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A Message From the CEO

This Issue Notes
Hellos, Goodbyes

by John Hawkins,
President and CEO, The Club

This June means hellos, goodbyes... and a ton of father shoutouts!

Hello to the LAFD's Disaster Preparedness motorcycle unit, led by **LAFD Capt. I Craig White**. We here at *Alive!* had read about the intrepid team during Carmageddon. And, as Capt. White says in this month's interview, the concept seemed simple and clear to everyone he encountered... just like it did to us. When there's ridiculous traffic in L.A. (despite the best efforts of our friends in Transportation), it's obvious that LAFD equipment is going to have trouble getting to where it needs to. And that's not even talking about having to navigate fire roads and trails in the mountains and canyons. Hence, putting an experienced LAFD crew on maneuverable motorcycles is just a great idea brought into existence.

During Carmageddon, the motorcycle program was in a trial phase. We waited a year or so until the team was permanent before we reached out. When it looked like all signs were positive, we contacted Capt. White, and he was more than happy to invite us to a training exercise.



Club CEO John Hawkins (left) with LAFD Capt. Craig White. You can see Capt. White without the helmet in this month's feature, starting on page 6.

Capt. White gets it right when he sees the big picture and talks about innovation. Some cities have units like this, but few if any have units that can handle the dual nature – both streets and trails. This is innovation pure and simple, and we applaud it.

It reminds me of a cover story we did a few months ago on Animal Services' rescue team. Just like in the situation with the LAFD's motorcycle program, the Animal Services team was borne of a need, and of a great City Employee – in that case, **Armando Navarrete** – spending the energy to create a team, where none existed. Both of these cases constitute awesome civil service.

So, congratulations to Capt. White and to Armando on the new services you're bringing to the citizens of Los Angeles. Here's to continued success!

That concludes the "hello" portion of my thoughts. And now to some goodbyes.

First and foremost, we bid a happy retirement of sorts to our longtime history columnist, **Hynda Rudd**. It makes for a second retirement, of course. Hynda was already retired from her position as the City's first full-time archivist when we met; in fact, I met her at an RLACEI retirement meeting, where we got to talking. And, I recruited her on the spot to write for us! That was in 2005; and now, nearly 80 columns later, Hynda relinquishes her column; we'll tell you about our future plans for the space at a later date.

I thought I knew a lot about L.A., but I learned something with each of Hynda's columns. And I know a lot of other Club Members did, too, judging from the number of people who would comment on them. The *L.A. Times* used to cover the history of our City more than they do now, it seems. With her columns, Hynda provided a really important role as teacher and entertainer.

I write retirement "of sorts," because Hynda promises to send us a contribution or three every year. I don't doubt that will happen; but Hynda, I say, your time is yours now. We wish you the best with your current projects.

There are a couple of other retirements I wanted to mention. I see that two great friends of the Club have moved on to the next phase of their lives. They are **Al Sosa**, DWP, and **Cora Soriano**, CDD. We'll have more in the future on Al's career, but a little more of Cora's appears in a story in this issue. Cora has impressed us with her dedication – to CDD, of course, and as a longtime Club Rep. She's also the president of LAFACE – the City's Filipino American employees association. This is a strong group, and Cora deserves some of the credit for that. Thanks for all your help and support, Cora; enjoy your retirement.

Moving on... I love the Father's Day tributes in this month's *Alive!* Just like last month, when we featured Mother's Day tributes, the large number of your contributions is because, I think, we sent notes around in our e-newsletter. The response has been awesome! It's more proof that if you haven't signed up for the Club's e-newsletter, then you're missing out! Go to the Website and sign up right now!

Speaking of missing out, if you didn't go to the Club-exclusive party at Magic Mountain – just look at all the happy faces of those who did go! If you haven't been, these parties that the Club arranges are incredible. Affordable prices, almost no lines at the rides to speak of, hanging out with your fellow City Employees... what's not to like? So we'll see you next year, then, right? *Right!*

Well, that about does it for me! Enjoy your own kind of hellos and goodbyes – the end of the school year (goodbyes) and the beginning of family time (hellos)! See you next month.

—JOHN

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Here's John Hawkins, Club CEO (left), photographing LAFD Capt. Craig White (foreground) and the LAFD's new Disaster Preparedness motorcycle unit, during training exercises at the LAPD's Davis Training Facility in Mission Hills.

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— Ed.

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LETTERS OF THE MONTH

Olvera Street Mural Gallery a Sparkling Achievement for City

Excellent article on the El Pueblo Mural Gallery!

Having worked in Public Works/Engineering for many years, and having wandered through Olvera Street on countless occasions during that time, I took particular interest in this article. This project is a sparkling achievement for the City's Department of Public Works.

In fact, it has inspired me to find my way back to Olvera Street and observe features I never noticed before.

Thank you for expanding my knowledge and appreciation of the City's historic center.

– Dave Brauns

Dear *Alive!*, amazing. Simply amazing. The story you did last month made me cry. To see such powerful art brought back to life with such care, respect and thoughtfulness brought me to tears. It's good to see Los Angeles taking hold of its past – job well done!

– Susan Brockford

To the Club staff: I can't tell you how many times I have been to Olvera Street yet had no idea about that mural you featured last month. Now, as I walk amongst the *posadas*, I am going to have a completely different feeling, a feeling of pride and honor. Thanks for the enlightenment!

– Todd Jankowski

Grateful for Chance to Say Happy Mother's Day in *Alive!*

Thank you for the kind space and print provided for me and my mother on page 42 of your newspaper in May 2013, providing a "happy (and beautiful) Mother's Day greeting!

– Adelaida Matias Gonzales

Club's Notary Service Gets Stamp of Approval from Bob

Hey Club, I just wanted to share a great experience I had. I needed a notary the other day and had no idea where to go. I asked a coworker, and he asked if I was a member of

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– Bob Anderson,
loyal Club Member

Holy Cow: City Freeways Need To Make Clean Sweep of Things

Dear Club, do you have an "in" with the Mayor's office? I was wondering if you could ask him why Caltrans is not taking care of the freeways that run through downtown as well as other parts of the City of Los Angeles. I mean, I want to be proud of my City, but it's getting kind of embarrassing. I had friends in from out of town, and they commented on how much trash and dead plants lined our freeways. I started looking myself and holy cow, I started noticing it, too. Please see if you can ask the mayor if he can do something about it. I can only imagine what tourists must be thinking. Thanks!

– Raul Hernandez

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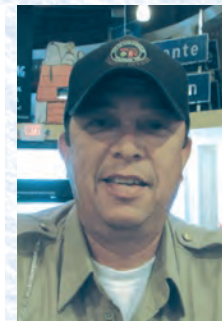
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What was your favorite movie as a child?



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– Fatemah Yadullah,
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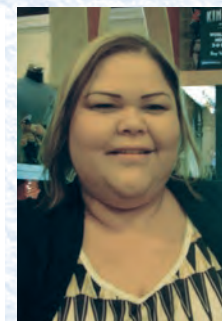
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– Maricela Olendo,
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"Pippi Longstocking."
"Bambi."

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City service, and
Rosa Rayos-Lainez,
LAPD, 23 years



"The Sandlot."

– Jose Diaz,
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of City service



"The Adventures of Robin Hood with Errol Flynn."

– Gerardo Rodriguez,
Public Works,
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"The Wizard of Oz."

– Beverly Anderson,
LAPD



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LAFD Trail Blazers

Introduced as a trial during Carmageddon 1 in 2011, LAFD's Disaster Preparedness motorcycle response team is now in training to go full-time. It will be one of the first in the country to be ready for trails.

Story information courtesy LAFD; Photos by John Hawkins, Club CEO; John Burnes, Alive! editor; and Chonlathan Panomsaranarintara, LAPD Reservist

Several cities in America and overseas feature fire departments with motorcycle quick-reach capabilities. That's the goal of the LAFD's new Disaster Preparedness motorcycle response team, now undergoing training and implementation.

The team is led by LAFD Capt. Craig White, who is a member of the department's Urban Search and Rescue team at Fire Station 88.

Born of Necessity

Carmageddon 1 in 2011, and then Carmageddon II last year provided the need. The LAFD provided the team.

The traffic events, in which the 405 Freeway was closed in both directions for the better part of a weekend each time, caused widespread heavy traffic conditions through the Sepulveda Pass and outlying neighborhoods. This congestion impacted the response of emergency apparatus into those areas and had the potential to cause delays in providing life-saving assistance to residents and passersby.

To improve response times in these areas, two Motorcycle Response Teams were put into operation. The teams provided enhanced service to the affected area by allowing a two member Motor Team to maneuver through traffic in response to an emergency incident. By strategically placing a two-member team on both the East and West sides of the 405 Freeway, response coverage was enhanced. These teams will also maintain a patrol in their assigned areas providing up to the minute intelligence on access and egress issues as well as continuous monitoring of alternate response routes. The Carmageddon experiment worked well for the team, leading

cycle operations. Each member has participated in some form of motorcycle racing, some at a professional level. This cadre also has extensive experience as off-road tour guides; safety and medical sweep riders for off-road race events, and all have performed these duties in day, night and inclement weather environments inside and outside the United States.

Each operator possesses a motorcycle endorsement on their driver's license, and each has participated in a motorcycle safety course tailored to emergency responders. These operators range from Firefighter Paramedics to Fire Captains. Each has at some point managed an incident requiring coordinating of ground and air resources and has provided continuous intelligence during prolonged periods.

Communications

Each of the operators is equipped with a helmet-mounted communication system. The system allows each rider to communicate with LAFD Dispatch, other emergency resources and each other. Each operator will also have a cell phone available to support radio capabilities.

Uniform

The operators will wear matching riding gear designed for protection, comfort and durability, meeting all applicable safety standards. The uniforms are designed to easily identify the members as LAFD field personnel.

Equipment

Each Motor Team will be equipped with a cache of basic life support (BLS) equipment, which will include an automated external defibrillator (AED), oxygen, and additional equipment. This equipment will allow the members to handle most incidents until additional assistance arrives. This equipment will be carried in a light and mobile kit attached to the rear rack of the motorcycles. The motorcycles have also been equipped with saddlebags to allow for stowing additional safety equipment.

Each operator will also have a GPS unit attached to the motorcycle, a radio and compact department maps.

Training

While each operator selected for this team has an extensive motorcycle operator background, each rider was required to attend a motorcycle safety course tailored to emergency responders put on by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation in Irvine.

In addition, each operator has had a GPS awareness course followed by a rider orientation with the KLR 650 riding in the designated operational area of the 405-Freeway incident.

Because of the need to travel on fire roads and the sensitive climate towards conservation, each rider was required to complete a US Forest Service endorsed "Tread Lightly" trail conservation course.

Finally, on April 29, the LAFD motorcycle team began pavement and trail training with the LAPD's off-road detail. That training is depicted on these pages.

Response and Responsibility

When arriving first on-scene, operators will take appropriate action in managing the incident and rendering the appropriate basic care. During all medical incidents, care will be continuous until the transfer of care can be made to an LAFD resource. If a fire incident occurs, the Motor Team will assume the role of Field Observer, providing information critical to the management of the incident.

Apparatus

The motorcycle team uses identical Kawasaki street legal KLR 650 dual-purpose motorcycles loaned to the department by Kawasaki. These KLR 650 motorcycles can maneuver through traffic and have off-road capabilities, which allows them to be used on alternate access routes such as trails and fire roads. The motorcycles have been outfitted with custom graphics, providing clear identification as an LAFD vehicle. They have also been outfitted with saddlebags and GPS systems. These motorcycles will be outfitted with emergency lighting or sirens.

The team is working with Kawasaki to return the current motorcycles and obtain new ones with updated equipment.

Staffing

The motorcycles are staffed with sworn LAFD personnel selected from a cadre of individuals having extensive experience in motor-



to the department's decision to support the team full-time. The team is now undergoing extensive training by the LAPD's motorcycle trainers and undergoing equipment upgrades.



Alive! Feature

**LAFD's Disaster Preparedness
Motorcycle Response Team**



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LAFD Trail Blazers



Meet the Team

Here's the initial cadre of members of the LAFD Emergency Preparedness Motorcycle Team.

Capt. I Craig White

Urban Search and Rescue 88

History:

- Received professional motorcycle racing license at 17 and raced for one year as a pro, competing in Supercross, national and international events
- Competed in numerous off road races both nationally and internationally, including three respectable finishes in the Baja 1000
- Owns and operates both street and dual sport motorcycles
- Extensive Formal Motorcycle Training

Other Experience:

- Developed and directed Motorcycle Safety Sweep Rider program for the Hook and Ladder Enduro off-road event supporting more than 600 participants, 2010-13
- Provided chase and safety support for the five-member United States Trophy Team for the International Six Days Motorcycle Enduro in Fortaleza, Brazil, 2004
- Provided chase and safety support for numerous off-road adventure rides with FireForce Racing in Baja California, Mexico, 2000-07
- Provided motorcycle safety and rider orientation to customers purchasing new motorcycles both street and dirt while employed with Suzuki of Glendale 1983-86

Dept. Relevant Training:

- Program Coordinator, LAFD Swift Water Rescue Program
- Instructor, Personal Watercraft Rescue
- Instructor, Inflatable Rescue Boat Operations
- NWCG Operations classes
- NWCG Command and General Staff classes
- S-404 Safety Officer
- I-244 Field Observer
- GPS/Land Navigation

Other Team Members

- Bradley Grossman
Apparatus Operator, FS 48
- Capt. II Mike Reitmayer, FS 74
- Engr. Mike Raden, FS 98
- Capt. I Denise Jones, FS 28
- Capt. I Chris Hart, FS 26
- Engr. Greg Pascolla, FS 80
- Tim Foor
Apparatus Operator, FS 114
- Firefighter Wes Schroeder, FS 88
- Tyrome Baker
Apparatus Operator, FS 88
- Capt. I Ron Klamecki, FS 88
- Capt. I Doug Weber, FS 17

Preparation

The LAFD motorcycle team prepares for a day of training with the LAPD's Valley Traffic off-road unit, which has been in operation for years.



Rubber Meets the Road

Motorcycles can get to emergency events much more quickly than large fire equipment in heavy traffic can. That time savings can be critical in some situations. So the LAFD motorcycle team needs to be solid on pavement. Here, the team undergoes training on pavement at the LAPD's Davis Training Facility in Mission Hills. All training was under the supervision of the LAPD's long-established off-road team.



'Innovation Is... a Core Value'



On May 9, Alive! editor John Burnes interviewed Capt. Craig White, program coordinator of the LAFD's Disaster Preparedness Motorcycle Program, 26 years of City service. The interview took place in the conference room of Fire Station 88 in Sherman Oaks; FS 88 is also the home of the LAFD's Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) team, of which Capt. White is a member. – Ed.

Alive!: Let's start with this:

What is the motorcycle program designed to do?

CAPT. CRAIG WHITE: The motorcycle program is designed to provide an ultimate means of getting responders on scene of any type of incident, whether it be medical or anything where we have to get responders through traffic and get them on scene in a timely man-

ner. That was the basis of the program that was put into place during Carmageddon.

Other things that the motorcycle program can accomplish are putting resources out on high hazard days during brush season to do fire patrols. We're in a disaster-prone area, with earthquakes. When we have infrastructure down, the motorcycles have the ability to traverse the terrain that maybe the fire apparatus can't get through. So it's an alternate means to get resources on scene when we may not be able to get large fire apparatus there.

Was the first reason it was created for pavement or trails?

CRAIG: A little of both. With Carmageddon, we wanted to make sure that we could cover the fire roads, to be able to get from the top of Mulholland down to Sunset or down to the valley side. And some of those access routes are dirt roads, or fire roads. We wanted to make sure we could traverse anything that we encountered.

So you were looking for dirt road capability even in the very beginning.

CRAIG: Correct. We use what are called dual-sport motorcycles. They're made to travel on both dirt and street.

Is there medical equipment on board?

CRAIG: Yes. We looked at what we could face during Carmageddon. And obviously, the most important thing was the medical side. By having a cache of medical items on board, we can get two EMTs on scene and provide basic life support medical care until we could get them transported. The motorcycles run in pairs of two, so each bike has a bag in the back. Split between the two bikes you have oxygen, an automatic external defibrillator, and trauma gear – bandages, wraps, ice packs, that kind of thing. Anything that we would face with an EMT-level ambulance we have the ability to handle until we can get transport capabilities on scene. So, we can handle most anything other than advanced life support. The goal in the future is to incorporate that advanced life support side of it by having an EMT and a paramedic riding together as a team. The ultimate goal is to provide the next level of service and treatment.

And how did the program do during Carmageddon?

CRAIG: It was a success in our eyes. The first time around, everybody either went away or stayed away and we really didn't have very many calls, and we didn't have much traffic. So the event itself and the public information piece was a success in making sure that we didn't have those issues.

But the second time around [Carmageddon II], we had several incidents up in the Mulholland

area, and the motorcycles were able to get on scene and provide the information or patient care they needed prior to the resources getting on scene. It worked out well. We learned a lot; that was the biggest thing. It was a trial program. It hadn't been done before so we tested a lot of different things. We wanted to make sure to go out on to the fire roads and make sure we could traverse the fire roads with no problems. We really put that motorcycle through its test. It really covered everything that we threw at it. It accomplished the missions that we were looking at.

We did some additional things. We wanted to provide information back to the command post, and be basically intelligence out in the field of access routes, any closures, and any high traffic-impacted areas. So, we patrolled through the area and made sure that we had areas covered for communications. We did some other things with them, too, not just that medical aspect. It went well.

I was surprised at the reaction of the public when we were out on the fire roads up off of dirt Mulholland. I was pleased with their reaction.

How did they react?

CRAIG: Out on the trails, when the public saw the graphics on the motorcycles reading "LAFD" and saw that we were firefighters, they thought, wow, what a great concept. We probably made 100 contacts during those weekends out on the trails. And every one of them was positive!

Personnel

Have you moved past the trial phase now?

CRAIG: It was a trial during Carmageddon. It's approved now, and there are some steps that we have to take in trying to get the motorcycles and equipment purchased. We had to assess the training that we were going to do with the LAPD, which is helping out immensely in what

Alive! Feature**Hitting the Trails**

Since a unique ability of the LAFD motorcycle unit's capabilities will be off-road, the team hit the dirt April 29 for some hard practicing on the dusty trails of the LAPD's Davis Training Facility in Mission Hills. All training was under the supervision of the LAPD's long-established off-road team.



we're doing. Developing the roster of deployable members is the next step. We have to get a prerequisite course ironed out. [The team members] will take that course and a practical exam, and then get selected on the team.

So, the current members are kind of the trial personnel but you're going to be formalizing the personnel.

CRAIG: Correct. Our current folks are the initial cadre, the ones who are putting the program together. And then applicants will come in and get tested. We're trying to make sure that we get the best candidate for the position because you can't just put anybody on the bike and send them out there. We're trying to come up with a good pathway for them to be successful in the program and provide the service to the citizens.

The majority of the people in the initial cadre have managed some type of an incident from a motorcycle perspective. Some of them are chase riders for motorcycle tours in Mexico. All of them have raced in some type of motor sport, and that's a key component to making sure the program was successful. When you're riding, when you've been in competition, you have a different sense of what's around. You're not focused on, okay, what gear am I in, where's the brake, where's the clutch. All of that has to be second nature. With these folks, that that's all second nature. They're constantly thinking about traffic and what's ahead of them, or what's beside them. That's the kind of rider we're looking for. For this to be successful, obviously, we've got to make sure that we have the safest and strongest riders we can have.

And I wanted to make sure I had trainers on the team. The initial cadre all has something additional to bring to this program, and that was key to making sure the program was successful.

Is the motorcycle program part of the Urban Search and Rescue Team, the USAR team?

CRAIG: It's not a part of USAR. I'm assigned to Urban Search and Rescue 88. That's my day-to-day assignment. This is an extra component. The members who do it are in different spots. It's an ancillary mission for us, not a part of our day-to-day job.

The motorcycle program falls under Disaster Preparedness. I'm the program coordinator. And then I report to the Disaster Preparedness section chief. And then that falls under Special Operations and then ultimately to the Emergency Services Bureau.

So the federal government wouldn't be calling you like they would call you for Urban Search and Rescue?

CRAIG: No. And it's not tied to FEMA. It's not tied to our L.A. City Search and Rescue, although it can be used as a tool for that. We can be deployed for things like wide-area searches for lost or missing hikers, etc.

Origins

How did it get started?

CRAIG: It got started during the planning phase for Carmageddon. We had an incident management team put together for that, and I was the logistics section chief. And during the planning phase, the CHP, LAPD and Caltrans were discussing the traffic issues. They were going to saturate the areas with their motor units because they didn't feel they would be able to get their cars through. It kind of sparked an idea in my head. I've always been a motorcycle enthusiast. It just kind of clicked that, hey, we need to look at our access issues and we need to come up with a better way.

The Incident Commander listened to the plan that we put together and said, 'Let's see what we can do.' We put together a partnership with Kawasaki and got the bikes donated. Within a few weeks we had a program up and running. Everything kind of came together.

Are you available for deployment now?

CRAIG: The initial group is available now. We still have the bikes here. We still have the ability to put the resource in place. We want to make sure we have that training in place before we bring more folks into the mix. Right now we're trying to push it in the special events area, marathons, parades, those kinds of things. Our bicycle medic program has been in place for several years. They're activated quite often in different special events. So this would be a tool to augment those.

How far away are you from deployment of the full team?

CRAIG: I would say probably in the fall or early winter. We have to have a certain amount of time for the folks to get the prerequisite courses. We're putting that together now. We are working through budgetary issues.

Trail Blazers

I think there are other departments in the States and maybe even in the world that have pavement motorcycle programs, but maybe not so many on dirt roads, trails or fire roads. Is that true?

CRAIG: Yes, I've talked to several agencies out there. And for the most part they're focused mainly on the street side. They're using street bikes. But their areas of response don't have the same kind of things that we do. In Southern California and in the City of Los Angeles, I don't think people realize how much open space there is and how many open trails there are. So, by having the ability to take these bikes off road and rescue lost hikers or mountain bikers down, or equestrian issues at Hanson Dam, that kind of thing, to be able to get out on the trail

with that resource and provide the care needed – it becomes a multi-mission platform. We can really cover every part of the City with that piece of equipment. So it's very versatile.

You've been riding bikes your whole life.

CRAIG: Yes.

Did you ever think that this would be another way you could serve the City?

CRAIG: It had always been in the back of my head. We've talked about it for a long time. They put horses into play for high-hazard days with the mounted fire patrol. So, we thought we could have motorcycles doing the same thing. The opportunity came up and the timing was right. Honestly, I didn't think we would ever see it. But we put together a very usable, very needed option for providing service. Our goal is to make it a model, and we hope other agencies look at it and say, 'This is something we should look at.'

The program as a whole just goes to show what our department is able to do and the type of people we have. When we are faced with an issue or a hurdle, the ability of the L.A. Fire Dept. to come up with a plan to meet the needs of whatever it is, is strong. We put to use the diversity of the Fire Dept., not just in culture and gender, but the diversity of the background and knowledge of the people we have on this job. And the administration is proactive and lets the innovations come through. Innovation is one of our core values. I think we excel in that. We see something, and we get over that hurdle. We're going to find a way. That's one of the strong suits of this Fire Dept. – we're going to get it done.

Thanks for your time.

CRAIG: Thank you for the opportunity. ■

And One (BELATED) for Mother's Day



"I love my mommy because she is **Superwoman** ... and you cannot hate Superwoman!"
– **Cliff Cortes**



"Happy Father's Day."
– **George Ivcevic Sr. and George Ivcevic Jr.**



"Thank you, Dad, for always being there for me. Love Quej."
– **QueJonné, daughter of John Dorham and Lady Smith, Fire and Police Pensions**



Karl Guder, General Services, gets pulled in all directions by his boys, Henry and Alex, while at the Toronto Zoo.



Here's **Brian Lindsey, Inspector, Public Works**, with his wife, Rita, and daughters, Amy and Angie at Disneyland.



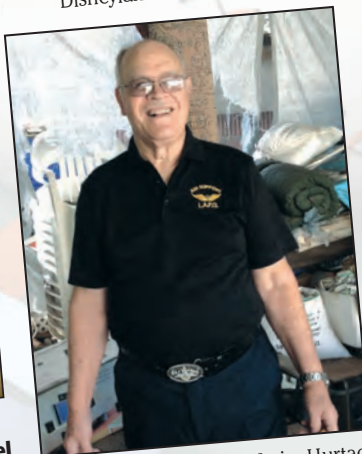
Here's the proud new daddy of Autumn Hope, who just turned one
– **Fred Lira /Building and Safety**



"My father, Moses Norwood, was the best father in the universe. He was my best friend. He went home to Glory April 4. I love you, Daddy!"
– **Janice Norwood, Transportation**



"From left: Brother, Dad and me. On Christmas."
– **Freddy Blanquel**



"A mi querido padre Luis Hurtado celebrando sus 98 años con todo mi amor. Feliz Día de los Padres."
– **Gloria Hurtado Prado, City Attorney's Office**



"This is my dad, George Clark, DWP Retiree, and me. He is championing through some serious health challenges, yet, through it all, my dad is strong and is my hero! I love you, Dad!"
– **Cherlyn J. Harrison, DWP**



"Happy Father's Day to my dad, line-man Juan Guevara! You are always my rock, supporting me and cheering me on. Thank you for all you do!"
– **I love you, Marcy**



"My daddy, Miguel, and I waiting in line when we were at Disney World in Florida."
– **Lorena Aguilar, Housing**



"For our Dad, who we love and honor with all our hearts. Happy Father's Day."
– **Your son: Robert Larios, Vice President of Club Operations, and daughters, Ana, Norma and Patricia**



"Happy Father's Day, Dad! This is my Dad... the man who taught me so much about life. Thank you, Dad, for everything you've done for me."
– **Franklyn Sugiyama, General Services**

"Para nuestro Papá, quién amamos y honramos con todo nuestros corazones. Feliz Día de los Padres."
– **Tu hijo, Roberto, y hijas Ana, Norma y Patricia**



Here are **Burt Smith, City employee**, and his son, Marquas, 13, in Newport Beach in April. They were celebrating Burt's 50th birthday.



