator Julie Buchwald.



Special Investigator Samuel Colina.



Special Investigator Danny Kono.



Special Investigator Robert Leinweber.



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From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Executive Administrative Assistant Danielle Jaimez, Club Member.



From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Police Performance Auditor Sarah Richardson, Club Member.



From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Asst. Inspector General Kevin Rogan, Club Member.



From left: Police Chief Charlie Beck and Sr. Clerk Typist Evelyn Edwards, Club Member.



The event raised \$8,178.38, in addition to the toys.



This child and many others were helped by this excellent event.



Santa helps out an infant.



Ray Reynoso, Club Member, with Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor.



From left: Ricki Smith, Carpenter Supervisor, 11 years of City service; Ron Sheepherder, Truck and Equipment Dispatcher, 14 years; and Joseph Sheepherder.



From left: Joan Rivera, Alicia Ledezma, and Israel Romero, all from Starbucks in Pico Rivera. They donated their time and goodies for the event!



From left: Robert Larios, the Club's Director of Operations, with Ray Reynoso, Club Member.



Wisarn Petch, ITS Communications Electrician, 24 years of City service.



From left: Jeff Venturina, SOR, and Beryle Cosey Jackson, SOR.



From the Society of Riders, from left: Solae Olsen, Diana Berdugo, Mari Schillaci, Sylvia Ramirez, and Cathy Lansdale.



Members of the Society of Riders, from left: Bill Georgia, Michelle LaFarga, Shannon Ocamp, Lena Ajee, Ali Robles, Andre Ortega, Lisa Ortega, Jeff Venturina, and Beryle Jackson.



From left: Bubba, James Bottieri, AA, Jonathan Arroyo, and Jamu, from the Sundowners.



From the Sundowners, from left: Spike and Ray Reynoso (Santa), Club Member.



Ken Madrid and Debbie Uyeda of the Sundowners motorcycle club.



From left: Phil Flanna, Helper, 3 years of City service; May Lindberg, Sr. Store Keeper, 31 years; and Mike Lindberg, DWP Retiree, 32 years in Station Maintenance.



From left: Dave Morgan, Sr. Heavy Duty Mechanic, 20 years of City service; and Buddy Shelley, Sr. Heavy Duty Mechanic, Fleet Services, 30 years.



From left: Linda and Tom De Sha, Sr. Load Dispatcher, 28 years of City service; and Fred Sumlin, Superintendent West LA and South Operations, 35 years.



From left: Victor Ryan, Equipment Mechanic, General Services, 4 years of City service; his wife, Liane; and Tim Touhy, Maintenance Construction Helper, 3 years.

DWP

DWP Toy Run

City motorcycle clubs deliver gifts to hospitalized children.

Story by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor, and Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations; Photos by Gedina Bergstrom

DWP employees continued their amazing holiday Toy Run Dec. 4. This year's event featured two different locations – downtown and West Hills.

The event delivers toys to children at the Los Angeles Harbor UCLA Medical Center in Torrance. Also, one rider is chosen to drive his or her motorcycle actually on the floor of a ward at the hospital.

The event raised \$8,178.38, in addition to the toys.

The City Employees Club was a proud sponsor of the event.

Special thanks to Ray Reynoso, Club Member, for assisting us.



From the Port Police, from left: Officer Justin Sepe, 5 years of City service; and Mark Renteria, Police Officer, 13 years.



From left: Volunteers Janet and Janel Petch.

History Comes *Alive!*

~ Tales From the City Archives ~



by Hynda Rudd
City Archivist (Retired) and Club Member



An interior view of the History Department at Los Angeles Central Library, 1926. The view looks toward the Map Room. Several tall lamps are positioned atop tables throughout the department, as well as at the reference desk. Note the ceiling beams and checkerboard floor. The History Department was previously known as the Reference Room, which was the largest reading room of the library.

Photos from the Security Pacific Collection and the Central Library Photo Archives Collection, Christina Rice, Acting Sr. Librarian.

One of the most respected and largest library systems in the United States belongs to the City of Los Angeles. Its history begins back in 1872, with the founding of a celebrated Los Angeles Library Association established by former governor John G. Downey, Judge Ygnacio Sepulveda and J.P. Widney, founder of the University of Southern California's medical school. The library was founded by ordinance 711 Old Series on March 7, 1878, four years after it was approved by the State legislature. The library was then housed in the City Hall on Fort Street, now Broadway, between Second and Third Streets from 1888 to 1928.

In 1921, the citizens of Los Angeles voted for bonds to erect a Central Library building. This was a first. For six months the press and the public discussed where the building should stand. Sixteen months later, they

decided to build it where the old Normal School sat, on what would become 630 W. Fifth St. By the way, a Normal School was founded in 17th century Europe. The intentions were to train high school graduates to be teachers. Many state universities were founded for that purpose. The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), began as a Normal School.

The original site where the Normal School sat was on a hill. It was lowered and cleared. The new Library Board then had to make decisions

about the architecture of the building. Keeping with the tradition of Los Angeles being basically a Spanish community, the leadership purposely chose that design, even though there are influences of ancient Egyptian and Mediterranean revival for the three-story library building.

They appointed an architect with national and international prominence. The man chosen was Bertram G. Goodhue from New York City. He had already proven his expertise by his production of the California School of Technology and the California Building of the San Diego Exposition group. His associate was local Los Angeles architect Carlton Monroe Winslow. The library was built in 1926, at a cost of \$2.3 million.

Most public libraries built during that time were built in an old classical version that was not acceptable for the City of Los Angeles library for two reasons. First, most library entrances were considered dignified, but also felt austere, cold to be exact. Second, the

money was always an issue, and the internal design of the building must incorporate changes that will meet the needs of the public under those circumstances.

The Central Library Board and Librarian designs were as follows: (1) stacks of books relating to individual departments, i.e., history, science and industry, general literature, etc., were housed in each department. Former libraries had the stacks of all books across the entire back of the building; (2) the modern era maintains two special collections on Los Angeles: (a) the History Department, having 80,000 maps and 1,600 atlases; and (b) the Photo Library inherited the Security Pacific Historical Photo collection of 250,000 photos of Los Angeles from 1870 to 1960, with special attention to the community from 1920 to 1950.

The library has three service divisions. They are the central library, branch libraries and technical services. There are several regional divisions and 72 branches, including the many neighborhoods along with bookmobile units. There is often confusion between this City library and the Los Angeles County Public Library. Both have more than 50 branches in Southern California.

