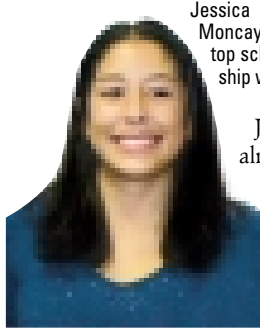


Three Great Futures Are on Track With Club Scholarships

■ The Club Scholarship awards three children of Club members, celebrating achievement and the promise of a great future.

"I am so proud of her," said Cynthia Beltran, Housing Dept. employee, City worker for 28 years, Club member and mother of Jessica Moncayo, the grand winner of the Club's 2004 Scholarship.



Jessica Moncayo, top scholarship winner.

"She can accomplish anything she wants to."

Jessica Moncayo has already proven that to be true. She has won the top scholarship in Club's annual Scholarship program. She has already proven her worthi-

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Hail to the Interns!

■ Port program has reception for interns. Club sponsored gifts.

On Thursday, Sept. 2, the Harbor Department hosted the International Trade Academy (ITA) at Banning High School's Summer 2004 Internship Program culmination reception. The Port of Los Angeles has been a sponsor of the ITA since its inception by former Harbor Board Commissioner Carol Rowen. Martín Chavez, Harbor Department Human Resources Development Officer, with intern Rosio Becerra—a senior Public Relations major at Cal State University Dominguez Hills—administers the internship program.

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Martín Chavez, Harbor Department's Human Resources Development Officer. Martín was responsible for coordinating the highly acclaimed internship.



■ Zoo employees go to extraordinary depths to serve the City.

Story and photos by Robert Larios, Club Operations Manager

Underwater photos by T.J. Jones, Zoo View photographer



Erin Fleming, Senior Animal Keeper, 6 years, with sea lions ready to have fish lunch.

It took an extraordinary vote of confidence for the citizens of Los Angeles to approve a bond fund to build the under-construction Sea Lion Cliffs exhibit at the L.A. Zoo and Botanical Gardens.

A handful of Zoo employees returned the favor, by going to extraordinary depths to serve this new gift to the City. Last month, after hard work, study and training, they became certified in scuba diving so that they can clean and service the new tank when it opens next year.

Only a handful of civilian City employees are scuba-certified for their job. These men and women are some of them.

"It is exciting to see the progression of our employees as scuba divers from their first dive to the last," said Zoo Director John Lewis.

The Sea Lion exhibit, designed about four years ago, was funded with donations and a bond. The

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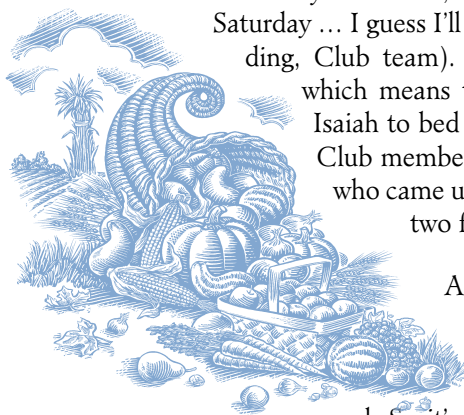
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by **John Hawkins**
 CEO, The Club



Fall Brings Its Special Holidays

It's official; autumn is here! Halloween is just around the corner (I vowed this year to not steal my kids' candy while they're sleeping) as well Thanksgiving. Columbus Day is Oct. 11, and National Boss Day is on the 16th (that's a Saturday ... I guess I'll have everyone come in to celebrate ... just kidding, Club team). Also, Daylight Saving Time ends Oct. 31st, which means that it will be much easier to put Noah and Isaiah to bed now that it will be darker earlier. (The first 10 Club members who e-mail me with the name of the person who came up with the idea of Daylight Saving Time will get two free movie tickets.)



As I have mentioned many times before, the City Employees Club is all about celebrating the lives and work of City employees. That's our vision, mission and everyday goal. So it's no wonder we're featuring the LA Zoo's new Scuba Team on the front page. Robert Larios (a.k.a. Chef Larios) did an awesome job putting this story together; I know you'll enjoy reading it. You'll also notice that we are starting to get quite a few letters to the editor. This has truly become a fantastic sounding board for you to release some steam or share some praise, so don't hold back; if you have something to say, just e-mail it to talk-back@cityemployeesclub.com

Last but not least, congratulations to our Club Scholarship winners. Jessica Moncayo, daughter of Club member Cynthia Beltran (Housing) was selected as the major scholarship winner. Recipients of the two smaller Club Scholarships were Eliza Brown, daughter of Club Member Rosalynn Brown (Rec and Parks), and P.A. Lava, son of Club member Amalia Lava (ITA). I know you'll be as impressed with the winners as we are. Best of luck to the three of you!

Have an excellent October!
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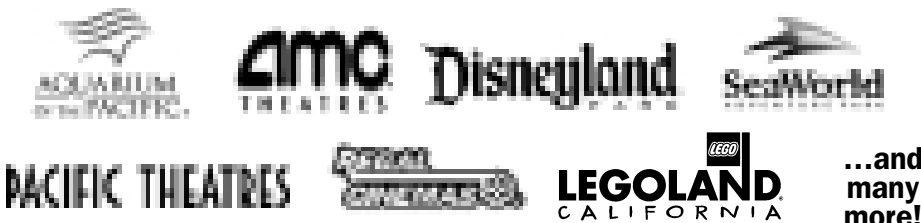
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Ticket Guy Event Made Them Feel Like Princesses

Thank you, Ticket Guy and Arlene Herrero for making it possible for us to attend our first tea party!

The Princess Diaries 2 movie was funny. But our favorite part was meeting the enchanting Snow White, Belle, Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella and Ariel.

It was very exciting for us to sip tea and eat tiny yummy sandwiches in our princess outfits.

This was the best tea party ever. We can hardly wait for our next venture through the Club.

Two very contented princesses,

Miranda Medina (Snow White) and Hannah Franco (Belle)

— **Granddaughters of Red Medina, Public Works.**

The two young Club princesses took part in a special Club event—a screening of *Princess Diaries 2* and a tea afterward at the El Capitan Theater.—Ed.



Miranda Medina, left, and Hannah Franco, right, with a Disney princess at the princess Club event.

Is There More to Situation Between Mayor and Keller?

Why does [Mayor] Hahn have to be so political all the time? Why can't he just come out and say that he's glad Larry Keller resigned from the Port of LA, instead of whitewashing his true feelings? By the way, I sure wish the mayor's sister lived in my city, maybe then we could get our streets paved and cleaned up. In case no one has noticed, Los Angeles is starting to look like a third world country, weeds are growing everywhere and many streets are in horrible condition. Am I the only one who is thinking these things?

— **Jimmy Tomlin, Club Member**

Will Palmdale Resurgence Create City Employee Jobs?

Now that the Palmdale Airport will be opening soon, maybe that will give City employees more job opportunities.

— **John Smiley Jr., Airports**

Mayor's Plan for Affordable Housing Is At Least a Start

People might say that the Mayor's new housing proposal which is supposed to help with the shortage of affordable housing is "too little to late", but at least it's a start.

— **Gerard Howard, DWP**

The Governor Should Pass This List of Bills

Here are a few bills that Governor Schwarzenegger must allow to pass. They are:

- the bill that would ban cruise ships from releasing raw sewage into California waters;
- the bill that would require all sellers to allow consumers to recycle old cell phone;
- the bill that would make it illegal to possess a .50 caliber rifle in California without a permit;
- the bill that requires sellers of handgun ammunition to check the identification of buyers
- the bill that would make the Megan's Law database available on the Internet
- the bill that would make it easier for property owners to build second units next to existing homes;
- the bill that would boost penalties for high-speed driving
- the bill that would raise minimum wage to \$7.25 an hour; and
- the bill that would prohibit state and local agencies from contracting outside the United States.

— **Helen Fontaine**

Actions Against Slumlords Are Cause for Celebration

Hooray for the City of Los Angeles for filing criminal counts against Wilshire district landlords accused of being slumlords.

The City needs to continue its citywide rejuvenation.

— **Thomas Tonney**

Kudos to Sunil for Receiving Young Engineers Trans. Award

Congratulations to Sunil Rajpal of the Advanced Transportation Management Division of the Department of Transportation for receiving the Institute of Transportation Engineers' (ITE) Southern California Section Young Transportation Engineer of the Year Award in July.

— **Julie Bunn, LADOT**

Thanks to Club for Printing The Good News About DOT

Thanks City Employees Club for, once again, sharing with the City employee community the great things LADOT has done for its neighborhoods like the signpost project. How wonderful that the City had a ceremony for those traffic officers who participated in the street sign decal project. I wouldn't have known about it.

— **Heidi Logan, DWP**

Elvia Wins Recognition for Her Great Work with Aging

Kudos to Elvia Magallon for receiving the employee of the quarter in recognition of her outstanding work providing technical assistance to her assigned agencies and co-workers with the Department of Aging.

— **James Don, Department of Aging**

New Employees at DOT Get A Warm Welcome From Him

Let me give our new Department of Transportation employees a warm welcome. They are Daryl Stricke, Traffic and Sign Poster; Charles Steven Parra, Traffic Painter and Sign Poster; and James Muraoka and Tneal Goffney, TPSP I, from Department of Airports.

— **Tim Lawland, LADOT**

December Refund Check Will Help Him Buy Holiday Gift

For a second I thought I was going to get my refund check in September. Thanks for the clearing it up in the *Alive!*. Now I can buy a decent Christmas present since I'm getting the refund check in December.

Thanks *Alive!* and the Club,

— **Matt Cicala, Club Member**

Swing-a-Thon Pictures in *Alive!* Gave a Nice Flavor of the Event

I had a great time at the LAPD Swing-a-thon. I was also happy to see coverage of this event in *Alive!* The pictures taken gave a nice flavor of the fun we had that day. The event really is a great cause for the children in the community.

— **Mike Gilespi, LAPD**

Cool Office Depot Club Discount Requires Using a Credit Card

I bought the Haier Refrigerator at Office Depot priced at \$249.99, but I paid just \$145.33.

I was a little hesitant to sign up for this Club service because some colleagues were having trouble using their Club card. But as Howard Pompel of the Club said, you have to use your credit card.

Thanks, City Employees Club.

— **Lauren Brady, Community Development**

Fallen Firefighter Coverage Gave Jaime Proper Respect

Thanks goes to the City Employees Club for the placing a great article and fantastic pictures of our fallen firefighter Jaime Foster. It gives her proper respect.

— **Frank Tuutata, LAFD**

New Member Appreciates Counselor's Personal Touch

I'm so glad Elizabeth Montes came to my office today. I would love to join the City Employees Club! I would also like to know more about the life insurance program. Thanks!

— **Yvette Rojas,**

**Administrative Assistant
Councilmember Wendy Greuel**

Cleanup Effort Appreciated, But More Could Be Done

So I noticed that the street across from the City buildings on 220 N. Figueroa St. have been cleaned up and made to look brand new. How about sending some of that money spent there over to some of the slum areas of downtown LA.

— **Linda McCloud, DOT**

It's Round Two Between Mayor and Bernard Parks

It's interesting to see Councilman Bernard Parks start up with his combo jabs at Mayor Hahn, especially about the increasing crime rate in the City. What's even more interesting is that Mayor Hahn proclaims that the City crime rate has decreased even when there are reports about homicide increases that support Parks' notion that Hahn is failing on crime reduction.

— **Gondika Hoppekinnakana, City Administrative Office**

Is the political tugging between Councilman Parks and Mayor Hahn really about the differences in opinion or is because Parks is still bitter that he was ousted by Hahn as Chief of Police? What a sweet victory it should be for Parks if Hahn's election rival wins the mayoral ticket.

— **Mike Hearst, Building and Safety**

Funding Needed to Remove LA From Worst Traffic List

And our great City achieves another great feat ... the nation's number one City for the worst traffic. I believe that we need funding to fix our City streets and add more roads to already swelling traffic.

— **Mona McKeena, Sanitation**

Anti-Spam Law Prevents Him From Getting E-mail

The federal anti-spam e-mail law went into effect January 1. But I haven't noticed any deterrence in the flow of my junk e-mail. In fact, I have received about three times more than I did before January 1.

— **Jonathan Burogs, ITA**

LAPD Could Use the Proposed Tax Increase

I'm all for the 5-cent sales tax increase for Los Angeles. All of the money collected will be available for the Los Angeles Police Department. This is a worthy cause as long as it is used wisely.

— **Roger Lopez, City Planning**

Safety Upgrades at LAX Need Better Management

Bureaucracy! Bureaucracy! Bureaucracy! That's what rings in my ear when I hear that the safety upgrades planned for LAX are behind schedule and the cost is climbing beyond what was budgeted. The City of Los Angeles needs to step in and restore order.

— **Ronald Alarcon, Street Services**

Standing in Unison

By Michelle Moreno, Club Events Guru
Photos by Summy Lam, Club IT Coordinator

■ Circle of Unity observed at LAX in memory of 9/11.

On Sept. 9, officials at Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) commemorated the third anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, with a "Circle of Unity" ceremony at LAX. The public, airport employees and passengers formed a silent human "Circle of Unity" around the memorial art piece in the lobby of the LAX Theme Building—recreating the one held Sept. 14, 2001, the first full day of flight activity after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

The moment of silence was followed by attendees singing "God Bless America." Small U.S. flags were distributed.

Club Board Member Michael Biagi led the commemoration. He read a poem by Chelsea Cruz. Chelsea is the daughter of Club member Pam Cruz, a Management Analyst II in the Engineering and Project Management Division.

Here is Chelsea's poem:

*We Remember
When we think back on that dreadful day in
September '01
Emotions rise as we try to hold back tears for
those who have gone
Relinquishing. Never. Proceeding on towards a
brighter future and unity. An
Eminent day in modern history
Mourning for those who were hurt, wishing for
those who committed this to come forth
Endorsing togetherness, remembering how the
plane had collided with the North. Our
Morale restored two years later
Believing in each other now more than ever
Enabling differences in order to reunite
Remembering that day, that hit, that flight...*



The "Circle of Unity" at LAX.



Transportation Security Administration, from left: Link Lewis, Primary Management; Jayme Dennison, Manager; Mariano Barreiro, Administrative Officer; and Elaine Yellock, Administrative Assistant.



Airport Police, from left: Bike Officer Adrian; Officer Lane; and Officer Muhammad.



Engineering and Project Management Division, from left: Patricia Gawith, Clerk Typist; Tony Won, Management Analyst; and Pamela Cruz, Management Analyst.



Airport Traffic Control Unit, from left: George Abshier, Training Officer; Sean Hector, Traffic Officer; Sgt. Robert Faston; Sgt. Matturi; Peter T. Keenan, Traffic Officer; and Nels Hansen, Training Officer.



A moment of silence during the commemoration.



Travelers Aid Volunteers.



From left: Chris Smith, Gardener/Caretaker, and Guadalupe Raygoza, Gardener



"God Bless America" was sung by Shelly Roberts, Senior Clerk Typist, Landslide Operations.



Michael Biagi, Chief of Landslide Operations, Los Angeles World Airports, and LACEA Board Member, read the emotional poem written by Chelsea Cruz, daughter of Club Member Pam Cruz.

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Political Forum



Deferred Comp. Decision Made Without Notification

By Dennis Zine, Councilmember, District 3

As Chairman of the Personnel Committee, I recently introduced a motion asking the Los Angeles City Council to assert jurisdiction over the Board of Deferred Compensation Administration's (Board) decision to terminate the City's contract with Great-West Retirement Services in favor of using another provider, Nationwide.

The Board's August 17th decision sparked major concerns from City employees who would incur a 20 to 25 percent fee increase with the change from Great-West to Nationwide. The Board members who voted in support of Nationwide justified their decision by claiming that additional fees would fund more services. However, City employees were never notified that a change in providers was even a possibility, or what types of services would be provided.

My office received a number of phone calls from a variety of City employees who felt that the decision to change providers had been shoved down their throats. Once I reviewed the facts and discovered that employees had not even been notified of the pending changes to their plan, I felt compelled to take action.

Currently Great-West assists City employees by investing their money in individually selected investment plans. Each payday, employees contribute a predetermined amount of money directly from their paychecks to fund their investments. These plans allow participants a chance to invest tax-deferred dollars for retirement.

The Board of Deferred Compensation Administration's goal is to represent the will of the City employees who are members. The

employees' strong opposition to this change makes me think the Board action needs to be reviewed.

On Sept. 14, the Los Angeles City Council voted in support of my motion asking for the Council to assert jurisdiction. This move means that Councilmembers will have 21 calendar days to decide if a veto is warranted. During the 21-day period, the Personnel Committee is to hold a special meeting Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 2 p.m. in the John Ferraro Council Chambers, Room 340. I am hopeful as I write this that all City employees who may be impacted by this change will attend this meeting to voice their concerns.

The final vote on the matter will be held Tuesday, Oct. 5, during the regular meeting of the Los Angeles City Council.

The Deferred Compensation Fund has more than \$1.8 billion in assets.

Council District 3 includes these communities:

- Woodland Hills
- West Hills
- Canoga Park
- Reseda
- Winnetka
- Tarzana.

Each month, Alive! invites political leaders to speak directly to City and DWP employees and retirees. Alive! brings you these views as a public service. The opinions of those on this monthly column are independent of Alive! and the City Employees Club of Los Angeles.

Keller Out

■ Mayor, Harbor GM 'port' ways.



Larry Keller, former GM, Port of L.A.

Mayor Jim Hahn Sept. 17 announced the resignation of Port of Los Angeles Executive Director Larry Keller.

"Larry's tenure saw the Port of Los Angeles grow into America's largest maritime gateway and the prime economic generator in the Southland," Mayor Hahn said. "I wish him well in all his future endeavors."

Keller's resignation, submitted on Sept. 17, is effective immediately. "I greatly appreciate the many opportunities that the Port and City have provided me," Keller said in his letter of resignation. "It's been a privilege to work with the talented people at the Port of Los Angeles.