Francisco Carrillo with his kids.



"My dad's name is Owen Rasmussen, and we are originally from Minnesota. He flew out to play accordion for my graduation party (Bachelor's in education). He sent me an accordion when I was 17, and I played clubs here for a short stint but then got a real job!"
– **Laura Biggie, Building and Safety**



"My daddy, Joseph Cruz, is the best daddy in the world because he danced with me in my school dance recital. He takes me to the pizza store (aka Target) after school. He plays games with me and my little brother, Joshua. He is my favorite person." Love,
– **Ana Cristina Cruz, 4**



"Happy Father's Day!"
– **Robert Garcia, LAPD**



"Dad, thank you for your service in the Army's 66th Counterintelligence Corps, and thanks for being one hell of a Dad!"
– **from John Hawkins, Club CEO**



"Happy Father's Day, Dad. Though you're far away from us, you are always in our hearts. Love, Debbie"

– Debbie Ferrer, DWP



"To Richard Marusich — a wonderful father, a great husband, a fantastic former CDD employee for over 20 years and a happy retiree in Napa, California! Happy Father's Day to the best dad!"

– Love Jen, Chris and Conchita



"My dad – he is a Valentine. He'll make you tall 'cause he is small. He gives his all 'cause 'that's the call' Keeps to himself what's tough, 'hardball!'"

– Adelaida Matias Gonzales, Retired



"Wishing you a very happy Father's Day! Love, Viv"

– Vivian Zavala, Aging



"Here are my father and me at our favorite restaurant one last time. My father died the following year. Happy Father's Day, Mack Daddy. I love and miss you so much."

– Vernal Beal



"The picture is my husband, Kevin Rodriguez, and our two boys, Dylan, 5, and Ethan, 2. Kevin is also a great loving and supporting father to my two older kids, Matthew and Rachel Reyes."

– Arlene Rodriguez, DWP



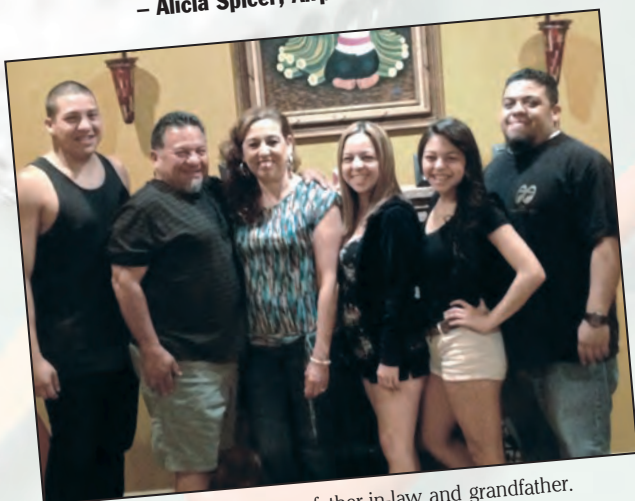
"I am the one on the far left (black shirt). My son Isaiah is in the middle. And my father, on the right, is Juan Cervantes, who has been with the City for 30 years. He works for the DWP Internal Support Services."

– Daniel Cervantes, LAPD



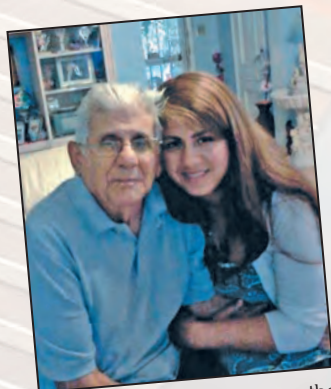
"Thank you, Dad, for being you. We love you dearly. You are a blessing from God."

– Alicia Spicer, Airports/Ontario



"To the best husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather. We love you! Happy Fathers Day."

– Valerie Ortiz



"My dad is 91 and always on the go! I am very blessed to have him in my life. Thank you, Papi, for everything. I love you!"

– Angie Melendez



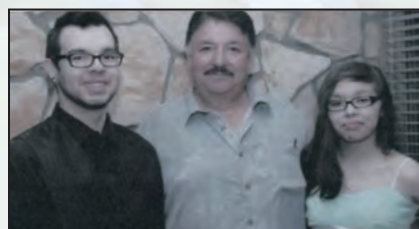
"Happy Father's Day. Dad, we love you!"

– Bridget, Gabriel and Desiree



"Here are my husband and 'bonus daughter': Mike Matthews, DWP, and his very pretty daughter, Lauren."

– Kathleen Matthews



"He's our Pops! And we love him lots!"

– Your Anthony and Jessica



"Happy Father's Day to the best breakfast maker in the world!"

– Love, Frankie, Giselle, James and Mom



"A more kind and loving father could not be found. Love you with our hearts. Happy Fathers Day!"

– Jaime, Camila and Patty



"Happy Father's Day to an amazing dad and grandpa! We are so thankful to have you in our lives! Living with five women wasn't easy! We love you!"

– Cheryl Garcia, LAPD



"Happy Father's Day" Dad and Grandpa. Your kids and grandkids love you and miss you very much!"

Dad Happy Father's Day!

Here are the personal messages sent to *Alive!* by some very loving and grateful children who wanted to pay tribute to their Dad.

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Have News About Yourself?

Contact Mary Beetz, call (800) 678-4145 Ext. 711.

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DWP events: (626) 445-7376 (Dolores Foley)
LARFPA: (888) 288-5063

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| June 5: | LARFPA annual summer picnic and barbecue, Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park Dr., Los Angeles. |
| June 6: | RLACEI 35th golf tournament, Alhambra Golf Course, 630 S. Almansor St., Alhambra. 7:30 a.m. |
| Aug. 8: | RLACEI picnic, Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park Dr., Los Angeles. 11:30 a.m. |
| Sept. 19: | RLACEI annual corporation meeting and elections, Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles. 11:30 a.m. lunch; noon meeting. |
| Dec. 5: | RLACEI holiday party, Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles. Noon. |

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.

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LACERS 2012 Report Card: All Good Marks

RLACEI

2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



Ed Harding

By Ed Harding, RLACEI President

Cliff Cannon, one of our newer directors, was appointed as RLACEI Website Chairman. He and his committee are in the process of updating our Website to better serve the members. Cliff stated that the type of information that will be accessible will include:

- a calendar of RLACEI events
- all member meeting dates
- board contact information
- general information of current member benefits

■ vital up-to-date information affecting members' benefits.

Certain types of information will be provided to nonmembers. However, all vital, comprehensive or up-to-date information affecting RLACEI retirees and their family *will be available only to members*. Should you want to become an RLACEI member, a payroll deduction form is provided that can be filled in online.

Also, since both members and nonmembers will have access to the Website, a pass code will need to be established to differentiate between members and nonmembers. Information on this will be forthcoming.

It is important to note that this is in addition to Retirement news that is submitted to *Alive!* The Website will be updated as vital information affecting retirees is received. This information will be available to RLACEI-only members immediately.

More information on the Website will be forthcoming. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact Cliff Cannon at ccannonjc@sbcglobal.net. Great job, Cliff!

RLACEI members, please provide your email address to mbeetz4841@aol.com.

See you at our 35th annual retirees golf tournament June 6.



Michael Karsch

RLACEI Legislative Report – Pension Law and Policy by Michael Karsch

The pension issue was prime time for the April meeting of the League of California Cities in April. Three speakers represented the spectrum of city management (City Manager Ron Bates of Pico Rivera), organized labor (Steve Koffroth, representing AFSCME), and a statewide newsletter on public sector pensions (Amy Brown of the Public Retirement Journal). The bottom line was that California lawmakers and other stakeholders have sorted out and enacted pension reform that will stand for at least a few years. The governor and legislature enacted pension reform last year that makes some changes that affect current employees,

but the bulk of reform is for new hires. Brown said that most of the pension controversy has calmed down with the defeat last November of Prop. 32 (prohibiting political contributions by payroll deduction) and the passage of Prop. 30 (increases state sales tax and income tax). Koffroth believed we would not see much more in pension reform because the unfunded liability issue is not a problem. Bates, who has served as the president of the Southern California Councils of Government and president of the state League of California Cities, affirmed that the major benefit of the reform won't be seen for about 40 years when active City hires after this reform will begin retiring under the new terms. He added that some complications exist for government employees who move from one agency to

another, but the pension promised at the end of their careers should be intact.

Ten days after the League of Cities meeting, the *Wall Street Journal* reported on another pension reform package, this one for private sector, multi-employer pension plans affecting 10.3 million workers and retirees. The proposal would amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act that has been on the books since 1974, affecting such sectors as construction, trucking and retail food. The key element in the proposal, which is from both organized labor and employer groups, is the ability to reduce current retiree benefits. The federal law covers about 1,450 multi-employer pension plans, most of which are satisfactorily funded, except 150 of those plans facing insolvency.



Michael R. Wilkinson

RLACEI Law and Policy Issues by Michael R. Wilkinson

Can an Illinois Law Override Constitutional Pension Protections?

Another court test of the limits of "pension reform" might be brewing around one of the country's most troubled state pension plans. The Illinois House of Representatives has passed a bill to limit state pensions, but it is far from clear whether it will survive a legal test claiming that this violates the state constitution, which bars changes that result in benefits that are "diminished or impaired."

The plan, backed by Democratic House Speaker Mike Madigan, is designed to limit cost

of living increases for future retirees; increase retirement ages; boost employee pension contributions; and exempt pension changes from union negotiations.

Madigan told Reuters that the plan will survive a challenge that it violates the state's constitutional protection of pension benefits, but another Democrat, Senate President John Cullerton, says the unions are right that the benefits cannot be reduced.

The question being asked here, as in other jurisdictions, is whether the constitutional language is absolute. Here the 1970 constitution states that public pensions are "an enforceable contractual relationship, the benefits of which shall not be diminished or impaired."

House Speaker Madigan argues the state has a right to change the pension promises

when other vital services could be cut because of the high costs of the pensions, a bill totaling more than \$6 billion per year in state contributions.

Legal commentators are split on how the question will be decided. Tyrone Fahner, a former Illinois attorney general who now works for a business group, believes that "[the state] has the absolute power to preserve the state and its basic functions."

However, John Marshall Law School Professor Ann Lousin, a constitutional expert, believes that the courts may view that the state is not doing everything that it can to raise tax money, such as levying a tax on pension or Social Security benefits as other states do. If viewed that way, the state may lose the argument that it is compelled either to cut pension benefits or vital services.

LACERS 2012 Highlights



Ken Spiker

Legislative Update By Ken Spiker

The LACERS Board and staff were very busy in 2012. Here are some highlights from the year that just ended.

Investments
LACERS' portfolio returned an outstanding 14.5 percent, gross of fees, for the 2012 calendar year, placing LACERS in the top quartile for our peer group. The total fund outperformed the policy benchmark by 0.25 percent. Three of the largest portfolio asset classes that represent more than 80 percent of the total fund investments, U.S. equity, non-U.S. equity, and fixed income, beat their respective benchmarks by respectable margins. Private market investments, including private equity and real estate, trailed their respective benchmarks, but, with anticipation that outperformance will be realized in 2014. The domestic economic environment has strengthened with debt dele-

veraging, reduced unemployment, and rising housing prices. Fears of European Union (EU) instability have calmed for now by the approval of debt restructuring plans of some of the most financially challenged EU member nations. Growth regions such as Asia and Latin America continue to be attractive to investors who are eager to earn above-average returns. An improved global economy is an ideal backdrop for stronger investment returns across all major asset classes.

During 2012, our Board conducted an asset allocation analysis to help ensure our investment portfolio is well positioned for the current and anticipated market conditions. This is a very important decision and can account for up to 90 percent of the investment returns (much more so than any specific investments).

The Board of LACERS' investment staff looks forward to 2013 and will be conducting multiple money manager searches that will support our updated asset alloca-

tion from both return and risk perspectives.

Actuarial
During 2012, the Board decided to transition our actuarial cost method from Projected Unit Credit to a more desirable funding methodology known as Entry Age Normal. This change provides for more level contributions from the City to the System throughout each Member's career and aligns our accounting and financial reporting process with the new Governmental Accounting Standards Board's guidelines.

Benefits
LACERS Board and staff successfully negotiated overall healthcare cost increases that were below the medical trend rate. This means that the increases we negotiated for the 2013 plan year were lower than predicted compared to increases taking place throughout the country. We were able to do this without having to resort to benefit reductions or increased cost sharing.

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LACERS Update



Mary Beetz

By Mary Beetz, RLACEI Publicity Chair

Registration is Open for Mix It Up – Online Nutrition Program

LACERS' retirees can now register for *Mix It Up*, a fun interactive online nutrition program, presented by LACERS and HealthWorks by Kaiser Permanente. Once registered, you may begin logging in your daily produce intake to become eligible for rewards. The first 500 participants to log in to *Mix It Up* for 28 consecutive days will receive a prize. All participants who log in 160 produce points by the end of the program will receive a \$50 Visa reward card. Membership with Kaiser is not necessary.

To register for *Mix It Up*, retirees first must be registered as LACERS *Well* participants. Each new LACERS *Well* registrant will receive a \$25 Visa reward card. Visit LACERS.org/lacerswell to register.

Save the Date: July 18, 2013 is the Kick Off of the LACERS in Motion Program

Anthem Blue Cross will launch LACERS *in Motion*, its new fitness program, at a LACERS *Well* Workshop on July 18, 2013. Watch your mail/email for further details.

Free LACERS In Motion Fitness Classes Start in August

Starting in August, the Anthem Blue Cross LACERS *in Motion* program will sponsor free fitness classes for LACERS retirees who have registered for LACERS *Well*. LACERS *in Motion* features yoga, stretching, low-impact cardio, dance, Tai Chi, Pilates and Zumba classes at centrally located venues in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties. Membership

with Anthem Blue Cross is not necessary. LACERS *in Motion* will run until December 2013. Watch your mail/email for further details.

LACERS Well to Feature Kaiser Permanente Health Education Classes

Kaiser Permanente will offer three free health education classes to LACERS *Well* participants in the greater Los Angeles Area. "Back Health" is scheduled for July 30, 2013, "Moving More" will be scheduled for September, and "Stress Management" will be scheduled for November.

Kaiser will also hold three health education webinars: "Ready, Set, Goal" in August, "Healthy Eating" in October, and "Stress Management" in December. Membership with Kaiser is not necessary. Watch your mail/email for further details.

LACERS

Good News on Pensions Is Coming This Summer



Lee Kebler

By Lee Kebler, LARFPA Director

Good news for our retirees: On July 1, your pension will be increased by 2.2 percent. It will show up on your pension check or direct deposit Aug. 1. And, the Fire and Police Pension Board finally increased the health subsidy by

seven percent, effective July 1. This raise is still below the assumed rate of health premium increase of nine percent. This is the seventh year that our health subsidy is lower than the assumed rate of health subsidy increase. This will help keep the out-of-pocket expense to a minimum.

Lastly, the Investment Section of the Pension system is doing such a outstanding job, the investments are

earning 13 percent and the Pension Fund is the highest in its history at \$16.1 billion.

Don't forget the Retired Fire and Police Association's annual barbecue at Grace E. Simons Lodge in Elysian Park June 5. The general meeting starts at 10 a.m., and the barbecue starts at noon. Make your reservations early. For more information, call our office at (888) 288-5063.

LARFPA

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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.

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• Michael Karsch	Ext. 704
• Gary Mattingly	Ext. 702
• Phillip Orland	Ext. 709
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• Helen Salgado (membership)	Ext. 713
• Ken Spiker	Ext. 705
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• Michael Wilkinson	Ext. 712
Questions:	Ext. 0
RSVP:	Ext. 701
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By Hal Danowitz,
Secretary, RLACEI

Sad Senegal History

Hal and Co. continue their cruise from Cape Town to England.

PART EIGHT



Evelyn and I took a 38-day trip, which included four days at the Botlierskop Safari Resort near George, South Africa; a 28-day cruise on the *Ocean Princess* from Cape Town, South Africa, to London; and four days in London at the end. Don and Myrna, our cousins, took the cruise with us.

The itinerary was as follows: Cape Town; Lüderitz and Walvis Bay, Namibia; Cotonou, Benin; Lome, Togo; Dakar, Senegal; Mindelo, Cape Verde Islands; Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands; Casablanca, Morocco; Cadiz, Spain; Lisbon, Portugal; Le Havre, France; and Dover, England.

As we continue the story, we are now halfway through the cruise and are coming up to Dakar, Senegal. We had a tour booked to go to Ile de Goree, an island off the coast that was the site of slave detention and the major point of departure in this area of Africa.

Before we left home, I joined a Website called Cruise Critic, which features a bulletin board online for cruises so that passengers on the same cruise can set up private tours and exchange information. On that day, they had a get-together and we went. We had already met a member who we played bridge with. He organized a tour to Marrakech when we were in Casablanca. Anyway, he had a cancellation and asked if we wanted to go. Evelyn did but I didn't want to do a seven-hour roundtrip bus drive. You have only a couple of hours once you get there. Evelyn said I had better find her something to do in Casablanca or I was in trouble. We have toured Casablanca before,



Our trivia team waits for the ferry to Ile de Goree.

but we never got to the really good markets, so my task was to find out where they were so we could go there for shopping. We had already done the regular city tour and the grand Mosque. Casablanca isn't as romantic as Rick portrayed it in the movie.

One of my food complaints was that there was no bread for sandwiches at the lunch buffet. They have readymade sandwiches, but that day they were carving roast beef, and it dawned on me to go to the grill and get a hamburger bun and make a roast beef sandwich. We were on this same ship six months ago and I never thought of doing that. Duh!

We played bridge and awaited the results. In duplicate you never know how well you do until everyone plays the same hand and the results are tallied. You can bid and make a contract, but someone may bid a better contract and make it. We just waited to see. The results were not good.

The Cruise Critic get-together was informative. We then had a better understanding of how it worked, and it was something that we may use or contribute to in the future.

The entertainment that night was Shan O'Shay. Billed as a comic, he was more a funny impressionist singer. He started out slow but improved as the show progressed. He was a good friend of Hyperion Knight the pianist, and Don thought they were a couple.

We played music trivia in the Casino Lounge, and our team scored 17 out of 25. We thought the score was pretty good and we finished third. All the questions were multiple choice, so maybe that helped a little. Our team name is now "Deck 8," as all of our cabins were on the eighth deck.

We docked the next morning before 7 a.m. and awaited clearance to go ashore. We were going to Ile de Goree to see the slave history sites. Evelyn was already nervous about missing shopping. On this cruise, Princess had a free shuttle in every port, a departure from past practices. I noticed a lot of improvement in the support of independent travel. They provided a lot more information on doing things on your own, not just on a Princess tour.

We left the ship at 8:30 a.m. for our tour. It was a chartered ferry, so we were picked up quite close to our ship's berth. It was about a 15-minute ride to the island. We were in groups of about 30 people. It took a while to get organized, and the one group visited the slave house and the rest took a walking tour of the island. It has been inhabited since the late 1400s, and between 1536 and 1848 (the date France abolished slavery), 15 to 20 million souls were sent to the Americas as slaves, and millions died in transit. According to what we have read, approximately 40 million Africans were captured during the 300 years slavery was practiced. How many actually made it to the new world is unknown.

During our walkabout, we were trailed by many sellers of local merchandise. We brought two hats for \$10 and then got two more for \$5. Then we bought a couple of T-shirts and some local jewelry.

We bought four small sand paintings. The sand paintings are a local craft, where sands of different shades are used with glue made from a local tree called the Monkey Bread tree.

We then returned to the slave house (the current one was built in 1776) for our tour. It

was heartbreaking to see the conditions that the people were forced to endure and the inhuman treatment. The door of no return was the last time most would ever see Africa. This door led directly to a seawall, and you either got on the ship or were pushed into

the sea. The island was the most westerly point in Africa and as such was closest to the Americas. This was one of the reasons that a great deal of the slave trade was here.

Our last stop was the Fort, and we heard an interesting explanation of life in Senegal. More than 80 percent of the population is Muslim, and many had up to four wives.

Of the five West African countries that we visited, Senegal was the most developed. The city of Dakar, the capital, was founded just more than 100 years ago, even though it has a fine harbor. Before that, most trade took place near or on Goree Island. In 1677, the French captured the island from the Dutch. The French controlled Senegal until 1960, when the country gained independence. During World War II, there was a naval battle between British/free French and Vichy French, who controlled Senegal. The battle was called off after several British battleships were damaged, and Senegal stayed under Vichy control until 1943.

We returned to the ship for lunch and decided to take the ship's shuttle to Independence Square and walk around.

Many people were selling the same things we had already purchased. Don and Myrna decided to go back to the ship, but Evelyn wanted to look around some more. A local latched on to us and wanted to show us where the central market was. We couldn't shake him – he wouldn't take no for an answer. Finally we turned around and started to walk back to the shuttle and somehow he thought that Evelyn insulted him and he wanted to know why I let my wife insult him. He wasn't angry or threatening, but it was very uncomfortable. We finally made it back to the shuttle stop. The shuttle was just loading, and we found Don and Myrna already aboard. In the end, I gave the guy a couple of dollars. As I was getting on the shuttle, through the crowd of sellers I could feel someone trying to get into my pocket and I slapped the hand away. We were told by the local guide on boarding the shuttle from the ship to be careful because there would be pickpockets around the shuttle stop. We never felt afraid in any of our stops, and we were not afraid here.

We had dinner in the buffet with a couple from the cabin next door to us. They were about 10 years younger than us and



Hal at the slave house.

were very well traveled.

We took on 200 tons of fuel and were still at the fueling dock at midnight.

The next day we headed to the Cape Verde Islands and the city of Mindelo; the seas were a little rougher. The ship rocked a little more than usual. We turned back the clock an hour the night before and we were only six hours ahead of Los Angeles.

There was a shuttle from the ship to the town center, and for this one there was a \$16 roundtrip fee per person. We had an afternoon tour, so I didn't think we would need the shuttle. This was the first time Princess charged for the shuttle. I asked the tour desk about the shuttle charge and was told that if the town were within walking distance (and with no obstacles), there would be a charge for shuttle. If you can't walk, there was no charge.

We finished up our bridge lesson and waited for trivia to begin. The Cruise Critic group met for lunch that day, and Evelyn and I went. We skipped bridge that afternoon because we wanted to meet with the future cruise desk to plan our next cruise. If we booked on the ship, we received a lower deposit and a room credit. No matter what, you can always cancel up to 90 days prior to departure without penalty. Also the weather was very nice – not too hot or humid – and I wanted to lie out by the pool.

Evelyn and I enjoyed the Cruise Critic lunch; we sat with two ladies from Australia and an Indian couple from San Francisco. All of these people have cruise knowledge, which they were willing to share, and you can learn a lot. It gave me a chance to meet people with common interests. It was like going to Friday night services to meet all the Jewish passengers.

We talked to the representatives at the future cruise desk, and we looked at a couple of cruises for next year.

We ate in the dining room. It seemed that on sea days we ate in the dining room, but on port days at the buffet. The next day we were in Mindelo, Cape Verde Islands. The next two days we were at sea and then in the Canary Islands. The first sea day meant a formal night, so we would eat in the dining room, and the next night we had a reservation in Sabatini's, the upscale Italian restaurant.

That night was the second concert of Hyperion Knight, and he was excellent. While the playing was good, his explanation of each piece and information about the composer made the evening enjoyable.

More next month!



A statue honoring slaves who left from the island.



It was trash pickup day.

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Retirements

Here's a listing of all those who retired from the City this month. To all we say, welcome to the Best Years!

NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS
Abu-Khalil, Siham	–	DWP	–
Algorri, Raymond	–	DWP	–
Andrade, Robert L.	Chief Admin. Analyst	CAO	24
Boughourian, Charles	–	DWP	–
Brand, Gary	–	DWP	–
Brown, Vincent	Ref. Coll. Trk. Op. II	Public Works	25
Burkin, Alan J.	Librarian II	Library	3
Burnett, Henry	–	DWP	–
Campanella, Robert J.	Painter II	Rec and Parks	28
Campos, Marta H.	Custodian	Airports	7
Cap, Daniel	–	DWP	–
Carey, Dorsan	Sr. Detention Officer	LAPD	28
Chen, Sun Q.	Systems Progr. II	ITA	27
Christie, Karin R.	Envir. Affairs Officer	Airports	26
Chung, Woo	–	DWP	–
Cisneros, Roberto	–	DWP	–
Clark, John	–	DWP	–
Clark, Robert E.	Photographer III	LAPD	15
Coffin, Cynthia	–	DWP	–
Cook, Mammie	–	DWP	–
Cover, Cathy L.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	26
Crissman, Robert	–	DWP	–
Dashti, Guiti	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst II	CDD	21
De Vela, Josefa	–	DWP	–
De Young, William S.	Ch. Pers. Analyst	Personnel	25
Del Toro, Robert	–	DWP	–
Delgado, Manuel	–	DWP	–
Donerson, Lomant R.	Hvy. Dty. Eqp. Mch.	General Services	26
Droz, Manuel	Sr. Rec. Director II	Rec and Parks	29
Duke, Elma W.	Fore. Prnt. Spec. III	LAPD	22
Emory, John	–	DWP	–
Espineda, Jr., Oscar	Wast. Trmt. Oper. III	Public Works	27
Estrada, Carlos R.	Signal Sys. Elect.	Transportation	32
Gallentine, Kenneth	–	DWP	–
Gates, Carol A.	Management Asst.	Personnel	7
Gates, S. Jeametta	Cust. Service Spec.	Finance	20
Gibb, Eugene G.	Sr. Police Ser. Rep II	LAPD	35
Gillard, Delonnie R.	Security Officer	Airports	30
Givens, Betty	Clerk Typist	Public Works	13
Gonzalez, George	–	DWP	–

Gonzalez, Juan M.	Custodian	General Services	22
Gough, Richard B.	Risk Manager III	CAO	10
Gregg, Daniel V.	Sr. Plumber	Public Works	37
Greene, Craig M.	Sign Shop Super.	Transportation	18
Griffin, Rachel	Exec. Adm. Asst. III	Conv. Center	36
Grindle, Gary	–	DWP	–
Fogt, David S.	Survey Party Chief II	Public Works	32
Haynes, Linda	Accounting Clerk II	Harbor	31
Hernandez, Martha	–	DWP	–
Hogan, Timothy	Asst. City Attorney	City Attorney	38
Hollis, Keith	–	DWP	–
Hubbard, Paula	–	DWP	–
Jimenez, Jesus	Refuse Coll. Super.	Public Works	30
Jones, Renee W.	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst II	CDD	33
Jorgensen, Mark R.	Plumbing Inspector	Building & Safety	10
Leal, Elida	–	DWP	–
Lewis, Carmen T.	Park Ranger	Rec and Parks	26
Lopez, Louis	–	DWP	–
Lopez, Robert	–	DWP	–
Martinez, Beatrice	Sr. Clerk Typist	Airports	39
McCullough, Moses	Police Officer II	Airports	34
McKaffery, K.	–	DWP	–
Michael, Calvin S.	Equipment Operator	Public Works	32
Mitchell, Pete R.	Welder	General Services	26
Montgomery, Larry J.	Build. Mech. Insp.	Building & Safety	22
Morita, Lani	–	DWP	–
Muller, Kurt	Dep. City Att. III	City Attorney	37
Nobori, Dean	–	DWP	–
Ochoa, Jesus A.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	28
Ogawa, Kenji	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	24
Olivas, Christopher	Equip. Operator	Rec and Parks	38

Palaganas, Charlemagn	Sr. Accountant II	Harbor	23
Pippin, Beverly, R.	Ch. Clerk	LAPD	33
Poland, Peter	–	DWP	–
Ramirez, Deborah R.	Dep. City Attorney III	City Attorney	21
Ramos, Rodolfo	–	DWP	–
Samia, Samee	–	DWP	–
Sawyerr, Denise A.	Sr. Pol. Serv. Rep II	LAPD	30
Schrader, Dan	–	DWP	–
Siplon, Jordan P.	Shf. Spt. Was. Trt. II	Public Works	31
Smith, Chris J.	Cons. Maint. Supv. II	Rec and Parks	25
Sorensen, Michael	–	DWP	–
Stone, Johnna	Dep. City Attorney III	City Attorney	16
Taulbee, Steven B.	Auto. Supervisor	LAPD	32
Thaung, Robert	Civil Engr. Assoc. IV	Housing	14
Toeba, John	–	DWP	–
Troglin, Steven	–	DWP	–
Turbin, Sheila M.	Sr. Com. Operator II	ITA	33
Ulloa, Michael	Sr. Painter II	General Services	26
Vargas, Alex V.	City Att. Adm. Crd. III	City Attorney	33
Vasquez, Mario	Finance Spec. V	CAO	25
Vela, Lupe M.	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst II	Public Works	28
Villasenor, James A.	Airport Safety Officer	Airports	32
Weiss, Carolyn M.	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst II	CDD	32
Welborn, John W.	Painter II	General Services	11
White, Vanessa D.	Pr. Clerk City Att. II	City Attorney	33
Wilson, Albert R.	Maint. Const. Helper	Rec and Parks	22
Yee, Kit K.	Struc. Engr. As. III	Airports	30
Zhang, Xiaoxing	Librarian III	Library	11

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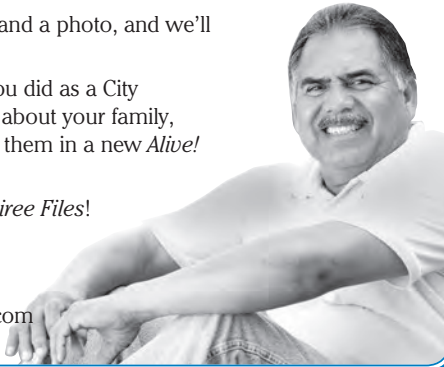
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Legislative Update By Ken Spiker

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Ken Spiker

LACERS launched its new wellness program, LACERS *WELL*, for our retired members. A retiree-only wellness program is a rarity, but staff and our health insurance carriers are committed to providing an accessible, fun and educational program that we can all participate in to whatever degrees we can – whether by using the online resources or participating in one of the workshops, or both.

Staff successfully applied for and received an additional \$2.1 million from the federal government under its Early Retiree Reinsurance Program (ERRP). In addition to the \$3.8 million received in

2011, LACERS received \$5.9 million in funds that otherwise would have been paid by some of our retirees and LACERS.

LACERS' benefits staff is also gearing up to begin administration of a second tier of retirement benefits, Tier 2, enacted by the City Council, for new members hired on or after July 1, 2013. These benefits will require new employees to work longer to earn their retirement benefits, which includes a 75 percent maximum and two percent retirement factor, compared to the 100 percent maximum and 2.16 percent retirement factor applicable to Tier 1 members.

Audits and Fiscal

In 2012, the Board selected a firm to perform an actuarial audit to provide additional confidence that our annual actuarial valuations are accurate, that the assumptions used in the actuarial valuations are reasonable, and that LACERS is being properly funded to meet its obligations.

We also received an "unqualified" opinion from the CPA firm, Brown Armstrong, regarding our annual financial statements. An "unqualified" opinion is the highest level and, therefore, the most desirable result. And, for the 13th

year running, LACERS was awarded a certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

Administration

The Board awarded a contract to Levi, Ray & Shoup to replace its then-current Pension Administration System with a more modern and functional system to assist LACERS' staff in providing better customer service and interactivity to our members, both active and retired. Staff happily anticipates kicking off this multi-year project in 2013.

The Best Years

RETIREES AROUND THE WORLD



1 The Philippines



Here's **Leticia Yapana, DWP, Retired**, in the Philippines. "I visited Balisen Private Island, Quezon, Philippines, a destination of unmatched natural beauty off the eastern coast of Luzon. Here I am with my husband, Nelson. We are in front of Fort Santiago, Manila, the Intramuros Walled City."



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The Best Years

Show Us Your Grandkids!



Thomas Vercher, Cultural Affairs, Retired, writes from Florida: "This was the last time we were together before my retirement. We attended a concert at the Hollywood Bowl and hung out on Sunset Boulevard. On my left is my daughter, Lisa Janee Vercher. To my right are my son, Jean-Paul Vercher, and my granddaughter, Alyssa Petterson."

Carolyn Alvarez, Personnel, writes: "Here's a picture of my grandson. His name is Roman Alexander Alvarez, born April 4. His parents are Christopher Alvarez, Rec and Parks/Griffith Observatory, and Mayra Rosales." The grandparents include Isaac Alvarez, Public Works/Street Services; Carolyn Alvarez, Medical Services Division, Personnel; and Gregorio Rosales, Public Works/Sanitation. An aunt is Melissa Alvarez, Personnel/Public Safety, and an uncle is Adrian Alvarez, Convention Center.



"Here are most of my grandchildren, 11 out of 13, at a family gathering. I have a total of 13 grandkids and two great-grandsons. In the picture, the oldest is 26 (Daniel in back), and the youngest is one (Andrew, crying). My first great-grandson (Brandon, 4) is pictured on left end of the first row. They all like to ride Grandpa's Harley."

— **John Phillips, LAPD, Retired, 31 years of City service**



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2. Photos with you in them are better, but if not, that's okay, too.
3. Make sure you list the names of your grandkids.
4. Tell us, in a sentence or two, a little bit about them – their school, their accomplishments, what they love to do, how proud you are of them, etc.
5. Digital photos are best! Send them to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

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"It's a capital V-A-N-I-L-L-A!"
— Ruth Kong



"Neapolitan ice cream makes me smile."
— Frankie Wong, Public Works/Sanitation, 31 years of City service



"On a hot day, I have to have scoops of butter pecan."
— Henry Starks, Public Works/Street Services, 38 years of City service, Club member



"Vanilla." "Chocolate."
— Varsha and Jawahar Shah, Public Works/Sanitation, 34 years of City service, Club Member.

What's your favorite ice cream flavor?



"Hmmm ... I've got it! Ben & Jerry's Cherry Garcia! Great tasting!"
— Mic Bacon, Housing, 31 years of City service, Club Member



"Nothing like chocolate to wake you up in the morning!"
— Stephen Frelander, Building and Safety, 26 years of City service



"I've always been fond of maple ice cream."
— Fred Kong, Public Works, 32 years of City service, Club Member



"Is it too boring to say that my favorite is vanilla?"
— Gilbert Hernandez, Public Works/Street Services, 38 years of City service



"I always have pistachio, and I am now a fan of Ben & Jerry's Cherry Garcia."
— Rose Hyland, Controller's Office, 28 years of City service, Club Board Member



"Have you ever had cheese ice cream? My favorite!" "Rocky Road for me."
— Imelda and Eliseo Zapata, Public Works/Engineering, 25 years of City service

Retirees Question of the Month:

THIS MONTH AT THE

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

A REC AND PARKS FACILITY

World Oceans Day

**Saturday, June 8
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Celebrate the ocean and share how important it is in our lives. Family-oriented activities include arts and crafts, scavenger hunts, animal stories, a guided beach walk, a closeup look at baby animals and more. This year the aquarium will announce the winners of its *Youth on Board* video contest. *Youth on Board* is a joint project with CMA partners at Nausicaa Aquarium in Boulogne-sur-Mer, France, and Waikiki Aquarium in Honolulu.

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With Robby the Recycling Robot, from left: Malyah, Alex, Megan and Cole.



At the Lighting Loader Truck, from left: Resse, with Bill Musselman, RCTO.



At the Refrigerator Mascot: Tyler, Maddison and Alyson.



With the Robot Recycle Can: Sarah Browne; Jeff Browne, Supervisor, 24 years of City service; and Caleb Browne.

Open House Roundup: East Valley

PUBLIC WORKS



At the Free Mulch Station, Khail Gharios, Sanitation Manager, talks to a neighbor.



Neighbor Bryce Rush enjoys the open house.



Antanik Saiyan, Environmental Engineer Associate.



Fleet Services, from left: Tim Capels, 22 years of City service, Club Member; Rolando Lozano, 12 years; and Alvaro Favela, 5 years.



From left: Jesse Guzman, Jessica Aharonian, Melvin Marroquin and Gladia Munoz.



From left: Jeff Browne, Solid Resources Supervisor, 24 years of City service; Ray Cruz, Solid Resources Superintendent, 25 years, Club Member; and Manny Fieras, Council District 7.



At the Rear Loader Truck, from left: Martin Vargas, RCTO, with Sydney.



Raffle prizewinner John stands by Guadalupe Ramos, 7 years of City service, Club Member.



Raffle prizewinner Jennifer Clark.



Raffle prizewinner Valerie Yount.



Raffle prizewinner Jose.



Raffle prizewinner Heather Kuipers and her son.



Raffle prizewinner Flora.



Raffle prizewinner Fernando Avina.



Raffle prizewinner Karla Ornelas.



Raffle prizewinner Rosa and her daughter.



Raffle prizewinner Kanah.



Raffle prizewinner Juan.



Raffle prizewinner Anthony Rodriguez.

Sanitation hosts its annual yard open houses, focusing on recycling.

Story by Jeff Browne, Solid Resources Supervisor, Public Works/Engineering; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

Sanitation's Easy Valley Yard held its open house April 29.

The Sanitation Open House program was started in 2005 to reach out to the community. As Sanitation services have modernized and become more automated, there has been less personal contact between residents and employees. The Open House is one way to bridge the gap.

The Open House is also a great way to educate residents about what the Bureau does and its future direction. Employees volunteer their time to make the events a success. There are tours of our facilities with different stations that offer information on related Departments including Mulching Facilities, Container Services, Recycling Division, etc.

Trucks are staged so that the public can observe the equipment in a safe environment. Refuse Collection Truck Operators volunteer their time and operate the trucks for the duration of the event. Kids love to come and see the equipment. They get a chance to meet the operators, sit in the trucks, operate some of the mechanical attachments and honk the horns. Mascots in costume and a robot made out of a Recycling container roam the facility and educate residents and their children about recycling. There are also games for the kids, raffles, giveaways and free food.

The Open Houses attract more than 6,000 people per year, and the number is growing.

Special thanks go to Ray Cruz, Solid Resources Superintendent and Jeff Browne, Solid Resources Supervisor.



From left: Gabriel Garcia, LAPD; Delia Diaz, Club Member; Emily Estrada; Isak Garcia; Valerie Garcia; and Eddie Estrada.



At the Automated Truck, from left: Boeing Yeager and Robin Gottlieb, RCTO, 7 years of City service.



At the Automated Truck, from left: Kirk Johnson and Frank Escobar, RCTO, 7 years of City service, Club Member.



Kids having fun: Frank Escobar, RCTO, 7 years of City service, Club Member.



At the Front Truck Loader, from left: Sean Chotibut, Bryn Erdman, Michael Brennan, and Eddie Flores, RCTO, 6 years of City service.



From left: Guadalupe Ramos, 7 years of City service, Club Member, with her daughter, Andrea Diaz; and Jacob Prado, Clean and Green volunteer.

PUBLIC WORKS

Life Saver

Kenny Lampton's quick actions merit him a Public Works honor.

Information and photos courtesy Paul Gomez and Daniel McKay, Public Works

Public Works/Sanitation Refuse Collection Supervisor Kenneth Lampton was recognized at the April 17 Board of Public Works meeting with a certificate for his quick and decisive actions in providing first aid to his colleague, Refuse Collection Truck Operator II Randy Armour, who had suffered a serious injury. By Kenneth coming to his aid in a short time frame, Randy's injury was kept under control and saved his life.

According to an account by Daniel McKay, Public Works, last December, RCTO Randy Armour was attempting to unload televisions from his E-waste route when he fell onto a

very sharp tube on the back of a television, causing a severe laceration to the back of his upper left leg. As a result, he was losing blood very rapidly and fortunately was able to jump down off of the back of the box van and come to the front of the yard on the street in front of the clerical office, where he asked two community service workers for help. They came into the office and notified Daniel McKay that a driver was hurt and to come quickly. They led him to Randy. Daniel ran back into the clerical office and had the staff call the paramedics and simultaneously saw Supervisor Kenny Lampton, who acted very quickly, removing his belt and tying it around Randy's leg to stop the bleeding. Supervisor Lampton remained



Supervisor Kenny Lampton (holding certificate) was honored for his quick actions in possibly saving a life. The ceremony took place at a Board of Public Works meeting April 17.

with Randy holding the belt until the paramedics arrived. The Fire Department took Randy to Northridge Memorial Hospital and said that he should be okay, thanks to Supervisor Lampton stopping the bleeding when he did.

The Club congratulates Kenny Lampton for his quick work in possibly saving a life, and wishes good health to Randy Armour.



Kenny Lampton, Supervisor, receives a certificate of recognition for his quick actions that possibly saved a life. He received the certificate at a Board of Public Works meeting April 17.

GRADUATES

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Club members: Have you had a family member graduate from elementary school... high school... or college? Send us a photo, and we'll publish it in *Alive!*

Make sure you tell us:

- The name of the graduate.
- The school from which they graduated. If a college, tell us their major.
- Their future plans (briefly)
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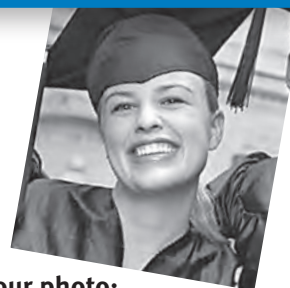
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AT THE**



Griffith Observatory

June 15:

Public Star Party

Free public star parties are held monthly with the assistance of the Los Angeles Astronomical Society and the Los Angeles Sidewalk Astronomers at the Griffith Observatory. They are a chance for the whole family to look at the sun, moon, visible planets, and other objects, to try out a variety of telescopes, and to talk to knowledgeable amateur astronomers about the sky and their equipment.

Lines for each telescope and all viewing must be completed by 9:45 p.m.

**2 PM – 9:45 PM
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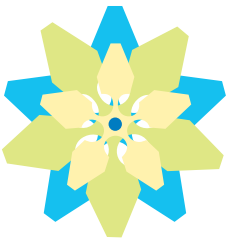
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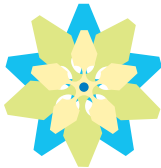
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Life's Important Moments



Share your moments!

Did you get married? Have a baby? Get a promotion? We want to hear from you. Share your news with the world! Send all notices and high resolution photos with the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com or send paper notices and print photos to: Alive!, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Welcome New Members!

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

New Members

Airports

Fernando Carrasco
Erik Estrada
Adrienne Gauthier
Aaron Wiley

Animal Services

Armando Navarrete
Eardley Norman
Chante Patterson

City Council

Benjamin Seinfeld

LAFD

Daniel Barrera
James Glover
Steven Lopez
Christian Pedini
Steve Romas
Michael Rucker
David Steinman
Radley Wong

General Services

Harvey Akin
Ryan Andrews
Vincent Augustine
Janice Bonner
Sandra Calderon
Davidson Cato
Ronald Foster

Cedric Hardy
Jerome Horton
Deanna Nichols
Erica Nicholson
Gerardo Olmos
Reginald Palmer
Karolina Rosa
Gregory Smets

Harbor

Dennis Frierson
Susan Girard-Manzo

Housing

Timothy Hess

ITA

Rosanna Divins
Guillermina Gaona-Urena
LeRoy Shaw Jr.

Library

Nichollette Forney
Russell Garrigan
Mildred Palacio
Marilyn Smithson

Planning

Robert Martin

LAPD

Luis Anchondo
Matthew Barraza

Gary Borg
Thomas Burke
Sophia Casaneda-Cruz
Kortete Cooper
Alejandro Fernandez
Luis Garcia
John Hernandez
Steven Hernandez
Jeanette Huerta
Christina Johnson
Theodore Jones
James Lemos
Juan Lizalde
Ruth Marrero-Mosa
John Marton
Karla Massengale
Roger Mora
Maligi Nua Jr.
Robert Paschal
Rogelio Perez
Russel Riggen
Gonzalo Sanchez
Erin Sandwick
Mark Sheyka
Kristina Takeshita
Carlos Villegas
Jacob Wood
Emilio Zacarias
Melissa Zarris

PUBLIC WORKS

PW-Engineering

Zohra Abassy
Peter Blikion
Andres De La Cruz
Anthony Felipe
Henry Sisomvang
Esperanza Zavala

PW-Sanitation

Jesse Barrientos
Nettie Corbin
Destiny Garcia
Romeo Manasala
Recenia Rayford-McClellan
Ohleigh Vanilla
Udell Wilson

PW-Street Lighting

James Fagle-Giangregorio

PW-Street Services

Jacqueline Anderson
Kenneth Clingerman
Stephen Duprey
Shevawn Gipson
Gerardo Hernandez
Robert Johnson
Thomas Lepine
Henry Mancini Jr.

Gerardo Sanchez
Chui-Son Tsai
Joseph Vidnie

Rec and Parks

Antonio Acosta
Claudia Batres
Shawn Bonnell
Tracy Gant
Terrell Gant
Michelle Gibbs
Jean Gomez
Renesha Griffith
Sergio Guzman Jr.
Paul Kleszuz
Juan Martinez
Michael Martinez
Carlos Navarro
Luis Pena
Edgar Rangel-Canseco
Christopher Ruffin
Tony Ruiz
Chris Ward

Transportation

Aujanee Baldwin
Ebony Burke
Elvira Gallegos
George Gonzalez
Myesha Henderson
Alejandro Juan

Hamid Mohammadipour
Cordia Williams

ZOO

Cecilia Garcia

DWP

Mina Abdelshahid
Thomas Ball
Marcus Barnes
Patrice Booker
Jamin Camp
Cruz Campos Jr.
Jose Chavez
Steve Clabaugh
Demetrius Deanda
Steve DiGioia
Daniel Dubinsky
Michelle Dubois
Erik Eelkema
James Fitzgerald
Jaime Garay
Daniel Garcia
Steven Gomez
John Goodwin
Randy Hansen
John Haywood
Matthias Holden
Sheldon Hom
Jeffrey Johnston
Steve Koerner
Adam Krause

Vernon Lucero
Jose Martinez
Sean Matthews
Michael McInnis
Felix Mendoza
Michael Metz
Steven Miles
Damon Moreno
Anthony Nesbitt
Martin Ningo
Philip Omlor
Daniel O'Neil
Michael Parker
Jason Pope
Stevie Renfro
Roberto Rodriguez
Enrique Salinas
Adriana Samano
Cesar Sanchez
Michael Schuenemann
William Sein
Babbak Shahandeh
Dennis Smith
Anthony Vaca
Wilbert Vargas
Alfonso Vasquez
Andres Velez
Edmund Villalobos
Martin Villegas
Michael Walker
Derek Wert
Walker Williams Jr.

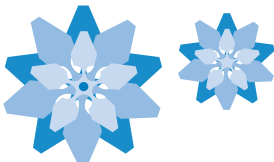
Births

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

Roman Alexander Alvarez, born April 4 to Christopher R. Alvarez, Rec and Parks/Griffith Observatory, and Mayra Rosales. Grandparents include Isaac Alvarez, Asphalt Plant Operator, Public Works/Street Services; Carolyn Alvarez, Medical Records Supervisor, Personnel; and Gregorio Rosales, RCTO, Public Works/Sanitation. Congratulations!



Abigail Jean and Andrew Elliott, born March 7 to Officer Stacey Creech, Harbor/Port Police, and partner Barbara Carroll. "Everyone is doing well!"



Military

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

Weddings

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

Peace of Mind

by Tiffany Sy
The Club's Peace of Mind Expert



Differences In Disability Plans

What purpose does your disability insurance plan serve, if any? Do you know the differences among the diversity of disability plans out there? For instance, you may have heard of short-term disability, long-term disability, permanent disability and state disability insurance issued from the state.

Let's take a closer look. In comparison, short-term disability insurance will pay only a maximum of up to two years and typically does not cover on-the-job injuries. Most short-term plans designate a set benefit amount each month, and a much shorter waiting period to pay out a benefit. Here's a hypothetical example of a short-term disability at work: You suffer an injury while gardening at home and tear a ligament. It's been more than 14 days since you're able to go to work and perform

your duties. You're now eligible to claim on your benefits your pre-selected amount of \$1,500 per month until you can go back to work or, if out indefinitely, you can collect up to two years maximum (whichever comes first).

In contrast, long-term disability insurance (LTDi), sometimes referred to as permanent disability, serves to protect your income for a much longer duration in the event of permanent disability. LTDi will pay a percentage of your salary until you reach the age of 65 or can go back to work, whichever comes first. LTDi covers injury or illness, both on or off the job, giving you a much more comprehensive coverage than a short-term disability. While both disability plans pay out a monthly benefit, with short-term disability you must choose a set amount of benefit and, depending on

the policy.

With the Club's LTDi, the benefit payout is a percentage of 60 to 70 percent of your current income.

You can have one without the other, and you can have both. If you tailor your policies to co-exist, you can plan it so there is no lapse in coverage, and when the short-term disability comes to an end, the long-term disability will begin. Any one of our benefit counselors would be happy to review your policies to help you avoid a lapse in coverage.

As a City or DWP employee, most of you are not making contributions to state disability insurance (SDI). Therefore, most of you will not qualify to claim benefits from SDI.

Also, did you know that you are not required to use all your vacation time for

the Club's disability plan to pay? In fact we encourage you to not use your vacation time if you are out due to an illness/injury.

Simply ask yourself if you currently do not have the Club's disability plan, is your sick time enough for you to sustain your lifestyle? Do you have a back-up plan for your income if you can not go to work due to an injury or illness?

If you would like more details on any of our disability plans, feel free to contact me or your department's Benefit Counselor.

Thanks!

Contact me at info@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



Crystal Landaeta is graduating from Etiwanda High School in May 21. She plans to attend UC San Bernardino, where she plans to study criminal justice/crime analysis. She's the niece of Mariana Guevara, the Club's Club Store Supervisor.



Jennifer Leigh Owens is graduating from Cal State Fullerton with a Bachelor's degree in sociology and a minor in psychology. She's the daughter of Yvette Burney, Commanding Officer, Scientific Investigation Division, LAPD.



Danielle C. Smith is graduating from Los Angeles Mission College, majoring in computer graphics. She's the daughter of Chermaine Fontenette, RCTO, Public Works/East Valley Sanitation. "Your graduation brings so much happiness not only because of the good job you've done but because you are very special to me. Love, Mommy."



Royce Carter is graduating from Torrance High School in June. He's the son of Juanita Carter, Library.



Alexandra Duncan is graduating in June from Pilgrim School. Alex has been accepted and plans to attend Mills College in Oakland, Calif. in the fall. She was also recently honored as one of the few individuals to have volunteered as part of the Pinafores and Juniors organizations of Orthopaedic Hospital who completed 12 straight years of volunteering from first through 12th grades. She served as an editor of her school newspaper and the literary journal. She's the daughter of Kim Hughes, DWP.