On April 29, 1986, an arson fire destroyed 20 percent of the central library collection from water and smoke damage.* How much of the above mentioned History Department and Photo Library material was destroyed is unknown to me. The Fifth Street Central Library was closed at that time. The Friends of the Library ran an enormous campaign to raise \$10 million to replace lost items.

In September of the same year, another fire occurred, destroying the contents of the music department reading room. In an Oct. 13, 1988 news article, arson had been ruled out by the LAFD investigators who determined that a pile of debris was set on fire by lighting fixtures that were cut by torches during the construction of the fourth floor that dropped through a shaft to the basement. Public debate after the first fire considered

tearing down the current Central Library; the discussions definitely continued after the second fire.

Finally, the City fathers decided to preserve the original, standing library. A private development firm, Maguire Thomas Partners, pledged more than \$125 million toward sponsoring the library construction, in exchange for building a Library Tower across the street, whose height exceeded that of city zoning laws. This skyscraper, which housed the Central Library holdings during reconstruction, was eventually named the First Interstate World Center, then renamed the U.S. Bank Tower. Additional funding was raised through corporate and personal contributions under the effort of the "Save The Books" campaign initiated by Mayor Tom Bradley.

Remodeling of the Central Library began in 1988 and was completed in 1993; the remodeled Central Library opened in October of that year. During the renovation, a new eight-story atrium had been added and dedicated to former Mayor Tom Bradley. The eight floors became four stories above ground and four stories below, including a parking garage.

The Richard Riordan Central Library, its current name, has a book collection of approximately 6,393,429 books and periodicals, with a circulation of 18 million. The third largest public library in the country was originally known as the Rufus B. von KleinSmid Library, named for longtime president of the Board of Library Commissioners and the President of the University of Southern California. In 2001, the Library was renamed The Richard Riordan Central Library.

** To this day, I cannot find any information about the solving of the first arson attack on April 29, 1986. If anyone has conclusive evidence that the case has been solved, please contact me at hyndarudd@att.net. I will then make a full report in this newspaper. Thank you.*

The Central Library Story



This 1926 photograph shows construction of the Los Angeles Public Library, located at 630 W. Fifth St. The view is looking at the southwest corner. The structure, which is almost complete, shows scaffolding along a portion of the south side. Several automobiles are parked at Savoy Auto Park, visible in the foreground.



This photo was taken days after the fire at Central Library, April 29, 1986. A staging area was set up in the Rotunda at Los Angeles Central Library. Groups of staff and volunteers were assigned to box the slightly damaged yet salvageable books.

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New Ads This Month!



Custom 2004 Harley XLH 1200: custom chromed pipes & paint, completely tricked out show bike. 27K miles. \$12,000 OBO. Juandessa Johnson @ (310) 213-3321 or tj4bj5@gmail.com 1/12



Casiotone 401 keyboard: Manual, cover, foot pedal. Mint condition \$200. Specifications, photos at "casiotonecollection.blogspot.com/2009/11/casiotone-401". Song books, Metronome available. Frances Mooney @ (310) 324-3117. 1/12



1950 Ford Custom V-8 Sedan: Fully restored. New burgundy paint, new chrome, new interior, runs great. \$7,500. Bob @ (310) 833-3714. 1/12

For Rent: Alhambra Apt, 1BD/1BA, great location, within 10 minutes of downtown, easy access to the 10 Frwy, near Primrose & Hellman, new paint, parking & stove. Very clean. \$900/month/with annual lease & \$900 deposit. Info @ (626) 246-2023. 1/12

Timeshare: Cancun Mexico. Fiesta Americana, 2BR, silver package. Earns 3500 pts annually. Feet from the sand, 5 minutes walk to town. Serious buyers info @ (562) 447-3189. 1/12

2001 Honda-70 Dirt Bike: Great condition, original owner, serviced annually & well maintained. No clutch, great for beginners. \$700 OBO. Info @ (562) 447-3189. 1/12



Antique 1922 Singer Sewing Machine "G" series, Class 66. Good condition. \$125. John @ (626) 584-1302. 1/12

Headboard: Queen size, solid oak 72"H x 65"W x 17"D. Four drawers, 2 lights, plug bar. Missing one mirror. Very good condition. \$175 OBO. John @ (626) 584-1302. 1/12

iPad Tablet Cleaner: The "iSlip" & "iSlipTuFF" @ Cooper-Product.com. Free shipping. Available in 13 colors, \$8.95 to CECLA, use Discount Code: CECLA. 1/12

For Sale: *Spartacus* (1960), *The Fly* (1958) & *From Here to Eternity* (1953). These films in VHS cassettes are in MINT CONDITION. Still in original plastic wrapper. Info @ (213) 435-8600 or email rlarjos@alumni.usc.edu. 1/12

For Rent: 1BD/1BA townhouse, La Mirada. In complex. Parking; new paint. Near restaurants, schools, parks. Application process. \$1,000/month. Info @ (323) 919-1163. 1/12

For Rent: 2 BD/1BA apt. near Chinatown. Granite; skylight, porch. Near Olvera St., Gold Line. Secured parking. Application process. \$1,200/month. Info @ (323) 919-1163. 1/12



Massage Chair: Panasonic Pro Elite EP3513CU (Gray) full featured, full body, complete w/arm massage. 8/11



Less than 10 hours of use in 4 years. Looks and works PERFECT. This chair originally cost \$4995 + tax/delivery. Will sacrifice for \$2250, this is a deal of a LIFETIME! Not a cheap offbrand chair like some you see, it is a genuine Panasonic like the high end chairs you see in Chiropractic offices, Brookstone, Sharper Image & Hammacher Schlemmer. Info @ (818) 312-7530. 12/11

Everything Sale: Marietta @ (909) 218-7586. *Reclining Couch & Love Seat:* center console, couch vibrates, \$900 OBO. *TV Stand:* black glass & wood, 3-tiered, flat panel tv stand, holds up to 55" tv, \$100 OBO. *Big Fridge:* white, 23 cu. ft., french doors w/ bottom freezer w/ ice maker, \$900 OBO. *Deep Freeze:* large chest freezer, \$200 OBO. *Coffee Table:* w/2 end tables, dark wood w/ glass & has lower shelves, \$175 OBO. *Dining Room Table:* dark wood w/ 4 chairs & bench w/ leaf, \$450 OBO. *Home Theatre System:* dvd player w/sound system, \$150 OBO. *Video Game:* DSI w/4 games & case, \$175 OBO. 7/11