"Larry arrived at a critical time at the Port. His maritime industry expertise helped establish us as the leading Pacific gateway to the U.S.," said Harbor Commission President Nick Tonsich. Former Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan hired Keller as the Port's chief executive officer in 1997.

Today, the Port of Los Angeles is ranked as the biggest container port in the nation and the sixth largest container port in the world. A search to replace Keller will begin immediately. In the interim, Chief Operating Officer Bruce Seaton will assume the duties of the executive director.



Bruce Seaton, Interim GM, Port of L.A.

LACECA Leadership

Story and photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

■ **Chicano Employees Assn. swears in new board.**

The Los Angeles City Employees Chicano Association held a ceremony to inaugurate its new board, in mid-September.

The event was held in mid-September in City Hall.

The Los Angeles City Employees Chicano Association was established in March 1971. LACECA is dedicated to promoting equal employment opportunities for all sub-parity groups in City government. Although most of its members are Latinos, LACECA membership is open to anyone who is interested in supporting the goals and objectives of the organization. Some of LACECA's goals and objectives are to:

- Advance the employment, educational, economic, and social welfare of its members;
- Encourage the promotional advancement of Latinos and Latinas in City service;
- Work toward the expansion and improvement of the application of the City's Affirmative Action Program to improve diversity in the workforce, across all departments and promotional levels within City service;
- Hear grievances of employees in City service

and act appropriately as decided by the organization; and

- Work toward the achievement of these goals, together with other City and community organizations for the betterment of the community.

Throughout the years, LACECA members have worked toward the enactment of public policies that further the growth of Latinos in employment, and LACECA has been an advocacy group to educate the public, elected officials, and community leaders about issues that greatly affect the social and physical welfare of the community.

If you would like join the other 450 City employees who joined, call (213) 847-2229 or email your inquiries to: lacecmail@aol.com.

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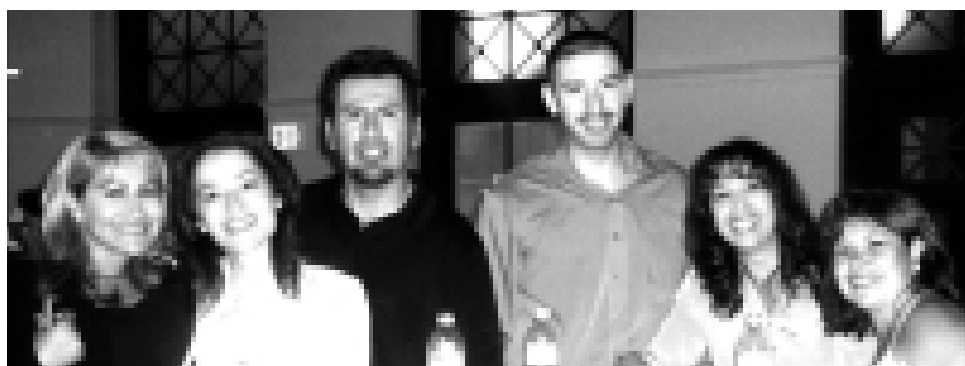
October 15, LA City Fiesta Hall. At City Hall Triforium. From 5 to 11 p.m. Food, music and prizes. Free to all members. Guests welcome. Call (213) 847-2229 for more information.

December 9th. Annual Holiday Reception. Food, music and prizes at City Hall. Bring a toy or a \$10 donation for admission.

Congratulations to the new LACECA Board!



From Left: Councilman LaBonge; Leonor Garcia, LACECA 2nd VP, DWP; and Maggie Whelan, GM of Personnel at the Council Meeting commemorating the Latino Heritage Month Celebration, Sept 10, 04.



Leonor Garcia, Elizabeth DeSimone, Juno Galvan, Mario Ceja and Martha Lopez (All DWP employees)... Liz Wood (Private Industry)



From Left: The incoming officers for the 2004-2006 term are: Rosie Tavera, Treasure; Carlos Portillo, 1st Vice President; Jackie Zarate-Roberts, President; Robert Urteaga, Executive Secretary; Annette Salazar Recording Secretary; and Leonor Garci, 2nd Vice President.



The swearing-in ceremony at City Hall.

Pages Come Alive!

■ Central Library's Performing Books program combines children's literature with performing arts.

The Los Angeles Public Library's Performing Books, which began its second season in September, continues in October, November and next January with a series of enticing performances for children.

The Central Library is at Fifth and Flower Streets in downtown Los Angeles.

Children's books about the arts are translated into live performances through the magic of whimsical storytellers and talented professional artists. Designed for children ages 4-10, this free afternoon series takes place in the Los Angeles Central Library's Taper Auditorium at 2 p.m. and again at 3 p.m.

The series continues Sunday, Oct. 17; Saturday, Nov. 20; and Saturday, Jan. 22 (2005) in the same place at the same times.

Performing Books is presented by the Los Angeles Public Library, the Music Center Education Division and Reading by 9, with generous support from Mervyn's and the Dwight Stuart Youth Foundation.

The Central Library hopes to see you and your families at these performances!

Upcoming performances are:

Sunday, Oct. 17

Westward Ho, Carlotta by Candace Fleming
Heather Calvete - Soprano,
Dan Bridston - Piano, with
storyteller Peter Kors

Tired of opera houses, world-famous singer Carlotta Caruso travels to the American West, where her magnificent voice tames wolves and even the most hardened bad guys. *Special thanks to the Los Angeles Opera for their generous collaboration.*

Presented in conjunction with the Grand Avenue Festival, an all-day event of music, art, food and fun to showcase downtown LA's best!



Featured at the Performing Books series at the Central Library downtown
Oct. 17 will be "Westward Ho, Carlotta," where a world-famous singer Carlotta Caruso (Heather Calvete, soprano, Los Angeles Opera, center) travels to the American West, where her magnificent voice tames wolves and even the most hardened bad guy (left) and Peter Kors, the storyteller, Music Center Education Division.

Saturday, Nov. 20

The Remarkable Farkle McBride

by John Lithgow
Keith Berger - Mime, with
storyteller David Prather

The musical prodigy Farkle McBride plays a number of instruments before discovering that conducting all the instruments he has forsaken makes him happy.

Special thanks to the Los Angeles Philharmonic for their generous collaboration.



Saturday, Jan. 22

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by Marsha Diane Arnold
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A Trip to the Beach

By Beverly Haro, Club Counselor
Photos by Summy Lam,
Club IT Coordinator

■ The Club tours Venice Beach to see two departments working together for safety.

Venice Beach is getting safer, thanks to the efforts of City employees like Sergeant Curtin of the DOT, who gave the Club a personal tour of Venice Beach Aug. 24, showing us various City employees at work.

Reacting to several recent crimes in the area, the DOT and LAPD have joined efforts to patrol the streets and provide a safer atmosphere for beachgoers.

The tour also gave us a deeper insight on how DOT officers minimize traffic congestion on a very busy summer weekend.

We were impressed at how the LAPD and DOT are working together to keep Venice Beach a safe place. The DOT is there to make sure the traffic and parking run as smoothly as possible. They also interact with the public and provide information for people not familiar with the area.

The Club thanks Sergeant Curtin for the tour!



Officer Garbarini, LAPD, and Officer Collins, DOT, discuss a parking situation.



From left: Officer Riley, DOT, 7 years; Sgt. Curtin, DOT, 18 years; and Officer Castillo, DOT, 18 years.



Officer Castillo directs traffic on busy Ocean Boulevard.



The LAPD Substation at Venice Beach.



Efrain Navarro, Gardener Caretaker, 6 years.



Alicia Garcia, Gardener Caretaker, 5 years.

ALL IN A Day's Work

Great Greenery at Ontario Airport Extends the Welcome Mat

■ Landscapers work hard to make a first City impression a good one.

By Liz Montes, Club Counselor
Photographs by Summy Lam,
Club IT Coordinator

Many people might not ever think about it, but the first impression any visitor might have of the City of Los Angeles is ... the airport where they arrive.

The same holds true for those who live here but have to leave for business or vacation. When they return, they should be welcomed back with as cheerful experience as possible.

That's the goal of the Ontario Airport Landscaping Shop, the landscapers at Ontario

International Airport. Well-kept grounds can go a long way to making people proud to visit here, or to come back home. It takes a lot of hard work, know-how and excellence to provide the most beautiful welcoming experience possible. But that's what the landscapers at Ontario provide.

Meticulous maintenance and pride of ownership are the order of the day for the 20 top-notch landscapers and gardeners at Ontario Airport.

Led by Bryan Jackson, the Park Maintenance Supervisor, all 18 Gardener Caretakers and two Senior Gardeners at Ontario put their heart and soul into their job, and it shows. There are literally thousands of acres of grass, shrubs, exotic trees, flowers and prized roses. There are also extreme temperatures that must be dealt with, from freezing winds to blistering heat.

Ralph Morones, the airport's Director of Maintenance, said, "Given the extreme weather conditions that the landscape staff is subjected to at different times of the year, I am impressed and gratified by their continued efforts and quality work."

Ontario International Airport (ONT) is located 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles in the west end of San Bernardino County. Among the most dynamic of the nation's airports Ontario International Airport has seen a 500 percent increase in airline passenger volume in the last 10 years. During the same period, air cargo shipments have increased an amazing 1700 percent. Currently, about 6 million passengers and 250,000 tons of air cargo are handled annually. All this growth requires beautification, and lots of it.

"The high-profile work of the Landscape Shop is only one example of the excellent work performed by the entire Construction and Maintenance staff at Ontario International Airport," Morones says.

The Club salutes the hard-working landscapers at Ontario Airport for their excellence.



Dave Pro, Gardener Caretaker, 16 years.



Julio Navarro, Gardener Caretaker, 14 years.



Bryan Jackson, Park Maintenance Supervisor, 7 years.

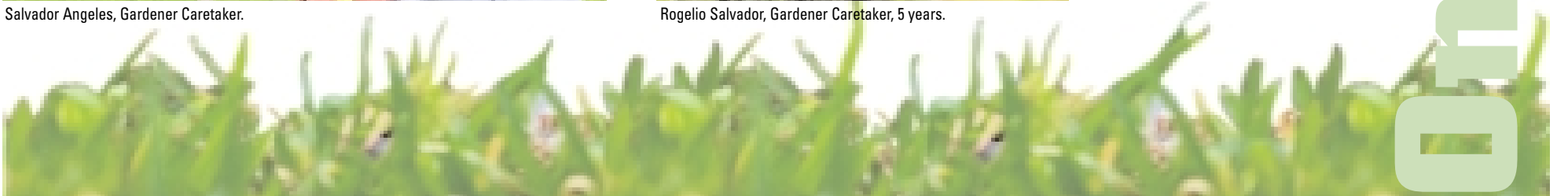


Salvador Angeles, Gardener Caretaker.



Rogelio Salvador, Gardener Caretaker, 5 years.

Ontario Airport Landscapers



ALL IN A Day's Work



Juan Reza Jr., Gardener Caretaker, 8 years.



Rosa Velez, Gardener Caretaker, 15 years.



Collin Concepcion, Gardener Caretaker, 9 years.



Dorla Baptist, Gardener Caretaker, 25 years.



Vicente Aguilar, Gardener Caretaker, 5 years.



Ricardo Espinoza, Gardener Caretaker, 1 year.



Guillermo Reza, Gardener Caretaker, 6 years.



Myrta Tesso, Gardener Caretaker, 19 years.



Carlos Cadena, Sr. Gardener Caretaker, 29 years.

All in the Family

Club member Alicia Garcia, a Gardener/Caretaker at Ontario Airport, stands next to a framed enlargement of the September *Alive!*. Do you remember the girl with the big smile on the cover? That's Alicia's granddaughter Amanda, in a photo from ClubFest 2003. Upon hearing the news, Club Member Services Manager Angel Gomez donated the framed cover to Alicia.



Ontario Airport Landscapers

Be Safe. *Have Fun!*

■ The LAFD provides these safety tips for Halloween.

The best Halloweens are all about family, fun, treats, laughs, shrieks ... and safety. Here are some important safety tips from the Los Angeles Fire Department.

Before Halloween:

- Plan costumes that are bright and reflective. Make sure that shoes fit well and that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame.
- Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and trick-or-treat bags for greater visibility.
- Secure emergency identification (name, address, phone number) discreetly within Halloween attire or on a bracelet.
- Because a mask can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic and hypoallergenic makeup or a decorative hat as a safe alternative.
- When shopping for costumes, wigs and accessories, purchase only those with a label indicating they are flame resistant.
- Think twice before using simulated knives, guns or swords. If such props must be used, be certain they do not appear authentic and are soft and flexible to prevent injury.
- Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.
- Plan ahead to use only battery powered lanterns or chemical light sticks in place of candles in decorations and costumes.
- This is also a great time to buy fresh batteries for your home Smoke Alarms.
- Teach children their home phone number and to how call 9-1-1 (or their local emergency number) if they have an emergency or become lost. Remind them that 9-1-1 can be dialed free from any phone.
- Review with your children the principle of "Stop-Drop-Roll," should their clothes catch on fire.
- Openly discuss appropriate and inappropriate behavior at Halloween time.
- Consider purchasing individually packaged healthy food alternatives (or safe non-food treats) for those who visit your home.
- Take extra effort to eliminate tripping hazards on your porch and walkway. Check around your property for flower pots, low tree limbs, support wires or garden hoses that may prove hazardous to young children rushing from house to house.
- Learn or review CPR skills to aid someone who is choking or having a heart attack.
- Consider safe party guidelines when hosting an Adult or Office Party.

Before Nightfall on Halloween:

- A good meal prior to parties and trick-or-treating will discourage youngsters from filling up on Halloween treats.
- Consider fire safety when decorating. Do not overload electrical outlets with holiday lighting or special effects, and do not block exit doors.
- While children can help with the fun of designing a Jack O' Lantern, leave the carving to adults.
- Always keep Jack o' Lanterns and hot electric lamps far away from drapes, decorations, flammable materials or areas where children and pets will be standing or walking.
- Plan and review with your children the route and behavior which is acceptable to you.
- Do not permit children to bicycle, roller-blade or skateboard.
- Agree on a specific time when revelers must return home.
- Along with flashlights for all, older children and escorts should wear a wristwatch and carry coins for non-emergency phone calls.
- Confine, segregate or otherwise prepare household pets for an evening of frightful sights and sounds. Be sure that all dogs and cats are wearing collars and proper identification tags. Consult your veterinarian for further advice.
- Remind all household drivers to remain cautious and drive slowly throughout the community.

- Adult partygoers should establish and reward a designated driver.

When Trick-or-Treating:

- A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.
- Remind trick-or-treaters:
 - By using a flashlight, they can see and be seen by others.
 - Stay in a group, walk slowly and communicate where you are going.
 - Only trick-or-treat in well-known neighborhoods at homes that have a porch light on.
 - Remain on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk.
 - If no sidewalk is available, walk at the farthest edge of the roadway facing traffic.
 - Never cut across yards or use alleys.
 - Never enter a stranger's home or car for a treat.
 - Obey all traffic and pedestrian regulations.
 - Always walk. Never run across a street.
 - Only cross the street as a group in established crosswalks (as recognized by local custom).
 - Remove any mask or item that will limit eyesight before crossing a street, driveway or alley.
 - Don't assume the right of way. Motorists may have trouble seeing trick-or-treaters.

Just because one car stops, doesn't mean others will.

- Never consume unwrapped food items or open beverages that may be offered.
- No treats are to be eaten until they are thoroughly checked by an adult at home.

- Law enforcement authorities should be notified immediately of any suspicious or unlawful activity.

After Trick-or-Treating:

- Wait until children are home to sort and check treats. Though tampering is rare, a responsible adult should closely examine all treats and throw away any spoiled, unwrapped or suspicious items.
- Try to apportion treats for the days following Halloween.



■ Although sharing is encouraged, make sure items that can cause choking (such as hard candies) are given only to those of an appropriate age.

The LAFD wishes you a safe and happy Halloween!



Safety awareness can help ensure your Halloween is one of the most fun days of the year.

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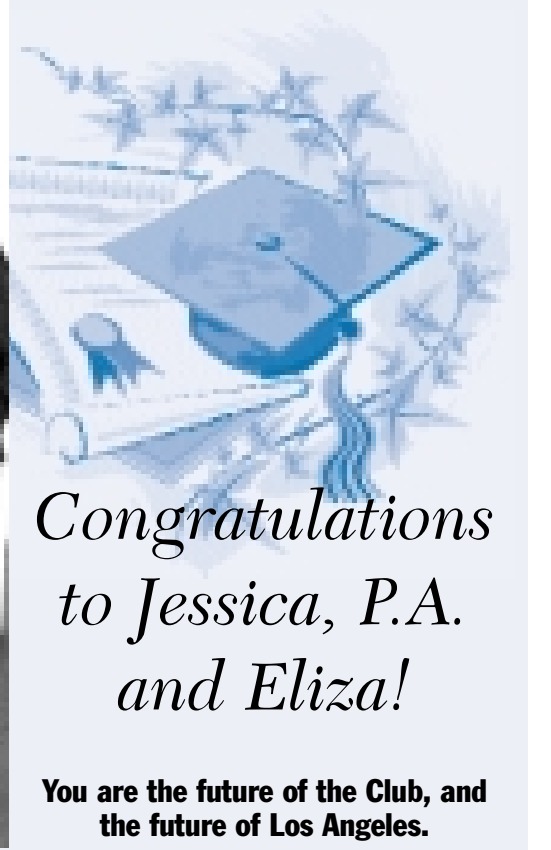
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**Congratulations
to Jessica, P.A.
and Eliza!**

**You are the future of the Club, and
the future of Los Angeles.**

The Club staff supports scholarship winner Jessica Moncayo (center) and her mother Cynthia Beltran, in the dark suit to Jessica's left.

Club Celebrates City Family by Honoring 3 Scholars

Club Scholarships

Continued from Page 1

ness of it by enrolling at Loyola Marymount University and continuing her challenging academic career.