Jeremiah G. Smith

Both Jeremiah G. Smith and Joshua A. Smith will be graduating from Loyola High School, and both plan on attending Hampton University in Virginia in the fall. They both plan on studying electrical engineering. They're the sons of Kenneth J. Smith, CDD.



Joshua A. Smith



Mario Dominguez III graduated from the University of Arizona in Tucson. He majored in communication with a minor in history. He plans to stay in Tucson for another year and continue working in his current position. Mario is the son of Patricia Dominguez, Mechanical Engineer, DWP.

Special Achievements

Have you or your children recently achieved something special? Send to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Keith Smith, Utility Crew Supervisor, Airports, and his son, Justin, are celebrating a number of accomplishments. First, Keith was just promoted to his current position from Carpenter. As a U.S. Army veteran, he was also just recently selected to be the new chairman of the Memorial Day Flag placement program at the National Memorial Cemetery in West Los Angeles. During the ceremony, Boy and Girl Scouts place more than 88,000 flags on all the graves. Meanwhile, Justin Smith was awarded his Eagle Scout rank, the highest award you can earn as a Boy Scout. Justin is a member of Troop 911 in Northridge. Congratulations to both Keith and Justin!



Happy 25th wedding anniversary to Mark and Alicia Spicer. Alicia is a Clerk Typist, Airports/Ontario. "Markie, thank you for 25 years of happiness! Love you, Alicia."

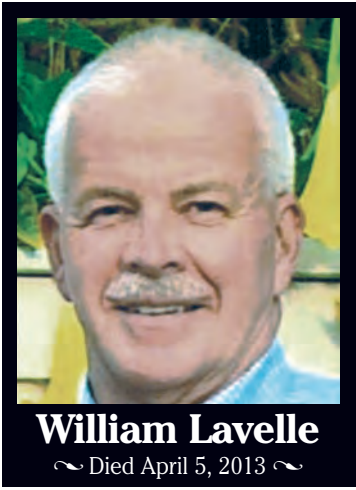


Jean-Paul Vercher, 17, won two local Gold Competition awards, one in poetry and the other in music composition at the Altadena Community Center, sponsored by the NAACP. Jean-Paul's mentor is Juanita Devhaun, a long-time community activist for the arts. Jean-Paul plans to attend the National Competition in Orlando, Fla. this month. Jean-Paul is the son of Thomas Vercher, Sr. Graphic Designer (Retired), Cultural Affairs. "I look forward to being there since I've retired in Florida, to support him as he competes," Thomas writes.

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.

Remembering William Lavelle Former LAPD Officer



William Lavelle
~ Died April 5, 2013 ~

It is with great sorrow that I must report the passing of my older brother, William Martin Lavelle, former LAPD officer class of 498. Bill apparently suffered a massive heart attack April 5 at age 63. When no answer was obtained on his cell phone, his sister, Mary Ann, arrived at his home and found him face down in the garage. The coroner was summoned, and an official cause of death has yet to be determined. The family gathered for a Mass and Celebration at Mission San Luis Rey Chapel, Oceanside. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donating to your favorite charity or Mission San Luis Rey Chapel in Oceanside: www.sanluisreyparish.org/donate.html

Bill is survived by his three daughters Jennifer, Becky, and Theresa as well as three sisters, Rita, Madeleine, and Mary Ann, and three brothers, Robert, Peter, and Thomas and his father Dr. Patrick James Lavelle. He is preceded by his brother, Cpl. Patrick James Lavelle

USMC killed in action in Quang Tri Province, Viet Nam, and his mother Rita Adelle Lavelle, registered nurse. May the peace of the Lord be with us all and may perpetual light shine upon him.

– Submitted by Robert James Lavelle

Club Members share their memories of City Employees listed in our In Memoriam section, or others who have died recently.

Their Stories

It's Time to Tell Their Story

A new Alive! feature

Every month, *Alive!* publishes the names of those current or retired City Employees who have died. But who were they? Did you know them? If you worked with any of these people, knew a story or two about them or were related to them, consider writing to *Alive!* and letting us know. *Tell their story!*

- Write a few sentences or paragraphs
- Send in a photo, if you have one
- Let us know your name and connection to the deceased
- Send your memories to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
Subject line: Tell Their Story



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Host James Caudill, Sr. Personnel Analyst I, 23 years of City service.

HARBOR

Perfect Attendance

Port honors employees with perfect attendance over the last year.



From left: The Club's Arlene Herrero with Kurt Ramirez, winner of four Angels vs. Baltimore Orioles tickets, donated by the Club.



Phyllis Nino, Clerk Typist, 6 years of City service, Club Member; and John Onorato, Clerk Typist, 1 year.



From left: The Club's Arlene Herrero with Stacy Xenios, winner of two adult SeaWorld tickets donated by the Club.



Peter Ouk, winner of AMC movie pack, donated by the Club.



William Valenzuela, Club Member, winner of AMC movie pack, donated by the Club.



Story by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor; Photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager

On March 28, the Harbor Department held its annual Perfect Attendance ceremony to honor those employees who had zero absences from work in 2012. In that year, 207 employees had perfect attendance!

Attendees to the ceremony enjoyed a nacho bar, a shaved ice truck and many chances to win all sorts of gifts and prizes including donations of Angels tickets, SeaWorld tickets, and AMC movie packs donated by the Club.

Congratulations to all 207 employees! Keep up the hard work!

Here's a list of those employees who received the Perfect Attendance honor:

Commission Office

Julie Huerta
Mark Martinez

Business and Trade Development

Maria Alva
Norman Arikawa
Eric Caris
Jean Coronel
James MacLellan
Masa Morimoto

Human Resources

James Caudill
Ilesia Jones
Leticia Lorenzana
Phyllis Yogi

Real Estate

Regner Globus
Eduardo Robles
Rica Viola

Executive Offices

Molly Campbell
John Holmes
Geraldine Knatz
Vanessa Manjarrez
Kathryn McDermott
Cynthia Ruiz

Public Relations

Theresa Adams-Lopez
Danette Biazevich
Sheila Gonzales

Planning and Economic Development

David Mathewson

Environmental Management

Christopher Cannon
Timothy De Moss
Manuel Ramirez

Risk Management

Cuong Tran

Graphic Services

Thomas Badoud

Stephen John
Rose Kinoshita

Management Audit

James Olds

Accounting

Tereza Aldrete
Tam Bui
Roland Lee
Abdul Rashid
Rhonda Uyemura

Information Systems

Kei Chan
Dwayne Christophe
Masao Ikeda
Lance Kaneshiro
Rose Nguyen
Thomas Nguyen
Kevin Sun
Pei-San Tsai
Cynthia Ung
Raul Velasco
Kelvin Wei
Edward Wilson

Financial Management

Juliet Yano

Engineering

Tsion Abebe
Robel Afewerki
Kurt Arend
Carlos Baldenegro
Lan Banh
Roy Benjamins
Carmencita Bognot
Kendra Cantrell
Janie Cardamone
Joann Esparza
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From left: Susie Lee, Port Pantry Worker, 1 year of City service; and Mimi Yoon, Port Pantry Worker, 1 year of City service.



Rafael Diaz, Maintenance Laborer, 6 years of City service, Club Member.



Teresa Hoenkhaus, Principal Construction Inspector, 37 years of City service.



From left: Jose Grimaldo, Gardner; Juan Leon, Gardner, Club Member; Kedren Robinson, SCT; Freddy Gandara, Gardner; and Daniel Hughes, Principal Grounds Maintenance Supervisor II, Club Member.



West Valley Sanitation Yard charity drive contributors, from left: E. Duarte, Julio Cruz, Santos Duran, Paul Minette and Leonardo Guerra. Bottom: Miguel Lopez.

PUBLIC WORKS

West Valley Generosity

West Valley Sanitation Yard participates in holiday toy, food drives.

Information courtesy Brian Sibert, Public Works, Club Member, 24 years of City service

The West Valley Sanitation Yard donated a large portion of toys and canned foods for a drive combined with the East Valley Yard and the LAFD. The successful drive was held during late December last year. The food was delivered to the West Valley Food Bank at the Guadalupe Church by Marcus Chacon, RCTO. The Club apologizes for not giving our good friends at the West Valley their due, and we congratulate all those who helped those in need and helped to make the drive a success.

COUNCIL

Hike for Health

Mr. LA, Councilman Tom LaBonge, leads students in annual Hike for Health.

Story and photos courtesy the office of Councilman LaBonge

Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Club Member, and Rec and Parks present the eighth annual Hike for Health and the 2013 Get to Know event at Griffith Park May 9. The annual event introduces LAUSD students to the nature around them by bringing them to Los Angeles' largest park. More than 300 LAUSD fifth-grade students from six elementary schools hiked with Councilmember LaBonge to the top of Mount Hollywood, where they met LAPD officers, see the Public Works/Sanitation Robot, and speak with Park Rangers. At the Greek Theater picnic

area in the "Get to Know" portion of the event, the students learned from nature and interactive booths from local nonprofits and City agencies, including: the Debs Park Nature Center, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, Bureau of Land Management, Animal Services, National Forest Service, and Rec and Parks. "The City of Los Angeles is proud to again be an event partner for the 2013 Get to Know Contest," said Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, Club Member. "The Department of Recreation and Parks fully



supports the vision to connect, create, and celebrate helping to bring youth closer to nature. This year, in a joint effort with the National Recreation and Park Association, we will bring over 10 million kids outdoors." Students from Kester Avenue, Kester Magnet, Van Ness Avenue, Valley View, and Wilshire Crest Elementary attended the event; the schools are located throughout

Councilmember LaBonge's Fourth District in Sherman Oaks, the mid-Wilshire area, and the Hollywood Hills. "Griffith Park is the perfect Los Angeles location to teach our youths the power of open spaces and the benefits of fitness. I'm excited to help our local students get to know their great outdoors," Councilmember LaBonge said.



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AIRPORTS

Officer Passes After Tommy Scott Run

Airport Police mourns loss of Officer Anthony Edwards, who dies after participating in Tommy Scott Memorial Run.

Story courtesy Sgt. Belinda Nettles, Airport Police, Club Member; Photo courtesy Airport Police

The Airport Police Dept. mourns the loss of 12-year veteran Officer Anthony Edwards, who passed away May 9 from medical complications after running a 5K Memorial Run to honor Airport Police Officer Tommy Scott, his academy classmate killed in the line of duty in April 2005. Officer Edwards, 46, joined Airport Police on Oct. 7, 2001, and was assigned to Patrol Services at LAX.

The Tommy Scott Memorial Run was in addition to the Tommy Scott Memorial Ride (on motorcycles). They were both held to raise funds for the Tommy Scott Scholarship Fund.

"The entire Airport Police force is saddened by the sudden loss of Officer Edwards, who was dedicated to supporting his fellow officers and to ensuring the safety and security of the traveling public," said Airport Police Chief Patrick Gannon. "We extend our deepest sympathies to his family, friends and close colleagues. Airport Police will honor Officer Edwards just as he was there to honor Officer Scott."

Officer Edwards was born Oct. 15, 1966, and lived in Santa Clarita. He graduated from the Rio Hondo Police Academy Class 161 on Feb. 21, 2002. Prior to joining Airport Police, he worked as a security officer at LAX.



Airport Police veteran Officer Anthony Edwards, pictured at the Tom Bradley International Terminal, LAX.

He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Candace Edwards; son, Anthony Jr., 21; daughter, Ashley, 24; brothers Keith, Maurice, Donald, and William; sisters, Cynthia and Darlene Edwards; and sister Marsha Gilmore; as well as other relatives.

A memorial fund has been established by the Los Angeles Airport Peace Officers Association at the Los Angeles Police Federal Credit Union (LAPFCU). LAPFCU members may donate to this account online through PATROL Online Banking, or by phone using the CODE 3 phone system at 877-MY-LAPFCU (877-695-2732). Please enter account number 2075262 S4 and LOS (first three letters of the account name). If you would like to mail in a donation, please make it payable to "Los Angeles Airport Peace Officer Association for Anthony Edwards" and send it to:

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CITYWIDE

Marching Strong For Babies

City's 2013 March of Dimes campaign highlighted by annual walk April 27. Club donates prizes.

Story and collage courtesy Zaki Mustafa, Transportation, Club Member

Potentially hundreds of walkers from the City gathered April 27 in Exposition Park for the March of Dimes' annual March for Babies. The City has participated in the march for many years.

"As the lead department coordinator for the City of LA's 2013 March for Babies campaign, I want to sincerely thank all the departments who participated in the fundraising effort," Zaki Mustafa wrote to participants. "The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth, and infant mortality, and I am happy to report that the City family once again has contributed to the success of the campaign. The City's fundraising increased 30 percent over the past year going into the walk! Thanks to all of you for enabling your departments to have such a successful campaign and for ensuring a great turnout at the walk."

"I'd also like to extend a special thanks to Councilmembers Tom LaBonge and Bernard Parks, and LAFD Chief Brian Cummings for speaking at the March for Babies, and to the City Employees Club for donating great incentive prizes for our dedicated Team Coordinators."

"Although the walk itself is done, individual departments may continue to raise money through Toyota raffle ticket sales, Blue Jeans for Babies, and other office fundraisers. I know many departments are still collecting money. We will have another two Bank Days for the City – one in mid-May and one in late June. Details to follow."

Another Citywide fundraiser – a talent show at El Pueblo Historical Monument – was scheduled for May 30.

"Again, thank you all very much for your dedication to healthy babies. Together we are the best."

Congratulations to all the City employees who participated in this great cause.



A portion of a collage put together by Zaki Mustafa, Club Member, of some of the participants in the March for Babies.

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

Understanding Car Insurance

We take it for granted because it's something that we been buying since we bought our first car, but some of the most frequent questions I get are people asking me to explain what car insurance covers.

Your car insurance policy may include six coverages. Each coverage is priced separately.

1. Bodily Injury Liability

This coverage applies to injuries that you, the designated driver or policyholder, cause to someone else. You and family members listed on the policy are also covered when driving someone else's car with their permission.

It's very important to have enough liability insurance, because if you are involved in a serious accident, you may be sued for a large sum of money. Definitely consider buying more than the state-required minimum to protect assets such as your home and savings.

2. Medical Payments

This coverage pays for the treatment of injuries to the driver and passengers of the policyholder's car. At its broadest, this can cover medical payments, lost wages and the cost of replacing services normally performed by someone injured in an auto accident. It may also cover funeral costs.

3. Property Damage Liability

This coverage pays for damage you (or someone driving your car with your permission) may cause to someone else's property. Usually this means damage to someone else's car, but it also includes damage to lamp posts, telephone poles, fences, buildings or other structures your car hit.

4. Collision

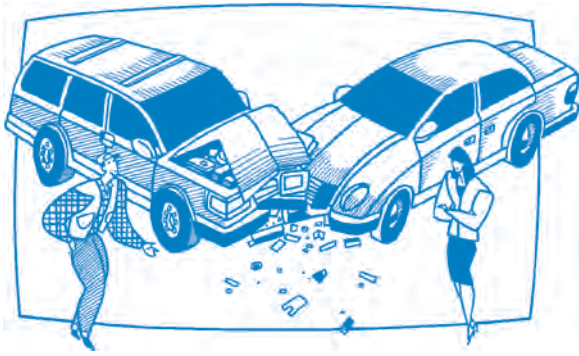
This coverage pays for damage to your car resulting from a collision with another car, object or as a result of flipping over. It also covers damage caused by potholes. Collision coverage is generally sold with a deductible of \$250 to

\$1,000 — the higher your deductible, the lower your premium. Even if you are at fault for the accident, your collision coverage will reimburse you for the costs of repairing your car, minus the deductible. If you're not at fault, your insurance company may try to recover the amount they paid you from the other driver's insurance company. If they are successful, you'll also be reimbursed for the deductible.

5. Comprehensive

This coverage reimburses you for loss due to theft or damage caused by something other than a collision with another car or object, such as fire, falling objects, missiles, explosion, earthquake, windstorm, hail, flood, vandalism, riot, or contact with animals such as birds or deer.

Comprehensive coverage is usually sold with a \$100 to \$300 deductible, though you may want to opt for a higher deductible as a way of lowering your premium.



Comprehensive insurance will also reimburse you if your windshield is cracked or shattered. Some companies offer glass coverage with or without a deductible.

6. Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Coverage

This coverage will reimburse you, a member of your family, or a designated driver if one of you is hit by an uninsured or hit-and-run driver.

Underinsured motorist coverage comes into play when an at-fault driver has insufficient insurance to pay for your total loss. This coverage will also protect you if you are hit as a pedestrian.

Be safe and have fun!

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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.



From left: Officer Bob Valdez, 23 years of City service; Officer Joe Nepomuceno, 25 years, Club Member; Officer Steve Cooper, 19 years, Club Member; Officer Norma Kirkpatrick, 16 years; J.T. Alpaugh, Reserve Officer, 23 years; Officer Gary Copeland, 19 years; Officer Sean Mulford, 20 years; Sgt. Charles Colema, Foothill, 23 years; and Officer Matt Bennyworth, 26 years, Club Member.



From left: Retired Sgt. II Ron Batesole, 39 years of City service; and Retired Sgt. Marty Fentress, 37 years.



From left: Officer III Ron Terrazas, Retiree, Club Member; Paul Weber, guest; Retired Officer Cliff Armas, 37 years of City service; and Retired Officer Lisa Armas, 20 years.

LAPD

Ron Rides Into the Sunset

Officer Ron Terrazas, LAPD Mounted Unit, Club Member, retires from the Police Dept. after 30 years of City service.



From left: Retired Sgt. Lamar Bell, Metro Mounted Unit, 29 years of City service; and Officer Ron Terrazas, Retiree, Club Member.



From left: Officer Darryl Norwood, 20 years of City service; Officer Jerry Velasco, 12 years; and Officer Jay Nam, 18 years.



From left: Bob Terrazas, brother of Officer Ron Terrazas; Camile Terrazas, sister-in-law of Officer Ron Terrazas; Sgt. Cornel Sandoz, 77th Station, 18 years of City service; and Sgt. Jerretta Sandoz, 19 years.



From left: Officer Sig Lo, 17 years of City service; and Officer Kevin Grogan, 21 years.



From left: Officer Mary Davis, 21 years of City service; and Officer Ed Mahaffey, Retired, 35 years.

Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager; Photos by Sheldon Sklar

Friends, family and coworkers hosted a retirement party for LAPD Officer II Ron Terrazas of the LAPD's Mounted Unit. The party was held last Oct. 11.

Representatives were present from many departments, including the LAPD, Airport Police, Transportation, the DWP, Public Works/Street Lighting, the CHP, Inglewood PD, and other agencies.

Here's a resolution prepared for the event: Whereas Police Officer III Ron Terrazas retired From the Los Angeles Police Department after 30 years of dedicated service;

Whereas Ron Terrazas has served with professionalism, pride and dedication in the following assignments: Recruit in Training Division, Hollenbeck Division, Wilshire Division and the elite Metropolitan Division as Police Officer III assigned to "E-Platoon" as an element member;

Whereas Officer Ron Terrazas on May 20, 1996, along with five other members of the LAPD, entered a burning building, placing himself in a life-threatening situation to ensure the safety of and rescuing citizens who may have otherwise lost their lives and held up the highest traditions of the LAPD;

Whereas Officer Terrazas was awarded the Police Medal for his heroic actions

Whereas Officer Ron Terrazas assisted in managing various Mounted operations, including demonstrations of both unruly and passive crowds, warrant service, security for the President of the United States and high ranking foreign dignitary visits to the City of Los Angeles;

Whereas Officer Ron Terrazas, during his career with the LAPD, received more than 100 commendations and letters of appreciation



Officer III Ron Terrazas, Retiree, Club Member, with his son, Aaron, and daughter, Lindsey.

From thankful citizens, supervisors and commanding officers for his outstanding police service and dedication to the communities which he proudly served;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that by the adoption of this resolution, the City Council of and for the City of Los Angeles does hereby commend and congratulate Police Officer III Ron Terrazas for 30 years of dedicated and exemplary service to the people and communities of the City of Los Angeles, and wishes him health and happiness in his retirement and success in his future endeavors.

Congratulations on a great career, Ron; we here at the Club wish you a great retirement.



From left: Retired Officer Rudy Deleon, 38 years of City service, Club Member; and Officer Ron Terrazas, Retiree, Club Member.



A shadow box was presented to Officer III Ron Terrazas, Club Member.



From left: Retired Det. Sam Moreno, 27 years of City service; Bobby Salinas, guest; Retired Officer III Ron Terrazas, Club Member; and Danny Gilberg, guest.



From left: Janice Stegner, Equine Keeper, 8 years of City service; Allan Jones, Retired Lead Equine Keeper, 20 years, Club Member; and Ruth Baskett, guest.



From left: David Carter, Assistant OIC, B Platoon, 33 years of City service; Officer Mary Davis, 21 years; and Officer Patrick Rudolf, 18 years.



From left: Officer Andy Pedersen, 27 years of City service; Sgt. II David Perez, Acting OIC, B Platoon, 31 years; Officer Nick Ramirez, 19 years; and Officer Bob Brown, 20 years.



From left: Joanne Hollis, Retired Sheriff's Dept., 30 years of County service; and Retired Officer Anthony Ellis, 31 years of City service.



From left: Officer Miguel Dominguez, 15 years of City service; Officer Edgar Hernandez, 17 years; Officer Tony Fizzsimons, 15 years; and Officer Frank Mendez, 16 years.



From left: Officer Sucha Singh, Central, 18 years of City service; and Officer III Ron Terrazas, Retiree, Club Member.



From left: Officer Thomas Willers, 12 years of City service; Officer Gary Copeland, 19 years; Officer Norma Kirkpatrick, 16 years; and Sgt. Mike Porter, Mounted Unit, 19 years.



From left: Officer Art Hackett, 26 years of City service; Officer Ricky Mendoza, 15 years; Officer Joe DeLorenzo, 30 years; and Officer Steve Cooper, 19 years, Club Member. Back: Officer Marcos Rubio, 23 years.



From left: Lt. Dave Storaker, DCO Topanga, 30 years of City service; Officer III Ron Terrazas, Retiree, Club Member; Lt. Gary Lopez, Metro K9, 30 years; and Retired Officer Gil Orosco, 24 years.



From left: Retired Sgt. Margie Reid, 20 years of City service; and Retired Lt. Lita Abella, 20 years.



Back, from left: Michelle Hogan, Clerk Typist, 6 years of City service; Frank Leyva, City Inspector, 10 years; and Lorraine Garcia, Secretary, 22 years. Seated: Maria Perez, Sr. Clerk Typist, 13 years; Officer Alicia Alcantar, 29 years; Betty Leyva, Clerk Typist, 9 years; and Capt. John Incontro, Metro, 34 years, Club Member.



From left: Sgt. Mike Porter, Mounted Unit, 19 years of City service; and Officer Mark Maldonado, North East, 18 years.

{ Who are the people you see every day? }

No. 58 in a series.



People We See

in downtown Los Angeles.



Meet Sedrick Pickens.

AGE: "I'm 56." (I'll be 57 on August 6th.)
BIRTHPLACE: Guantanamo, Cuba.
MARITAL STATUS: "I'm single right now, but I have a ton of kids and grandkids."
FAMILY: "I had one sister."
EDUCATION: "I graduated from Locke High School."
MILITARY SERVICE: "Nope, but my dad was a Marine."
WHERE DO YOU LIVE? "Right back there in the St. George Hotel. Been living there for six years."
FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY: "Inglewood."
WHEN DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES? "I moved to this great city back in 1961."
WHY DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES? "I was kind of an idiot. I got my first girl pregnant and had to move."
RELIGION: "I'm Christian and Baptist."
TROPHIES OR MEDALS: "I have lots of trophies for tennis and boxing."
FAVORITE SPORT: "I loved dodgeball. Oh, and boxing. I was good at boxing."
FAVORITE ACTOR: "Andy Griffith. I love Andy Griffith."
FAVORITE ACTRESS: "Zsa Zsa Gabor."
FAVORITE MOVIE: "I don't know. I don't watch movies."
FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Leave It to Beaver."
FAVORITE CANDY: "I don't eat candy, but I do like chocolate when I'm not drinking."
FAVORITE FOOD: "I like to get my hands on Mexican food any chance I get."
FAVORITE MUSIC: "I'm a drummer. I like reggae music. See my shirt? It's got Bob Marley on it."
LAST BOOK READ: "The Bible."
LAST JOB: "Unloading beer trucks."
DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS? "Oh yeah, I have lots of friends."
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: "Just being with my mom in Louisiana."
LAST THING EATEN: "Breakfast... some eggs."
IF YOU WERE MAYOR, WHAT WOULD BE YOUR SOLUTION? "I'd give them shelter. I mean seriously, what kind of city lets the homeless sit and sleep and crap all over the sidewalk? Shelter is what we need. We all have food, we don't want jobs, but seriously, just give us some shelter. I ain't changing, I'm still going to drink, and I'll probably be dead in five years."
WHAT HE WOULD DO WITH \$1 MILLION: "I'd give it to the homeless."
ADVICE FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE: "Be careful. I love you guys. I'm just an old goat. Don't be a [jerk], be yourself."
ADVICE FOR PARENTS: "It's simple. Keep an eye on your kids. Alcohol and drugs are the downfall. Alcohol was the killer for me. It made me do stupid things that I regret."
WHERE WILL YOU BE IN FIVE YEARS? "Dead."

The Club gave Sedrick a Bucket and a Blanket, a toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, two pairs of socks, shampoo, hand wipes, some food, \$20 and bottled water.