Homes/Rentals/Land

For Rent: 2-level Townhouse in El Monte. Garvey/Peck, close to Fwy10/60. Gated community. 2 balconies. 3BD/2.5BA, 2 car garage+1 parking space. Provide furniture, w/d. 1yr lease, \$1350/mo. MQ @ (626) 679-3399. 12/11

For Rent: Remodeled House in Atwater Village. Between Los Feliz & Glendale Blvd. 2BD/1 BA plus garage, no pets. \$1900/month. John @ (323) 695-4759. 12/11

For Rent: House, 1 BD/1BA, off-street parking, a/c, wood laminate floors, unfurnished. Utilities not included, no pets. \$1100 per month. Jerry @ (323)428-7719. 12/11

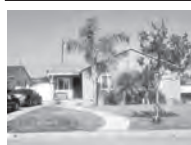
For Rent: 3BD/1BA House, patio, detached garage, big backyard, new paint, hardwood floors. Near Imperial & Western. Rob @ (310)534-3028. 11/11

For Rent: Lancaster beauty. 3BD + Loft, 2.5 BA, large family & dining room, huge backyard, outside pets & SEC 8 OK. Gardner included. Quiet neighborhood. Near Shopping Center & schools. Chasity Taylor @ (661) 886-8303. 10/11

For Rent: 2 BD/1BA apt, newly remodeled, 1 parking space, no pets, near Frank Hotchkiss LAFD site, \$1,100/month, 1 yr. lease. Info @ (323) 919-1163. 10/11

For Rent: 2 BD/2BA apt., downtown view, newly remodeled, 1 parking space, no pets, near Frank Hotchkiss LAFD site, \$1,300/month, 1 yr. lease. Info @ (323) 919-1163. 10/11

For Sale: House in Quintas Del Mat Development - Rosarito. Development has 2 restaurants. 2 BD/2BA home. Has lots of shopping nearby & tons of amenities w/walking distance. Property ready for \$154,000. Sam @ (818) 787-1426. 9/11



For Rent: West Covina- 3 BD/2 BA 1826 sq.ft. large family room, large master bedroom, C/A., new windows, paint & carpet. \$2000 monthly. Javier @ (626) 384-7915. 8/11



For Sale: 3BD/2BA beautifully landscaped Palmdale home. Large backyard w/ spectacular mountain view. Won't last at \$115K. Rocio @ (562) 201-7704. 7/11

For Sale: Lake Elizabeth, 2 buildable view lots. Great place to build your future retirement home w/ lakes & golf, located 25 minutes from Santa Clarita. One lot is 7500 SF, \$20,000. The other is 15,000 SF, \$45,000. Negotiable on financing & terms. Frances @ (805) 583-5321. 7/11

Household Items

Gas Stove: freestanding, 20" Hotpoint, white, like new, \$325 OBO. George @ (310)831-0790. 11/11

Air Conditioning Unit: "New" 3 Ton/10 Seer self contained heating/cooling unit. Gas/Electric. \$1500. Info @ (818) 361-8917 or iokc7@yahoo.com. 8/11

Miscellaneous

Childrens Clothes: Brand new, name brand, cheap! We have nice selection of babies/kids clothes & shoes at great prices- fully refundable if you're not satisfied. You can buy single or multiple items, or purchase in lots to make profits! Go to www.magickidsusa.com and use the discount code mk78827 for huge savings. 12/11

Zumba Class: \$8 per class. Curves 16000 Paramount BI Unit A Paramount BI 90723 (corner of Paramount & Alondra) Saturday's @ 9-9:45am zumbaswag@yahoo.com 8/11

Swiss Army Watch: silver band, \$80 OBO. Carlos @ (424) 212-5473. 5/11

Roll-A-Ramp: 14 feet long, railing 36 inches high w/sturdy railing. 1500 lb capacity. Excellent condition. \$2,000. John @ (661) 946-5937. 5/11

Polygraph: Discount to city employees, www.ldbpolygraph.com 2/11



Ganoderma is often regarded as the King of the mushroom world, mainly because of its healing properties. Now you can enjoy a delicious and healthy drink that not only awakens and refreshes you each day but also provides long-term health benefit as well. (818) 325-5529; www.henrik.organogold.com; henodot@yahoo.com 2/11

Enjoy ATV & m/c riding in our area but no one to ride with? Making list of families interested in **camping & riding** together. Rick (DWP) @ (805)433-3195 or email: rhinohd@dslextreme.com. 12/10

Ballroom Dancing: Beginners, intermediate & advanced. Wednesday's- 7:00pm - 9:00pm The Gallery, 122 N. Market Street, Inglewood 90301. Group workshops too! Contact: Dance instructor/coordinator Erick Weaver @ (310) 351-5303. 10/10

Scenic Flights Over LA: Fly Ricchiazzi Aviation, LLC over the city of LA for a spectacular aerial tour. See local landmarks such as Downtown LA, Dodger Stadium, Rose Bowl & much more. Based at El Monte Airport (EMT). Reserve today. (818) 415-7253. 9/10

Feng Shui onsite consultation: by retired City employee. American Feng Shui Institute certified report package include rooms, occupants, goals, health, buy/sell analysis. Peter @ (310) 854-8952. 9/10

On-site Taco Bars for your special events. Treat your guests to mouth watering tacos! Info @ (562) 884-6069 for pricing & booking. 9/10

Travel / Timeshare

Timeshare: In Solvang. \$575 for 7 nights for up to 6 occupants. One week, July 1-8, 2012. 2 BD + murphy bd. Kitchen, a/c, ctv, dvd, fp, bbq, dishwasher, w/d, pool, spas + more. Terry @ (818) 769-3382 & pls lv a msg. 12/11

Wyndham Resort Timeshare: No meeting to attend! 1BD or 2BD, sleep up to 8. Various USA locations including Hawaii, Mexico, Caribbean & more! \$700-\$1400 depending on location and season. Mary@ma.kay91@yahoo.com or (310)936-4853. 6/11



Vacation rental in Big Bear Lake: 3 BD/2 BA house located in the village of Big Bear Lake, CA, near the lake. Fully furnished. Contact John Long @ (909) 837-8347. 2/11

Mountain Lake campground membership: 2 life time. Paid \$9,000 asking \$4,500 OBO. Details @ (909) 606-5633. 4/11

Sunset World Timeshare: Cancun, Mexico. Sleeps 4 facing ocean. Avail: anytime except weekends of July 4, Thanksgiving, Christmas & New Year. \$600/7 days Saturday to Saturday. Available starting April. Gina @ (818) 265-5940. 3/11

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Mint Comic Books: from the late 60's, 70's & early 80's. Many large runs: Spiderman, Thor & many others, most \$2.50 - \$6 each, a collector's dream. John @ (951) 203-4438. 7/11

ESTATE SERVICES - Appraisal or Liquidation of Fine Art, Collectibles and Coin & Stamp Collections. Michael @ (626) 592-2929.