She represents the very best of everything the Club stands for: excellence, hard work and family.

"The Club is all about families and recognizing excellence. We recognize the quality of our City employees every month in *Alive!*, and that's what the Club's scholarship program is all about," said Club CEO John Hawkins in introducing Jessica to the Club staffers who had gathered to applaud her at a event Sept. 7. "Recognizing excellence. Recognizing hard work. Building the City family. And giving back; those are all important to the Club.

"Jessica's accomplishments are really incredible and speak for themselves," Hawkins said. "She honors us with her presence."

This year, the Club selected three winners. Jessica won the grand Club Scholarship for \$4,000, and two children of Club members won scholarships of \$500 each. The other two winners are Philip Anthony Lava and Eliza Brown.

"As I introduce our Scholarship Winner, you might notice a theme: how important it is to give back to world," said Club Board President Robyn Barnes, who works in Police and Fire Pensions. "These great young women and one great young man insist on it. That's why we like them so much. They have accomplished much, and given back at the same time."

The Club Scholarship Committee was headed by Club CFO Brian Trent, with assistance from Club staffer Michelle Moreno. Candidates were judged on academic achievement and promise, need and service.



Club Board Chair Robyn Barnes (right) reads the accomplishments of Jessica Moncayo to the gathered Club staff at the event.

Scholarship Winners

Jessica Moncayo, winner of the Club's \$4,000 Scholarship



Jessica, the younger sister of Jennifer Moncayo, last year's Club Scholarship winner, won the top scholarship all on her own accomplishments. Briefly, they are:

- Jessica has a stellar academic record. She has just begun her freshman year at Loyola Marymount University in Westchester.
- At Bishop Alemany High School, Jessica was on the honor roll every semester. And this despite taking a large number of advanced-placement and high-level courses including physics, chemistry and calculus.
- She was a member of the National Honor Society all four years.
- She was a standout on the soccer team for four years. She was the team captain and MVP, and she won an all-league award, a coach's award and a leadership award.
- At the moment, her career goal is to become a physical therapist. She says she has seen all the severe injuries that athletes can sustain, and she wants to help others through healing their injuries.
- She has volunteered her time by tutoring elementary students, running book drives, and collecting and donating canned goods and clothes.
- She has also helped coach youth soccer teams.

- Her mother, Cynthia Beltran, has worked for the City for 28 years and works in the Housing Dept.

Jennifer deflected all credit for winning the top scholarship to her mom, Cynthia. "I want to thank my mom," she said. "She's my number one supporter. "Without her, none of this would be possible."

Philip Anthony Lava, winner of the Club's \$500 Scholarship



The first winner of the \$500 Club Scholarship has already set a high level of achievement. Here's a summary of P.A. Lava's accomplishments:

- P.A. just entered his freshman year in college with his sights set on a Bachelor's degree—at least!—in biochemistry.
- He was also accepted into UC Irvine and USC.
- He graduated with honors from Damien High School in LaVerne, with an almost perfect grade point average.
- During the summer, he drove more than 100 miles (round trip) every week to volunteer with the LA Boston BioScience Research Group, performing lab research work in the fight against cancer.
- That's his educational and career goal: to become a cancer researcher.
- It's important to him because many in his

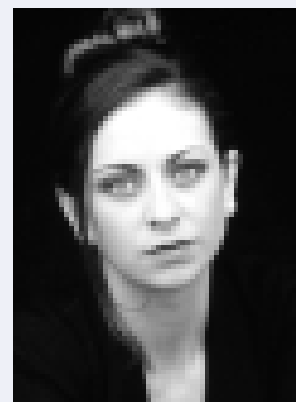
family have died of this awful disease. He wants it to end as soon as possible.

- He has a whole list of leadership credits, and he has also volunteered with at-risk children, the Red Cross, the Eagle Scouts and his church.
- P.A.'s mother is Amalia Lava, a database architect with ITA.

Eliza Brown, winner of the Club's \$500 Scholarship

The third scholarship winner, Eliza Brown, has accomplished much through adversity:

- Eliza is currently enrolled at LA Valley College, where she is studying child development and the arts.
- She is an amazing success story of hard work and perseverance, as she continues to overcome the lifelong challenge of dyslexia.
- Despite this, she was on the honor roll at Grover Cleveland High School in Reseda, and she continues to progress toward her career goals.
- Eliza wants to design beautiful and stimulating educational materials that make learning fun, to help those who suffer learning challenges like she does.



- She has already created and developed educational tools that teach diversity and reinforce developmental concepts.
- She has won numerous awards and recognitions for her talents, her perseverance and her achievements.
- Her mother, Rosalynn, is an education director with Rec and Parks. Eliza says that she was raised "in the park!"

Eliza, who was not able to attend the scholarship reception, sent the following note:

"Thank you for your generosity in choosing me to receive a 2004 Los Angeles City Employees Club Scholarship. I deeply appreciate your affirmation of support and confidence in the pursuit of my academic and professional goals. I value your faith in me even more than the economic support, but both help a great deal.

"I partly applied for this award because I found the article about last year's winner an inspiration. When I read her story, I thought, 'Maybe I could win one, too.' I would certainly advise other members and their families to apply in the future. I feel that by your helping me, you have also given hope to other students, struggling with learning disabilities.

"I will do everything in my power to prove a worthy recipient of the award, and I look forward to a productive semester this fall. By the end of this term, I will have completed my 12 units necessary in order to work in a licensed childcare facility. I will continue to gather resources and create exciting materials to enhance my work when I enter the field."

Eliza Brown

Happy Birthday, LA

By Bev Haro, Club Counselor
Photos by Summy Lam, Club IT Coordinator



■ The City celebrates its 223rd birthday.

On Sept. 4, Los Angeles threw a celebration in honor of its 223rd birthday with a nine-mile walk that began at the San Gabriel Mission and ended at the El Pueblo Historical Plaza near Olvera Street.

The nine-mile Los Pobladores walk began at the San Gabriel Mission at 6 a.m. on Saturday September 4, 2004. The idea was to retrace the footsteps of the founder of Los Angeles. When the walkers arrived to the El Pueblo Historical Monument plaza, they were welcomed with free

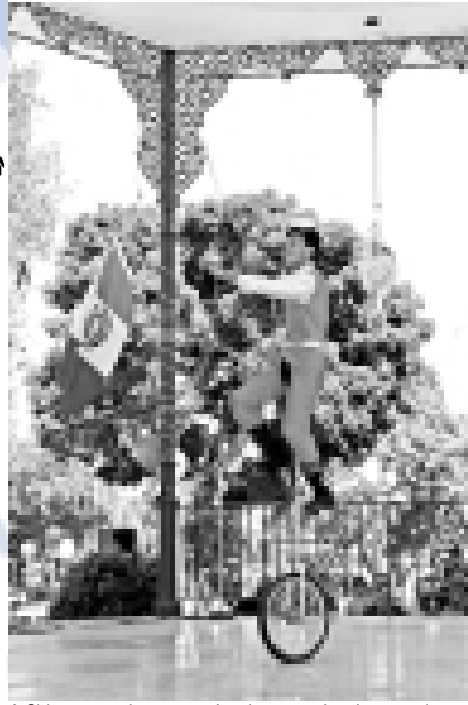
food and refreshments.

Free birthday cake and live entertainment was provided.

The celebration was sponsored by the City of Los Angeles, El Pueblo Historical Monument, Council District 14, the city of San Gabriel, Los Pobladores 200, the DWP and the office of LA County Fifth District Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich.

Attendees included employees of Rec and Parks, General Services, LAPD, LAFD, DOT, El Pueblo and staff from Councilman Antonio Villaraigosa's office.

Many hundreds of tourists attended the event as well.



A Chinese acrobat on a unicycle entertains the crowd.



Club Counselor Beverly Haro (right) with Tony Valdez of Channel 11 News.



From left: Officer Aiken, DOT, 31 years; and Officer Martinez Jr., DOT, 5 years.



Latin dancers pose for a quick picture before performing on stage.



From left: Sarai Molina, office of Antonio Villaraigosa (District 14); Margarita Rivas; and Celine Cordero, office of Antonio Villaraigosa (District 14).



Ken Alexander, ITA.



Rick Ferrante, Rec and Parks.



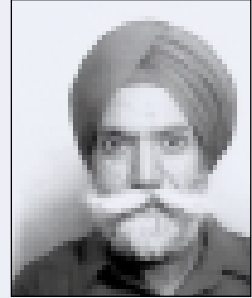
From left: Rosalino Santiago, General Services, 1 year; and Shirley Gomez, General Services, 2 years.



From left: Captain Carter (FS 4); Staff Assistant Watters (Battalion 1); Firefighter Shirley (FS 4); Engineer Tietze (FS 4); Firefighter Dawes (FS 4); Firefighter Muñoz (FS 4); and Battalion Chief Ray Gomez (Battalion 1).



The Club Says Happy Birthday to New Club Member



Vasdev "Vas" Singh, with the Bureau of Sanitation.

Happy birthday, Vas, and welcome to the Club!

Happy Birthday, LaSandra

Story and photo by Robert Larios



The Club wished a happy birthday to LaSandra Atkinson on her birthday, Sept. 15.

LaSandra is the assistant paymaster at

the DWP and has worked for the City for 22 years.

Another Grad!

Over the summer, *Alive!* asked for—and received—photos of those children of Club members who had just graduated from a school (level not important).

We also said that we would be happy to print more, if you sent them in.

Well, here's another, plus a clarification. Congratulations to Gloria from the Club



Gloria Celeste Prado graduated from New Roads High School and received a grant from Whittier College, where she attends now. She is a National Society of High School Scholars. Her

mother is Gloria Hurtado, Community Watch Specialist and Kid Watch LA Coordinator for the City Attorney's Office, Safe Neighborhoods Division. Her uncle is LAPD Sergeant Francisco Hurtado, Hollenbeck Division.

An update:

We ran Krystle A. Garcia's graduation information over the summer. But Krystle didn't tell us who her mother is. She wrote in to correct the situation. Krystle's mom is Alicia Garcia, Gardener Caretaker at Ontario Airport. Congratulations to both of you.



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Cheaper Healthcare!

■ Retirees through the LACERS system will be paying less for their healthcare plan in 2005

On Aug. 23, the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS) Board of Administration approved the addition of new medical plan providers and negotiated overall premium rate reductions of 5.2 percent with no reduction in benefits for LACERS' retirees. The changes will take effect Jan. 1.

"The negotiations we successfully completed resulted in a reduced cost of \$3.45 million. Retirees will benefit from a wider range of choices and some new services," noted Commissioner Ken Spiker, the retired Members' elected representative to the Board of Administration.

Two new medical plan providers — Blue Cross HMO and SCAN of Southern California — met the criteria of cost-effective premiums and quality care. Blue Cross HMO will replace PacifiCare for Retired Members under age 65. SCAN will provide an additional plan choice to Medicare eligible retirees. Through their *Independent Living Power* program, retirees who qualify can access additional services such as transportation to medical appointments, light housecleaning, and home-delivered meals, at no additional cost to the plan.

Board President Shelley I. Smith said, "We believe this excellent result is probably unique among other retiree healthcare purchasers given that annual increases have been in the double digits in each of the last four years." Premiums rose an estimated 18.2 percent in 2004.

As a result of the persistent premium increases over the past four years, the Board issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) in February. The Board's decision to issue the RFP, higher reimbursements from Medicare, and each provider's positive financial position resulted in overall savings. According to Smith, "It was the best possible time and group of circumstances in which to vigorously negotiate premium rates for LACERS' benefit plans without sacrificing quality care."

"The current environment is a difficult one for pension plans to manage increasing healthcare costs for a retiree population," said LACERS General Manager Robert Aguillo Jr. "We recognize that there is no single solution to the healthcare crisis," he said. As to the strategies employed by LACERS, Aguillo noted, "Our efforts demonstrate our commitment to our Members in terms they can readily understand and appreciate. They can feel comfortable and secure, as they enjoy the same quality healthcare with more choices in 2005."



New LACERS President

■ Thomas J. Mizo is elected president of the LACERS board.

Commissioners of the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System Board of Administration elected Thomas J. Mizo president during a regular board meeting Aug. 24.

Mizo is senior managing director at Holliday Fenoglio Fowler L.P. in Los Angeles. He was originally appointed to the Board by Mayor Hahn in September 2001 and serves on the Private Investments Committee. He replaces Shelley I. Smith, who was also elected vice president.

During the same meeting, the Board congratulated Commissioner Vicky L. Schiff on her reconfirmation by the City Council to the Board. Commissioner Schiff has served on the Board since August 2002 and is the chair of the Audit and Strategic Planning Committee.

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LACERS in The Black

■ Fiscal year ends up 18.6 percent.

The LACERS' investment portfolio beat its policy benchmark and ranked in the top 6

percent of pension funds greater than \$1 billion, according to LACERS.

During a regular meeting of the LACERS Board of Administration, Chief Investment Officer Dan Gallagher presented the Investment Performance Review for the period ending June 30. Mr. Gallagher reported that the total investment portfolio return was 18.6 percent for the year, outperforming the policy benchmark by 2.2 percent. The investment portfolio was valued at \$7.7 billion, an increase of \$1 billion from one year earlier.



Living Well!

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

■ The Club takes part in the LAPD's health fair.

Employees of the Club took part in the success of the LAPD's annual health fair. This is the third consecutive year the Club has participated in the fair. The Club loves to promote wellness, so we fit right in.

The fair took place Sept. 2 in the Parker Center lobby downtown. The Club thanks Randy Kipnis and Marleen Caudillo for their help. Here are photos of the event.



Officer Schatz at the acupuncture booth.



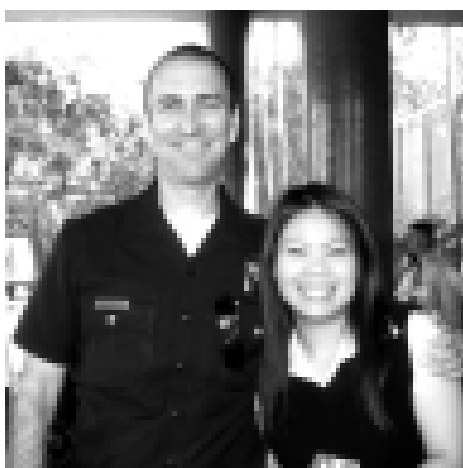
Representing LAPFCU, from left: Deanna Wallace, Rick Noubleau and Maria Ascencio.



From left: Officer Jose Rodriguez, LAPD, 18 years; and Officer Tom Juarez, LAPD, 31 years.



From left: Gloria Ojeda, LAPD, 16 years; and Elias Tirado, LAPD, 5 years.



From left: Officer McDonald, LAPD, 7 years, signed up for the Club at the Club booth, as did April Silva, LAPD, 4 years.



From left: Billy Brown, LAPD, 7 years, signed up at the Club booth, with Audrey Earkman, LAPD, 2 years, Club member.



From left: The Club's Ticket Guy with Christine Pham, LAPD, 9 years, Club member.



From left: Rochelle Richardson, GSD, one month, Club member, with Tamika Gipson, GSD, 5 years, Club member.



From left: Soon Kim, LAPD Communications, 23 years, Club member; Ruby Bravo, LAPD Communications, 4 years; and Karen Aponte, LAPD Communications, 24 years, Club member.



From left: Vickie Wong, LAPD, and Maria Cervantes, LAPD, Club member, at the diabetes screening booth.



Kevin Hollomon, LAPD Criminalist, 14 years, Club member.



Henry Victor at the Deferred Compensation Booth.



From left: Micaela Mowrer, LAPD, 17 years, Club member; the Club's Ticket Guy; and Sally Sinohue, LAPD, 20 years, Club member.



From left: Yolanda Bunn, LAPD Communications, 10 years, Club member; and Yvonne Thompson, LAPD Communications, 15 years, Club member.



From left: Deborah Harris, LAPRA, and Lynette Coleman, Blue Cross.



Susan Duran, LAPD, Club member, at the reflexology booth.



Representing LAPRA were Patricia Morales, Lorraine Estevis, Blue Cross Rep Natalie Seaman, and Cindy King.



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The schedule is:

- Oct. 3:** Kiehl's, 1516 Montana, Santa Monica
- Oct. 9:** 3 Dog Bakery, 6333 W Third St., Farmer's Market, Los Angeles
- Oct. 17:** Petco, 12800 Ventura Blvd., Studio City
- Oct. 23:** Forever Friends open house at all six City shelters!
- Oct. 24:** West LA Farmer's Market, 11360 Santa Monica Blvd., West LA

Pets Get Scared, Too

■ Your animals need special treatment during Halloween.

Okay. So you're having a Halloween Party. You're the Grim Reaper. Everything's going great except that you forgot about big lovable Fluffy-the-dog. You hear a loud shriek from Dracula as Fluffy (who never bites) has his teeth in Dracula's ankle.

Here's something even scarier: a knock on the door, you open it and are confronted by pint-sized ghosts, princesses and superheroes. Suddenly, strong and quick Fido bolts out the door and goes for Cinderella's throat. It is a horrifying thought.

Halloween can be a frightening time for many animals. The noise, costumes and activity can be a threatening and bewildering experience – with unexpected results. Constant intrusions by "Trick-or-Treaters," for instance, can make a normally friendly dog frightened or aggressive and cause a complacent house cat to dart out an open door.

Take these safety tips to ensure Halloween remains a safe and enjoyable time for everyone:

- Do not take pets trick-or-treating.
- Keep all pets indoors – including those that normally live outside – in a secure, quiet room – away from Halloween activity.
- Keep children away from animals. Otherwise friendly animals may be frightened and behave unexpectedly.

- Keep pets away from jack-o-lanterns and candles.

- Keep traceable identification on pets at all times. Scared animals tend to run and may run away from home.

- Do not give trick-or-treat candy to pets. Candy, like chocolate, can make your animal very sick.

If you *must* dress your pet in a Halloween costume:

- Do not use rubber bands or anything constricting, annoying or unsafe.