The interview took place May 15 at Third and Main Streets downtown.

Photos by Angel Gomez and John Hawkins.

Buckets and Blankets!

Join us as we help those who live on the streets with Buckets and Blankets. Donate to the cause as the Club distributes food, toiletries and blankets to those in need (blankets cost \$7 each).



Buckets and Blankets is produced in cooperation with the **Club Angels** program and **CRE 8 TIVE SOLUTIONS** — Fred Fowlks and Sue Manzo, LAFD.

Contact John Hawkins or Angel Gomez, and we'll take it from there:

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CRE 8 TIVE
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{ In this monthly feature, Club CEO John Hawkins, and 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. }

Good Going, Geraldine

HARBOR

Port Executive Director Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D., Club Member, wins prestigious award from USC.



Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D.

Story courtesy Harbor

Harbor Executive Director Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D., has been honored by the University of Southern California Alumni Association with its prestigious Alumni Merit Award. Knatz earned a Master of science degree in environmental engineering and a doctorate in biological science from USC.

"I'm honored to receive this Alumni Merit Award from USC, without a doubt one of the best universities in the world," Knatz said. "It's humbling to be among the exceptional group of talented, accomplished Trojans past and present who have been honored with alumni awards."

"The Alumni Merit Awards are given to

individuals whose remarkable accomplishments speak well for the range and quality of a USC education," said Patrick E. Auerbach, the interim associate vice president for alumni relations. "Dr. Knatz's leadership and success as the head of the nation's largest container port exemplifies the level of achievement that the Merit Award recognizes."

Since 1932, the USC Alumni Association has paid tribute to distinguished alumni. Past recipients of the Alumni Merit Award include World War II prisoner of war survivor and Olympic athlete Louis Zamperini, famed architect Frank O. Gehry, Hollywood icon John Wayne and John Ferraro, the longest-serving City Council member in its history until his death in 2001.

Regards for Rick

LAFD

Retired LAFD Captain wins annual photo contest for Firefighters.

Photo by LAFD Capt. Rick McClure, Club Member



LAFD Capt. Rick McClure, Club Member, whose excellent work highlighting the heroism of the LAFD occasionally appears in these pages, has won a photo contest for Firefighters.

Announced this spring, the photo you see here won the recent 2012 photo contest in the *California Professional Firefighter* newspaper.

The photo was shot in March 2012. "It was shot at Venice Boulevard and Flower Street," Capt. McClure tells *Alive!* "One young adult male was trapped in his auto after it was struck by a train and pinned up against a pole."

Capt. McClure had 39 years of City service before retiring last year. Congratulations!



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REC AND PARKS

Two Plays By the Sea

Annual Shakespeare by the Sea program returns to Pt. Fermin Park in June.



Julia (Kristina Teves) and Proteus (Charlie Woods) exchange gifts in last year's Shakespeare by the Sea production of Shakespeare's *Two Gentlemen of Verona*, directed by Margaret Schugt. Photo: Mickey Elliot.

Love and power are in the air, as Shakespeare by the Sea celebrates its 16th anniversary in 2013.

The comedy *All's Well That Ends Well* and the rarely performed drama *The Life and Death of King John* open at Pt. Fermin Park in San Pedro in June. Shakespeare by the Sea is partially sponsored by Rec and Parks. Admission is free.

The City portion of the program's schedule is:

■ ***All's Well That Ends Well***

A cautionary tale about a besotted young woman in shameless romantic pursuit.

At Pt. Fermin Park: June 6, 7, 8, 20, 22, 28, Aug. 10

■ ***The Life and Death of King John***

A larger-than-life drama about a contention for raw power in Medieval Europe.

At Pt. Fermin Park: June 13, 14, 15, 21, 27, 29, Aug. 9

This year, the company will deliver 40 performances in 21 locations, beginning and ending with its hometown crowd at Pt. Fermin Park in San Pedro. The tour has become a much-anticipated event each summer, drawing an audience of more than 20,000 to enjoy Shakespeare under the summer sky each of

the past several years.

Founded in 1998, and funded entirely by donations and grants, Shakespeare by the Sea brings contemporary and classic works to under-served, culturally diverse audiences in order to ignite imagination, promote literacy and encourage artistic expression. This season's San Pedro performances are made possible in part by the City's Cultural Affairs Dept., and funds to support the tour have been committed from the Orange County Community Foundation, Union Pacific Railroad, Los Angeles County Arts Commission, Supervisor Don Knabe, and The Norris Foundation. Associate Sponsor PBS SoCal is generously partnering with SBTS to promote the season in conjunction with their *Shakespeare Uncovered* National Community Outreach Initiative.

Bring your friends, pack a picnic and settle in under the stars this summer for Shakespeare's classic plays. It can get chilly by the sea at Pt. Fermin, so dress accordingly. Bench seating is available, but you are welcome to bring chairs or blankets.

Point Fermin Park is at 807 Paseo del Mar, San Pedro.

www.shakespearebythesea.org/

THE SMART MOVE



BY PATRICK MILLER

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Voluntary Insurance Benefits

What are voluntary benefits?

Voluntary benefits are insurance products that employees may choose to purchase through their employer at rates that are lower than they could get on their own. A few examples of voluntary benefits are life, disability, accident, critical illness and cancer insurance. Many employers offer voluntary benefits to provide a more robust benefits package for employees.

How do voluntary benefits work for employees?

For an example of how voluntary benefits work, we'll need our good friends Gary and Greta. Tonight, they're going to a restaurant for dinner. Gary and Greta's entrées include soup and salad with the price of their meals. In this case, their meal is like their employer's health plan – they get what they want along with a few added extras. We hope their food tastes better than their health plan.

Anyway, tonight Gary and Greta want more than the basic entrée, soup and salad. They'd also like to order some appetizers, a bottle of wine and dessert. These extras are kind of like voluntary benefits - Gary and Greta get more than the basic offering, but only pay for what they order.

Like appetizers, desserts and wines, voluntary benefits come in many varieties that help protect your financial and physical well-being.

For example, for a little extra money that's simply deducted from his paycheck each month, Gary can purchase

critical illness insurance that will help offset loss of income if he is unable to work due to sickness or injury. He can choose supplemental insurance to cover copays, deductibles or other costs of care not covered by his regular health insurance. And benefits are paid directly to the employee, so Gary can use the money however he needs to.

Most consumers don't plan for loss of income, or for expenses like childcare and travel that are necessitated by illness or injuries but not covered by medical insurance. Yet studies show that unexpected illness and injuries account for more than 350,000 bankruptcies every year. By enrolling in these voluntary benefits, Gary is rewarded with greater peace of mind.

Now, what are the advantages for employers who offer voluntary benefits?

Offering voluntary benefits to employees provides a great incentive for people to stay with you. Your employees can receive more benefits. You're also helping your employees protect their health, their savings and everything they've worked so hard to achieve.

In Summary

Voluntary benefits allow employees to purchase additional insurance products through their employer at rates that are lower than if they bought them on their own. Premiums are deducted from the employee's paycheck, making payment simple and convenient.

Everybody wins when voluntary benefits are a part of a company's employee benefits package.

Patrick Miller represents Dearborn Insurance, the Club's new partner for two areas— critical illness insurance and retirement income. Currently, the Club offers three Dearborn products: the Security Builder Plan, the Timber Ridge Critical Illness Plan, and Paycheck Protection Plus. Ask your Club Counselor for details.



John's Picture Perfect Contest

John Hawkins,
Club CEO

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"I took this picture while coming down the mountain from Running Springs. I had to pull off the road and take it. It was a breathtaking view."

– **Rose Serrato, Property Division, LAPD.**

John's comment: Rose, most people would try to eliminate the trees from the clouds, but not you – you incorporated them all including the mountains in the distance, giving this an eerie perspective with a pleasant depth of field. Nice work!



"Coming from San Francisco on the 1 Freeway... my beautiful daughter and the ocean... perfect!"

– **Frank Madrid, Airports**

John's comment: Perfect indeed! What a combination, a big bright youthful smile and the California coastline. Thanks, Frank!



"I spotted this bicycle while on a train in Lisbon."

– **Michael Barnes, Captain, Angelena II, Port of LA.**

John's comment: It's funny how many cool things you can see from a train in Europe, but it's not easy trying to take a picture of what you see. But you sure succeeded on this one, Michael! Nice work and good eye!



"This was taken with my iPhone! It's the sky over Ocho Rios [Jamaica] as my husband and I pulled to shore on our anniversary cruise!"

– **Tanieka Umi, Transportation**

John's comment: Isn't the iPhone great for taking pictures? I almost never use my SLR anymore. In fact, if any of you have an iPhone and use it for pictures, make sure you get the Camera Plus app. Try using the "Clarity" feature; it's awesome. Great shot, Tanieka!



"I took this picture at Barrel Spring in Palmdale. I took my dog for a walk. We usually find trash, but today we found a boat."

– **Maria Elias, Detention Officer, LAPD**

John's comment: Maria, that's just too weird, and it's something that you have to just take a picture of. But your dog clinched the shot; it gave the picture perspective you wouldn't have been able to capture any other way.

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@cityemployees-club.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.

AIRPORTS

Ceremony for Chief Gannon

Public event introduces new Airport Police Chief.

Information courtesy Sgt. Karla Ortiz, Airport Police;
Photo by Madeleine Flanagan, Airport Police, Club Member

On May 9, Patrick Gannon was sworn in as the new Chief of the Airport Police Dept. Senior officials from federal, state and local law enforcement, military, and airports witnessed U.S. Congresswoman Janice Hahn administer the oath of office to Chief Gannon. The appointment and swearing in of Chief Gannon were celebrated at the Flight Path Learning Center and Museum at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

Airports Deputy Executive Director of Law Enforcement and Homeland Security Services Arif Alikhan officially swore in Chief Gannon on Nov. 26, shortly after his appointment to the post.

The Airport Police Honor Guard began the May 9 ceremony by posting the colors, and the Transportation Security Administration-LAX (TSA) Choir performed the National Anthem. Airport police Chaplain Timothy Cheatwood offered a prayer.

Deputy Executive Director Alikhan said, "On behalf of the over 1,100 civilian personnel and sworn officers of the LAWA Police Division, we are very fortunate to have Pat Gannon join the LAWA team and rejoin the City of Los Angeles family after 34 years of distinguished service."

Congresswoman Hahn, Club Member and former City Councilwoman, presented Chief Gannon a Certificate of Special Recognition from the U.S. House of Representatives to

commemorate the event and to recognize Chief Gannon for his service to the public.

Congresswoman Hahn told Chief Gannon, "The men and women in this department, that you are about to lead, are some of the finest. We have charged them with an incredible



At the introduction ceremony for Chief Patrick Gannon were, from left: Assistant Chief Brian Walker, Club Member; LAPD Chief Charlie Beck; U.S. Congresswoman Janice Hahn, Club Member, Airport Police Chief Patrick Gannon; Assistant Chiefs Michael Hyams and Ethel McGuire, Club Member; and Airports Deputy Executive Director for Law Enforcement and Homeland Security Arif Alikhan.

mission to keep LAWA's three airports, the traveling public, and air cargo safe. They are truly lucky to have such a fine leader leading them." She continued, "I congratulate you and you know you have my support."

Congresswoman Hahn also welcomed the Scott family and said, "I am wearing the pin that commemorates Tommy Scott and the life he lived, and the bravery he showed, which is evident in all of our Airport Police."

LAPD Chief Charlie Beck recounted his experience with Chief Gannon as a partner throughout both their careers with LAPD. He described Chief Gannon as "the most compassionate, honest, straightforward, intelligent, and well-thought individual I have ever worked

and secure." He added, "Our responsibility as Airport Police is that we are going to be, if we are not already, the best aviation law-enforcement agency in America." He said he believes "Los Angeles Airport Police Division has greatness and can achieve enormous things if everyone pulls together and sees challenges as opportunities and not as obstacles to success."


He also thanked Airport Police Assistant Chiefs Ethel McGuire, Michael Hyams and Brian Walker; police and fire captains; division administrative staff; and officers in the rank-and-file who have embraced his mission and pushed it forward.

Chief Gannon also expressed gratitude to the family of Officer Tommy Scott, who served four years with Airport Police before losing his life in the line of duty in 2005. Chief Gannon said, "The sacrifice the Scott family has made for the good of the City of Los Angeles and the good of this region in losing their precious son makes it a privilege to work with the family. They are such positive people that it makes us much more positive."

with." LAPD Assistant Chief Earl Paysinger said of Chief Gannon, "Congratulations to all of you at LAWA. You have gotten yourself a gem. Not too long, you will reap the benefits of his leadership."

In his remarks, Chief Gannon thanked all of Airport Police in helping to make his transition easier and described Airport Police employees as "a tremendous group of professionals who work to keep our airports safe


Since that time, the chief has accomplished several goals, including the establishment of "vertical staff meetings" with both civilian and sworn employees. In May on his 100th day in office, the chief outlined additional goals, including: assigning specific missions and strategies; community policing; managing large incidents; and Airport Police Division becoming a leader in aviation law enforcement.



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vs. Los Angeles Dod	SOLD OUT Thurs, May 30th	7:05 pm
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vs. St. Louis Cardinals	Thurs, July 4th	6:05 pm
vs. Oakland A's *	SOLD OUT Sun, July 21st	12:35 pm
vs. Tampa Bay Rays *	Mon, Sept 2nd	6:05 pm
vs. Seattle Mariners *	Sun, Sept 22nd	12:35 pm

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Limited ticket quantities available. Seating is first come first served basis as determined by Club store staff.



From left: Lawrence Quesada, CDD, CASW III, 3 years of City service; Rowena Workman, CDD, Executive Administrative Assistant III, 25 years; Myrna De Leon, CDD, Fiscal Systems Specialist II, 31 years; and Nilda Pascual, CDD, Management Analyst, 13 years.



From left: Aileen Barin, CDD, Accounting Clerk, 23 years of City service; and Medy Paragele, CDD, Accounting Clerk, 13 years.



From left: Gary Leonor Palangio, Public Works/Accounting, 11 years of City service; and Leonor Palangio, Rec and Parks, 25 years.



From left: Letti Riel, sister to Cora; Louella Blomquist, niece; Audry Lopez, family friend; Naz Riel, brother in law.



Cora Soriano receives the rare plaque of recognition from Robert Larios on behalf of the City Employees Club of Los Angeles.

CDD So Long, Cora

Cora Soriano, Club Rep, retires from CDD after 26 years of City service.

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Vice President of Operations; Norlito Medrano, Building and Safety, Club Member; and Glenn Abellanosa, LAPD, Club Member

A retirement celebration was held April 20 for Cora Aragon Soriano, Management Analyst II, longtime Club Member and Club Rep, and President of the Los Angeles Filipino Association of City Employees (LAFACE). The party was held at Almansor Court in Alhambra.

Cora has been a great fan and supporter of the Club for a decade, and we wish her a fantastic retirement. Congratulations, Cora!



From left: Gwen Richard, LAPD, 35 years of City service; George Smallwood, CDD, 25 years; and Susy Yu, CDD, Management Analyst, 25 years.



Robert Larios, Club Vice President of Operations, honors Cora for her career in the City.



From left: Pamela Williams, CDD, Retired, 37 years of City service; Stella Catanzarite, CDD, Sr. Management Analyst II, 27 years; Gregg Irish, CDD, General Manager, 15 years; Priscella Vazquez, CDD, 23 years; and Oliver Vasquez.



From left: Stella Larracas, Sr. Management Analyst, LAPD, 14 years of City service; Fred Vocal, CDD, Sr. Management Analyst, 18 years; Amelia Maracut, CDD, Management Analyst II, 16 years; and Maricel El-Amin, Airports, Management Analyst II, 14 years.



Ramona Soriano, daughter of Cora Soriano, CDD, Retiree, delivers warm words to the crowd.



The rare Club Plaque of Recognition was given to Cora Soriano on this night.



From left: Joey Soriano, husband; Ramona Soriano, daughter; Cheryl Soriano, daughter.



From left: Amy Santos, Housing, 5 years of City service; Amelia Hernandez, Housing, Finance Officer, 20 years; and Virgil Caparo.

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Z for Excellence

Councilman Dennis Zine presents his final Z Awards to honor public safety personnel.

Story and photos courtesy Jessica Tarman Nassour, Councilman Zine's office

The 11th annual Z Awards for ExZellence luncheon was held May 16 at the Warner Center Marriott in Woodland Hills to honor public safety personnel who go above and beyond the call of duty to serve the citizens of the Third Council District and the greater Los Angeles community. Fox 11 News Anchor Christine Devine presented the awards to the recipients, and the Hon. Richard Katz served as the event host.

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa also offered inspirational remarks.

Founded by Councilman Dennis P. Zine, the Z Awards for ExZellence is in its 11th and final year and recognizes individuals for their ongoing dedication, commitment, and “excellence” in their professional lives and outstanding contributions in the areas of law enforcement, public safety, and emergency services. At this year’s Z Awards ceremony, Council District Three honored personnel from the LAPD, the LAFD, the

Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, and the California Highway Patrol.

Proceeds from the Z Awards benefit local public safety youth programs such as the West Valley LAPD Cadets, the Topanga Police Cadets, and the LAFD Battalion Post.

The Club congratulates all of this year’s honorees, and thanks Councilman Zine for his civic spirit in the creation of the Z Awards program. This year’s event marks the final one, as Councilman Zine is leaving Council service due to term limits.



Officer III Brian McClary
LAPD Valley Traffic Division

Officer III Brian McClary has been a member of the LAPD for more than 24 years and has been assigned to Valley Traffic Division (VTD) for the past 16 years. During his time at VTD, Officer McClary has worked as a collision investigator in the Detective Section. During this past year, Officer McClary was the primary collision investigator for some of the most horrific traffic accidents that the San Fernando Valley experienced. Due to Officer McClary’s extensive investigative knowledge, he is a regular instructor at the Department’s Basic Collision Investigation School and is a member of the Multi-Disciplinary Collision Investigation Team. In the last year, Officer McClary earned eight commendations where he was recognized for his professionalism, teamwork, investigative expertise, tactics and keen observation skills. Recently he was recognized for coordinating with the National Hockey League to have the Stanley Cup on display for a fundraising photo opportunity. The money was utilized to pay for a new VTD fallen officer memorial. Officer McClary was also the recipient of the 2012 MADD “Deuce Award,” which represents all his DUI arrests from the previous year. Remarkably, this year’s MADD Award is the 12th time Officer McClary has been recognized for his DUI enforcement efforts during his career.



Sgt. Douglas Winger
LAPD West Valley Area

Sgt. Douglas Winger has been with the LAPD for 16 years and has held a multitude of assignments, both in patrol and specialized divisions throughout the Department, including the Mental Evaluation Unit. His knowledge about the various signs and symptoms of people suffering from mental illness is so expansive that he provided Roll Call training to his personnel on how to respond to field contacts with the mentally ill community. Following the Sept. 11, 2001 World Trade Center bombings and other terrorist attacks against the United States, Sgt. Winger was selected as one of the Multi-Assault Counter Terrorism Action Capabilities School’s cadre members. As a MACTAC Instructor, Sgt. Winger has provided West Valley Area patrol officers with enhanced counterterrorism training to better prepare the West Valley field force to respond to critical incidents. He also serves as the Gang Enforcement Detail Supervisor, a highly coveted position requiring sound judgment and solid leadership skills.



Officer Adam Smith
California Highway Patrol

Officer Adam Christopher Smith has spent the last seven years of his 12-year California Highway Patrol (CHP) career in the West Valley Area Division and has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to safety, security and service to the citizens of California. Officer Smith was born in the San Fernando Valley and was raised in Woodland Hills, where he was a Law Enforcement Explorer Cadet at the West Valley CHP Station from 1994 to 2000. His many details include: Motorcycle Officer, Protective Service Detail, Public Information Officer, Officer in Charge, and Child Safety Seat Technician. One of the highlights of Officer Smith’s career was responding to a Department of Justice stop, wherein the suspect had a car full of merchandise – he eventually discovered that all of the items recovered belonged to the mother of LA City Councilman Richard Alarcon.



Sgt. II Cathy Riggs
LAPD Topanga Area

Joining the LAPD in 1994, Sgt. II Cathy Riggs rose to the rank of Sergeant in 1999 and joined the Topanga Transition Team in July 2008 as an Assistant Watch Commander. Sgt. Riggs was immediately tasked with completing the Area Standing Plans, the department’s preplanned responses for unusual occurrences of every type imaginable. On Sept. 12, 2008, she responded to the scene of the tragic Metrolink Train collision, where fellow Officer Spree Desha lost her life. Sgt. Riggs provided support to Officer Desha’s family, including escorting her parents to Washington, D.C. for Police Memorial Week and the viewing of their daughter’s name on the National Police Memorial. Just one month after the Metrolink tragedy, Sgt. Riggs and the Transition Team were mobilized once again to respond to the Sesnon Wildfire that lasted for four days and burned approximately 14,000 acres. Sgt. Riggs recognizes potential issues and seeks out of the box solutions far in advance of disasters. As an example of this innovative risk management thinking, she



Capt. David Rejino
LAFD Battalion 17

Capt. David Rejino has been a member of the LAFD for 25 years and has been assigned to Fire Station 72 in the Canoga Park area since 2008. During his career, he has held the ranks of Firefighter III, Hazardous Materials Specialist, Apparatus Operator, and since 2007, Fire Capt. Rejino and his crew provide quality fire prevention education, fire safety awareness, and disaster preparedness instruction to the community. Examples of these initiatives include the Halloween Safety and Awareness Program, which teaches children and their families about wearing proper costumes and understanding the guidelines for risk-free “trick-or-treating” and a project that educates children, their parents, and teachers on the importance of wearing bike helmets, preventing serious pediatric head injuries. Capt. Rejino also trains volunteer firefighters for the City of La Habra Heights, where he also holds the rank of Captain. Through his passion for this work, many of the young men and women that he mentors in this volunteer position achieve their career goal of becoming professional firefighters. In fact, one of the current members of his crew at Fire Station 72 is one of those firefighters he trained from La Habra Heights.



Firefighter III Todd Harris
LAFD Battalion 17

Firefighter III Todd Harris has been a member of the LAFD for 13 years, 12 of which have been spent working in the West Valley at Fire Station 73 in Reseda, Fire Station 106 in West Hills, and currently at Fire Station 105 in Woodland Hills. For the past 10 years, Firefighter Harris has been a part of the handpicked 40-member Brush Task Force, educating and verifying compliance of residential properties to clearance requirements throughout the City. Some of his distinctions and specializations include: certified member of the LAFD Tractor Unit, certified Swift Water rescue technician, and licensed commercial pilot for both fixed-wing and rotor aircraft. He also volunteers as an instructor for the LAFD Cadet program in West Hills, where he helps prepare young men and women who would like to pursue a career in the fire service. Prior to his time with the LAFD, Todd served as an LA County Deputy Sheriff working in the Custody Division, Patrol Division, Gang Suppression Team, and Warrant Unit. Firefighter Harris continues in his law enforcement career working on his days off as a Reserve Deputy.



Deputy Darren Martin
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Deputy Darren Martin is a 16-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department (LASD) and is assigned to the Transit Services Bureau. He has been the driving force behind enforcement elements of the Orange Line and maintains an active role in every aspect, including the Orange Line Extension, photo enforcement, and basic maintenance along the route. Deputy Martin regularly conducts audits and studies across all bus lines and developed the Deployment Strategy to maximize LASD coverage while maintaining fiscal prudence. Because of his diligence and attention to statistical detail, the Orange Line and Valley Transit Buses enjoy relatively low crime rates. He also regularly meets with school administrators of the local junior high and high schools and was the key author of the Transit Juvenile Diversion Program. This program, the first of its kind, aims to reduce juvenile misconduct on Metro buses by educating youths on the merits of public transportation while simultaneously keeping them in the classroom and out of the criminal justice system.



From left: Greg Dulan, from Dulan's on Crenshaw; Capt. III David Lindsay, 26 years of City service, Club Member; and Cary Earle from Earlez Grille.



From left: Victor Ladd, Sr. Detention Officer, 29 years of City service; Tracy Albert, Detention Officer, 7 years; Deborah Taylor, Detention Officer, 7 years, Club Member; Greg Dulan from Dulan's on Crenshaw; Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years, Club Member; Janet Rankin-Davis, Sr. Detention Officer, 27 years, Club Member; Monica Turner and Recoe Walker from Recoe Caters.



From left: Sgt. II Joe Hernandez, 17 years of City service, Club Member; and Sgt. I Phillip Bobo, 33 years, Club Member.



Janet Rankin-Davis, Sr. Detention Officer, 27 years of City service, Club Member.



From left: Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years of City service, Club Member; Chaunta Culver, Detention Officer, 12 years, Club Member; and Officer II Dana Johnson, 2 years.



From left: Greg Dulan from Dulan's on Crenshaw; and Tracy Albert, Detention Officer, 7 years of City service.



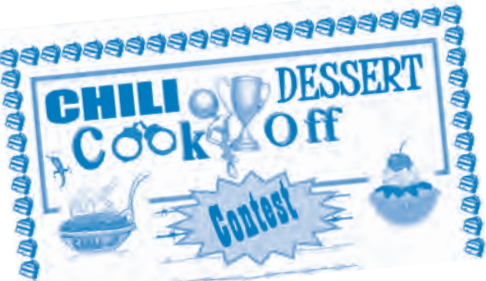
From left: Officer Paolo Molina, 2 years of City service; and Officer II Stephan Lee, 3 years.



Sgt. I Gregory Bateman, 24 years of City service, Club Member.



From left: Greg Dulan from Dulan's on Crenshaw; and Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years of City service, Club Member.



Chili!