Wanted

Wanted: Used car. Retiree going back to college. Email: mcbtz@earthlink.net. 12/11

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I purchase: Coins, Stamps, WWII Items, Hunting/ Pocket Knives, Trains, vintage tools, Fishing reels & lures, Almost anything old! Collections or single items. Michael @ (909) 592-4332 1/10

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2006 Harley Davidson: Like new, 1200 Custom Sportster, black cherry, 617 miles. Warranty, original owner, garage stored. Vance & Hines Pipes, lowered struts & clip-on windshield: original parts (pipes and struts) included. Asking \$8,900 OBO, more photos on request. Info @ (562) 884-0675, divebunie@hotmail.com 12/11



2007 V-Star 1300 Touring Edition Motorcycle: 48k FWY miles, runs perfect! Black & Chrome, new tires, cover included, gets 45 mpg. \$6,000 OBO. Bill @ (661) 400-9893. 10/11



1999 Ford CNG police interceptor: carpool lane sticker expire 2015, 74k miles, v8, ice-cold a/c, average cng prices \$2.05/gge, Riverside price \$1.38/gge. Marcus @ (626) 232-7794. 10/11



Snow Chains: Brand new for pick-up truck or SUV Never been used, sold truck before I could use them, \$25. John @ (626)757-5341. 9/11

Snugtop Camper Shell: Black, was on 6' Toyota Tacoma Bed, carpet kit included. Good condition, \$350 OBO. Info @ (661) 992-4664. 8/11



1975 Dodge Dart Sport: Great project car, not running but has new Disc brakes, tires & rims. Many new parts still in the box. \$2100 OBO. Greg @ (818) 771-6777. 8/11



Ford Mustang: 98 white convertible, 190,000 miles, mint condition, tan convertible top, \$2500 OBO. Nyra @ (310)634-6768. 8/11

Tire Chains: Alpine sport SUV & light truck, fits various stock truck rims & tire sizes, easy installation. Used once \$50. Dwain @ (323) 754-8382. 6/11

2007 Toyota FJ Cruiser 4x2: White/titan, black interior, auto 5-speed 4.0L V6, like new! 106K miles, LoJack included. \$18,500 OBO. Armando @ (323) 252-7065 or pk4wiz@sprint.blackberry.net 6/11

2007 Harley Davidson Soft Tail FXSTC: black custom bars, grips, seat, sissy bar, saddle back. Great condition, low miles. Fernanco @ (626) 393-7349 or email me at fernandod1698@aol.com 5/11

1996 Oldsmobile Ciera SL: 118K miles, maroon color, V6, very clean, power windows, 4 door, tinted windows. Runs great! \$1,700 (Kelley Blue Book). Linda @ (310) 833-6801. 5/11

Cemetery Plots

Cemetery Lot: For sale, double lot located in historical Evergreen Cemetery. \$3,000 OBO. Call Betty @ (562) 292-5401, Mary @ (562) 692-8452. Don't wait before it's too late. 12/11

Cemetery Plot: Rose Hills Memorial Park, Double Niche 301, Tier H, Redwood Corridor-Sky Rose Mausoleum. Manny @ (562)695-2677. 11/11

4 Cemetery Plots: Reduced Even More! Rose Hills, \$12K for 4 plots. Info @ (323)382-2405. 10/11

Cemetery Plot: Ontario Cemetery, Ontario, California. Grave 6, Lot 411, Section Evergreen. \$1500. Sylvia @ (661)297-0271. 10/11

2 Cemetery Plots: "Garden Of Eden" at Rose Hills Memorial Park, only \$7,500 for the pair including transfer fee! Connie @ (310) 237-3318. 10/11

Cemetery Plot: One plot located at Rose Hills Cemetery, Garden of Affection (across from memorial chapel), asking \$2000 but will negotiate. Info @ (909) 561-3985. 9/11

2 side by side Cemetery Plots: Located Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Veterans Section. Las Cruces, New Mexico. \$2000 each OBO or consider trade. Harold @ hshaw43@charter.net 8/11

Furniture



Bed Frame with headboard: all wood, two side cubby shelves w/doors & mirror. In great condition. \$180 OBO. Frankie @ (818) 340-3059. 12/11

Send Us Your Recipes!

If you would like your recipe published in the next issue of *Alive!*, you may fax your recipes to (213) 620-0398 or e-mail us at talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Cooking with the Club

with Chef Robert Larios



'BLTAE': BACON, LETTUCE, TOMATO, AVOCADO AND EGG

Bacon, lettuce, tomato! The BLT has been a staple sandwich in a typical American diet for decades. There have been multiple variations introduced to the BLT concept, in which a variety of condiments, breads, and other ingredients have taken the BLT to new levels.

This month's recipe is apropos to the evolution and adaption of the BLT. Along with the standard ingredients, I have added avocado slices and a pan-fried egg. The avocado acts like mayonnaise in that it binds the sandwich together. The egg adds a new texture and flavor that is fitting to a sandwich of this kind. Enjoy!

'BLTAE': Bacon, Lettuce, Tomato, Avocado, and Egg

Makes 1 Serving

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 slices of bread (your choice, but I like multigrain)
- 2 leaves lettuce
- 2 slices tomato (you may add more)
- Half of a medium Hass avocado, sliced thinly
- 1 fried egg, over medium or over hard
- 3 strips bacon
- Freshly cracked pepper

Cooking TIDBIT

Feel free to use your favorite sandwich bread and toasting it before you add the ingredients.

DIRECTIONS:



1 If you are used to BLTs, build it the normal way, but we'll add slices of avocado. Clearly, I love avocados!



2 In a large nonstick skillet, place the bacon over medium heat. If you have a small skillet, add the egg over medium heat as well. Cook bacon until crispy.



3 Toast the bread slices and begin building the BLTAE by placing one slice of bread on the plate, then add the slices of avocado, lettuce, tomato, bacon, and egg. You may add more lettuce, tomato, avocado and finally the other slice of toasted bread.