- Be careful with ties, snaps or zippers that can restrict breathing or movement.

- Do not place hats, hoods or other material over an animal's face. This can agitate an animal.

Stay away from bats! You can get rabies from them. If you suspect that you or your pet has been exposed in any way to a bat, immediately seek medical attention and request that you and/or your pet be tested for rabies.

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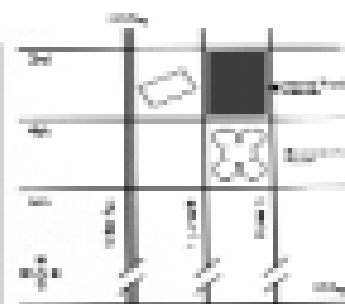
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- Send in your photo now!
- Send digital photos to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
- Send print photos to:
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Special Guest Judge:



Jackie David of Animal Services!

by Jackie David, Public Information Director, L.A. Animal Services

The Pet Club

Protect Pets from Disasters

■ **When it comes to your pets and animals, it pays to be prepared.**

Remember October of last year? That was when fires raged throughout California, displacing thousands of people and pets and killing thousands of animals. That was when L.A. Animal Services, led by horse-specialist and Animal Control Officer Hugh Briefman, arm-in-arm with the Department's Air Rescue Team, the L.A. Fire Department and LAPD, led the effort to evacuate, rescue, transport and house some 450 horses from the City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County and Ventura County. That was when Animal Care Technician Supervisor Sergio Rios spent three days at Pierce College to make sure all the horses and other animals were fed and cared for. (We also rescued 38 cats, 75 dogs, 7-10 barn fowl, 2 peacocks and one llama.) It was a time for L.A. Animal Services to shine with pride for the heroic efforts of its Animal Control Officers and Animal Care Technicians. It seems like a distant memory but it does hold strong.

So, while we're on the subject, have you considered what you might do with your pets and/or animals should a fire disaster or earthquake strike tomorrow? After all, it's best to prepare before a disaster strikes. Here are a few things you should know and should do:

— Keep traceable identification on your animals at all times. Licenses, microchips and identification tags will help reunite you with your pets. (We can microchip your pets at any of our six shelters for \$25 – a great price compared to the \$100 average charge at many veterinary offices. Just make sure you call for an appointment.) Each of your pets should have a collar with a license or tag with your name and telephone number. Horses also need to be microchipped and licensed. L.A. Animal Services contacts all animal owners noted on licenses, microchips or I.D. tags.

— Should you lose an animal that does not have identification, check your local shelter every two to three days. Stray animals are held from five to seven days to allow owners time to find their pets and then become available for adoption into a new home after the hold period. Stray animals may also be humanely euthanized after the hold period.

Prepare an emergency supply kit containing the following:

- **Water** – Animals under stress may need extra water. Plan generously. Emergency rations must include three days supply of water for each animal.
- **Food** – Store at least three days' supply of food for each pet. Use dry food stored in a rodent-proof container placed off the floor.
- **Medication and first-aid supplies** – Medicine is the most frequently forgotten item for both humans and pets. Include, in the kit, current vaccination records and other pertinent medical information.
- Extra collars, leashes, carriers and other important equipment.
- Important telephone numbers.

Make arrangements now for alternative shelter for your animal(s) in case you are evacuated or displaced.

If you own a horse, you should own a horse trailer and adequate tow vehicle to transport your animal. If you do not own a horse trailer, plan ahead for the transportation of your animal. Plans should include a destination for your horse in an emergency. Learn how to load your horse into a trailer before a disaster strikes.

Animal feed is combustible. Keep feed and bedding away from structures. Dispose of ruined feed immediately.

Carry personal identification with your current address at all times. If roadblocks are set up, you will have to prove that you live in the emergency zone to gain access.

Identify neighbors or individuals who can handle your animals in the event you are not at home. Provide them with a means of access if your property is locked, and a liability release. Find a safe evacuation location for you animals if your property becomes unsafe.

Prepare for an animal's reaction to disaster. Disasters are noisy, frightening, chaotic and confusing to both people and pets. An indoor pet may hide in a closet or under a bed. An outdoor pet may retreat under the house. Other animals may panic and bolt. When a horse feels threatened, its natural response is flight, fight or freeze. A horse can hurt someone or self-destruct. Know several methods of restraint and make sure you have the proper equipment to accomplish this. Practice restraint before the disaster.

Confine your pet during emergencies to prevent it from drinking contaminated water. If possible, place a blanket over your pet's temporary shelter to help your pet feel more at ease. The blanket will help muffle noise and provide a dark and comfortable "hiding" place.

Exotic pets often need special care. Develop a plan for shelter and care of any exotic pets.

In the event of a disaster, livestock may be injured or require evacuation. L.A. Animal Services can provide assistance with the rescue, transportation and sheltering of livestock. Plan for alternative shelter for your livestock.

Fires, earthquakes and other disasters may drive wild animals into populated areas. A wild animal that does not run from a human is probably ill or injured. If you find a wild animal, do not attempt to handle it.

Do not handle animals that are already dead. (Why would anyone want to do that, anyway?)

Keep copies of important telephone numbers handy:

- L.A. Animal Services – 1-888-4LA-PET1/1-888-452-7381
- Neighbor(s)
- Primary Veterinarian
- Alternative Veterinarian

Let L.A. Animal Services and/or your community know if you can volunteer your time and/or resources in the event of a disaster. A little help can go a long way!

Above all, know that in a disaster or emergency, L.A. Animal Services will provide free evacuation and temporary kenneling for animals. Know that our shelters do accept animals and provide service for emergencies 24-hours a day, seven days a week and that our shelters are located throughout the City.



Send Questions

Feel free to send questions and concerns to me, and I'll be happy to respond to them in my column. I'm excited about this, so don't hesitate! Write to me at: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Jackie David, Public Information Director, L.A. Animal Services



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BY Michelle Moreno, City Events Guru

Michelle on the Move

EVENTS

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A Scary, Scary Good Time for Halloween Fun

Hello folks! Welcome back to Events 411.

Well, it's that time again - my favorite holiday of the year - Halloween! Yes, it's time for costumes, trick-or-treating, ghouls, goblins, witches, pumpkins, candy and a whole lot of scary fun!

Have you decided on a costume yet? Do you know where you'll spend your October 31st? Do you know of the cool haunted houses near you? Do you know where to take the kids for a safe and fun Halloween experience? Well, if you don't have any answers to any of these questions, it's time to start planning! No worries though, I'm here to help you (except for costume choices; I'm afraid you're on your own on that one).

So let's start. Well, I have good and bad news for you. The good news is that there's a ton to do for Halloween. The bad news is that there's too much! It was impossible to list every Halloween event I came across, so I have included some cool links just to give you several options. You'll find those links at the end.

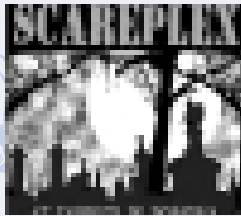
So as I've been saying, there's no shortage of neat Halloween activities. From carnivals and festivals - there's even a festival for you and your pets - to haunted houses, there's something for everyone. Some of the haunted houses even have a kid-friendly version just to provide parents with a different yet fun option. Also, don't forget Knott's Halloween Haunt. The Ticket Guy has your discount tickets to this cool annual event. But hurry—they're going fast.

If you cannot make it to these events and are looking for something more local, the best place to look is your local city paper. If not, try your recreation and parks department or just ask around any major shopping centers. There are several shopping centers that offer trick-or-treating options for you and your family.

Beside Halloween, there are other cool things to check out, such as the Oktoberfest, the Fall Festival at the Farmers' Market, the Star Parties at the Griffith Observatory, and the Autumn Sea Fair.

Well, it's time for me to go and start my own Halloween planning. I wish you a safe and fun holiday! Happy Halloween!

Links for more Halloween fun at:



www.alleycatscratch.com/halloween
www.hauntworld.com/states/cal.php

For more events around the City, visit these Websites: www.experiencela.com, www.laweekly.com, www.culturela.org

Know of any great City events? Let me know!

I'll be happy to include your event in my monthly column. (Listings are limited to City events, with an emphasis(although not exclusively) on families. Make sure to include dates, times, locations, costs (if any) and contact information. Email me at: MichelleOnTheMove@cityemployeesclub.com or call me at (800) 464-0452.

October

Oktoberfest

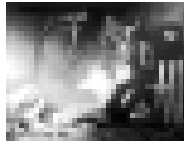
Guten tag! If you can't go to Germany, bring Germany to you. Enjoy a day of German food, drink and entertainment.

Date(s): Now through - Oct. 31
Time: Fri - 6:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. (21 years and older only)
Sat - 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. (21 years and older only)
Sun - Noon to 7 p.m. (Family Day)
Site: Alpine Village
833 W. Torrance Blvd., Torrance
Cost: \$5/Fri & Sat., \$4/Sun, free/children under 12 with adult
More Info: (310) 327-4384 or www.alpinevillage.net

Knott's Halloween Haunt

We have great deals on Knott's Halloween Haunt - a night of ghosts, ghouls, mazes and lots of screaming!

Date(s): Sept. 30 - Oct. 31
Time: 7 p.m. - 1 a.m. (weekdays)
7 p.m. - 2 a.m. (weekends)
Site: Knott's Berry Farm Buena Park
Cost: \$23 - \$34 (call for specific date price)
More Info: (800) 777-1744 or www.cityemployeesclub.com



Faulkner Farm Pumpkin Patch and Harvest Festival

Hayrides, face painting, music, food and lots and lots of pumpkins! Bring the family for a day of fun at the Faulkner Farm.

Date(s): Oct. 1 - 31
Time: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Site: 14292 W. Telegraph Road, Santa Paula
Cost: \$1/general, free/children under 3
Weekend: \$2/general, free/children under 3
Free parking
More Info: (805) 525-2226 or www.faulknerfarm.com

Spooky House 15 Haunted Theme Park

Come and experience this haunted mansion with three different attractions. Matinee shows are recommended for children (3-10).

Date(s): Oct. 1 - 31: Fri-Sun
Oct. 21-31: Every night (closed Oct. 25)
Oct. 2 - 31: Matinee shows, Sat. and Sun.
Time: Matinee Shows: noon - 4 p.m.
Mega-scary session opens just after dark!
Site: Topanga Canyon and Victory Blvds.
Woodland Hills (Behind Topanga Theatre)
Cost: \$13.50/single attraction
\$18.50/three-attraction ticket
\$25/three-attraction VIP ticket, private entrances and "no waiting."
\$8.50/children's matinee
More Info: (818) 888-8570 or www.spookyhouse.com

The Fright Gallery presents "Experiments in Terror"

Bring your friends and experience 14,000 square feet of paranormal fright. Kid-friendly version available.

Date(s): Oct. 3, 4, 9-11, 16-19, 21-26, 28-Nov. 1
Time: Oct. 19 and 26 (noon - 4 p.m. is kid-friendly)
6 - 10 p.m. (weekday)
6 - 11 p.m. (weekend)
Site: Media City Center Mall
201 E. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank
Cost: \$6/general - kid-friendly version
\$10/Oct. 3-4
\$15/general
\$3 discount coupons available at some Burbank retailers. See website for info.
More Info: (818) 840-8408 or www.thefrightgallery.com

2004 ScreamFest Horror Film and Screenplay Competition

Want to see new scary movies as well as some of the classic scary movies of our time? Come and enjoy the annual ScreamFest. See website for movie listing.

Date(s): Oct. 15 - 24
Time: 6 p.m. - midnight
Site: Lowes Cineplex, Universal City Walk, Universal City
Cost: \$10/general admission per movie or \$150 for all films
More Info: (323) 656-472-7326 or www.screamfestla.com

Pumpkin Round-Up at Descanso Gardens

Bring the kids for hayrides, country fair animals, scarecrows, and plenty of pumpkins.

Date(s): Through Oct. 24
Time: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Site: Descanso Gardens, 1418 Descanso Drive, La Cañada
Cost: \$7/adults \$5/senior and students, \$2/children (5-12), free/children under 5
More Info: (818) 949-4200 or www.descansogardens.org



The Haunted Zone

Wanted to experience another haunted house? Go to the Haunted Zone for two floors of fright. Kid friendly hour is available.

Date(s): Oct. 24, 25, 30, 31
Time: 7 - 8 p.m. (kid-friendly haunted house)
8:30 p.m. - closing (scary version)
Site: 231 East Main Street, Alhambra
Cost: \$8/general (Oct. 24, 25, 30)
\$10/general (Halloween night)
Free Parking
More Info: (626) 282-6178 www.hauntedzone.com

Fall Festival at the Farmer's Market

Enjoy live country music, a pumpkin patch and lots of pumpkin carving, crafts and gardening demonstrations at the famous Farmer's Market.

Date(s): Oct. 23 & 24
Time: Sat: 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Sun: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Site: 6333 West Third Street, Los Angeles
Cost: Free
More Info: (323) 933-9211 or www.farmersmarketla.com

Public Star Parties at Griffith Observatory

Bring family and friends for a day of stargazing, planet watching, and astronomy education!

Date(s): Oct. 23
Time: 2 - 10 p.m.
Site: Griffith Observatory Satellite
Northeast corner of Griffith Park, Los Angeles
Cost: Free
More Info: (323) 664-1181 or www.griffithobs.org
City Sponsor: Rec and Parks

Autumn Sea Fair

Bring family and friends for a day of games, contests, music, exhibits, demonstrations, arts and crafts, films and videos. There's also a Queen of the Sea contest.

Date(s): Oct. 24
Time: 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Site: Cabrillo Beach
3720 Stephen White Drive, San Pedro
Call to reserve and arrange for parking
Cost: Free
More Info: (310) 548-7562 or www.cabrilloaq.org (to enter contest, call ext. 5011, Larry Fukuhara)

Dia de los Muertos en Hollywood

A festival of the dead... come and experience spectacular altars, Mexican cuisine, 20-foot walking skeletons, torch-lit paths and more. A truly spooky yet exciting experience.

Date(s): Oct. 25
Time: 4 - 11 p.m.
Site: Hollywood Forever Cemetery
6000 Santa Monica Blvd., Hollywood
Cost: Free
More Info: (323) 785-4261 or www.ladayofthedeath.com

Special Star Party For The Total Lunar Eclipse at Griffith Observatory Satellite

Come and enjoy the special star party for the total lunar eclipse. Experience this event now... the next one won't be until 2007!

Date(s): Oct. 27
Time: Moonrise 5:58 pm
Moon enters totality 7:23 pm
Middle of eclipse 8:04 pm
Moon leaves totality 8:45 pm
Moonset 7:42 am
Site: Griffith Observatory Satellite
Northeast corner of Griffith Park, Los Angeles
Cost: Free
More Info: (323) 664-1181 or www.griffithobs.org
City Sponsor: Rec and Parks

Hallowed Haunting Grounds

Experience this cool free tribute to Halloween at a home in Studio City - a tradition since 1973. Suitable for children.

Date(s): Oct. 28-31
Time: 7 p.m. - midnight
Site: 4343 Babcock Avenue, Studio City
Cost: Free
More Info: www.hauntinggrounds.org



Boo at the Zoo

Bring the kids for trick-or-treating at the zoo.

Date(s): Oct. 30-31
Time: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Site: Los Angeles Zoo
5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles
Cost: \$10/adults, \$7/seniors, \$5/children (ages 2 to 12), free/children (under 2)
Get your \$2 off Adult or \$1 off Child's price coupons at Club Headquarters
More info: (323) 644-4200 or www.lazoo.org
City Sponsor: Los Angeles Zoo

2004 Howl'oween Parade and Costume Contest

Halloween isn't just for humans - for all you pet lovers, bring your pets to the annual Howl'oween parade and costume contest.

Date(s): Oct. 31
Time: Registration begins at 1 p.m.
Site: Livingston Park (Livingston Drive and Park Ave.), Belmont Shore
Cost: \$10 donation per dog
More Info: www.hauntedogs.org/howlween

West Hollywood Halloween Carnival

Bring along your friends (strictly for adults) and enjoy one of the biggest Halloween carnivals in the world. See unique and fun costumes in this Mardi Gras-style street celebration.

Date(s): Oct. 31
Time: Begins 6 p.m.
Site: Santa Monica Blvd. between La Cienega and Doheny Drive, West Hollywood
Cost: Free
More Info: www.visitwesthollywood.com

Halloween Carnivals for the Family

Enjoy several Halloween carnivals throughout Southern California: food, entertainment, costume contests, and more. The following are just a few; check your city for local events in your area.

City of Beverly Hills Halloween Carnival

Date(s): Oct. 31
Time: 1 - 7 p.m.
Site: La Cienega Park, Beverly Hills
Cost: \$3
More Info: (310) 550-4796 or www.beverlyhills.org (search Halloween)

Halloween Celebration on Main Street - Huntington Beach

Date(s): Oct. 31
Time: 5 - 8 p.m.
Site: Downtown Huntington Beach, Main St.
Cost: Free
More Info: (714) 969-0795 or www.surfcityevents.com

Other Halloween-Themed Amusement Parks

Magic Mountain's Fright Fest
www.sixflags.com

The Queen Mary Halloween Terror Fest

www.queenmaryshipwreck.com

Aquarium of the Pacific's Scarium of the Pacific (Oct. 23-24)

www.aquariumofpacific.org



Michelle on the Move with actor/director/writer Cheech Marin at a Grand Performance Aug. 24.

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Zoo Goes Deep to Serve City

Scuba

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exhibit will feature two connecting filtered water tanks with an underwater viewing window, and the tank will require rock face cleaning.

The exhibit will hold about 165,000 gallons of water, and five sea lions in separate tanks. It will be the first saltwater filtrated system at the Zoo.

"The LA Zoo is striving to meet the demands of the future and the 21st century by becoming an elite modern institution," Lewis continues. "Safety is of the utmost importance. All our exhibits mimic the natural habitats of plants and animals."

Other exhibits are in the works such as exhibits for elephants, gorillas, and an American Rainforest.