LAPD Competition Was Stirring

Jail Division hosts chili, dessert cookoff.

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Vice President of Operations

On April 9, the LAPD Jail Division - Metro held its first chili and dessert cookoff, with cash prizes for the best concoctions. Owners of Dulan's and Earlez Grille restaurants also participated in the judging and serving of the dishes. *Special thanks go to Sgt. Bobo and Capt. Lindsay for welcoming us to the event.*



From left: Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years of City service, Club Member; Janet Rankin-Davis, Sr. Detention Officer, 27 years, Club Member; Tracy Albert, Detention Officer, 7 years; and Officer II Christina Johnson, 2 years.



From left: Deborah Taylor, Detention Officer, 7 years of City service, Club Member; Officer II Paolo Molina, 2 years; Officer II Stephan Lee, 2 years; and Sgt. I Gregory Bateman, 24 years, Club Member.



From left: Greg Dulan from Dulan's on Crenshaw; Recoe Walker from Recoe Caters; Susanna Kiely, RN, 3 years of City service; and Monica Turner, Recoe Caters.



From left: Vincent Oliver from Jack's Chili; Jim Mc Keever, Registered Nurse, 6 years of City service; Cary Earlez from Earlez Grille; Janet Rankin-Davis, Sr. Detention Officer, 27 years of City service, Club Member; and Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years, Club Member.



From left: Patricia James, Sr. Detention Officer, 17 years of City service, Club Member; Vincent Oliver from Jack's Chili; Greg Dulan from Dulan's on Crenshaw; and Recoe Walker from Recoe Caters.



Victor Ladd, Sr. Detention Officer, 29 years of City service.



Officer II Miguel Sanchez, 2 years of City service, Club Member.



Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years of City service, Club Member.



From left: Jose Zarate, Sr. Detention Officer, 23 years of City service; Deborah Taylor, Detention Officer, 7 years; Victor Ladd, Sr. Detention Officer, 29 years; Officer II Christina Johnson, 2 years, Club Member; Darryl Bundridge, Detention Officer, 32 years, Club Member; Susanna Kiely, Registered Nurse, 3 years; Janet Rankin-Davis, Sr. Detention Officer, 27 years, Club Member; Tracy Albert, Detention Officer, 7 years; Jim McKeever, Registered Nurse, 6 years; and Val Balaton, Detention Officer, 9 years, Club Member.

SPLISH SPLASH!

Great Club deals on water parks.

— SEE PAGE 45



Coloring with Mariana!



The *Alive!* Children's Coloring Contest

Compiled by Mariana Guevara, Club Store Manager

Look for our next contest in the July edition of *Alive!*

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 the Amusement Park of your choice!



Winner 5 & under YEARS OLD

Matthew Lansang, 3

- BIRTHDAY: August 29 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Mickey Mouse Club House" • FAVORITE SNACK: Honey Nut Cheerios • BEST FRIEND: Enzo • WHAT AMUSEMENT PARK DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AND WHY: Disneyland, because my last time to be there was 2 years ago.
- PARENT: Leann Lansang, LAPD



Winner 6 to 7 YEARS OLD

Raymond Trinh, 7

- BIRTHDAY: December 4 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Digimon" • FAVORITE SNACK: Crackers • BEST FRIEND: Ethan • WHAT AMUSEMENT PARK DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AND WHY: Legoland, it is fun. • PARENT: Thai Viet Trinh, Sanitation

Honorable Mention

CHILD	AGE	PARENT/GUARDIAN	DEPT
Saylor Rowley	2	Jaren Rowley	DWP
Kanan Kline	3	Christine Thome	Harbor
Cole Thome	3	Paul Kline	LAFD
Joshua Estrada	4	Ramon Estrada	Harbor
Brooklyn Iasparro	4	Dominick Iasparro	LAPD
Emily Simmons	4	Elizabeth Simmons	Airports
Hailyn Topete	4	Paul Alvarado	Public Works
Jessie Tovar	4	Katherine Tovar	Rec & Parks
Leyla Yoshida	4	Eric Yoshida	DWP
Ethan Alvarado	5	Carlos Alvarado	DWP
Jack Christopher	5	James Christopher	DWP
Nolan Davis	5	LaShonda N. Brewer	Rec & Parks
Banyan Kline	5	Paul Kline	LAFD
Madison Kuzichev	5	Alfred Kuzichev	LAFD
Brandon Smith	5	Dustin Smith	DWP
Ernie Vigil	5	Ernie Vigil	DWP
Mark Joshua Young	5	Maria B. Young	Airports
Emma Zepeda	5	Graciela Vera	Airports
Talula Aquino	6	Kaitlyn Barry	Retiree
Tressa Blas	6	Fe Blas	Retiree
Ben Casillas	6	Andres Casillas	DWP
Sophie Chou	6	Maria T. Hontiveros	DWP
Khalil Crowder	6	Cyrstal Jackson	Airports
Adrian Hernandez	6	Jose R. Hernandez	DWP
Nimo Ibarra	6	Elvia Ibarra	LAPD
Madeline King	6	Jim King	DWP
Garrett Lopez	6	Leticia Lopez	Rec & Parks
Itzel Medina	6	Frank Gamboa	Public Works
Amanda Milar	6	Clifford Milar	DWP
Mark Ricks	6	Elva Bufford	Airports; Retired
Lily Rigney	6	Patrick Rigney	Public Works
Jack Rigney	6	Patrick Rigney	Public Works
Christopher Rios	6	Christopher Rios	Public Works
Jacob Rodriguez	6	Jesus Rodriguez	DWP
Shane Rowley	6	Jaren Rowley	DWP
Logan Swearingen	6	Jessica Swearingen	Zoo
Adrian Torres	6	Sara Vega	Housing
Nickolas Valadez	6	Jesus Valadez	DWP
Kiara Yoshida	6	Eric Yoshida	DWP
Anthony Amie	7	Lawrence Amie	Public Works
Anthony Choi	7	John Choi	LAPD
Josie Chou	7	Maria T. Hontiveros	DWP
Kaitlin De La Cruz	7	Lupe De La Cruz	LAPD
Sydney Hernandez	7	Eduardo Hernandez	Rec & Parks
Kylee Jackson	7	Emmet Vaughn	Retiree
Jared Jacob	7	Melanie Jacob	Harbor
Isabella Jimenez	7	George Jimenez	DWP
Brillana Munoz	7	Martha Castaneda	LAPD
Miranda Plancarte	7	Steve Plancarte	Public Works
Marissa Salvador	7	Wilson Salvador	DWP
Dylan Thome	7	Christine Thome	Harbor
Cheyenne Tovar	7	Katherine Tovar	Rec & Parks
Ava Wiebe	7	Calvin Wiebe	DWP
Samantha Bohorquez	8	Ricardo Bohorquez	Housing
Emma Casillas	8	Andres Casillas	DWP
Myah Green	8	Chel Tinsley	Airports
Alejandro Lopez	8	Lisa R. DeRonde	LAPD

CHILD	AGE	PARENT/GUARDIAN	DEPT
Cameron Mullin	8	John McTigue	Rec & Parks; Retired
Tiarra Patterson	8	Christiann Adtkins	LAPD
Lucas Plascencia	8	Gustavo Plascencia	City Attorney
Arianna Roberts	8	Saturo Tanaka	LAPD, Retired
Victor Tario	8	Jenipher Quintanilla	Airports
Savanah Ulloa	8	David Miller	Harbor
Uriah Vigil	8	Ernie Vigil	DWP
Zailah Wilson	8	Godfrey Wilson	Harbor
Angelina Amie	9	Lawrence Amie	Public Works
Isabella Bernaldo	9	Rodney Bernaldo	Public Works
Kayla Campbell	9	Craig Campbell	Public Works
Lisset Duarte	9	Mario Duarte	General Services
Nadia Gallarzo	9	Georgina Tamayo	Housing
Gregory Hernandez	9	Mark Hernandez	DWP
Mia Hernandez	9	Luis Hernandez	DWP
Aidan Lorenzana	9	Maria Gaspar	LAPD, Retired
Lorenzo Marsh	9	Alden R. Marsh	Transportation
Karis Meade	9	Samuel Meade	LAPD
Nichelle Lynn Perkins	9	Evelyn Fitzpatrick	RLACEI
Natalie Rodriguez	9	Jesus Rodriguez	DWP
Kennady Rowley	9	Jaren Rowley	DWP
Elisa Ruiz	9	Robert Ruiz	DWP
Melanie Thongthai	9	Manaspori Khantisiri	LAPD
Claryss Armendariz	10	Ester Monterrosa	Airports
Evelyn Bermudez	10	Rafael Bermudez	Rec & Parks
Aresha Echols	10	Charles Echols	DWP, Retired
China Ennis	10	Lu Jeena Ennis	Transportation
Elijah Estrada	10	Ramon Estrada	Harbor
Kaylee Gabon	10	Jose Gabon	DWP
Dominick Iasparro	10	Dominick Iasparro	LAPD
Aiyana Ramirez	10	Frank Gamboa	Public Works
Brandon Roberts	10	Saturo Tanaka	LAPD, Retired
Haily Rosales	10	Rudy Corrales	Public Works
Moriah Wilson	10	Godfrey Wilson	Harbor
Katelin Wirt	10	Patricia Saucier	DWP, Retired
London Wright	10	Hope Wright	LAPD
Julissa Agustin	11	Norris Eaton	Public Works
Marisol Alvarez	11	Louie Alvarez	Rec & Parks
Lilac Cobos	11	Raul Cobos	Public Works
Alyssa Garcia	11	Reuben Sepulveda	DWP
Celine Hernandez	11	Manuel Hernandez	Housing
Shawn Jackson Jr	11	Phyllis M. Massey	Airports, Retired
Jaya Jacob	11	Melanie Jacob	Harbor
Frances McGill	11	Kimberly Perry	LAFD
Alexandra Ozuna	11	Lynda Ozuna	Finance
Megan Rudd	11	Kevin Rudd	LAFD
Kathleen Carlos	12	Renee Ramirez	LAFD
Alexandra Farias	12	Arturo Farias	Public Works
Bobie Garcia	12	Robert Contreras	RLACEI
Rebecca Johnson	12	Leon Thomasian	Retiree
Natori Thompson	12	Porretta Siders	General Services
Shippire Wright	12	Simboa Wright	Public Works
Kendall Burries	13	Daphany Robison	Transportation
Cayla Fujita-Haffner	13	Harold Fujita	Rec & Parks
Luis Hernandez	13	Luis Hernandez	DWP
Jon Valmonte	13	Brillando Valmonte	General Services



Winner 8 to 10 YEARS OLD

Timothy Rosales, 8

- BIRTHDAY: March 25 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Gravity Falls" • FAVORITE SNACK: Popcorn and cut fruit • BEST FRIEND: Christian • WHAT AMUSEMENT PARK DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AND WHY: Disneyland, because I never went there and my friends say it's a lot of fun. • PARENT: Alex Rosales, DWP



Winner 11 to 13 YEARS OLD

Hector Olivares, 13

- BIRTHDAY: March 31 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Sponge Bob" • FAVORITE SNACK: Strawberries • BEST FRIEND: Steven • WHAT AMUSEMENT PARK DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AND WHY: Disneyland because I like Space Mountain. • PARENT: Yolanda Ortiz, GSD



Sofie and her mother, Hafina.

Welcome, Sofie!

Zoo welcomes a baby giraffe.

Story courtesy Zoo; Photos by Tad Motoyama, Zoo

On April 22, the Zoo welcomed the birth of a female giraffe calf, now called Sofie. The calf, weighing in at 135 pounds and standing six feet tall, was named by donor Robert McMillan after his great granddaughter. This is the first baby for the Zoo's female Masai giraffe, Hafina, fathered by Artimus. The family can now be seen on exhibit

daily during Zoo hours. The Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens is in Griffith Park at the junction of the Ventura (134) and Golden State (5) freeways. Admission is \$17 for adults and \$12 for children ages 2 to 12. For discount tickets, see page 45. The Zoo is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. For information, call (323) 644-4200 or visit the L. A. Zoo Website at www.lazoo.org.

Superhero Animals

Zoo debuts Comic Jungle, a mash-up of Marvel characters and actual animals. Discounts available at Club Store.

Club Members can learn about the similarities between comic book hero super powers and their favorite Zoo animals at the Los Angeles Zoo's first ever comic book event, "Comic Jungle." Guests can wander through Artist Alley and meet talented artists, purchase comic books and collectibles from exhibitors at Eucalyptus Grove, and meet comic book heroes and villains. Comic Jungle will also feature photo-ops and special appearances from the "501st Legion," "The Finest" and Marvel's Iron Man, Spider-Man, and Captain America!



Comic Jungle is set for Saturday and Sunday, June 1-2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens is in Griffith Park at the junction of the Ventura (134) and Golden State (5) freeways. Admission is \$17 for adults and \$12 for children ages 2 to 12. Discounted tickets are available at the Club Store and on page 45. The Zoo is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. For information, call (323) 644-4200 or visit the L. A. Zoo Website at www.lazoo.org.

REC AND PARKS

The Banning Museum's current restoration project is the subject of an upcoming lecture at the facility.



Banning's Restoration

Museum to host lecture on its history and current restoration project.

Banning Museum Director Michael Sanborn is scheduled to deliver a lecture about the museum's evolution and current restoration project.

The talk is set for 10 a.m. Saturday, June 22, at the museum, 401 E. "M" St. in Wilmington. The Banning mansion was built by Phineas Banning in 1864. The 23-room Victorian residence remains the finest example of domestic Greek Revival architecture in Southern California, according to the museum. The home's construction symbolized Phineas Banning's confidence in the future of his community.

The lecture will focus on the evolution of the Banning residence and will include the current painting and restoration project that the residence is undergoing. There will be a Q&A session after the lecture.

Admission is free for Friends of Banning members and \$5 for the general public. To RSVP or for more information, call Friends of Banning Museum, (310) 548-2005.

The Banning Museum is a Rec and Parks facility and is operated in cooperation with

Friends of Banning Museum, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to "Preserve History, Promote Education, and Inspire Entrepreneurial Spirit."



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EXCLUSIVE CLUB EVENT



"That's me in the middle representing General Services; my son, Anthony, to my right, and Matthew Rubio (his mom, Beatriz Rubio, is also a General Services. Thank you for an awesome time. We loved riding the Katsu ride for the first time and reminisced on Revolution and Colossus!"
 – Angelica N. Rios, General Services



LAPD/Communications Division Cadets



"In the photos are my wife Liza, my eldest daughter, Alyssa, and my youngest, Angela. We had a blast!"
 – Robert D. Reyes, DWP



– From Candice Guzman



The extended family of John Hawkins, Club CEO



The family of Martha Quintero, Housing

"First time on Colossus."
 – Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor, and Mikey Orta, 7



A Magical Night!

Thousands of Club Members had a great time May 3 at the Club-exclusive party at Six Flags Magic Mountain.

Sure looks like Club Members had a great time! Look for more great Club events coming soon. Sign up for email alerts on the Club Website.



Club CEO John Hawkins (bottom right) enjoying the Goliath with members of his extended family.



– From Candice Guzman



– From Candice Guzman


The family of Richard Villalobos.
 "Thanks for this event. My family enjoyed it!"


"Private parties are the best way to do Magic Mountain! This is a picture of our kids having fun."
 – Lisa and Steven Solis, both DWP; and Tonia and Ryan West.



"My superhero partners Maddy and Sabrina! Daddy loves you!"
 – Robert Garcia, LAPD



– From Aracely Galicia



"We had a great time at Magic Mountain with family and friends."
 – Alicia Spicer, Airports/Ontario



– From Candice Guzman



– From Meiko Carlton



– From Gilbert Quiroz



– From Madeline Ivette



From left: Jason Rodriguez, Marquas Smith and Bastien Ramirez. From Kim Smith, Public Works/Sanitation



"The kids had a good time at Magic Mountain. Looking forward to the next event."
 – Betty Smith, LACERS



– From Gilbert Quiroz



– From Candice Guzman

AIRPORTS

Remembering Tommy Scott

Airport Police raises \$2,100 for scholarships during Tommy E. Scott Memorial Ride.

Story courtesy Sgt. Karla Ortiz, Airport Police; Photo by Officer Darius Lewis, Airport Police

Airport Police officers raised nearly \$2,100 from a memorial ride to donate to the Tommy E. Scott Scholarship Fund available to college-bound children of airport employees. The Third Annual Tommy E. Scott Memorial Ride was held April 27 in honor of Airport Police Officer Tommy E. Scott, who was killed in the line of duty April 29, 2005. The procession traveled from the Airport Police station at LAX to Officer Scott's gravesite in a Forest Lawn cemetery in North Hollywood, and then on to Malibu.

Officer Scott joined the Airport Police in 2001, and was 35 at the time of his death. He was the first Airport Police officer to be killed in the line of duty during the 59-year history of the force. Prior to joining the force, he served 15 years with Rec and Parks. Officer Scott was killed while stopping a suspicious man, William Sadowski, in a vehicle near LAX. Sadowski was convicted of carjacking and first-degree murder and was sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole.



From left: Association of Airport Employees President Jimmy Sparks, Motor Officer Julio Aparicio and Motor Officer George Chen, as the proceeds are turned over to the Tommy Scott Scholarship Fund.

Airport Police Officers Julio Aparicio, George Chen, Paul Mosqueda, Robert Yanez, Rito Torres and Daniel Yu organized this year's event, which attracted 60 officers and civilians (on personal time) to ride or drive personal motorcycles or vehicles the 28-mile route. The number of participants was four times greater than last year's participation. A sum of \$2,095 was raised from donations, T-shirt sales, and raffles.

Officer Scott's parents, Hubert and JoAnn Carter-Scott, requested the funds be donated to the Tommy E. Scott Scholarship Fund, sponsored by the Association of Airport Employees (AAE), a nonprofit organization. Airport Police Motor Officers Julio Aparicio and George Chen presented a check to AAE President Jimmy Sparks during a recent AAE meeting.

SEEN Around Town

By Jennifer Shackelford
Club Application Coordinator

Bells of the Camino

Spend any time driving along our coast and you may one day look out your window and see a bell on a pole that

looks a bit like a Shepard's crook. That would be one of the bells of El Camino Real. Spanish for "The Royal Road" (and really any road that was under the Spanish crown was a camino real) it connected 21 missions, 4 presidios and several pueblos from San Diego to Sonoma. When Mexico won independence from Spain, no road in California was a camino real any longer but with the Mission Revival movement of the early 20th century the name was revived and used.

In 1892, Anna Pitcher of Pasadena began an movement to preserve a part of the Camino Real. In 1902 the California Federation of Women's Clubs adopted the cause and decided to place distinctive bells along the route. The first of these bells was unveiled in 1906. There were 450 in all.

During a recent stop at a rest area in Gavito, I managed to get up close to one of these bells. There is a small plaque attached to the pole which reads "In 1906, guidepost bells were placed along El Camino Real to guide early travelers and to preserve this historic route which linked California's Missions beginning in 1769"

El Camino Real is a California Historic Landmark.



Along the guided tour.



Daniel Cervantes, Detention Officer, 6 years of City service, with (from left) Nathan, Nicole and Dylan.



From left: Ricardo Munoz, Acting Sr. Detention Officer, 18 years of City service; and Andrew Burkot, Detention Officer, 6 years.



Sgt. Joe Hernandez, 17 years of City service, with Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor.



From left: Reina Gomez, Detention Officer, 6 years of City service; and Andrea Noriega, Detention Officer, 13 years.



From left: Manuel Estrada, Custodian, General Services, 8 years of City service; and Zane Tarver, Custodian, General Services, 12 years.



Along the guided tour.



From left: Lambert Aquino, Retired Sr. Detention Officer, 34 years of City service; Vic Layao, Retired Sr. Detention Officer, 31 years; and Levi Deguzman, Sr. Detention Officer, 23 years.



Capt. Dave Lindsay, 26 years of City service; and Sgt. Joe Hernandez, 17 years.



Rodolfo Castillo, Detention Officer, 11 years of City service.



Esperanza Torres, Sr. Detention Officer, 10 years of City service, with his family.

LAPD

A Glimpse of the Glass House

LAPD Jail Division hosts open house of historical facility.

Story by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor; Photos by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor

On May 4, the Metropolitan Jail Section opened its doors to the LAPD's extended family members for a glimpse of the historic old jail, also known as the "Glass House," which was famous for hosting iconic inmates including O.J. Simpson, Charles Manson and the Night Stalker, and get a guided tour of the new state-of-the-art, 21st-century Metropolitan Detention Center.

Because this tour included an operational facility walkthrough, the tour hours were limited but packed with plenty of excitement, historical information and a rare opportunity to see first-hand the work areas where their loved ones spend their 12-hour shifts.

Thanks to Sgt. Hernandez and Sgt. Bobo for their invitation to the open house.



From left: Rose Munoz, Detention Officer, 7 years of City service; Officer III George Koval, 2 years; and Sergio Castellon, Detention Officer, 22 years.

Reviews by Fellow Club Members

ENTERTAINMENT

On a Screen Near You

• *Movies via DVDs, downloads and streaming*

Hitchcock (2012)

Rated PG-13

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

In 1959, the career of acclaimed director Alfred Hitchcock was considered over. This film tells of his comeback movie, *Psycho*, how it was made and what Hitchcock, the man, went through to film one of movie-dom's most celebrated horror films. Starring Anthony Hopkins (Hitchcock) and Helen Mirren (his wife Alma), the excessive costume makeup used on Hopkins to make him resemble Hitchcock detracts from the interesting and somewhat disturbing story of a man facing a personal decline. For those unfamiliar with Alfred Hitchcock, this film is a good way to learn of his ideas, macabre sense of humor, and desire to entertain.

– Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

The Impossible (2012)

Rated PG-13

My Score: 5 (out of 5)

Based on a true story, a family on vacation in Thailand is caught in the destructive, chaotic

aftermath of the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami. Naomi Watts and Ewan McGregor are the parents of three young sons caught in the destruction, which killed many. Graphic, horrific and heroic, the movie shows the ordeal the tourists and native Thai went through to survive, and how families split by the force of nature were, in many places, united by the sheer will of survival. Naomi Watts was justly nominated for an Academy Award for her role.

– Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

The Guilt Trip (2012)

Rated PG-13

My Score: 3 (out of 5)

Barbra Streisand and Seth Rogen star as mother and son. The son invites his mom to go along on a cross-country business trip with him, and the fun begins.

This is a light but fun comedy. And it is great to see Barbra Streisand back in action.

I thought the movie was slow at times, but overall I enjoyed it. I would recommend the movie.

– Gail Seltzer, DWP



Megan Recommends

Theatre recommended by Megan Evanich, Customer Service Associate at the Club Store



Best-Laid Plans

The Murder Mystery Dinner
The Next Door Lounge, Hollywood
Recurring

Do you have a detective's eye, a fascination with old Hollywood, or an inner actor that longs to come out? If so, or if you just want a fun time with some friends, I have an interactive theatre experience for you! The Murder Mystery Dinner at The Next Door Lounge in Hollywood depicts a fast-paced Hollywood scandal, where dinner guests might just be the murderers. The current show (they rotate, so you could get a different show every few months) is titled *Best-Laid Plans*. A starlet is found dead. Who's the culprit – is it the writer, the doctor, the studio exec, or the playboy? Only you can solve the crime!

It starts out as a party with actors mingling with the guests, but when the starlet is found dead, the party guests become the main suspects. Through interviewing, outbursts, and some serious detective skills, your table works to solve whodunit before anyone else is killed.

In the end, the group that correctly accuses the killer and knows why he or she did it wins a prize. There are also prizes given away for best actor or actress, so make sure you give your Academy Award performance!

A three-course dinner is included in the price, and there is a choice of entrees and dessert, including a vegetarian option. Tickets are available at www.grimprov.com/Murder-Mystery-Dinner-LA/

There are also occasionally deals on Groupon, so keep an eye out for that!

Book Reviews

The Face of the Earth

Deborah Raney; Christian fiction, 358 pages; Simon and Schuster

My Score: 5 (out of 5)

Jill Brannon sets off on a trip to Kansas City and has not been seen since. Her husband, Mitchell Brannon, searches endlessly to find his wife, but all leads lead nowhere. Jill's best friend, Shelley, also tries helping Mitchell to locate Jill. In the meantime, they both have feelings for each other, but because they are both faithful Christians, they brush off those feelings. Mitchell wonders if Jill has a new

identity or if she is injured or even dead. He wonders how his wife can disappear off the face of the earth.

This is a heartfelt story of commitment tested by uncertainty and grief, and set free by faith.

– Linda Rorex, Personnel

The Art of The Croods

Noela Hueso; Art book, 176 pages; Titan Books

My Score: 5 (out of 5)

As a fan of animated films, I always try to

Video Gaming

• *Videogames online, rental or purchase*

Evoland

Not Rated

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

One of the cutest and most innovative videos I have ever played is available only through online distribution services like Steam and GOG.com – *Evoland*. This game takes the players on a sort-of history lesson of the adventure/RPG genre of video games. Starting off as a simple mono-colored game, the game evolves with each new discovery. From the eight-bit graphic days to modern 3D rendering and visuals, even the music evolves from basic MIDI files to full orchestration, the game delivers a fun ride while respecting and satirizing the genre all at the same time. A must-own game for all.

– Richard Cardenas, LAPD

At the Movies

• *In the cinema*

Renoir (France)

Rated R

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

Set in 1915, *Renoir* begins as Jean, the son of the impressionist painter Pierre-Auguste Renoir, comes home to recover from his war wounds. His father has hired Andrée, a beautiful young woman to model for his paintings. Both father and son are inspired by Andrée – the father in his declining years, and the son, who becomes the most renowned filmmaker in France.