4 Plate and enjoy!

[A Cook's Dictionary]

BLT:

Recipes are not invented, they evolve. In the case of the bacon, lettuce, and tomato sandwich (BLT), culinary evidence confirms this recipe descended from late Victorian-era tea sandwiches. The earliest recipes for BLTs were listed under different names in cookbooks. Most of the ingredients of the BLT (bread, bacon, lettuce) were known to the ancient Romans. Methods for toasting bread were also practiced during this time. Tomatoes were introduced to Europe in the 16th century. Mayonnaise? An 18th-century French invention. According to food historians, modern sandwiches were also invented in the 18th century. Recipes for BLT-type sandwiches that were printed in American cookbooks in the 1930s-50s typically include cheese.

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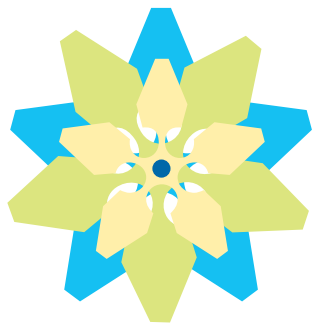


Fun Food Quote:

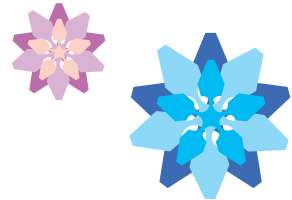
"I've been on a diet for two weeks, and all I've lost is two weeks."

– Totie Fields





Life's Important Moments



New Members

Welcome New Members!

The Club gives a great big welcome to these new members, who recently joined the Club:

<p>Airports Craig CdeBaca Juan Gideon Jerry Givens Alba Jacobo Nikia Thomas Rolando Turen Buffy Wafer-England</p> <p>Animal Services Mark Salazar LaShundra Smith</p> <p>City Attorney Jule Bishop</p> <p>Building and Safety Robert Garth Walter Lauderdale Frank Lopez Robert Shelly II Steven Siani John Utreras</p> <p>City Council David Ahern</p> <p>Emergency Preparedness Faye Cousin</p> <p>Fire Department Oscar Arguelles</p>	<p>Jason Birondo Craig Jackson Luis Jaramillo Alfredo Larios Bryan Newon Kevin Schilling Matthew Thompson</p> <p>General Services Department Dale Booth Isauro Cisneros Jose Colon Lance Davenport Marvel Hunter Johnny Lopez Angel Martin Miguel Perez Carlos Vasquez Eddie Villaseñor Frank Davila Larry Blackman Arturo Campa Pablo Colmenares Sanjuana DeLa Torre Salas Milton Harrell Rene Herrera James Hinton Iris Matheny</p>	<p>Daniel Ortiz Josefina Raya Clinston Thompson James Board Collins Eke Clifford Smith</p> <p>Harbor Department Tereza Aldrete Rizalito Ortiz</p> <p>Library Department Jeanne McKay Teresa Robertson</p> <p>Mayor's Office Domingo Marinas III</p> <p>Personnel Department Iayisha Comeaux Janae Garrett Bridget Talley</p> <p>Police Department Mark Castillo Candice Guzman James Quinlan Michael Tirella Philip Zalba Kathleen Alvarado Susan Brockbank</p>	<p>Richard Cardenas Alicia Diaz Michael Dixon Crystal Green Rochelle Sandoval Henry Tuazon</p> <p>PW Contract Administration Wayne Grantham John Pattison</p> <p>PW Engineering Jim Burman Daniel Doublesin Oscar Gutierrez Mark Kindig Ejike Mbaruguru Mark Santisteran</p> <p>PW Sanitation Derek Allen Jerry Bullard Humberto Centeno Aaron Daniels Sharnette Dawson Patricia Gonzales Ian Gray Audwin Howard Emmett Jackson Michael Jamerson</p>	<p>Julius Jones Jose Limon Marc Luna Daniel Romero Demond Sardin Marvin Shelton Dion Tarvar Corey Williams Lavan Terry James Watson Jimmie Guzman Paul Campbell Deana Cardenas</p> <p>PW Street Services Anthony Bach</p> <p>Rec & Parks Veronica Buenrostro Edith Nunez Daniela Ruiz</p> <p>Dept. of Transportation George Boston Vernon Famous Kathy Lee Shanelle Lee Rickey Reed Shannon Domingue-Pre</p>	<p>Zoo Edward Sandoval Donald Spivack</p> <p>DWP Michael Able Garland Alley Sam Archer Jeremy Benedict Latrish Brown Reuben Carranzio Jorge Castro Robert Charles Anthony Chavez Scott Cimino Edilberto Cortez Eric Crawford Roberto Diaz Keny Flores Lance Gornick Tony Harris Li Huang James Mannino Nkechi Ndlubuisi Ryan Nichols Albert Partida Charles Patsch Bruce Perry Vasile Petruscu</p>	<p>Clifford Quintero Ulyses Reyes Michael Sandoval Danella Sudduth Erica Taylor James Tsubota Clara Vasquez Phillip Vega Torry Wilhite</p> <p>Other Gabriel Anaya Katrina Burns Catarino Canedos Martin Castillo Marshall Colvin Joseph Fuchs Juan Gamez Shirley Ganganon Gary Hedding Ronnie Hennessey Andrew Montgomery Paul Percivalle Jesse Rivas Robert Shank Richard Sims Lawrence Smith Nelson Stanford</p>
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In Memoriam

Our thoughts and condolences are with the family and friends of the following current and retired City employees who have passed away. The number after the name indicates years of service.