"They are all interpretative exhibits," he says. "We thank the people that live in Los Angeles for voting for the propositions that allowed funding for the LA Zoo exhibits."

The scuba certification included homework and book study, four hours of pool training, and training in the ocean. Sue Thisdell, Safety Officer for the zoo, explained that the employees went to Catalina Island and Channel Islands to conduct their training dives.



Instructor Matt "Dragon" Howard with Erin at a pool session.



Vicky moving down the anchor line at Anacapa.



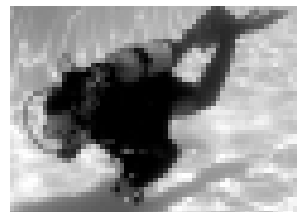
Construction of the Sea Lion Exhibit continues at full steam. The exhibit may be ready for the public in early 2005.



Los Angeles Zoo Crew come up from the last dive – and are certified! From left: Randy Petitt, Plumber; Vicky Gaurnell, Animal Keeper; Kris Willis, Aquatics Keeper; Erin Fleming, Senior Animal Keeper; Stephanie Zielinski, Animal Keeper; and Scott Haist, Animal Keeper.



Stephanie, Chris, Erin and instructors Shirelle and Matt.



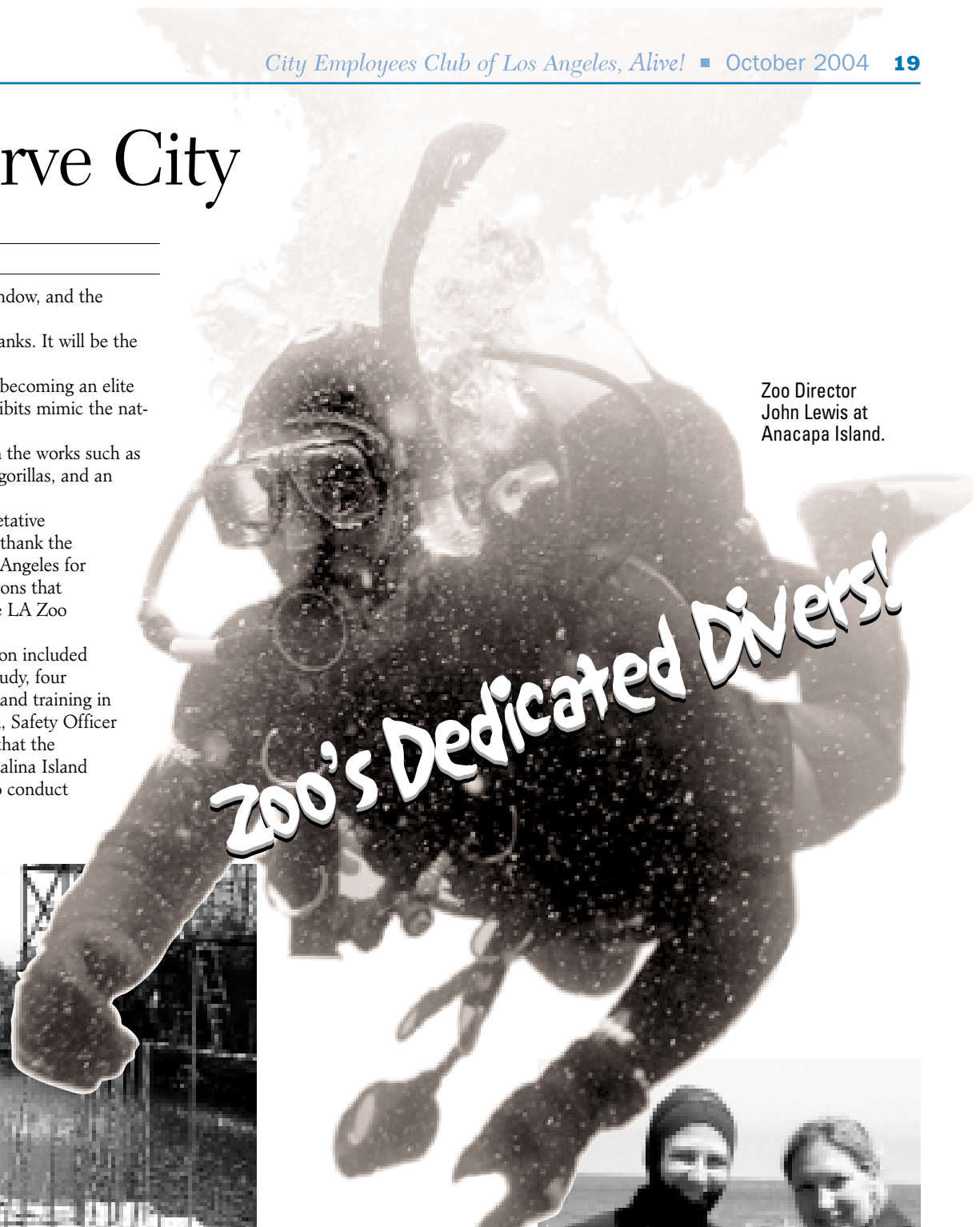
Scott at a pool session.



Mona, a 14-year-old sea lion, looking forward to settling into the new exhibit.



Erin Fleming, Senior Animal Keeper; Stephanie Zielinski, Animal Keeper getting ready for a dive.



Zoo Director John Lewis at Anacapa Island.

Here are the new scuba-certified Zoo employees:



Randy Petitt,

Zoo plumber, 5 years with the City

Randy worked on City projects before at Piper Tech. He was a foreman on the City Hall retrofitting project, and he worked on other projects including Staples Center, and the 911 Call Center next to Parker Center.

Randy is the most experienced of the Zoo divers. (In fact, he is the only one with previous dive experience.)

"This is a great experience for us because it builds teamwork and makes you fully aware of the importance of safety," he says.



Erin Fleming,

Senior Animal Keeper, 6 years with the City

Erin's deepest dive was at 49 feet; she never scuba-dived before.

"LA Zoo employees live and breathe for the animals," Fleming says. "I've never scuba-dived before. It was fun. It's a great skill to have, and it's an opportunity that I couldn't pass up."



Kris Willis,

Aquatics Keeper, 3 years with the City

According to Kris, the sea lions will be fed fish including capelin, mackerel, sardines, herring and squid. The water will be chilled and will be similar in salinity to ocean seawater.

Kris had no prior diving experience. Kris' deepest scuba dive was 49 feet.

"It was a good experience, a good skill to have," Kris says. "It was mentally challenging because you have to control your fears."



Vicki Guarnett,

Animal Keeper, 9 years with the City

It was Vicki's first scuba certification.

"It was scary to get in the ocean and rely on just your tank of oxygen to keep you breathing," she says. "I was apprehensive, but it's been a great experience. It's really a whole new world underwater."



Scott Haist,

Animal Keeper, 10 years with the City

Like most of the rest, Scott had never scuba-dived before this program.

"I echo Vicki's thoughts," he says. "I would never have done this on my own."

"Ocean diving is incredible...it's a whole new existence out there. Whenever I get a chance to vacation, I will definitely go scuba diving."

Picnic at Ontario

By Liz Montes, Club Counselor

Photos by Liz Montes and Angel Gomez, Member Services Manager

Family fun rules the day for Ontario employees.

More than 100 people attended the Ontario Airport Annual Picnic Aug. 21 at Red Hill Park in Rancho Cucamonga. People relaxed in the park with their families enjoying the barbe-

qued hamburgers, hot dogs, ice cream and various other treats. There were games for both the adults and children like the egg toss and laser tag. Televisions, bikes, Disneyland tickets, movie tickets and many other gifts were handed out during the raffle.

Thanks for inviting the Club to share in your fun!



From left: Yolana Young, Leatrice Pickens, and AAE Vice President Ana Gonzalez.



From left: John Hong, Jimmy Surano, Don Garibay and Ricardo Jimenez.



Children playing laser tag.



Janene Levario, who won the Gameboy.



From left: Edgar Rocha, Victor Rocha, Letty Rocha, Jocelyn Nuno and Nathalie Rocha.



The barbecue line.



Children playing laser tag.



From left: Victoria Garcia, Alicia Garcia and Dorla Baptist.



Children playing games.



The egg toss.



From left: Jimmy Sparks, President of AAE, and Patricia Ricks.

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Angel Gomez Jr. enjoying a day at the picnic.



Nona Martuez, who won AMC movie passes and See's gift certificate.



Khaliece Fluker, who won AMC movie passes and See's gift certificate.



The Ontario Employees Picnic was enjoyed by all.



From left: April Sanders, Jalen Sanders and Jordan Sanders.

Harbor Tees It Up

By Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor
Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

■ Harbor Employees Club has the second golf classic of the year.

On Sept. 17, the Harbor Dept. Employees Club held its golf classic at the Anaheim Hills Golf Club. Just like we did for their first golf classic, the Club sponsored the Closest to the Pin contest on hole five. The prize was a \$100 gift certificate to Golfsmith. The Club also provided logo balls and snacks.



From left: Rica Viola, Harbor Dept., Club member; Dennis Ogren, Harbor Dept.; Stu Suswain, Airports; and Dave Chrisman, Harbor Dept., Club member.



From left: Mark Hansen, Harbor Dept.; Steve Imparato, Harbor Dept.; Jim Santa Ana, Harbor Dept.; and John Cameron, Harbor Dept.



From left: Harry Yamatsuka, Harbor Dept.; Enrique Martinez, Harbor Dept., Club member; Pablo Ninofranco, Harbor Dept., Club member; and Ron Reddick, Harbor Dept.



From left: Martin Lovato, Harbor Dept.; Albert Robles, Harbor Dept.; Ron Sakoda, Harbor Dept.; and Al Takii, Harbor Dept. Retired.



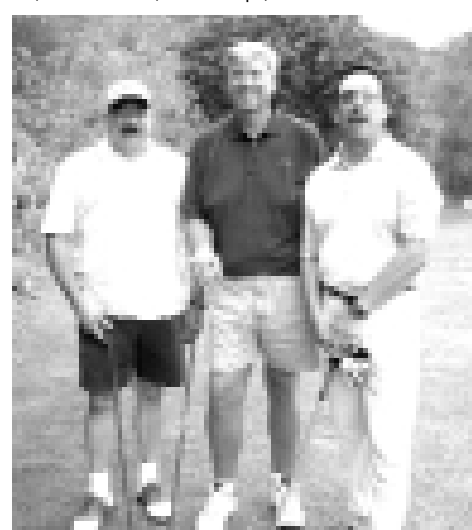
From left: Pablo Ninofranco, Harbor Dept., Club member; Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; and Angel Gomez, Club Member Service Manager.



From left: TL Garrett, Harbor Dept., Club member; Don Rice, Harbor Dept., Club member; Gil Arellano, Harbor Dept., Club member; and Mike Vele, Harbor Dept., Club member.



From left: Jin Kim, Harbor Dept., Club member; Andy Hippert, Harbor Dept.; Butch McBlaine, Harbor Dept.; and Earl Clark, Harbor Dept.



From left: Dan Aleman, Port Police, Club member; Bill Fletcher, Port Police; and Al Guerrero, Port Police, Club member.

Individual winners:
Closest to the Pin: Hole # 5 (\$100 Golfsmith gift check): Ed Kim Hole # 7 (\$50 Circuit City gift card): Henry Martinez Hole # 13 (\$50 Home Depot gift card): Bill Fletcher Hole # 17 (17 \$3 Lottery Scratchers): Jim Santa Ana
Longest Drive (male) Hole #15: Ed Treadway Longest Drive (female) Hole #15: Rica Viola
Low Gross (male) (\$25 gift card): (77) Harry Yamatsuka Low Gross (female) (\$25 gift card): (109) Rica Viola
Team Competition (\$260): Team (C): Jim Santa Ana, Ron Sakoda, Harry Yamatsuka, Dave Chrisman, Ron Kennedy, Tom Asuncion, Ed Kim, Jin Kim, Bill Fletcher, Bruce McPheeters, Al Takii, Earl Clark and Michael Christensen.



The Anaheim Hills Golf Club. The Club made its presence felt. The Club sponsored hole five's Closest to the Pin contest, a \$100 gift certificate to Golfsmith.



From left: Michael Christensen, Harbor Dept.; Merilee Hatfield, Harbor Dept.; Mark Rose, Harbor Dept., Club member; and Dave Walsh, Harbor Dept.



From left: Ron Kennedy, Harbor Dept.; Sandy Sutton, Harbor Dept.; Bruce McPheeters, Harbor Dept.; and Rich Davidson, Harbor Dept.



From left: Steve Renteria, Harbor Dept., Club member; Gil Flores, Harbor Dept.; Lou Arreola, Retired City Employee; and Mike Renteria, Harbor Dept., Club member.



From left: Clayton Hoppes, Harbor Dept., Club member; Dave Hoppes; Ed Treadway; and Jack Bentley.



From Left: Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; Angel Gomez, Club's Sales Manager; Enrique Martinez, Club Member.



From Left: Tom Theprasit, Gary Welding, Alan Mayse (Club Member).

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New General Managers

■ Mayor appoints new leaders for IT, General Services.

On Sept. 10, Thera Bradshaw and Alvin Blain were appointed by Mayor James Hahn to head the ITA and General Services departments, respectively.

Bradshaw will become Chief Information Officer and permanent General Manager of the Information Technology Agency, and Blain will become City Purchasing Agent and permanent General Manager and of the Department of General Services.

"I am pleased that these two talented individuals have accepted permanent General Manager positions in our city departments," said Mayor Hahn. "Both Thera and Alvin have successfully managed their departments on an interim basis, and their exemplary performance inspires my confidence and belief that their leadership should continue permanently."

Thera Bradshaw has served as acting General Manager for the Information Technology Agency

(ITA) since July 2002. ITA is responsible for the voice, radio and data networks within the City system and administers the City's cable franchises, the City's education and government television stations, and the 3-1-1 "One Call to City Hall" telephone service. The agency employs 800 professional staff and operates an annual budget of \$100 million.

Prior to her tenure with ITA, Bradshaw was executive director for the city and county of San Francisco's consolidated emergency communication department. She has served as president of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials international and



Thera Bradshaw

president of the National 9-1-1 Association. Bradshaw graduated from Oregon State University, the University of Washington Graduate School of Public Affairs and the FBI Executive Command College.

Alvin Blain has served



Alvin Blain

as interim General Manager of the Department of General Services since February 2004. General Services employs more than 2,500 positions and has roughly \$500 million in annual expenditures. Prior to his

interim appointment,

Blain was Assistant General Manager in General Services, responsible for the operation of the fleet services and fuel services division. In this capacity, he managed an operating budget of \$73 million and 550 employees.

He has more than 31 years of employment with the City, including positions with the police and airports departments. He has received 16 quality and productivity awards in the past eight years. Blain has completed management courses at UCLA, USC, Cal. State Los Angeles and El Camino College.

Both appointments are subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Newsbrief



DWP Security

DWP Security: Mayor Jim Hahn was joined Aug. 12 by Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) Commander Mark Leap, Chief of LAPD's Counter Terrorism Bureau John Miller, Commissioner Silvia Saucedo, and Interim General Manager Henry Martinez to announce that LAPD will reassess security measures at the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), which supplies water and power to 3.8 million users in the City of Los Angeles.

"Today, I am directing Chief Bratton and his counter terrorism experts to thoroughly review security procedures at LADWP from top to bottom because I want to ensure that we are doing all we can to protect our vital resources, and most importantly, the health and safety of all Los Angeles residents," said Mayor Hahn.

In the aftermath of September 11th, Mayor Hahn commissioned an independent study to determine the kinds of measures the LADWP needed to undertake in order to bolster security. Based on that study, LADWP developed a five-year, \$132 million program to enhance security. Since completion of the study, LADWP has:

- Increased daily sampling and testing of water quality;
- Installed security cameras at critical facilities;
- Increased helicopter air patrols;
- Reinforced and added security barriers at water facilities; and
- Increased the LADWP security force to conduct 24-hour patrols of our critical facilities.

However, Mayor Hahn said that several recommendations for enhanced security made in the report require increased funding, which is why he has joined with the City Council to agree to a water rate increase, earmarking that money for major infrastructure security improvements. "I want to reassure the residents of Los Angeles that we are working proactively to safeguard our water and power systems. We must commit to protecting these important facilities that keep our lights on and our water running. I know Chief Bratton and his team will provide the expertise we need to do that," added Mayor Hahn.

The LAPD has already begun working to develop protocols specific to the critical water and power infrastructure at LADWP through the LAPD's Operation Archangel. The purpose of Archangel is to identify and prioritize critical assets within the greater Los Angeles area (both publicly-and-privately-owned) and to develop plans to protect and defend these assets against catastrophic incidents, including terrorist attacks.

"We have been working with the LADWP on a weekly basis for a number of months on long term security issues. We are working with them to assess vulnerabilities and protective measures," said John Miller.

The LADWP Commission has also established a consultative role with Chief John Miller's Critical Incident and Management Bureau. Commissioner Saucedo has set up a series of meetings to further these relationships to ensure that the critical infrastructure is protected. John Miller also said that when the terror threat level is elevated to orange, LAPD officers are positioned accordingly at LADWP, so that the facilities receive additional patrols during times of heightened awareness.

New ITA GM Makes Pledges to Employees

Below is a letter that Thera Bradshaw sent to the employees of ITA upon her appointment as interim GM. She has now been appointed to the full GM position by Mayor Hahn and awaits approval by the City Council. The letter is published with her permission.

Dear ITA Colleagues,

As we send Liza off on her road to recovery, join together in thanking her for her leadership and in prayer for her full recovery.

I am honored we have had the privilege to work together under a dynamic visionary. During my tenure at ITA I have enjoyed a number of different leadership roles over two years with the City of Los Angeles. As I assume this newest challenge as your Interim General Manager, I do so with both joy for what lies ahead and also with a sense of sadness given the circumstances surrounding Liza's departure. As a result of her very personal decision the Mayor has asked me to lead ITA. As such I will take this opportunity to share some of my observations.