Beautifully filmed and *acted*, Renoir is slow-paced but has a very interesting, upbeat take on art, life and the struggle to find your niche in the world. The pace is slow enough that no one should have problems reading the English subtitles.

– Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

Iron Man 3

Rated PG-13

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr.) returns as *Iron Man* in this third and I hope not the last installment of the Iron Man film series. As always, this is a great action-packed popcorn movie and a fitting way to kick off the summer blockbuster season. All the main characters return, plus the Iron Man has a few upgrades

Injustice: Gods Among Us

Rated T for Teen

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

Parents: Do not be frightened by the new fighting game *Injustice: Gods Among Us*. Even though it was made by the same team that made the infamous *Mortal Kombat* game, DC Comics would never let a company, even one owned by a parent company, Warner Bros., make an overly violent videogame using their characters. While the fighting is pretty brutal, it is nothing worse than what you would see on a teen Saturday morning cartoon. And the game is one of the best fighting games in the market right now. I feel comfortable letting my kids play it, and so should you.

– Richard Cardenas, LAPD

(remote controlled) and vulnerabilities (Stark's panic attacks), but seems fitting since the villain is extraordinary. I felt Ben Kingsley's portrayal as the Mandarin, a ruthless terrorist, was an excellent casting choice (both sinister and hilarious). However I didn't appreciate a scene where, after the truth was out, his role as a terrorist seemed glamorized. Also noteworthy was Guy Pearce as Aldrich Killian, a neglected scientist and true villain.

– Chuck Beas, DWP

Pain & Gain

Rated R

My Score: 3 (out of 5)

I was actually surprised at how much thought went into Michael Bay's latest flick, *Pain & Gain*. Based on a series of articles published in a Miami newspaper about an extortion plot gone wrong, the story actually has some deep twists and turns that really emphasize the nature of the crime and how nonchalant the main perpetrators were to their crime. But the message of the film quickly gets lost amidst a calamity of violence and action scenes that steal away some of the thunder the story had been delivering up until that point.

– Richard Cardenas, LAPD

My Score: 5 (out of 5)

Stone Barrington, a well-bred detective-turned-attorney, finds himself in Paris with no recollection how or why he is there. He meets French businessman Marcel duBois, who CIA agent Richard LaRose wants to work with. Everyone wants to purchase Stone's Arrington Hotel in Bel Air. The Russians want to kill Stone's friends. After problems arise in Paris, the group returns to the United States at Stone's home. Other problems occur when there is a helicopter duel over Brighton Beach.

This fast-paced thriller is intriguing and one of best Stone Barrington novels by Stuart Woods.

– Linda Rorex, Personnel

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.

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Angel Gomez, Club Director of Sales

Angel's Be Alive!





Angel Jr. is by the information sign.







Ducks relaxing.



Our new friend looks for birds, too.



There are many trails to choose from.



Kathy, Angel Jr. and Aden are in front of the Sea and Sage Audubon Chapter House.

Hello everyone!

This month we are going to the city of Irvine. I thought, let's take it easy this month and just walk on flat ground. With that in mind, I looked around and found the perfect spot – Irvine's Ranch Water District San Joaquin Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary. This is a truly hidden gem in Orange County. The relaxing atmosphere is apparent the moment you park your car. The volunteer staff is so helpful – they almost forced us to take binoculars and checked the sizes for my boys, and gave us the rundown on the area and sent us on our merry way.

The Sanctuary Walk

Wow! This wildlife sanctuary is right in the middle of Irvine, with about 12 miles of trails. The place is amazing for bird watchers, joggers and walkers, and serves as a living laboratory location for students, teachers and the general public.

As you park your car, you will see a few structures like homes that serve as educational rooms. The San Joaquin Marsh Campus houses the Audubon House; the Duck Club; the IRWD Visitors Center at the Marsh House; the IRWD Learning Center; the Sea and Sage Audubon House; and the Caretaker's House. The Marsh House, a 1920s-era farmhouse from the original Irvine Ranch, is now home to an interpretive center where visitors can learn about the marsh, water conservation and environmental protection. The first building you will see will be Audubon House. Next to that is the Duck Club, which is adjacent to Audubon House. Go inside each

one and spend some time looking around and finding out what wonderful animal life is just a few steps away.

Important information: The wetlands are a critical component of IRWD's Natural Treatment System, as they naturally clean urban runoff from San Diego Creek and help to

protect the environmentally sensitive Upper Newport Bay. After interacting with the bulrush and other plants for seven to ten days, up to 70 percent of the nitrogen is removed. The cleaner water is returned to the creek to continue its journey to Upper Newport Bay and the ocean.

Don't forget to bring your camera and take lots of photos and send them to me at agomez@cityemployeesclub.com. Bring water, snacks and maybe some sunscreen.

As always, be safe and Be Alive!, Angel



The Irvine Ranch Water District San Joaquin Marsh Campus.

San Joaquin Wildlife Sanctuary

5 Riparian View • Irvine, CA 92612

Acreage: more than 300

Length of trails: 12 miles

Difficulty rating: easy walk

Duration: 1 to 2 hours or longer

Activities: walking, bird watching, photography

Not permitted: bicycles, dogs, horses and other animals

Hours: dusk to dawn every day

Parking: free at location

Directions: From downtown Los Angeles, take the I-5 south until you reach the I-605 south, then take CA-73 toward San Diego Freeway. Exit on University Drive, turn left onto University Drive. Turn left onto Campus Drive, then slightly right onto Riparian View. Destination will be on your left. You can also take the I-5 Freeway to the CA-55, then CA-73 south and follow the same street directions.

“Hynda, we’re grateful for your awesome service and hard work.”

— John Hawkins, Club President & CEO

Hynda Sails Into *History*

***Alive!* bids farewell to Hynda Rudd, who’s retiring as popular history columnist.**

With this issue, *Alive!* bids adieu to one of its favorite columnists and people, Hynda Rudd. As she retired from the City as the first City Archivist years ago, she now retires from her *Alive!* regular writing duties. She has written “78 or 79 columns for *Alive!* I can’t be sure; there might have been a vacation in there,” she laughs.

“One of the most exciting experiences of my professional life has been writing the historical articles on the City of Los Angeles for *Alive!*,” she recounts. “To me, as always, my interest has been the treasure trove of records and information, in every imaginable form, that tells the story of this magnificent megalopolis and its unknown mysteries of rising from a one-horse town into one of the most renowned cities in the world today.

“I was born and raised in Salt Lake City, Utah. I am not a Mormon, but my respect for them and their dedication and commitment to their history has always given me the incentive to do what they have accomplished. My dream came true in moving to Los Angeles. I became the first Archivist for this City in 1980. I realized that this was the most incredible community of unknown historical documents that I could have ever hoped for. To begin to share, in a small way, this overwhelming joy of enlightening all of you to this impressive City’s growth and development, is all I had always hoped for. It has been a sincere pleasure, for all the many issues presented by me, to be continued by others, who love this history as much as me. Thank you.”

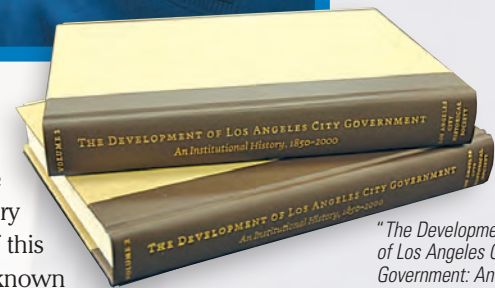
“Hynda and her column have been one of the great joys of producing *Alive!* each month,” says John Hawkins, Club CEO who first met Hynda at an RLACEI meeting. They chatted, and Hynda was recruited as an *Alive!* columnist soon thereafter. “I’ve learned a lot about the city I was born in and now work in. It’s been an education and a pleasure. Of course we wish her the best, but I suspect we haven’t heard the last of her.”

Hynda reports that she will continue working on other long-term projects involving the history of Los Angeles, and she vows to write occasional “History Comes *Alive!*” articles for this paper as she has the time. Plans for the continuation of the “History Comes *Alive!*” column will be announced soon.

“Along with her thousands of readers, I say a sincere thank-you to Hynda,” John Hawkins continues. “We’re grateful for your awesome service and hard work.”



Hynda Rudd,
Retired City
Archivist



“The Development of Los Angeles City Government: An Institutional History, 1850-2000,” a project Hynda helped produce with the Los Angeles City Historical Society.

Feb. 2005

The 1st HISTORY COMES ALIVE!

The City Archives team in 2005, when *Alive!* announced the Hynda Rudd column: Jay Jones, Acting Archivist; Todd Gaydowski, Records Management Officer; and Hynda Rudd, retired City Archivist.



From September 2007: Club CEO John Hawkins and *Alive!* columnist Hynda Rudd look over a volume of “*The Development of Los Angeles City Government: An Institutional History, 1850-2000*” at the Los Angeles City Archives.



From November 2007: Councilman and Club Member Tom LaBonge (right), announces and delivers “*The Development of Los Angeles City Government: An Institutional History, 1850-2000*” to the City Council to the City Council Sept. 26, and presented a Council proclamation to city historian Dr. Doyce B. Nunis Jr. (left) and *Alive!* columnist and Retired City Archivist Hynda Rudd (center).



Alive! AROUND THE WORLD



1

Ireland



"This photo was taken at the Guinness Brewery, Dublin, Ireland."

– Kevin Chatman, DWP

2

Illinois



Here are **Jose and Monica Zarate** in Illinois. Monica works for the DWP.

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Pennsylvania




"In March, my twins Victor, Vincent and I went to visit my 90-year-old mom and family in Glassport, Pa. I really enjoyed seeing all my family and friends and eating all the good foods that I remember eating growing up. This picture is of me looking down over Pittsburgh and [Heinz Field and PNC Park] from Mt. Washington."

– Ricci Trunzo, Fleet Services

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Ireland

Here's **Club wife Dearthla McNulty Burnes** in Dun Laoghaire (pronounced Dun Leery), a popular seaport on the southeast coast of Ireland.



5

The Caribbean

Here are pictures of **Mike Boyd, Public Works/West Valley Sanitation**, on the Carnival Glory cruising the Caribbean.





03 Rainforest in San Juan, PR.



At the Queens Staircase in Nassau, the Bahamas.

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Northeast Canada



"Here are pictures of my trip to the East Coast. One picture is from Niagara Falls taken on the Canadian side. The other picture is from the Thousand Islands area near Rockport, Ontario, Canada."

– Jackson Jang, LAPD

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South America

"Here is a photo of me at the majestic Iguazu Falls on the Argentina-Brazil border. I'm on the Argentinean side here."



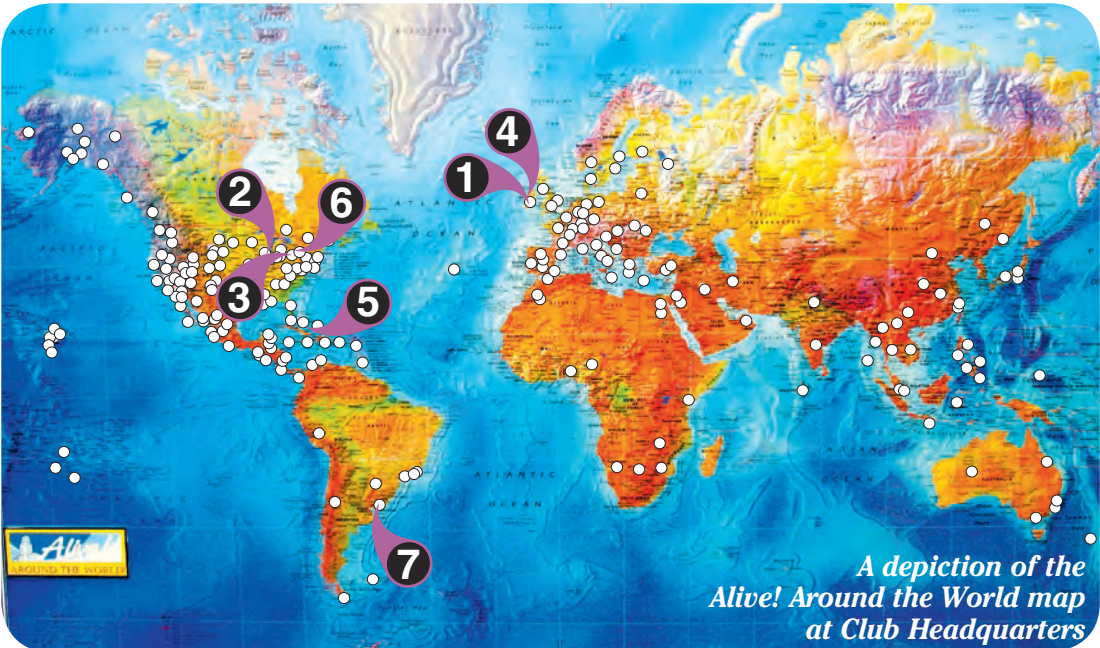


"In honor of **Joannie Mukai**, I took this photo of her and me at the port in Montevideo, Uruguay."

Here are a couple of photos from **John Radovcich, Harbor**, in South America.

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



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

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



TACOS DE CARNE ASADA

Photography courtesy Patricia Martinez

I am always in search of quick, easy and delicious recipes, and Tacos de Carne Asada is no exception. At closer inspection, the recipe could be a top-ten pick for its flavor and easy preparation. There are many versions of carne asada tacos – some call for rice and beans while others are just plain with hot sauce. In my version, I use a few extra ingredients including sour cream and Monterey Jack cheese. I also grilled some corn on the cob and a few artichokes as a side dish. This is optional, but you can do the same or make some rice and beans as sides.

If your carne asada was defrosting but you placed the beef on the grill before the entire cut of beef had been thawed, it will end up cooked well on the outside but undercooked inside. A solution to this is to place the meat in the oven for about 15 minutes at 375 degrees F so that the inside of the beef is cooked through as well. Enjoy!

Tacos de Carne Asada

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 pound seasoned skirt steak (or flank steak)
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup cilantro, chopped
- 1 tablespoon julienned chives
- 6 corn tortillas (approximate)
- Red and/or green salsa
- 1/4 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- Diced tomatoes (optional)
- Avocado cubed (optional)
- 2 corncobs (optional)

Cooking TIDBIT

You may use other cuts of beef including tenderloin, New York steak and filet mignon. Have the butcher prepare the carne asada, or some markets already have them prepared and ready to cook.

[A Cook's Dictionary]



Carne Asada:

Spanish for “roasted (broiled) meat,” carne asada is a popular Mexican specialty of thin strips of beef marinated in lime juice and other seasonings and quickly grilled. Traditionally tenderloin or New York steak is used, though flank steak or skirt steak is often substituted. Carne asada can be eaten on its own with sides of rice and beans, or cut into smaller pieces and used in other Mexican specialties including enchiladas, quesadillas or tacos.

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DIRECTIONS:



1 With a well-thawed steak, place the meat on high heat on top of a barbeque grill. Grill both sides for about three minutes each, and then reduce heat to medium heat. Place two corncobs on the grill as well. Close barbeque lid.



2 Turn steak over on other side once it has browned well. Turn the corn as well. The color should be similar to this photo.



3 It is important to cook the steak to the correct temperature. I use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature. For the steak to be cooked medium, I want the internal temperature to be at 145 degrees F.



4 On a hot iron skillet or comal, place your corn tortillas there and turn over once one side is toasted.



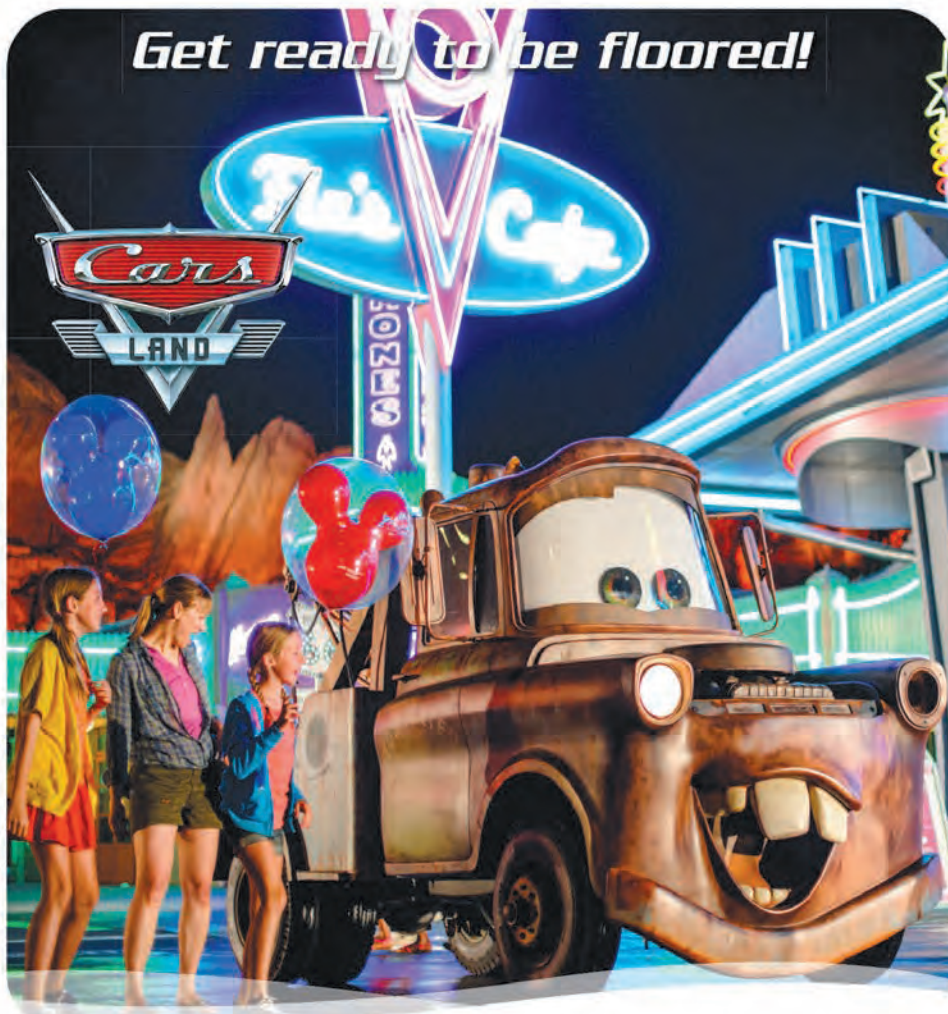
5 Take two warmed tortillas, add slices of the carne asada, cheese, salsa, diced chives, cilantro, sour cream and optional diced tomatoes and avocado. Plate. Enjoy!

Serves 2

Food Fact

Mice don't like cheese. Their sensitive noses prefer the smells of grains and fruits.

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Scholarship Deadline Fast Approaching

CLUB ANGELS

Applications for Club Scholarship are available online and at the Club Store.
Deadline is noon, June 28, 2013.

Pick up your application for the Joannie Mukai Memorial Club Scholarship at the Club Store, or download an application today! The Club's scholarship program is named after the late Club Board Member Joannie Mukai.

The 2013 Mukai Club Scholarship Program is accepting applications.

All materials must be physically in the Club Store and Service Center downtown, 120 W. Second St. by noon, June 28, 2013.



Joannie Mukai.

The Club expects to award each recipient \$500.

Those eligible include Club Members, their spouses and their children who are in college or will be attending an accredited college

or university in Fall 2013.

"The Club is all about excellence, and we love recognizing that quality in our Club Members and their families," said John Hawkins, Club CEO. "The Club Scholarship Program reflects that commitment."

"Every year, we're amazed at the quality of the applicants. We expect this year to be every bit as good."

You can pick up an application at the Club Store and Service Center, 120 W. Second St. downtown, or download an application at:

www.cityemployeesclub.com/scholar.asp

"We fully support the dedication of our Club families to taking care of the educational needs of themselves and their children," Hawkins continued. "We want to help them in every way possible. We look forward to giving back."

Eligibility requirements:

- All Club Members and their spouses, and children of Club members under the age 25, are eligible to apply. Club members must be in good standing.
- The successful candidate must attend an accredited four-year college or university full time in the fall semester 2013. Current high school seniors matriculating to a four-year school in Fall 2013 are eligible.
- Candidates will be judged for academic excellence, community service, and financial need.
- Scholarships are expected to be awarded in equal amounts of \$500 (each).
- Deadline: Applications must be in the Club Store and Service Center, 120 W. Second St. downtown, by noon June 28, 2013. All applications must be physically in the Club office at that time to be eligible. Sorry, but the Club is not responsible for delays in delivery.
- Decisions will be made by Club personnel and will be considered final.
- Club Store and Service Center address: 120 W. Second St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
- Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Send questions to: scholarship@cityemployeesclub.com



Raven Burrell received a stipend last year as part of Club Angels' Mukai Scholarship Program.



Ashley Arikawa received a stipend last year as part of Club Angels' Mukai Scholarship Program.



Jacob Muñoz received a stipend last year as part of Club Angels' Mukai Scholarship Program.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Members Marketplace

New Ads This Month!

2 Cemetery Plots: The Gardens Lot (354) in Rose Hills Memorial Park, Whittier. Graves 3 & 4 (side by side). \$4800 for both or (1) \$2500. Karen Hunter Hill @ (661) 317-5922. 6/12

For Rent: 4BD/2-1/2 BA home in Riverside. Gated community, granite countertops, freeway accessible, near 91 fwy/Van Buren. 1 year lease, \$1875/mo. Andrea @ (310) 946-5552 or Larry @ (310) 633-3719. 6/12



For Rent: 1 BD house located at 634 W. 104th street, LA. Double pane vinyl windows, wall outlets & brackets for TVs, granite, ceramic tile, carpet & laminate flooring, dish washer, stove, garbage disposal, laundry room w/ w&d included. Nicely landscaped front/back yard. Tenant pays electric & gas. \$1,075 per month w/ \$500 deposit. Tracy Gant @ (323)242-9384. 6/12

Travel: To Malta, Sicily, Assisi & Rome Italy. Oct.6-17, 2013. Join me on a 12-day pilgrimage leaving LA for \$3,799, inclusive of airfare and meals. Call Gina Caguiat @ (818) 395-3552 or gina91203@yahoo.com for a detailed description and/or copy of the flyer. 6/12

Legoland Tickets: Selling 2 adult for \$75 (\$37.50 each ticket), 2 children tickets for \$65 (32.50). Elaine @ (310) 283-9225. 6/12

For Rent: Westchester, 2BD/1BA. Lower unit in fourplex. Close to LAX, LMU, transportation, shopping & the beach. \$1400/mo. Call or text @ (424)204-2264 or (310)343-3573. 6/12



2011 Toyota Tundra: 4x2 DBL CAB, 4.6L V8 8100 miles. 23,900 OBO. Info @ (562)665-7127. 6/12

Transport



2011 Chevy Silverado: Crew Cab LTZ, 22,500 mi. W a r r a n t y ! Navigation, leather 5/13

interior, heated bucket seats, loaded! \$31,900 OBO. Kelly @ (661) 733-2411.