<p>Active Gordon, James, Rec and Parks, 8 Harrington, Harold, Airports, 21 Lee, Charles, Public Works, 22 Montoya, Michael, Public Works, 26 Reed, Johnetta, Airports, 20 Williams, Renee, General Services, 10</p> <p>Retired Arvizu, Richard, Public Works, 36 Austin, Jimmie, Public Works, 18 Barber, Houston, Public Works, 32 Barham, Gladys, LAPD, 21 Beal, Clifford, Harbor, 31 Bergman, Janet, Public Works, 23 Bolhayon, Priscilla, Controller, - Brierley, Stephen, Rec and Parks, 36</p>	<p>Brooks, Lealer, General Services, 14 Brown, Elbert, Public Works, 20 Butterfield, Paul, Public Works, 32 Cortez, Joseph, Public Works, 10 Crenshaw, Alfred, Rec and Parks, 30 Crockett, Ruby Lee, Transportation, 3 Davis, Eugene, LAPD, 32 Dewey, Wilma, Library, 30 Dyer, Ruth, Animal Services, 12 Francois, Jack, Airports, 29 Gonzales, Marcy, Rec and Parks, 12 Gonzalez, Angel, General Services, 18 Hermann, Edgar, City Clerk, 16 Kodas, Herbert, LAPD, 22 Lipkowski, Russell, Airports, 26 Mastrangelo, Louis, Transportation, 29 McCormick, John, Public Works, 30</p>	<p>Menzies, Anthony, Public Works, 25 Meter, Arline, Personnel, 16 Okamoto, Margaret, Personnel, 30 Okumoto, Paul, Rec and Parks, 21 Olivas, Lorenzo, Public Works, 35 Palacios, Raul, Public Works, 26 Paragas, John, CDD, 17 Price, Raymond, Public Works, 34 Roberts, Christopher, Public Works, 22 Robison, Robert, LAFD, 34 Rodarte, Miguel, Rec and Parks, 32 Romero, Art, Personnel, 26 Sally, Shirley, LAPD, 9 Sarabia, Joe, Public Works, 44 Schlegel, Alfred, Transportation, 20 Sifuentes, Pedro, Airports, 35 Speed, William, Library, 31</p>	<p>St. Michel, Raymond, General Services, 32 Stevenson, Paul, Personnel, 20 Street, George, Public Works, 27 Sutton, Charles, Public Works, 26 Tang, John, City Clerk, 22 Todd, Clayton, Public Works, 26 Vilaudi, Martha, Library, 10 Whiteford, Elisabeth, Public Works, 10 Whitehead, Leeroy, Public Works, 24 Williams, James, Airports, 32 Williams, T.P., Rec and Parks, 17 Young, Brewster, Public Works, 38 Zamora, Serbando, General Services, 34 Zinman, Herbert, City Attorney, 5 Zordich, Lee, Rec and Parks, 7</p>
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Peace of Mind

by Tiffany Sy
The Club's Peace of Mind Expert



Pet Project: Get Them Insured!

Statistics provided by the American Pet Products Association have shown that we as a nation are spending a lot of money on animal care – \$47.7 billion in 2010. In addition to supplies and food, the greatest costs American pet owners incur are medically related. According to USA Today, the cost in veterinary services has inflated 80.4 percent since 2000, in comparison with 28.1 percent inflation for services in all other industries.

The City Employees Club is proud to offer the Pet First insurance plan for our Club Members to alleviate the costs of veterinary bills for your dog or cat. Your pet is eligible to enroll if up to 9 years old and more than 8 weeks of age. The plan covers accidents and illnesses with an affordable deductible and reimburse-

ment of claims up to 90 percent. It also covers routine or preventative care including vaccinations, flea medications, physical exams, screenings, dental cleanings, spay/neuter, microchipping, and behavior training with an allowance for reimbursement of up to \$250 each year and per pet on the preferred plan.

One of the greatest features of the plan is the freedom to receive services from any board-licensed veterinarian in the United States. If you have multiple pets, a discount is offered. You can also manage your claims online and track status of receipt and payment.

Our own Club staffers know how important it is to have Pet First insurance. Our Club CEO, John Hawkins, has his German

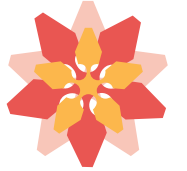
shepherd, Isabella, covered. "It has paid out many times," John says. And Club Products Manager Arlene Herrero has her dog, Milo, covered, too. "When Milo underwent surgery, Pet First was there."

The countless benefits of pet ownership make pet insurance well worth the cost. You have covered yourself and your family with health insurance, why not provide insurance to control the cost of your pet's health? If you want to join the other two million dogs and 800,000 cats already insured in America, call me today to sign up.

Contact me at info@cityemployeesclub.com



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Special Achievements

Have you or your children recently achieved something special? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

In July, **David Tulanian**, Library, was one of six grand prizewinners in Gelson's Markets 60th anniversary storytelling contest. His reward: A \$500 Gelson's gift card and a published essay in the Gelson's commemorative 60th anniversary newsletter. David wrote about his fond boyhood memories of the Encino Gelson's Market.



Erika Rodgers and her 16U fast pitch softball team, Teamsmith, won the 2011 16U Knuckle Up Tournament Sept. 25 in Riverside. Erika plays centerfield. She is at bottom right of the photo. Erika's parents are Earl and Zebbra Rodgers, both DWP employees. Earl has 34 years of City service, and Zebbra has 28 years. And both are Club Members. Congrats to Erika and Teamsmith!



Que Jonné Smith, 15, a senior at Frederick Douglass High School, was crowned Homecoming Queen for 2011. She's the daughter of Lady Smith, Fire and Police Pensions, 20-plus years of City service. Congratulations, Que Jonné!



Births

Have a photo of a recent newborn? Send photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



Aubrey Taylor Flowers, born July 30. She is the daughter of Ryan and Yvette Flowers, and the granddaughter of William Flowers, Airport Maintenance Supervisor, Maintenance Services Division, Airports.



Aaron Mateo Shaw, born Sept. 13 to Aaron and Brenda Shaw, Club Members. Both parents work for Rec and Parks. "Lil' Aaron's" father (Aaron) is in the Army and is on military leave from his City job at the moment. "Lil' Aaron" is wearing his dad's hat.



Military

Does someone in your extended family serve their country as a member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard? Send to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



Dylan James Rounds graduated as an Airman First Class from the U.S. Air Force Basic Military Training (BMT) at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, on Veterans Day 2011. His flight achieved awards in academic excellence, won the coveted Warrior Flight, and finished first in the grueling Basic Expeditionary Airman Skills Training (BEAST) competition. His individual awards include Honor Graduate (top 10 percent of more than 500 airmen) and War Hawk (attaining 100 percent on the physical training test). He continues his training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. Dylan is a graduate of Redondo Union High School, Redondo Beach, and is the son of James and Brenda Rounds. Jim is with the Environmental Monitoring Division, Public Works/Sanitation.