Public Service - You, like me, value service to our customers. That is why we chose our career in many cases. I have been pleased to learn that so many of you recognize that both the words "public" and "service" are equally important. After all, that is what we have to offer - SERVICE to the PUBLIC and our City family customers. I intend on continuing and expanding your efforts to make ITA the model customer-oriented department.

Excellence - We share a passion for excellence. Meetings will be conducted with ITA team members at all of our locations and I look forward to hearing your ideas how we, as an organization, can do more to demonstrate excellence in all we do. ITA does so much well, but we need to do a better job of "tooting our own horn" so others know of our great work. My goal is that everything we do will be done with EXCELLENCE.

Creativity & Talents - I have been impressed with the tremendous breadth of creativity and talent present in the City family and, in particular, our department. I hope to unleash and encourage even more.

It is important for you to know that a lot is expected from each of us. With that said, I expect a lot from each of you and, in return, I will give you a lot. Five leadership principles that you can expect from me are: Challenging the status quo, inspiring a shared vision, enabling others to act, leading by example, and encouraging you to achieve what you never thought was possible.

I expect you to measure my performance, as I will measure yours. My credibility as your Interim General Manager will be earned with you just as you will be earning credibility with me while together we build better credibility for our department. I look forward to this journey in my own leadership style.

I pledge to you:

To create an environment empowering employees - an organization in which employees, to as great an extent as possible and practical, will make the decisions most directly affecting them how to do their work. I recognize you are the ones who know best how to do your jobs. You will be involved in selecting your equipment, tools, resources, and techniques. We will listen to each other in order to understand the whole perspective as we make important decisions with limited fiscal resources.

To create an environment of well reasoned risk taking - an organization in which we will take responsible risks in order to improve our work product and processes. We must be willing to accept some

failures, or else we are doing nothing to improve our service to our customers. I look forward to your suggestions for improvement.

To create an environment of decisiveness - an organization in which decisions will be made when they need to be made. We will be proactive in planning and process rather than reactive. We will partner with others to leverage all assets to the optimum advantage.

To provide the best resources possible in order to do your job - to spread ourselves too thin or provide inadequate resources to do a job right is unfair to all. We must maintain a balance in our work, where every member of the ITA team does our fair share. I will make every effort, to not only to ask you to do something, but also to do it in the right way. At the same time, we must strive to work smarter, with efficiency, and to do more with less utilizing technology and the team talents. Our goal must be results driven and we must be resourceful within our available budgets to get the results needed.

To provide leadership - I will give everything I have in being your leader. I am not a passive follower. I will continue to convey to you my passion of excellence, my commitment toward public service and customer service.

These are my pledges to you as we embark on changes of today and the future vision we create together for the City of Los Angeles Information Technology Agency. I look forward to working with each of you as begin this journey together.

Sincerely,

Thera G. Bradshaw
Interim General Manager

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The Club Gets Game

Story and photos by Robert Larios

■ The Club visits a Dodger game.

Club members and some Club staff had a great time Sept. 13 attending a Dodger game ... with tickets purchased at the Club's low discount price. More than 60 people attended and sat in excellent seats behind home plate.

It was the first time the Club's outing at a Dodger game was officially recognized on the big Dodger scoreboard.

Departments represented were DOT, DWP, Rec and Parks, Sanitation, LAFD and Public Works/Engineering, along with Club staff.

The only downer: the Dodgers lost to the

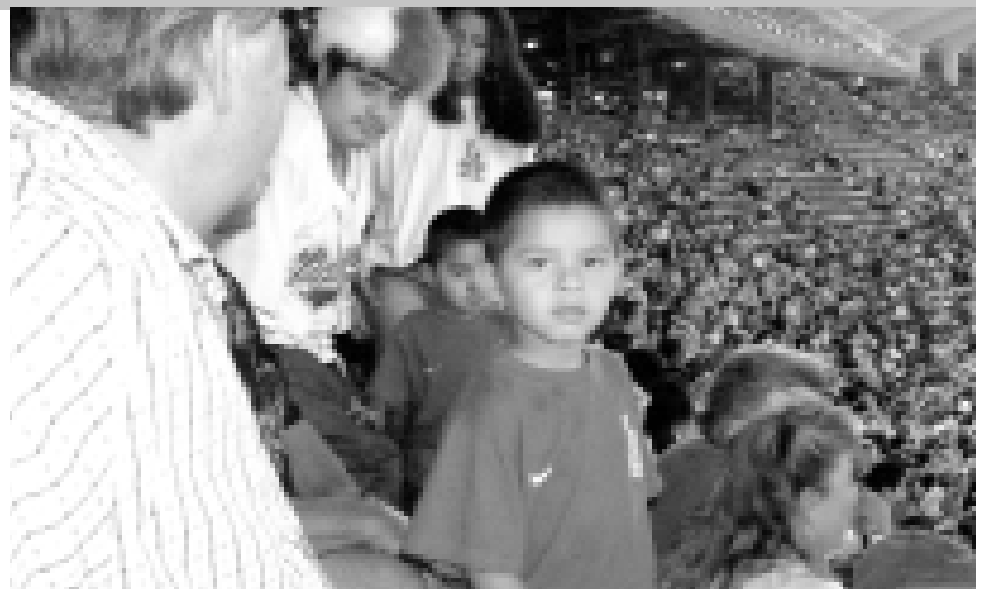
Padres.

But it hardly mattered.

Ken Peterka, Rec and Parks, said: "You can't beat the price that the you can get the Dodger tickets with the Club ... it's been tons of fun tonight."

The Club was happy to see so many City employees with their families and friends enjoying the game. It's events like these that help reinforce the Club's vision to build a community of City employees.

Everyone should look forward to another great Club outing at Dodger Stadium next year. See you then!



Luis Figueroa Jr. wondering if there will be a special appearance from the Ticket Guy.



Member Services Counselor Howard Pompel and his wife, Becky, enjoying their time at the game between the Dodgers and Padres.



Angel Gomez, Member Services Manager, hungry after a long day serving Club members.



Robert Larios, Operations Manager for the Club.



Member Services Counselor Liz Montes, her mother and step-dad.



Club Administrative Assistant Michelle Moreno and Club Member Service Manager Angel Gomez looking happy.



From left: Kevin Walton, Sr. Communication Operator, DOT, 19 years, and Steve Harris, Sr. Communication Operator II, 16 years.



Club Administrative Assistant Lupe Medina and her husband, Red (a Club member), awaiting the Dodger dogs.



From left: Ken Peterka, Sr. Gardner, Rec and Parks, 5 years, and his friend Andy Carpae getting ready to heckle the Padres.



A happy couple at the game.

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LAPD Sept. Update

Editor's Note: LAPD Chief William Bratton delivered his e-mail monthly update for September. His message is below.

Now that we are more than half way through the year, I want to take this opportunity to update you on where the Department is going, and to touch on several current issues that should be of interest to you.

At the beginning of the year when the Department set its annual crime reduction goals, I stated that we would look at them at mid-year, assess our progress, and revise the goals based on unmet challenges. After reviewing the progress made by the men and women of this Department during the first half of the year, it is my belief that our goal projection from the first of the year is on target, making any further revisions at mid-year unnecessary. After speaking with Assistant Chief George Gascon, Director of the Office of Operations, we both realized that we went into this year setting a "stretch" goal for crime reduction. Although there are some areas that will need special attention, both Assistant Chief Gascon and I believe that at this time, the trends indicate that the Department is on the right track. We will again address the crime goals at the last quarter of the year and go from there.

Your police department is continuing to do more with less. As officers work to reduce crime and fear in the City, they are doing it with less backup, with fewer sworn officers. Currently there are 9,154 sworn personnel. That's down 1.3 percent from this time a year ago. That shortage is compounded by the more than 500 civilian vacancies. What is clear is that our officers are motivated and dedicated to their mission. Arrests numbers are a good indicator. Over the past two years, arrests have increased by 19 percent.



Half-Cent Sales Tax

I still have a responsibility to fight for as many police officers as budgets will allow. Recognizing the critical need for more resources, the Mayor, Police Commission and I will continue to try to find additional revenue sources. In that regard, the best opportunity on the horizon to help us beef up the ranks, reduce crime and improve officer safety is the proposed half-cent sales tax measure for Los Angeles County. The Department stands to gain approximately \$164 million, money that would be spent to increase the Department's sworn strength. Imagine an increase of 1,200 to 1,500 officers over a four-year hiring-up period, increased overtime, improved technology and how that would impact crime in this City. The Department could reduce crime, particularly gang-related crime, by as much as 50 percent. It is my belief that this increased sales tax initiative would provide the tipping point that will make Los Angeles the safest big city in America. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has agreed to put this initiative on the November 2 ballot, after making adjustments to the percentages of funds that would go to other County justice agencies, including the District Attorney, Public Defender, and the Probation Department. You will be hearing more about the initiative in the coming months.

Complaint Process

Regarding the complaint process, due to a recent change in the California Penal Code, it's required that persons filing complaints be advised of their right to file a complaint against an officer,



LAPD Chief William Bratton

and that knowingly filing a false complaint can result in a misdemeanor violation. Therefore, Department employees taking complaints must assure that complainants are asked to sign a Complaint Advisory form, stating that they understand our policy on accepting complaints, and that the filing of false complaints can be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Flashlight Flashpoint

Finally, in addressing the issue of flashlights: I will be limiting the use of the large metal variety in favor of smaller, custom-designed models. I'm doing this with the patrol officer in mind, since the larger lights have been tainted by recent use of force incidents. Now, every time officers use a metal flashlight as an impact device, they will face intense public and media scrutiny. Officers have a tough enough job to do without that additional pressure. This action protects the public and officers. It ensures the public that the Department is responsive to their concerns. The new flashlights will be lighter, less bulky, easier to carry, and will provide adequate illumination for officers to perform their duties. A special task force, which includes patrol officers, has been formed to design this "LAPD customized" flashlight. The design and acquisition of the new flashlights will take time. In the meantime, the current flashlights will continue to be authorized for use.

In Conclusion

My command staff and I are working hard looking for opportunities, programs and products that will help officers do their job consistently, compassionately and constitutionally. Thanks to the commitment of all the sworn and civilian members of this great Department, a sizable reduction in the level of crime has occurred in this City. We are making significant progress toward our goal and Mayor Hahn's goal of making Los Angeles the safest big city in America.

Newsbrief



LAX Police Merger

On Aug. 17, Councilmember Jack Weiss issued the following statement in response to LAPD Chief William Bratton's declaration of support for Weiss' proposal to merge the airport's police force into the LAPD: "This is a counterterrorism no brainer, and Chief Bratton's support is a significant milestone," said Weiss. "LAX is the City's top terrorist target and must be protected with an elite security force. The LAPD, under Chief Bratton's leadership, can do the best job of identifying threats and protecting passengers."

Weiss has introduced several measures to improve security at LAX. Central to this goal is streamlining the chain of command and ensuring that all officers have the same protocols and training to function as a team in a crisis. Past incidents, such as the boarding of a suspected hijacked Singapore Airlines flight in May, have highlighted the need to improve the airport's emergency response capabilities. Consolidating the police forces would require a change to the City's charter, which could be placed on the ballot as early as this spring.



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Harbor Marks End of Summer

Story and photos by Robert Larios, Club Operations Manager

Harbor's Engineering, Construction Div. throws annual End of Summer Picnic.

On Casual Thursday, Sept. 2, the Harbor Dept's Engineering and Construction division threw its big, annual end of summer picnic for employees. It's one of the division's biggest events of the summer.

The party was held at the Cabrillo Marina Community Building in San Pedro. On the menu

were Pablo Ninofranco's famous BBQ teriyaki chicken and skewers, steamed rice, Chinese green salad, drinks and dessert. Games and prizes, including prizes donated by the Club, provided some of the entertainment.

The hot day was fitting for this event as these City employees were celebrating the last days of summer. The smells of Pablo's secret BBQ recipes made everyone hungry. There was a beautiful view of the ocean with cool-soothing ocean breezes.

The Club thanks Engineering and Construction for inviting us to the event and for allowing us to contribute prizes.



From left: Pablo Ninofranco, Head Cook and Electrical Engineer Associate II, 31 years; and Richard Joe, Assistant Cook; Electrical Engineer Associate IV, 29.5.



Ronald Lin, Civil Engineer Associate I, 3 years.



Virgil Torres, Land Survey Assistant, 16 years.



Froilan Naro, Land Survey Assistant, 16 years.



Sirlord Morse, Engineer, Harbor Dept.



From left: Julie Wichmann Huerta, Sr. Management Analyst, 20 years; Mahmoud Irsheid, Construction Manager, 14 years; and Mort Rowghani, Harbor Engineer, 24 years.



From left: Pons Rongavilla, Mechanical Engineer Associate, 14 years; Jurica Ivcevic, Draftsman Civil, 22 years; Bob Dunbar, Hydrographic Operations Chief, 35 years; and Kurt Arend, Harbor Engineer, 17 years.



From left: Bill McCleish, Assistant Chief Harbor Engineer, 34 years; and Viahik Haddadian, Electrical Engineer, 20 years; Standing: Bruce Seaton, COO, 33 years.



Bottom, from left: Kevin Harbor, Civil Engineer Associate II, 12 years; Jack Chang, Civil Engineering Associate III, 13 years; and Art Castro, Civil Engineering Associate, 1 year. Top: Emilio Macias, Architectural Associate, 20 years; Prashant Konareddy, Civil Engineering Associate, 1.5 years; Ronald Lin, Civil Engineering Associate; Mimi Gutierrez, Civil Engineering Assistant I, 1 year; and Romeo Martin, Architectural Associate, 26 years.



Back, from left: Kurt Arend, Harbor Engineer, 17 years; John Kostrencich, Principal Construction Inspector, 28 years; Erik Keller, Civil Engineer, 15 years; Front: James Davis, Harbor Engineer, 18 years; Donna Enfiain, Civil Engineer Associate III, 19 years; Dina Aryan-Zahlan, Harbor Engineer, 15 years; and Tamura Fatheree, Civil Engineering Associate, 14 years.



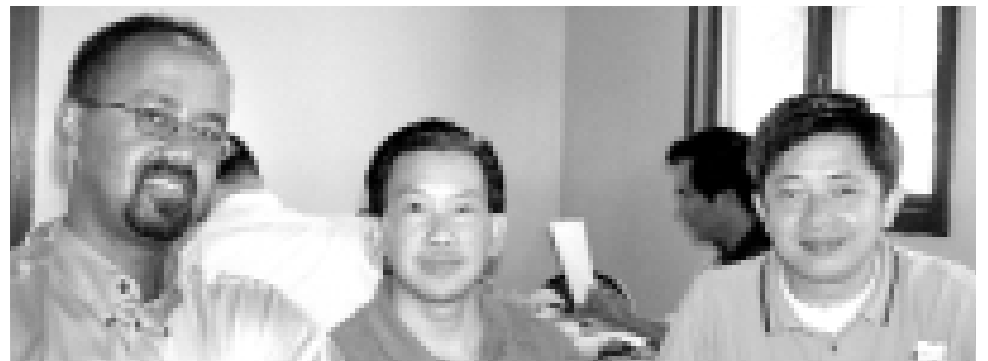
From left: Jesse Palicte, Sr. Clerk, 40-plus years; Carmen Bognot, Architectural Associate IV, 26 years; and Pablo Sanchez, Civil Engineer, 34 years.



From left: Leah Camacho, High School Intern for the Summer, Banning High School; Maria Perez, High School Intern for Summer, Banning High School; and Joan Legaspi, Clerk Typist-Construction, 25 years.



From left: Jim Reed, Sr. Construction Manager, 40 years; Brian Chuc, Construction Manager, 2 years; and Abraham Khalvati, Civil Engineering Associate II, 19 years.



From left: Robel Afewerki, Civil Engineer Associate, 12 years; Du Tran, Mechanical Engineer Associate, 18 years; and Phuong Nguyen, Structural Associate, 9 years.



Bottom, from left: Melissa Castaneda, Student Harbor, 4 months; Andrew Wooster, Management Assistant, 2 years; and Bill Hugn, Analyst, 1 year. Top: Lori Gastelum, Principal Clerk, 14 years; Terri Krystofiak, Consultant; Sharon Tatel, Management Assistant, 1.5 years; and Enedina Rodriguez, Clerk Typist, 6 months.

The Yard Has Fun

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

■ West LA Sanitation Yard has annual picnic.

The West LA Sanitation Yard threw its third annual picnic Sept. 18 at Cheviot Hills Park in Cheviot Hills. Employees and their families

came together for lots of fun.

The yard hopes to make it an annual event. We say, that looks like a strong possibility!

The Club thanks the yard for inviting us to stop by!

Here are some photos of the picnic.



From left, in back: Shar Bose, wife; Darrell Bose Jr.; and Darrell Bose Sr., Refuse Collection Driver, 15 years. Front: Devyn Bose, daughter.



From left: Misti Jenkins; April Broussard, Clerk Typist, 18 years; Lewis Cox, Refuse Collection Truck Operator, 9.5 years; and baby Liam Cox.



From left: Bonaventure Butts, Refuse Truck Driver, 26 years, Club member; Wortham Briscoe, BOS, 16 years, Club member; and Ken Williams, Supervisor, 14 years, Club member.



From left: Josue Lozano, 10 years old; Diana Lozano, 5 years old; Ruth Lozano, 3 years old; Wendy Lozano, 2 years old; Lourdes Lozano, mom, Clerk Typist, 9.5 years, Club member; and Ricky Lozano, 14 years old.



Back, from left: Dan Lorraine; Candace Lorraine; Sandie Braviroff, wife; Dan Braviroff, GSD, 13 years, Club member; Bonnie Rimer, spouse; and Tom Rimer, GSD Equipment Mechanic, 15 years. Front: Nancy Lorraine, spouse; and Jacque Lorraine, GSD Supervisor, 24 years, Club member.