Harley Helmet: Brand new, black. Sells in stores for \$300, selling for \$180 OBO. Info @ (213) 447-9838. 5/13

1980 Honda CB125S: 1 owner, 28,000 miles. Maintenance record, excellent condition, economical transportation, cam chain broken, have Manual. \$400 OBO. Dave @ (310) 375-6694. 5/13

3-Wheel Moped: Blue, 2011, practically new, purchased for \$2800. Selling for \$1600. Frank @ (323) 240-3595. 5/13



2012 Camaro LS: Reduced price \$19,500! Xclnt condition inside & out. 12,000 mi, auto, 6-cyl silver w/blk racing stripe & blk steel whls. Robert @ (951) 334-3649. 5/13



'96 Camaro: Original owner, 105K miles. Major work done. Runs well. Needs minor touching up. New tires & belts. \$3500 OBO, as is. Dave @ (424)256-9018. 4/13

Tires & Wheels: 4 original 2011 Toyota Tundra wheels w/ Michelin P255/70R18 tires. Used only 5000 miles. \$350 OBO. Ernie @ (310) 908-0433. 3/13



Black 1996 Impala SS: W/ grey leather interior, 5.7 liter LT1 V8 engine w/ Sequential fuel injection, w/elect. controlled 4L60-E, 4-speed auto trans. Suspension is police package w/quick-ratio power steering. P255/50ZR-17 tires new & speed rated, w/ lightweight 17" x 8.5" 5-spoke cast alloy wheels. Only used Sundays. New carpet purchased & ready for install & new decals for rear panels. \$12,000. Info: kaufmankdtk@gmail.com 2/13

2006 Volvo: Flint gray, V50 SW. Sports package, fair cond & 138K highway miles. Valued btw \$6500-\$8800. Price negotiable. Denise @ (323) 697-8299. 2/13



1992 Mercury Grand Marquis LS: Good condition, low miles. "As Is". \$2,993. Alvin Williams @ (310) 764-4478. 2/13



Harley: Factory paint job; USB power commander & drag tuner; Freedom 2 into 1 exhaust; CNC ported heads w/forged pistons & adjustable push rods; S & S gear driven cams 258; 42mm injectors; green LED lights; 6 speed trans; chrome; progressive 440 shocks. All work done @ Harley dealership w/ printouts. Many performance upgrades, 4,000 miles on engine build. Last dyno at 125hp 135ftq, 26,000 miles. \$16,500. Richard @ (805) 208-4406. 2/13

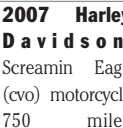


2008 Providence 40X Diesel RV: 360HP Cummings 8.3 L, 5-speed Allison transmission. 35,000 miles w/3 slide outs, 5-TVs, many upgrades. Reduced price \$130K. Mike White @ (661) 904-2234. 2/13



2005 BMW R1200GS Motorcycle: Gently used, mileage is 23,666 miles. Has GPS w/full option. \$11,000 OBO. Selling because I never have time to ride it, my loss is your gain. Info @ (213) 718-2373. 1/13

Kendon dual motorcycle Trailer: Purchased 2006. Fold/standup type. Stored inside. Storage box, LED lights & moving dolly. \$2,000. Don @ (213)434-0214, days. 12/12



2007 Harley-Davidson: Screamin Eagle (cvo) motorcycle, 750 miles. Showroom perfect. Some custom mods. 35k new. Sell for 30k. Don @ (213) 434-0214, days. 12/12



Bass Fishing Boat: Goldstream 18', 1973 has bait tank, 6 seats, trailer w/2 extra spare tires. Reduced price \$3,500. Info @ (818) 825 - 1264. 11/12



Bayliner Boat: 24', 1999 cabin cruiser, loaded. Kitchen, dining, 2BD/1BA. Reduced price \$27,000. Info @ (818) 825 - 1264. 11/12



1959 Dodge Truck: Restored 1/2 ton Dodge Step-side Pickup Truck. Oak bed. \$18,000. Jim @ (818) 825-0091. 9/12

Wheels: 22" Makavelli 3 piece rims w/tires. \$1500, very good condition. Info @ (310)628-3477. 8/12



Coachmen RV 2005: Purchased in 06 in excellent condition. 27 ft. Sleeps 8-10. 2 pop-outs, AC, 2 awnings, full bath w/extra outdoor shower. Asking \$18,000. Fernando Torres @ (562)900-9229, email: D7thson@yahoo.com 5/12



2004 Harley Davidson: XL1200R Sportster w/screaming eagle kit, under 3500 miles. \$5,000. Jerry Napier @ (310) 392-2841 or jerry.napier@me.com 8/12

Cemetery Plots

4 Cemetery Plots: Side by side, Westminster Memorial Park, Garden of Devotion. \$3000 ea; \$5500 for 2; \$10,000 for 4, + transfer fee. Allene @ (310) 376- 2006. 3/13

2 Cemetery Plots: Valhalla Cemetery in North Hollywood, Lot 19 & 20, Section 470, Block H. \$7,000 for both. Thomas @ (602) 770-9389. 11/12

4 Cemetery Plots: For sale by owner. Adjacent. Panoramic views in Hillside Section of Forest Lawn Hollywood Cemetery. 1- Plot: \$3,500. 4-Plots: \$12,800. Jason @ (949) 466-8542. 10/12

4 Cemetery Plots: Burial plots (1-4 side by side) at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Covina, CA. In Cherished Memory Section 1617 (near the road). \$3,300 each OBO. Betty @ (626) 286-8649. 8/12

Cemetery Plot: Inglewood Cemetery, Sunset Mission Mausoleum, Sanctuary of Grace, 243 double capacity crypt Tier-3, \$10,000 OBO. Dennis @ (661) 433-1912. 6/12

Furniture

Entertainment Center: Plummers, fits "32" TV. Good condition. \$100. Must pickup. Michael @ (310) 534-2181. 5/13

Pedal Fire Truck: Collectible kids org. Real light & bell, rear wooden working ladder & rudder wheels, never used original condition. Replica would be \$400. My price is \$325. Info @ (805) 477-2866. 2/13

Trundle Bed: White metal frame w/floral knobs, w/2 sets of sheets, 1 new in package, + 1 comforter & 3 pillow shams, both mattresses are upgraded. \$425. Info @ (805) 477-2866. 2/13

Roll top desk: Oak, w/chair, space saver has 4 drawers in front & 3 on back left side, all porcelain knobs. \$300. Info @ (805) 477-2866. 2/13

Roll top desk: Oak, w/chair & 7 drawers. 2 large filing drawers & inside top has 4 small w/locking cabinet & cubby holes. Interior under cabinet lights. \$450. Info @ (805) 477-2866. 2/13

Custom Made Sofa: 7 feet, queen mattress, excellent condition, \$375 OBO. Nicole @ (310) 308-1523 or (323) 766-1876. 1/13



Desk: Mahogany wood, cute, 4 drawers on each side, case slot top, + small drawers inside when lid opens. Reduced price \$250. Info @ (818) 825 - 1264. 11/12



Dresser w/ mirror & 1 night stand. Brand new still in the box, only wanted bed assembly. Email for more pictures. 1/13

Purchased entire bedroom set for \$1500. Asking \$400 for these 3 items. John @ (626) 757-5341 or jgonzlez@hotmail.com 8/12



Leather recliner, Thomasville. Price \$150 OBO. Rob @ (626) 827-4386. 7/12

Homes/Rentals/Land

For Rent: Apt in Inglewood (4-units), 82nd/ Crenshaw. 1BD/1BA, kitchen, granite countertops, living & dining room, 1-car garage. Upstairs unit, new paint, carpet, windows & fixtures. Very quiet, close to public transportation. Info @ (323) 292-9989. 5/13

For Rent: Apt in LA, Leimert Park (4-unit complex). 2BD/1BA, kitchen/granite counter tops, living & dining room, 1-car garage. New paint, carpet/hardwood & tiled floors, windows & fixtures, w/d hookup. Very quiet, close to public transportation, 15 minutes from downtown, USC, & beach. Info @ (310) 365-1868. 4/13

House For Lease: Valley Glen- great neighborhood. North of Victory btwn Woodman & Hazeltine. 3BD/3BA or 4BD. 2000sq.ft. Newly updated. Large lvg, den/office, big kitchen, lrg master suite. Central heating/air, w/d. Fenced front & back yards w/fruit trees. Patio, pool, pets ok. Guest house (back of property w/current tenant). \$2,500/mo plus utilities. Marianne @ (818) 781-7624 or Jeff @ (818) 780-0647 for appt. 4/13

Home for rent: Live the country life! 2BD/2BA in Acton. Dirt roads, wide open spaces w/ surrounding mountain views! Conveniently located to the 14 fwy & Acton metro rail stop. \$1200/mo, 1-year lease, available now. Info @ (323)919 -1163. 4/13

Household Items

Household Items: (All OBO) China Cabinet w/matching table & chairs \$300; BD Dresser w/ mirror \$150; Stand-up lamp \$25; Sofa & chair \$125. Steve/Linda @ (818) 506-4024. 3/13

First Edition Book: *Gone with the Wind*, hard cover book, written in 1936. Good condition. Asking \$1000 OBO. Lauretta Hall @ (323)751-3203. 12/12



TV: 50 inch lg plasma tv, needs a circuit board. Reduced price \$195. Info @ (818) 825 - 1264. 11/12

Refrigerator: L.G. 26.5 cu.ft capacity side by side, ice & water dispensing; system- IED lighting & digital temp. Controls, like new, great bay, only \$500. Rosemary @ (951)218-4414. 11/12

Miscellaneous

Herald Examiner 1989: Final issue. Have 2 in excellent condition, \$500 OBO each. Info: phernandez1949@yahoo.com 5/13

Fender Squier Stratocaster: Plays great, white face. \$100 OBO. Info @ (626)331-3547. 5/13



Brass Suzuki Trumpet: Includes plush lined metal case. Used only once. \$250 OBO. Info @ (909) 463-3393. 5/13

Shotgun: Late 1930's model Rizzini over an under 12ga shotgun must see to appreciate. \$1450 OBO. Russell @ (626) 331-3547. 4/13

Ovation Acoustic/Electric Guitar: Looks great w/no "bumps or bruises". Includes case, shoulder strap, digital clip-on tuner, picks & beginners book w/CD. Fresh "Elixir" Teflon strings installed, sounds great, very bright acoustic sound but electric pickup system needs to be fixed. \$200 OBO. Michael @ (818) 720-5198. 2/13

Examiner Newspaper: Last 1 ever printed \$500 OBO. Lauretta @ (323) 751-3203. 2/13

Monopoly Board Game: Disney edition, Disneyland purchase, unused, in original package. \$25. Info @ (805) 477-2866. 2/13

Fiberglass Step Ladders: 6ft & 4ft. Make offer. Info @ (818) 764-2091. 2/13

Jig Saw: Ryobi Orbital w/laser, used 2 days. Make offer. Info @ (818) 764-2091. 2/13

White Fox Fur Stole & Hat: Excellent condition, \$600 OBO. Nicole @ (310) 308-1523 or (323) 766-1876. 1/13

Black Mink Coat: Full length, excellent condition, \$1200 OBO. Size M/L. Nicole @ (310) 308-1523 or (323) 766-1876. 1/13

Travel / Timeshare



Palm Springs Condo: In beautiful Palm Springs Villas II, gated community, 7 swimming pools, tennis court, shuffle board; near shopping, restaurants & Casino Spa Resort. Weekly & weekend rentals, \$140 per night. Info @ (562) 301-2940. 5/13

Vacation Rental: In Boulder City, located btwn Las Vegas & Lake Mead Recreation area. Cottage located in Historic district: Sleeps 6, 1/BD & queen sofa bed in living room + 2 built-in bunk beds. Walking distance to restaurants, antique shops, etc. Built in 1942, previously owned by DWP. \$500 per week or \$100 per day. Norma @ (323) 333-2238 or e-mail: Norma2go2@gmail.com 4/13

Timeshare: Cancun Sunset Club, 1 week, studio sleeps 4, resort on the beach, \$700/week. Serious renters will receive all-inclusive meals. Not available New Years, July 4th, Thanksgiving or Christmas. Gina @ (818)395-3552. 4/13

Timeshare For Sale: Ventura, CA. Ocean view. Deeded float week. Sleeps 4. Many amenities, incl elevator. 60 miles north of L.A. Elderly owner must sell. \$1,800. Leave message @ (503)722-9881. 3/13



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. 3/13

Contact John Long @ (909) 837-8347. 3/13

Timeshare: Kona Hawaiian Village, Big Island. 2BD/1 week anytime during the year, resort on the beach. Serious buyers. Info @ (310) 415-7388. 2/13

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appropriateness.

Vacation Rental: Nuevo Vallarta/Grand Luxxe. Golf, 2 units, 3K sq ft, each unit sleeps 4. Rent 1 or both units: May 20-27, 2013. \$1.2k or \$1.4k/unit; \$2.5k both units. Info @ (626)278-2886. 1/13

Timeshare: Mayan Sea Gardens/Acapulco 2 units, 1BD, full kit & lvg rm, each sleeps 4 privately. Sep 28-Oct 5 or Oct 5-12, 2012. Rent 1 unit or both, 1 wk or both. 7 nights - \$600/per unit, \$1000/both. Info @ (972) 291-2871. 8/12



Vacation Rental: Lake Tahoe Cabin in beautiful forest setting. 4BD/3 BA, large deck, BBQ, satellite TV. Close to beach, bike path, stables, boat launch, hiking, casinos. Jess @ (626) 797-5992. 3/12

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

Wanted

Apartment Wanted: 1 BD, senior citizen; retired. LA City area; Non smoker, non drinker. Can pay \$600-800 per month. Curtis Walker @ (702) 488-6525. 5/13

Help Wanted: Attention electricians! Need a side job or know an electrician who does? I am hiring an electrician for some projects. Jackie @ (213)507-0855. 4/13

Wanted: I buy all kinds of collectibles: crystal, Disney, fishing gear, military items, musical instruments, pocket knives, gold & silver, Radko, WDCC. Michael @ (626) 592-2929. 11/12

Wanted: Looking for a 2BD+, w/d hookup preferred, garage in San Pedro or within 5 miles. Maximum Rent \$1100. Contact: a.townsend78@gmail.com 9/12

Wanted: Do you have a Desert Tortoise looking for a new "approved" home? Marcell Baines @ (310) 323-5313. 7/12



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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	=\$
Includes 2 unrestricted movie passes, 2 small drink concession and 1 small popcorn concession.				
California Science Center IMAX				
Adult	\$ 8.25	\$5.75	X	=\$
Child	\$ 5.00	\$4.25	X	=\$
Cinemark Theatres				
Good Any Time	\$10.75	\$7.50	X	=\$
Galaxy Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.00	\$7.50	X	=\$
Harkins Movie Theatres				
Restricted	\$10.00	\$6.00	X	=\$
Good Any Time	\$10.00	\$7.50	X	=\$
Krikorian Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.00	\$7.50	X	=\$
Laemmle Theatres – Good Any Time				
	\$11.00	\$6.00	X	=\$
Landmark Theaters				
Good Any Time	\$12.50	\$8.00	X	=\$
\$1.50 surcharge for use at West LA; \$2.50 for 3-D.				
Pacific Theatres				
Restricted	\$12.50	\$6.00	X	=\$
Gift Book	\$40.00	\$32.50	X	=\$
\$2 surcharge for use at Grove, not valid at Arclight				
2 unrestricted admissions, 2 medium drinks, 1 medium popcorn.				
Rave Motion Pictures “Rave 18”				
Good Any Time	\$14.00	\$7.50	X	=\$
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	=\$
Tickets can be upgraded for 3-D, IMAX, or ETX.				
Attraction Tickets				
Adventure City				
Adult/Child	\$14.95	\$10.50	X	=\$
Angels Baseball Games				
Select dates available, see our ad on page 29.				
Visit www.cityemployeesclub.com to order	\$48-\$70	\$22-\$52	X	=\$
Limited Stock!				
Aquarium of the Pacific				
Expires 6/30/2013.				
Adult	\$24.95	\$16.95	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$12.95	\$9.95	X	=\$
Boomer's Family Fun Centers				
All Day Pass	\$24.99	\$16.25	X	=\$
Catalina				
Expires 12/31/2013. Not valid 5/25–27, 7/4–7, 8/31–9/2.				
Island Express – Round Trip	Adult	\$72.50	\$60.50	X
	Child	\$57.00	\$51.00	X
Castle Park				
Good any day, unlimited pass.				
General Admission	Under 36" free.	\$19.99	\$12.99	X
New				
Davey's Locker				
Whale Watching	Adult	\$30.00	\$21.00	X
	Child	\$25.00	\$17.00	X
Sportfishing – 1/2 Day	Adult	\$40.00	\$30.25	X
	Child	\$29.00	\$25.75	X
Sportfishing – Full Day	Adult	\$69.00	\$56.25	X
	Child	\$55.00	\$47.75	X
Discovery Science Center				
Expires 11/29/2013.				
Adult	\$14.95	\$12.00	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$12.95	\$10.00	X	=\$
Disneyland/California Adventure				
Expires 12/31/2013.				
1-Day, 1-Park	Adult	\$87.00	\$83.52	X
	Child (3-9)	\$81.00	\$77.76	X
1-Day Park Hopper	Adult	\$125.00	\$114.38	X
	Child (3-9)	\$119.00	\$108.89	X
2-Day, 1-Park	Adult	\$170.00	\$158.10	X
	Child (3-9)	\$158.00	\$146.94	X
2-Day Park Hopper	Adult	\$200.00	\$180.00	X
	Child (3-9)	\$188.00	\$169.20	X
SoCal Select Annual Passport		\$269.00	\$255.55	X
Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 12/31/2013. Valid 170 days.				
SoCal Annual Passport		\$329.00	\$312.55	X
Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 12/31/2013. Valid 215 days.				
Deluxe Annual Passport		\$469.00	\$445.55	X
Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 12/31/2013. Valid 315 days.				
Premium Annual Passport w/Parking		\$649.00	\$616.55	X
Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 12/31/2013. No blackout dates.				
Only available online through our Website as E-Tickets				
Dodgers Baseball Games				
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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	\$15.25	X	=\$
Minimum height requirement 4'10". This pass entitles the owner to one 14 Lap race and a annual license for the day.				
Knott's Berry Farm				
Expires 12/31/2013.				
Adult	\$57.99	\$33.00	X	=\$
Child (3-11); Senior (62+)	\$28.99	\$24.00	X	=\$
Knott's Soak City				
Good for 2013 season.				
Adult	\$34.99	\$23.00	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$24.99	\$20.00	X	=\$
LA Zoo				
Adult	\$17.00	\$13.00	X	=\$
Child (2-12)	\$12.00	\$10.00	X	=\$
Legoland				
Expires 11/21/2013.				
Adult	\$75.00	\$58.00	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$65.00	\$58.00	X	=\$
Comes with 2nd day free to use within 90 days of 1st use.				
Sea Life Resort Hopper	Adult	\$95.00	\$67.00	X
	Child (3-11)	\$85.00	\$67.00	X
Pass includes admission to Legoland, Sea Life Aquarium and the new waterpark. Ticket comes with a second day free to all 3 attractions.				
Madame Tussauds Wax Attraction				
Expires 12/31/2013.				
Adult	\$25.00	\$13.00	X	=\$
Child (4-12)	\$18.00	\$10.00	X	=\$

Attraction Tickets, continued	RETAIL PRICE	CLUB PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Magic Mountain Expires 9/30/2013.				
General Admission (3 and up)	\$64.99	\$34.99	X	=\$
Magic Mountain Hurricane Harbor Good for 2013 season.				
General Admission (3 and up)	\$36.99	\$23.99	X	=\$
Medieval Times Expires 12/31/2013. Not valid 12/31/2013.				
Adult	\$57.95	\$43.50	X	=\$
Child (0-12)	\$35.95	\$31.50	X	=\$
Mulligan's Family Fun Center				
All Day Pass	Adult/Child	\$23.99	\$16.00	X
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, Murrieta, and Palmdale.				
Gift Certificate	\$15.00	\$10.00	X	=\$
Pirates Dinner Adventure Expires 11/30/2013.				
Adult	\$56.95	\$36.00	X	=\$
Child	\$37.95	\$27.50	X	=\$
Queen Mary				
Adult	\$24.95	\$18.00	X	=\$
Child (4-11)	\$21.95	\$12.00	X	=\$
Raging Waters Good for 2013 season, see park website for schedule.				
General Admission	\$36.99	\$24.99	X	=\$
San Diego Safari Park				
Adult	\$44.00	\$35.75	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$34.00	\$27.75	X	=\$
2-Visit Pass	Adult	\$79.00	\$63.25	X
	Child (3-11)	\$61.00	\$48.75	X
May be used for one visit at each park or 2 visits to the same park.				
San Diego Zoo				
Adult	\$44.00	\$35.75	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$34.00	\$27.75	X	=\$
2-Visit Pass	Adult	\$79.00	\$63.25	X
	Child (3-11)	\$61.00	\$48.75	X
May be used for one visit at each park or 2 visits to the same park.				
Santa Monica Pier/Pacific Park Expires 1/6/2014.				
Unlimited Wristband	\$18.95	\$12.75	X	=\$
Sea World Aquatica Good through 2013 season.				
Adult	\$38.00	\$28.00	X	=\$
Child (3-9)	\$30.00	\$20.00	X	=\$
Season Splash Pass	Adult	\$69.00	\$61.00	X
	Child (3-9)	\$61.00	\$53.00	X
Sea World San Diego Good through 2013 season.				
Adult	\$78.00	\$58.00	X	=\$
Child (3-9)	\$65.00	\$58.00	X	=\$
FunCard	Adult	\$78.00	\$65.00	X
	Child (3-9)	\$70.00	\$65.00	X
Expires 12/31/2013.				
Splash Kingdom Good for 2013 season.				
Adult	\$29.99	\$18.00	X	=\$
Child (3-11)	\$16.99	\$12.00	X	=\$
Speedzone Expires 4/25/2014.				
3 Hour Unlimited Pass	Unlimited use of rides and Mini-golf.	\$49.99	\$25.00	X
Universal Studios Expires 1/31/2014.				
Buy 1-Day: get 2-Days free!	Adult/Child (under 48")			
	"Walk-in purchase" at Club Store only	\$80.00	\$69.00	X
	E-Ticket price, available through Website only	\$80.00	\$75.00	X

Gift Certificates				
See's Candies				
Gift Certificate (1 lb.)	\$17.50	\$12.90	X	=\$

Shipping & Handling

Tax (only applicable to all merchandise, not on tickets)	X	8.75%	= \$
Tickets: First Class Mail w/ Delivery Confirmation	\$2.99	x	1 = \$
Tickets: Certified Mail (requires a Signature upon Delivery)	\$4.99	x	1 = \$
Tickets: Priority Mail (2-3 Days)	\$7.00	x	1 = \$
Hats, Watches, Clothing, etc. (all merchandise)	\$7.50	(any quantity)	= \$

SUBTOTAL					
\$					
Merchandise	SIZE	COLOR	PRICE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
ITEM:					= \$
ITEM:					= \$
ITEM:					= \$
TOTAL (please include shipping)					
\$					
**Please be aware that black-out dates and restrictions may apply to the use of discounted tickets.					

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Member's name		
Home Street Address		
City	State	Zip
Home Phone		Work Phone
Club Member Number		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">ALL TICKETS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. PRICES MAY CHANGE.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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">When visiting Club offices, only the first 15-minutes of parking will be validated.Tickets must be mailed to your home address.City Employees Club of Los Angeles cannot be held responsible for money or	<ul style="list-style-type: none">tickets lost in the mail.For your convenience, the Club accepts VISA or MasterCard.Maximum 12 tickets per event/ theatre/attraction per order.Allow 3 to 7 days for delivery.

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CLUB SPORTS

News from Sports Leagues
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The next coed softball season begins this July. Submit your rosters to the Club Sports Office. Visit the Club Website or email the Sports Dude at sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com for registration forms.



The Guzzlers
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Bowling Fun!



Sign up for upcoming Club bowling leagues. The Club's Sports Dude is rounding up all those dedicated Club bowlers out there. Join a Club bowling league. There's little time to spare!

Contact the Sports Dude at (800) 464-0452, or sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com



Dodgers Tickets

Giveaway!

United Agencies is giving away a pair of Dodger tickets for the Sept. 29 game vs. the Colorado Rockies (1:10 p.m. game time). These are loge level seats. Anyone who is quoted for insurance from United Agencies will be entered into the drawing. No purchase necessary. Contact United Agencies at (888) 801-5522 or email the Club at info@cityemployeesclub.com for more information.



The Running Club

Team Members, here's a list of events the Running Club is sponsoring:

UPCOMING RUNNING CLUB EVENTS

JUNE 23: Breath of Life Ventura Triathlon

AUG 24: iTRYathlon and 5K (women and youths reverse tri), Irvine



**Come meet Robert Larios,
The Sports Dude**

Sign Up Mondays!

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

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



The Club Store is Your Official City and DWP Merchandise Headquarters

JUNE Product Highlights

New Club items available now,
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- 1 City Seal Water Bottle**
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\$12-Retail | **\$9 Member**
- 2 City Seal Stainless Steel Water Bottle**
Strong and Sturdy with easy twist cap
\$15-Retail | **\$11 Member**
- 3 City Seal Stainless Steel Tumbler**
Available in 2 colors
\$19-Retail | **\$14 Member**
- 4 City Seal Stainless Steel Coffee Mug**
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\$17-Retail | **\$13 Member**
- 5 City Seal Square Face Men's Watch**
Available in 2 colors
\$47-Retail | **\$36 Member**
- 6 City Seal "ME" Women's Watch**
Available in Pink
\$38-Retail | **\$29 Member**
- 7 LA Challenge Coin - Heli**
Authentic Los Angeles Police Department Coin
\$16-Retail | **\$10 Member**
- 8 LA Challenge Coin - Buzz**
Authentic Los Angeles Police Department Coin
\$16-Retail | **\$10 Member**
- 9 LA Challenge Coin - K9 Bomb**
Authentic Los Angeles Police Department Coin
\$20-Retail | **\$15 Member**
- 10 Vintage Organizer Bag**
Available in 3 colors
\$24-Retail | **\$18 Member**
- 11 Tech Bag**
Available in 3 colors
\$24-Retail | **\$18 Member**
- 12 Vintage Medic Bag**
Available in 2 colors
\$23-Retail | **\$17 Member**
- 13 2 Compartment Travel Bag**
Available in 2 colors
\$13-Retail | **\$10 Member**
- 14 Vintage Shoulder Bag**
Available in 4 colors
\$55-Retail | **\$42 Member**
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Available in 4 colors
\$58-50-Retail | **\$45 Member**



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** The time and date listed below are subject to change**

June 6th (6AM-9AM) DC&M Wilmington	July 8th (6:30AM-3PM) ESC Palmetto 3rd Floor	July 9th (7AM-10AM) Operations Valley Truesdale Large Training Room	July 11th (8AM-11AM) Electric Trouble Boylston Yard
July 11th (6AM-9AM) DC&M Wilmington	July 11th (1PM-4PM) CR&FS Shops N. Main Street, Bldg 3	July 15th (5:30AM-8:30AM) General Construction N. Main Street, Bldg 17	July 16th (6AM-9AM) DC&M Lincoln Heights Artesian
July 16th (12:30PM-3:30PM) CF&S Shops ERS N. Main Street, Bldg 17	July 17th (6:30AM-9:30AM) ESM/Operations Crenshaw Office	July 18th (6AM-9AM) DC&M Northridge	July 18th (1PM-4PM) Electric Trouble Boylston Yard
July 23rd (6AM-9AM) Streetlight Hoover Street	July 23rd (1PM-4PM) Electric Trouble Boylston Yard	July 24th (6AM-9AM) ESM Metro & Administration Palmetto	July 25th (6AM-9AM) DC&M Central District
July 29th (5:30AM-8:30AM) General Construction Sheldon Street	July 30th (6AM-9AM) Palms District	July 31st (7:00AM-10AM) ESM Valley Truesdale Large	

If you can't make it to one of these locations or would like to schedule an earlier time for pickup, please contact DWP Member Services Counselor, Gedina Bergstrom at 213-507-6138 or gbergstrom@cityemployeesclub.com