Weddings

Have a photo of a recent wedding? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



Graduations

Alive! is delighted to publish graduation photos of Club members and their children. Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



Quinceañera

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Retirements

NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS
Acosta, Albert	Building Mech. Insp.	Building & Safety	26	Erb, Thomas	-	DWP	-	Ott, Kathy	Clerk Typist	Public Works	26
Aldea, Loida	Env. Compliance Insp.	Public Works	29	Feely, James	Sr. Wtwr. Treat. Op.	Public Works	28	Reimer, John	Police Surv. Spec. II	LAPD	8
Alexander, John	Security Officer	Airports	12	Gordon, Roy	Sr. Comm. Electrician	ITA	25	Robinson, John	-	DWP	-
Beckner, Holly	Asst. City Attorney	City Attorney	26	Green, Stephen	Welder	Public Works	5	Rosby, Arthur	Pr. Security Officer	Airports	36
Ciulis, Paul	-	DWP	-	Hanover, Kathleen	Park Maint. Supv.	Rec and Parks	30	Stadler, Joe	-	DWP	-
Conroy, Gerard	Construction Inspector	Public Works	21	Hawes, Vivian	-	DWP	-	Terrones, Rosemary	-	DWP	-
Cosner, Brian	-	DWP	-	Hooker, Robert	Field Engr. Aide	Public Works	45	Walker, Larry	Transitional Worker	Airports	27
Cummings, Pamela	Management Analyst II	EPD	38	Kou, Francisco	-	DWP	-	Weatherman, William	-	DWP	-
D Angelo, Michele	Police Service Rep	LAPD	32	Ledbetter, Loretta	-	DWP	-	Wong, Hong	Architect Assoc. IV	Public Works	35
Dillihay, Earnest	Performing Arts Dir.	Cultural Affairs	21	McCormick, Timothy	Structural Engr. Ass. IV	Building & Safety	10				
Dunning, Glenna	Librarian III	Library	10	Morales, James	-	DWP	-				

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**JANUARY
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Devil Inside - 1/6

Beauty And The Beast (3D) - 1/13

Contraband - 1/13

Joyful Noise - 1/13

Haywire - 1/20

Underworld Awakening (3D/IMAX) - 1/20

Red Tails - 1/20

Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close - 1/20

Coriolanus - 1/20

The Grey - 1/27

Man On A Ledge - 1/27

One For The Money - 1/27

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	RETAIL PRICE	CLUB PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Theatre Tickets				
AMC				
Restricted Tickets	\$13.50	\$6.00	X	= \$
Good Any Time	\$13.50	\$7.50	X	= \$
Small Popcorn	\$5.50	\$3.00	X	= \$
Small Drink	\$4.50	\$3.00	X	= \$
Movie Pack	\$35.00	\$24.00	X	= \$
<i>Includes 2 unrestricted movie passes, 2 small drink concession and 1 small popcorn concession.</i>				
Rave Motion Pictures "Rave 18"				
Restricted Formerly "The Bridge"	\$14.00	\$6.00	X	= \$
Good Any Time	\$14.00	\$7.50	X	= \$
Cinemark Theatres				
Good Any Time	\$10.75	\$7.25	X	= \$
Harkins Movie Theatres				
Restricted	\$10.00	\$6.00	X	= \$
Good Any Time	\$10.00	\$7.75	X	= \$
Krikorian Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.00	\$6.50	X	= \$
Laemmle Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.00	\$6.00	X	= \$
Mann Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.00	\$7.50	X	= \$
Pacific Theatres				
Restricted	\$12.50	\$6.00	X	= \$
<i>\$2 surcharge for use at Groove, not valid at Archlight.</i>				
Gift Book	\$40.00	\$27.00	X	= \$
<i>2 unrestricted admissions, 2 medium drinks, 1 medium popcorn.</i>				
Regal/Edwards Cinema/United Artists				
Restricted	\$12.50	\$6.50	X	= \$
Good Any Time	\$12.50	\$7.50	X	= \$
Regency Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.50	\$7.00	X	= \$
UltraStar Cinemas				
Good Any Time	\$10.00	\$6.00	X	= \$
<i>Tickets can be upgraded for 3-D, IMAX, or ETX.</i>				

Attraction Tickets

Adventure City				
Adult/Child	\$14.95	\$10.50	X	= \$
Aquarium of the Pacific				
Adult	\$24.95	\$17.00	X	= \$
Child (3-11)	\$12.95	\$9.95	X	= \$
<i>Expires 11/30/2012.</i>				
Bear Mountain/Snow Summit				
Lift Ticket: Adult (22 and over)	\$52.00	\$42.00	X	= \$
Lift Ticket: Young Adult (13-21)	\$46.00	\$34.00	X	= \$
Lift Ticket: Child (7-12)	\$26.00	\$25.00	X	= \$
<i>6 and under free. Good for 2011/2012 season. Blackout dates apply.</i>				
Boomer's Family Fun Centers				
All Day Pass	\$24.99	\$15.50	X	= \$
Catalina				
Island Express – Round Trip	Adult \$66.50	\$60.50	X	= \$
	Child \$51.00	\$51.00	X	= \$
<i>Expires 12/31/2012. Not valid 5/26-28, 7/3-5, 9/1-3.</i>				
Davey's Locker				
Whale Watching	Adult \$30.00	\$21.00	X	= \$
	Child \$25.00	\$17.00	X	= \$
Sportfishing – 1/2 Day	Adult \$40.00	\$30.00	X	= \$
	Child \$29.00	\$25.50	X	= \$
Sportfishing – Full Day	Adult \$69.00	\$56.00	X	= \$
	Child \$55.00	\$47.50	X	= \$
Disneyland/California Adventure				
1-Day 1-Park	Adult \$80.00	\$75.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-9) \$74.00	\$70.00	X	= \$
1-Day Park Hopper	Adult \$105.00	\$95.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-9) \$99.00	\$90.00	X	= \$
2-Day 1-Park	Adult \$158.00	\$139.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-9) \$146.00	\$129.00	X	= \$
2-Day Park Hopper	Adult \$173.00	\$154.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-9) \$161.00	\$144.00	X	= \$
Annual Passport (SoCal Select)	\$199.00	\$189.05	X	= \$
<i>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 5/31/2012. Valid 170 days.</i>				
Annual Passport (SoCal)	\$269.00	\$255.55	X	= \$
<i>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 5/31/2012. Valid 215 days.</i>				
Deluxe Annual Passport	\$379.00	\$360.05	X	= \$
<i>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 5/31/2012. Valid 315 days.</i>				
Premium Annual Passport w/Parking	\$499.00	\$474.05	X	= \$
<i>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 5/31/2012. No blackout dates.</i>				
Golf N' Stuff				
3 Hour Unlimited Wristband: Norwalk location	\$30.00	\$16.00	X	= \$
All Park Pass: Ventura location	\$20.00	\$15.00	X	= \$
K1 Speed Racing				
Admit one	\$25.95	\$15.00	X	= \$
<i>This pass entitles the owner to one 1/4 Lap race and a annual license for the day. Minimum height requirement 4'10".</i>				
Knott's Berry Farm				
1-Day Ticket	Adult	Call Club Store for Pricing		X
	Child (3-11)	Call Club Store for Pricing		X
Season Pass	Adult/Child	Call Club Store for Pricing		X
Legoland				
Adult	\$72.00	\$55.00	X	= \$
Child (3-11)	\$62.00	\$52.00	X	= \$
Sea Life Resort Hopper	Adult \$95.00	\$65.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-11) \$85.00	\$62.00	X	= \$
<i>Expires 12/31/2012. Pass includes admission to Legoland, Sea Life Aquarium and the new waterpark. Ticket comes with a second day free to all 3 attractions.</i>				
Los Angeles Zoo				
Adult	\$14.00	\$11.00	X	= \$
Child (2-12)	\$9.00	\$8.00	X	= \$
Madame Tussauds Wax Attraction				
Adult	\$25.00	\$12.00	X	= \$
Child (4-12)	\$18.00	\$10.00	X	= \$
Magic Mountain				
General Admission (3 and up)	\$59.99	\$31.99	X	= \$
Medieval Times				
Adult	\$57.95	\$43.50	X	= \$
Child (0-12)	\$35.95	\$31.50	X	= \$
<i>Not valid 12/31/2012.</i>				
Mountain High				
Lift Ticket: 8 Hours (7 and over)	\$59.00	\$49.00	X	= \$
<i>Blackout dates apply. Free admission for children 6 yrs and under.</i>				
Mulligan's Family Fun Center				
All Day Pass	Adult/Child \$23.99	\$16.50	X	= \$
<i>Restrictions: Pass gives 1 Adult or Child unlimited use of Laser Tag, Miniature Golfing, Go-Karts/Speedway and the Rock Wall. This ticket is valid Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, major holidays and everyday during the summer. Attractions vary per location. Certain height, weight, restrictions may apply. This ticket is accepted at Mulligan Torrance, Murietta, and Palmdale.</i>				
Gift Certificate	\$15.00	\$10.00	X	= \$