From left: Toni Chagolla, Clerk Typist, 7 years, Club member; and Gina Ramirez, guest. Front: Isaiah Newberry, 2 years old.



Lewis Cox, Refuse Collection Truck Operator, 9.5 years; with Kiely Cox, 2 years old.



Standing: Marviana Jones, Clerk Typist, 3 years, Club member. Seated: Iveryana Bufford, niece.



From left: Matthew Paige; Debra Paige; Edward Paige; Dennis Paige, Refuse Truck Operator, 3 years; and Sydney Paige, daughter.



From left: Bonniesha Butts, City Lifeguard, 1 year; Bonaventure Butts, Refuse Truck Driver, 26 years, Club member; and Vanessa Butts, spouse.



Crowd digs in!!



Wortham Briscoe, President, Chapter WLA, 16 years, Club member.



Julia Braviroff, 4 years old, and Ashley Braviroff, 9 years old.



Debbie and Sal Miranda, Assistant Manager, Valley Collection, Club member.



Back: Ray Jon Lucas, 8 years old. Front: Raymond Lucas, Truck Operator, 23 years, Club member.



From left: Bruce Jones, South LA Yard Refuse Truck Operator, 2 years; and Marviana Jones, Clerk Typist, 3 years, Club member.



Misty Jenkins, guest, with son Mekai Jenkins, 3 years old.

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Retirements

NAME	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	NAME	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE
Reynaldo Abundo	Air Conditioning Adviser (Public Works)	30	Marilyn Laney	Pr. Clerk (Finance)	33
Joe Araujo	Mech. Helper (Public Works)	30	Virginia Macias	Sr. Cust. Services Attn. (Gen. Services)	22
Laurel Aron Sr.	Management Analyst (CDD)	31	Robert McIntyre	Custodial Svcs. Attn. (Rec and Parks)	25
Michael Balzer	Heavy Duty Equip. Mech. (Gen. Services)	34	Joan McNatt	Clerk Typist (Library)	15
Lodrick Blackmon	Sr. Gardener (Public Works)	31	Lily Mendoza	Accounting Clerk (Controller)	28
Richard Bird	Sr. Fire Sprinkler Inspector (Bldg. and Safety)	25	Katherine Miles	Communication Operator (ITA)	20
Morris Bloom	Fire Sprinkler Inspector (Bldg. and Safety)	18	Theodore Mitchell	Signal Sys. Electrician (Trans.)	46
Frank Bonoff	Pr. Civil Engineer (Public Works)	38	Marcia Mullins	Clerk Typist (Library)	18
Richard Brown	Ch. Real Estate Officer (Public Works)	34	Ernest Muro	Pr. Inspector (Housing)	29
Richard Chavarria	Sr. Management Analyst (Public Works)	38	Ardis Murphy	Property Manager (Airports)	17
Dale Cleveland	Construction Inspector (Airports)	35	Jonathon Nave	Asst. City Attorney (City Attorney)	33
James Connelly	Sr. Animal Cont. Officer (Animal Services)	30	Michael Nelson	Lot Cleaning Supervisor (Public Works)	40
Louis Cortez	Build. Maintenance Dist. Sup. (Gen. Services)	38	Thomas O'Rourke	Maintenance Laborer (Public Works)	17
Antonio Cruz	Construction Estimator (Housing)	10	Francine Oschin	Council Aide (Council)	14
Theodore Demas	Communication Electrician (Convention Ctr.)	24	Charles Perry	Security Officer (LAPD)	16
Helen Dorsey	Buyer (Harbor)	10	Charlotte Pinkney	Personnel Analyst (Personnel)	32
Llewellyn Dudley	Sr. Management Analyst (Rec and Parks)	30	Carl Pullen	Ref. Coll. Truck Operator (Sanitation)	31
Carol Eckford	Personnel Records Supv. (Personnel)	30	Reynaldo Ramirez	Event Attendant (Convention Center)	23
John Ely	Equipment Mechanic (LAPD)	36	Sandra Rivkin	Public Relations Specialist (Cultural Affairs)	18
Guadalupe Frescas	Crossing Guard (Transportation)	11	Richard Rodriguez	Library Assistant (Library)	39
Susie Frierson	Commission Exec. Asst. (Library)	42	Russell Romo	Street Maintenance Supervisor (Public Works)	35
Efren Garcia	Building Elec. Engr. (Public Works)	21	John Shirilla	Street Use Inspector (Public Works)	30
Gilbert Gastelo	Crossing Guard (Transportation)	8	Henry Swierk	Programmer/Analyst (ITA)	35
John Gibson	Sr. Comm. Electrician (ITA)	21	David Thomas	Wastewater Treatment Lab Mgr (Public Works)	34
Moses Guzman	Heavy Duty Truck Op. (Public Works)	38	Jerene Thomson	Librarian (Library)	25
John Harris	Finance Specialist (CAO)	34	Steve Uranga	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst (Rec and Parks)	31
Richard Helgeson	Sr. Asst. City Atty. (City Attorney)	33	Arthur Vollaire	Printing Press Operator (Gen. Services)	33
Karin Hodin	Sr. City Planner (Planning)	12	Maximilian Weismair	Structural Engineer (Harbor)	17
Marcia Johnson	Sr. Clerk Typist (LAPD)	33	Deseree Williams	Management Analyst (CDD)	35
James Keebne	Automotive Supervisor (Gen. Services)	36	Douglas Wong	Sr. Clerk Typist (Personnel)	25
Larry Kleisner	Land Surveying Asst. (Public Works)	23	Janet Woo	Librarian (Library)	5
Gerald Klippness	Background Investigator (Personnel)	4	Joseph Youhouse	Sr. Electrical Inspector (Bldg. and Safety)	14
James Kinkor	Civil Engineer (Harbor)	40			

Alive! and your City Employees Club wishes to thank each and every one of the following, who have spent many years making Los Angeles the great city it is. Congratulations, and enjoy your well-deserved rewards!

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Just Married? or Had a Baby?

We Have a Gift for You!

City employees and/or Club members: Did you just get married? ... had a baby? Congratulations!

If you send in a wedding photo or a baby photo to *Alive!* along with some basic information (who, when, where, your job titles), we'll be happy to run an announcement.

If it's a wedding, The Club will send you the book *Our Honeymoon: A Record Book About Our Wild Ride* free as our wedding gift! The book is a record keeper and photo album all in one.

If it's a birth, The Club will send you the book *My Life as a Baby* free as our baby gift! It highlights the baby's first year, from the baby's point of view, with space for all the important information and lots of photos.

Don't delay. Send in those wedding pictures and information to moments@cityemployeesclub.com



Weddings

Weddings: Recently married? Congratulations! Share the news with your City employee family. Tell us the names of the bride and groom, the date and place of the wedding, and the City or DWP job title of the bride and/or groom. (Include a photo, too, and we'll try to print it.) Send it in! Send to moments@cityemployeesclub.com.



Sonia V. Lajas and **N. Hugo Leites** were married Aug. 21 in Los Angeles. She is a Senior Clerk Typist at the DWP and he is a Carpenter at the Housing Authority of Los Angeles.



Births

Births: Send us the following information: full name of the newborn, date of birth, name of parents, job title of the parent(s) who work(s) for the City or the DWP, your phone number and a baby photo. Send to moments@cityemployeesclub.com

Ashley Nicole Brymer, born June 8 to **Bob and Teresa Brymer**. Bob is an electrical mechanic at the DWP.



DaShaun Omari Harris, born Mother's Day, May 9th, to **Bobby and L'keva Harris**. Bobby is a Communications Cable Worker with DWP. L'keva is a Crime Scene Photographer with the LAPD.



Emma Irene Franco, born Aug. 22 to **Kerry and Oscar Franco**. Granddad is **Red Medina**, Construction Inspector, Public Works. Grandmom is **Lupe Medina**, Club staff member.



Camile Kristin Martinez, born April 2 to Steve and Heather Martinez. Great-aunt is Rosemary Delgado, ITA Helpdesk, 30 years.



In Memoriam

Our thoughts and condolences are with the family and friends of the following current and retired City employees who have passed away:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE
Active		
Daisy Chen	Library	19
Cecil Jackson	Airports	16
David Manella	City Attorney	9
Retired		
Thomas Amneus	Public Works	8
Benny Briceno	Public Works	25
George Burns	Public Works	20
Dain Carr	Public Works	26
Evaline Carrie	Rec and Parks	10
Donald Corgan	Gen. Services	13
Judith Davidson	Public Works	30
Norman De Base	Public Works	12
Gerald Donahue	Public Works	22
Erling Ellington	Public Works	23
Frank Richard Etter	LAPD	20
Clifford Frank	Public Works	33
Gilford Garner	Public Works	32
Bolden Hall	Gen. Services	17
Athleen Hittelman	City Council	19
Sie Huddleston	Airports	30
Donald Johnson	Public Works	13
Donald Jones	Harbor	20
Harvey Julien	Rec and Parks	15
Albert Keillor	Public Works	25
Armando Lawrence	Community Development	14
Alfred Leipzig	Public Works	28
Theodore Mahaley	Public Works	34
Jimmie McClure	Public Works	34
Ralph McGimpsey	Gen. Services	18
Alice Milo	Library	20
David Rayford	Public Works	12
Helen Rumery	Library	25
Robert Russell	Gen. Services	32
Gerrie Saldate	Bldg. and Safety	15
Evelyn Snyder	City Council	9
Lorenzo Villa	Public Works	30
Jack Whistler	Harbor	29
Cy Yeager	Transportation	2

In Memoriam: We receive this information directly from the City and the DWP. But send us the name of the deceased, and we'll print the notice. Send in a photo of the deceased, too, if you have one, and include your phone number. Send to moments@cityemployeesclub.com.



Promotions

Promotions:

Send us your department, your former job title, your new job, and a sentence saying your supervisor is aware that you're sending this. Send your photo, too, plus your phone number. Send to moments@cityemployeesclub.com.

Barbara Arita, Executive Secretary II, Controller's office.
Sam Catalfamo, promoted to Background Investigation Manager, Personnel.
Belinda Comoda, promoted to Commission Executive Assistant, El Pueblo.
Ricky Deguchi, new Internal Auditor IV, Controller's Office.
Robert DeWitt, new Director of Financial Analysis and Reporting, Controller's Office.
Sara Glick, new hire, Auditor II, Controller's office.
Douglas Hoy, promoted to Management Assistant, Public Works.
Ricardo Jimenez, promoted to Carpenter, LAX.
Sophy Johnnath Deth, promoted to Management Assistant, Public Works.
Rahoo Oyewole, new Internal Auditor III, Controller's Office.
Julie Ratcliff, new hire, Internal Auditor II, Controller's office.
Jeremy Schoech, new Internal Auditor I, Controller's Office.
Kenneth Wong, new Internal Auditor III, Controller's Office.



New Members

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

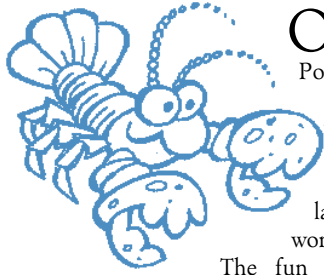
Welcome New Members!

Anthony Acevedo	Martin Garza	Lanre Orilonise
Esteban Adame	Shirley Gatlain	Sara Ortega
Yolanda Adams	Alex Gomez	Margarita Ortiz
Johanna Aguilar	Victor Gomez	Richard Ortiz
Anthony Alexander	Cirilo Gonzales	Clemente Pacificar
Ronald Allen Jr.	Adam Gonzalez	Robert Packard
Celia Apodaca	Jose Gonzalez	Vickie Pearson
Sandra Arellano	Donni Gray	Brian Peel
Guadalupe Arellano	Nicole Griffin	Ernest Perez
Lazaro Arriaga	Kadumu Griffin	Manuel Perez
Delashawn Atkins	Henry Guardaou	Ray Perez
Robert Avalos	Albert Guerra	Consuelo Perez
Yolanda Avellaneda	Anthony Guerrero	Maribel Perez
Arthur Avila	Gary Guttormson	Eddie Pree
Jesus Avina	Barbara Hartsfield	James Quinn
Randal Ayers	Stacey Hashimoto	Christopher Reimers
Lance Bailey	Victor Hatem	William Rhyme
Michael Balzer	Dan Hawkins	Clarisse Ribeiro
Ramon Barajas	Adriana Hawkins	Gloria Rivera
Vernice Barras	Gloria Hawlish	Debbie Rocha
Yolanda Basoco	Lisa Henderson	Jennifer Rockwell
Damon Bergeron	Monica Hernandez	Sharon Rodgers
Eric Bishop	Karina Hernandez	Paulette Rofail
Dale Blow	Sabrina Hilliard	Romulo Romo
John Blucher	Tommy Ho	Bobby Royal
Frank Bonoff	Davina Holbert	Carlos Rubio
Susan Botta	Robert Holloway	Dennis Ryan
Tanisha Boyd	Stephen Houck	Ruben Saenz
Edna Boyd	Tonica Houston	Surapol Saguanpong
Jasmine Brewer	Ashley Ingram	Edward Salas
Scott Briggs	Coralia Iraheta	Alfredo Salcedo
Stephen Broock	Albert Jackson	Ralph Salguero
Antonio Brown	Roy Jacobs	Christopher Sands
Paul Bstandig	Toya Johnson	Johnnie Sawyer
LaTrease Bufford	Edwin Johnson	Bruce Seaton
Bert Burris	Amanda Johnson-Brown	Ruben Serrano
Kuniko Burueson	Sylvia Jones	Josephine Serrano
Tyrone Cain	Charles Jones	Maria Siguenza
William Calderwood	Roberto Jurado	Louis Silver
Valeska Calero-Sorto	Isabel Justin	Sally Sinohue
Jose Casillas	Dan Kane	Robin Smith-Gregory
Brenda Castaneda	Raymond Kim	Larry Sonenschein
Kevin Cerda	Edward Kim	Guadalupe Soto
Ruth Chaney	Jeannie Kinder	Mark Stephens
Jennifer Childers	Francisco King	James Stubbs
Angel Colon	Elgin King	Byron Sumlin
Mark Corona	Rick Knapp	Gary Sunkin
Christine Courtois	Lisa Knight	Christina Tabirara
Mary Crowell	Tae-Keun Koh	Annaka Telles
Carl Cuddy	Kevin LaGrange	Richard Thayer
Eugene Cummings	Reva Laham	David Thomas
Kimberly Cunningham	Shannon LaLande	LaShon Tillie
Jeff Dash	Kevin Leonard	Casimiro Tolentimo
Stacy Davis	Anthony Leonard	Adeline Tsan
Carmelita Dayco	La Shonda Lipscomb	Ramon Tumbokon
Allen Deisch	Cuauhtemoc Llanes	Ana Valdivia
William Delgado	Roberta Longino	Ricardo Valencia
Ronald DeVeny	Rafael Lopez	Elysa Vargas
William Devereaux III	Victoria Lopez	Gloria Vazquez
Nicole Diaz	Priscilla Lopez	Marisol Vielma
Mario Duarte	Daniel Lopez Jr.	Allan Villacorte
Robert Duff	Carolyn Lujan	Arthur Vollaire
Mark Duran	Robert Martin	Susan VonLichtenstein
Jeury Duran	Joanna Martinez	Trashell Wallace
John Escobar	Maria Martinez	Jon Walters
Anitra Evans	Ralph Martinez	Carl Washington
Azadeh Famili	Deborah Martinez	Joanna Watkyns
Jorge Farias	Cristhian Martinez	Lisa Weatherall-Howard
Ochun Farlice	Mike Mathews	Ervin Weaver
Maricela Feliciano	Sean McCarthy	Darryl Webb
Ronald Ferguson	Shaun McCorry-Phillips	Secoya Williams
Armando Fernandez	Daren McDaniel	Ronald Williams
Louis Fernandez	Diana Meza	Robert Williams
Edward Fernandez Jr.	Blanca Meza	Lawriec Williams
Albina Ferreyra	Nannerl Meza	Bruce Wilson
Erin Fitchew	Brian Mitchell	Johnny Wilson
Madeleine Flanagan	Nune Mnatsakanyan	Romelia Workneh
Eric Fletcher	Brian Moen	Frank Wright
Cristina Flores	Joseph Molles	Kay Yamamoto
Michael Flowers	Estella Morales	Peter Yan
Alex Franco	Monique Muniz	Andrea Ybarra
Matthew Freitag	David Nevarez	Chun-Ming Yen
Fernando Fuentes	Robert Neviler	LaWanda Young
Robert Galan	Trang Nguyen	Johnny Yutronic
Ernesto Gallegos	Kenneth OBrien	Pedro Zavala
David Galvan	Ernesto Onate	
John Garcia	Belusochukwu Onyedika	

Port's Lobster Fest Boils Down to Fun

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero

■ Port of LA hosts world's largest lobster festival.



Over the Sept. 17 to 19, the Port of Los Angeles threw its annual Lobster Festival, the largest in the world, they tell us.

The fun weekend was held at the Ports o' Call Village.

The lobsters were fresh from Maine.

The event was sponsored by the Port, as well as the offices of Mayor Jim Hahn and Councilwoman Janice Hahn.

People came from as far as Oxnard for the event.

Sue Hayter of the Port of LA provided to *Alive!* the name the Harbor Dept. volunteers who helped make this a great event. The volunteers are:

In the booths: Michael Barnes, Diane Boskovich, Chris Brown, Rachel Campbell, Dave Chrisman, Helen Christ, Guadalupe Diaz, Danny Dundov, Betsy Foley, Sheila Gonzales, Regina Grant (and daughter Chelsea), Mimi Gutierrez, Sue Hayter, Pauline Hospe, Paul Irving, Trisha Karmelich, Rose Kinoshita, Rickey Kirk, Matt Koerber, Adrian Lopez (and wife Beverly Suzuki), Alan Mayse, Jennifer Mosher, Danette Nappi, Rene Rodriguez and Robert Sepulveda. Behind the scenes: Jim Holdaway, Stephen John, Anthony DiTucci, Tom Estrada, David Ochoa and Scott Wilson.