	RETAIL PRICE	CLUB PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Attraction Tickets, continued				
Pirates Dinner Adventure				
Adult	\$56.95	\$32.00	X	= \$
Child	\$37.95	\$27.50	X	= \$
Queen Mary				
Adult	\$24.95	\$19.99	X	= \$
Child (4-11)	\$21.95	\$10.25	X	= \$
San Diego Safari Park				
Adult	\$42.00	\$34.00	X	= \$
Child (3-11)	\$32.00	\$26.00	X	= \$
2-Visit Pass	Adult \$76.00	\$57.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-11) \$56.00	\$42.00	X	= \$
San Diego Zoo				
Adult	\$42.00	\$34.00	X	= \$
Child (3-11)	\$32.00	\$26.00	X	= \$
2-Visit Pass	Adult \$76.00	\$57.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-11) \$56.00	\$42.00	X	= \$
Santa Monica Pier/Pacific Park				
Unlimited Wristband	\$18.95	\$12.50	X	= \$
Sea World San Diego				
1-Day	Adult \$73.00	\$48.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-9) \$65.00	\$48.00	X	= \$
Fun Card	Adult \$73.00	\$60.00	X	= \$
	Child (3-9) \$65.00	\$60.00	X	= \$
<i>Fun card available through Club Store by pre-order only.</i>				
Snow Valley				
Lift Ticket: Adult (20 and over)	\$64.00	\$35.00	X	= \$
Lift Ticket: Teen (13-19)	\$54.00	\$25.00	X	= \$
Lift Ticket: Child (7-12)	\$28.00	\$10.00	X	= \$
<i>Direct to lift, good for 2011-2012 season, includes night skiing when available. No blackout dates.</i>				
Speedzone				
Admit one	\$39.99	\$25.00	X	= \$
<i>Includes use of all tracks and 1 round of miniature golf. Expires 6/20/2012.</i>				
Universal Studios				
3 Days for the Price of 1	Adult/Child (under 48")	\$72.00	\$64.00	X

Gift Certificates

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Tax (Only applicable to Hats, shirts, books, clocks, watches, lapel pins and stuffed bears.)	X	9.75%	= \$
Tickets: Standard Mail*	\$2.75	X	1 = \$
Tickets: Certified Mail	\$3.99	X	1 = \$
Tickets: Priority Mail (2-3 Days)	\$7.00	X	1 = \$
Hats, Watches, T-Shirts, Books, Clocks	\$6.49	(any quantity)	= \$

SUBTOTAL \$

Merchandise	SIZE	COLOR	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
ITEM:					= \$
ITEM:					= \$
ITEM:					= \$
ITEM:					= \$
ITEM:					= \$

TOTAL (please include shipping) \$

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Member's name _____

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Cardholder Signature _____

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- DO NOT SEND CASH – ALL SALES ARE FINAL – NO REFUNDS.
- All checks and credit cards have to be issued by the member. Third party checks and credit cards will not be accepted.
- When visiting Club offices, only the first 15-minutes of parking will be validated.
- Orders will be processed as soon as received.
- Tickets must be mailed to your home address.
- City Employees Club of Los Angeles cannot be held responsible for money or tickets lost in the mail.
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- **Maximum 12 tickets per event/theatre/attraction per order.**
- Allow 3 to 7 days for delivery.

AIRPORTS

Showing Their Colors

Airport Police color guard in operation for Veteran's Day.



In front: Officers Cindy Colon, Robert Pedregon, and Mark Corral.

Story by Sgt. Belinda Nettles, Airports; Photos courtesy Airport Police

On Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, Airport Police honor guard Officers posted colors at the American Airlines-United Services Organization (USO) Veteran's Day Celebration in honor of all fallen soldiers. The event was held at LAX's Terminal Four (American Airlines), gate 45.

The honor guard officers were Officers Thomas Dye, Cindy Colon, Mark Corral, Lance Schoenbaum, and Robert Pedregon. Speakers for the event included American Airlines Managing Director John Tiliacos, Executive Officer Mike Teilmann from the LAXUSO, and celebrity guest speaker Gary Sinise, founder of the Gary Sinise Foundation. "Serving Honor and Need" is the cor-

nerstone of the foundation, which is built upon its founder's lifelong principles and longstanding commitment "to be a citizen of action, and to help in any way that one can, the people who serve our country."



Back: Officer Mark Corral. From left: Officers Lance Schoenbaum, Robert Pedregon, and Cindy Colon posting colors at the Veteran's Day event.



From left: Officers Thomas Dye and Cindy Colon; actor Gary Sinise; and Officers Lance Schoenbaum, Robert Pedregon, and Mark Corral.

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