Congratulations to the Port for hosting another great Lobster Festival.



Port of Los Angeles Booth.



From left: Officer Dayton, Port Police, 1.5 years; Officer Nua, Port Police, 13 years; Officer BA Smith, Port Police, 5 years; and Police Intern Castillo, 3 years.



From left: Officer Strauss, Port Police, 1 year; Officer See, Port Police, 4 years; and Officer Imoto, Port Police, 1 year.



A complete lobster meal ... yum!



From left: Diane Boskovich, Wharfingers, 27 years, Club member; Guadalupe Diaz, Public Relations, 3.5 years; Betsy Foley, Environmental, 15 years; and Danette Nappi, Public Affairs, 16 years.



From left: Sgt. Aleman, Port Police, 31 years, Club member; Lt. Fletcher, Port Police, 25 years; and Officer Guerrero, Port Police, 34 years, Club member.



From left: Margaret Hernandez, Director, Contracts and Purchasing, 23 years, Club member; her daughter Jacqueline Padilla; and Julie Wichmann Huerta, Construction, 20 years, Club member.



In line for lobster.



One of the many bands scheduled to perform was Belladonna, a Stevie Nicks tribute band.



Port Police Officers with Noah and Isaiah Hawkins



Michael Barnes, Sr. Boat Operator, 7 years, standing next to the POLA Lobster Information booth.



The Clark Family from Oxnard: It was their first time attending the Lobster Festival.



From left: Officer Clements, Port Police, 2.5 years; and Officer Edward, Port Police, 10 years.



The lobster being prepared.

Reset Your Clocks!




Club members, make sure to reset your clocks for the end of Daylight Saving Time Sunday, Oct. 31 (Halloween), at 2 a.m.

Set all your clocks back one hour.

And, as a friendly reminder, this is a good time to check the batteries in all your smoke alarms.

Moving?



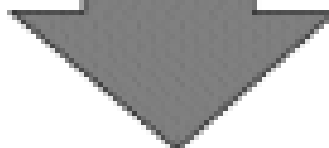
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The Intern class of 2004



Carol Rowen was the founder and executive director of the International Trade Education Programs



From left: Bill Cheng, MA II at Construction & Maintenance, 28 years; Yessenia Castañeda, Construction & Maintenance Intern; Joannie Mukai, Director of Port Construction & Maintenance and club Board Member.

Port Rewards Students at Event

Interns

Continued from Page 1

To be eligible for the Summer Internship Program, students must maintain academic and attendance standards, as well as pass the test of Adult Basic Education.

The interns, their parents, friends, employers and supporters were welcomed by Martin Chavez, who introduced the Port's Executive Director Larry Keller. Dr. Myrna Rivera, Los Angeles Unified School District Superintendent, District Eight, followed Mr. Keller, who thanked the Port for its support and the 15 employers for allowing these young students into their work places.

The City Employees Club and LA Federal Credit Union sponsored student awards by providing AMC movie and Border's Books gift certificates. Interns were recognized for their outstanding attendance at work and being on time for the weekly workshops, the recipients were: Edgar Garza, LA Maritime Institute; Yessenia Mendoza, Computer Consulting - Operations; and Andy Zamora, POLA - Test Lab.

Students also attended workshops every Friday afternoon and were given word analogies, essay comprehension, and analytical exams. The students who did well—Christine Pina, POLA Contracts and Purchasing, and Wendy Sanchez, Stevedoring Services America Marine—were given certificates for workshop excellence. The Workplace Professionalism Award for the student who displayed proper business etiquette and learned how to interact with professionals was presented to Lorna Baker, PASHA Stevedoring and Terminals.

The Outstanding Student Award was presented to Edgar Garza, who had exceptional attendance, participated in every workshop and displayed professionalism through out the program. His employer was thoroughly impressed with his skills, attitude and outgoing personality.

The Club offers congratulations and wishes all "graduates" good luck. Many thanks to the employers for "Opening the World Today and Preparing for Tomorrow" by allowing these students to earn and learn.



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Knights & Damsels
 Mini-Renaissance Faire

Knights and Damsels Mini-Renaissance Faire
 November 6th/7th, 13th/14th & 20th/21st, 2004

Medieval merriment will reign at our Knights and Damsels Mini-Renaissance Faire. Feast hearty on exotic food, dance with minstrels and musicians, partake in children's games of adventure and enchantment and enjoy a live Blacksmith show.

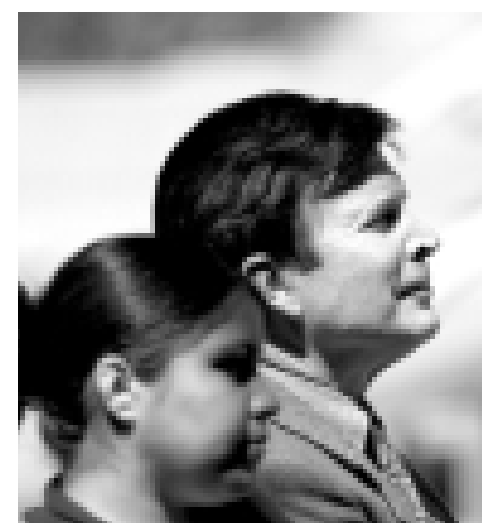


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Rosio Becerra, College Intern Program Coordinator.



Port Director Larry Keller showing his support for the intern program.

Where in LA?

What is this? Where is this? →

The Club member who gives us the most complete, detailed description of the object related to the City of Los Angeles wins the great prize!

■ This month's deadline: Oct. 12. See complete list of rules at bottom right. ■ Thanks for playing, and good luck!

Send your response along with your Club card number by e-mail (whereinla@cityemployeesclub.com), by fax ([213] 620-0598) or by surface mail (350 S. Figueroa, Suite 700, Los Angeles 90071).



WIN \$50

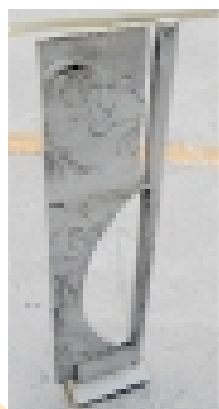
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RESTAURANT CERTIFICATE

New Photo ... Great Prize
Get ready for another great contest.
We wish you could all win!

No one could identify the photo we ran for the September contest (look further for the description). So, for October, we'll give you a new photo but keep the same prize: a \$50 gift certificate to Claim Jumper Restaurant! All you have to do is answer, "What Is This?" and "Where is This?". Send in a correct and substantial answer (in your own words) to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com, and you could win!

Here is the description of the photo in the September issue:



Bicycle Stop, 1995, Paul Benigno.

Arco Plaza, in front of the Bank of America building, Figueroa Street.

The "Bike Stops Here" project, funded by the Community Redevelopment Agency's Downtown Cultural Trust Fund, created ten unique bike racks in downtown in 1995 and 1996. (One placed at the Los Angeles Times Building was subsequently damaged and removed.) These racks, supported by the Los Angeles Department of Transportation as a way of encouraging bicycle riding in downtown by providing security at important public places, were designed and fabricated by graduate and

undergraduate students in a course at the Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc).

Paul Benigno placed four bike racks at Arco Plaza to serve the messengers who tied their bikes to railings and posts while they wait for their next delivery. He aligned the racks to mimic the repetitious placement of the nearby benches and trees. He also installed them on the sidewalk rather than the plaza so they would not disrupt pedestrian movement and interfere with the formal composition of the fountain and buildings. Constructed of cast steel, each rack has a vertical pole anchored in the concrete, and a 3/8-inch steel plate imprinted with bicycle imagery. The nearby street signs—"Bus Stop," "One Way Stop"—inspired Benigno to title his installation "Bike Stop."

The description was provided to *Alive!* by Ruth Wallach of the University of Southern California Libraries.

Contest Rules:

1. Winning contestants must be Club members in good standing. Everyone is welcome to submit responses, however. (Responses without Club membership numbers will be accepted but not eligible for the winning prize.)
2. Responses can be delivered by mail, fax, e-mail or in person (phone responses will not be accepted).
3. Winning responses will be determined by official Club personnel. All decisions will be final.
4. 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.

A Contest for Club Members!

WIN!

Alive! Around the World

The last two months we offered free two free movie tickets to the Club member who takes his or her copy of *Alive!* on vacation with them ... and takes a picture from a far away and interesting location.

The winner: **Catalina Alvarado**, a detention officer with the LAPD.

Catalina sent in two great photos of *Alive!* with her at the Renaissance Jamaica Grande Resort in Ocho Rios, Jamaica.

We hope to offer this contest again next summer, so start planning those trips ... and make sure to take your *Alive!* with you.

Congratulations, Catalina!

We have a **winner!**



A new Club promotion:



A Club Family Thanksgiving
Recipe Blowout!

Send in your favorite family recipes for Thanksgiving dinner. You could win a \$25 gift certificate to Target!



In November, our Club Chef Robert Larios wants to celebrate the City Employee family by printing a fantastic feast of recipes! He wants your best recipes for turkey, stuffing, veggies, breads and rolls, desserts, sauces, appetizers, vegetarian delights, ethnic specialties, you name it. If your family loves it, send it in!

We don't expect to be able to print all the recipes we receive (although you never know). If we print your recipe, we'll send you a gift certificate to Target stores, courtesy the Club.

Contest Rules:

- Deadline: Oct. 12
- Everyone is welcome to send in a favorite recipe, but only Club members are eligible for the Target gift certificate.
 - Send those recipes to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com, or fax them to (213) 620-0398.
 - Happy Thanksgiving (a little early!) to the Club family!

Newsbrief



VALLEY AUTO THEFTS DOWN:

Mayor Jim Hahn and Los Angeles Police Chief William Bratton announced Aug. 3 that over the past year, the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) Valley Bureau has reduced auto thefts by 20 percent in the San Fernando Valley since last year at this time, and citywide, the LAPD has reduced auto thefts by 11%. Every year in the City of Los Angeles approximately 30,000 vehicles are stolen and the San Fernando Valley accounts for 30 percent of those thefts.

"In tough fiscal times, all of our city departments are under pressure to do more with fewer resources," said Mayor Hahn. "Under the command of Deputy Chief Ronald Bergman, Valley Bureau has been diligent in finding creative ways to address this considerable problem."

LAPD has initiated numerous anti-theft efforts including windshield etching of vehicle identification numbers (VIN) and installation of ignition "kill" switches by local vendors. LAPD Valley Bureau has developed Community Efforts to Combat Auto Theft Section (CECATS) a specialized auto theft unit in Valley Bureau, and the LAPD's Commercial Auto Theft Section is working with the "Taskforce for Regional Auto Theft Prevention," an unprecedented partnership between the Sheriff's Department, Department of Motor Vehicles and the California Highway Patrol to reduce auto thefts.

Many auto thieves are juvenile offenders and through the enforcement of curfew and truancy laws the LAPD has reduced auto thefts. Additionally, all passengers found riding in stolen vehicles are now subject to arrest by detectives once it is established that the passenger has knowledge that the car was stolen.

In the last year, 86 percent of the vehicles stolen citywide were recovered by the LAPD.

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Cooking with the Club

by our own
Robert Larios



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.

Jack's Back

■ Halloween creates lots of opportunities for fun food. Chef Larios also helps you keep your great memories of ClubFest fresh for another month.

Can you believe it, as ClubFest celebrations cease for another year, a new celebration begins! This is such a special month that it really is a child's dream month. It's the time for consuming massive amounts of gut-rotting, teeth-gnashing, artificially colored food substances as dentists look forward to their appointment desk phone ring off the hook.

Just so that you don't forget the greatest City employee celebration ever put together, I have a special barbecue rib recipe that will keep you reminiscing about ClubFest and the nonstop food you had that day. I hope I can help you remember the great tastes of the Ultimate City Picnic, at least for another month!

The pumpkin is an age-old partner of Halloween. Pumpkins can be used for decora-

tion, as a pot for a special soup or even chili (if you hollow it out), pies and salt-roasted pumpkin seeds like that of the recipe below, Pumpkin Seeds a la Salt. What are you going to do with those pumpkins after the holidays? Well, I have an activity that your kids would love to do. And it is the best tasting snack around.

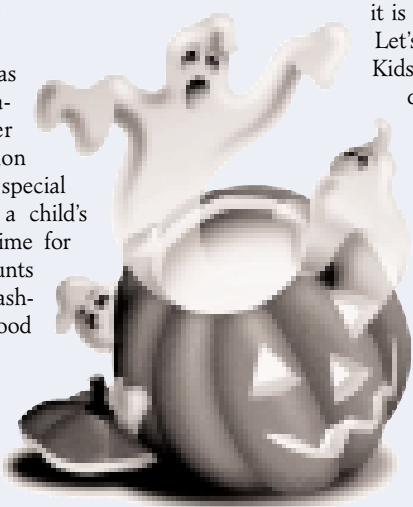
Let's roast those pumpkin seeds! Kids will love to get their hands deep inside to of the pumpkin and remove the seeds out from in between the pulp.

Another special dish for Halloween and as an autumn recipe is the Upside Down Spooky Spice Cake, brought to us by Club Editor John Burnes. To help wash down these delectable salted treats, make the Halloween Chiller and it will quench any thirst.

There are many varieties of pumpkin soup, but October Pumpkin Soup is one of my favorites. Since pumpkins are plentiful this time of year, you will never run out of the main ingredient for experimentation.

Also, we want to thank Club Department Rep Cheryl Power of the DWP for her great Halloween recipes.

Next month, get ready for some of my favorite Thanksgiving feast recipes!



Remember ClubFest Barbeque Ribs

INGREDIENTS

- 3 pounds baby back pork ribs (or beef ribs)

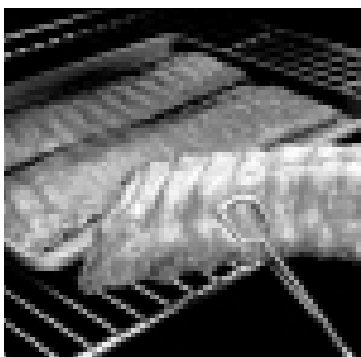
Barbecue sauce

- 8 ounces honey
- 1 medium onion, finely diced
- 1 teaspoon fresh ground pepper
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed
- 2 bay leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon celery salt
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup dark brown sugar
- 12 ounces barbecue sauce
- 2 teaspoons Tabasco or similar hot sauce (optional)

DIRECTIONS

Combine all barbecue sauce ingredients in large bowl and mix well. Cover all sides of pork ribs generously with barbecue sauce and place in a large roasting pan. Spread ribs evenly on bottom of pan and cover with remaining barbecue sauce.

Loosely cover with aluminum foil and bake at 375 degrees F for about one hour. Turn ribs and baste with barbecue sauce occasionally during cooking.



Halloween Chiller

INGREDIENTS

- 4 scoops apple Kool Aid, sweetened
- 2 cups water
- 1 cup orange juice
- 2 (12 oz.) cans 7-Up

DIRECTIONS

Dissolve drink mix. Add orange juice and chill. Just before serving, stir in beverage and serve over ice.

Makes 7 servings.



Pumpkin Sour Cream Coffee Cake

Courtesy of Cheryl Power, DWP

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 3 eggs
- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1-3/4 cup or 16 oz canned pumpkin, seasoned

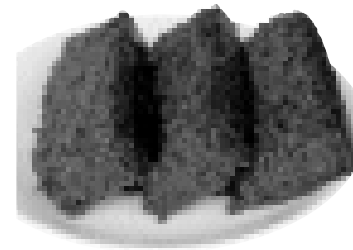
DIRECTIONS

Cream butter, 1/2 cup sugar, vanilla. Add two eggs, beat well. Sift and combine flour, baking powder and soda. Add dry mixture to butter mixture. Add sour cream.

Combine pumpkin, one beaten egg, 1/3 cup sugar in a different bowl.

Spoon batter into greased 9 X 13 dish. Sprinkle half of the dry mixture over batter. Spread remaining batter over pumpkin mixture. End with remaining dry mixture sprinkled on top.

Bake at 325 degrees for 50-60 minutes, or until a toothpick comes out clean. Serve warm with whipped cream.



Pumpkin Squares

Courtesy of Cheryl Power, DWP

INGREDIENTS

- 1 yellow cake mix
- 1/2 stick butter (melted)
- 1 egg
- Mix cake mix (take out one cup and set aside), butter and egg together. Press mixture in 9 X 13 pan.
- 1 can or 3 cups canned seasoned Pumpkin
- 2 eggs
- 2/3 cup Brown Sugar
- 2/3 cup Milk
- Mix these together and pour into the pan.
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 cup butter (firm)
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts.

DIRECTIONS

Mix these ingredients with the remaining cup of dry cake mix and sprinkle dry mixture on top of pumpkin mixture in pan.

Bake 350 degrees for 45 - 50 minutes.



October Pumpkin Soup

INGREDIENTS

- 2 large onions, chopped
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh ground pepper
- 5 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 cup butter
- 4 cups half-and-half
- 4 cups fresh pumpkin

DIRECTIONS

Sauté onion in butter until tender. Sprinkle with curry powder and sauté 2 more minutes. Remove and place in a large saucepan. Stir in pumpkin and salt. Add half-and-half, stirring constantly. Stir in broth. Cook over low heat, stirring occasionally.

Serves 16.



Critic's Corner What I Read

Read a great book lately? Tell your fellow Club members about it! Send in a paragraph or two about the book, plus the title, author, genre, number of pages and the publisher. Send your reviews to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



A Love Story
Denene Miller and Nick Chiles
Penguin Books 2004
African-American Romance
244 pages

This book was about a love story. It was different, however, because it was written by a husband and wife.

The husband told the male part of the story and the wife told the female part. It was very different. It was interesting to hear both sides of the story from the respective male and female voice.

The story revolved around Aaron and Nina, childhood friends, best friends who eventually become romantically involved. As with most couples, they had their rough spots, but were able to overcome insecurities, jealousies, etc. and allow love to win in the end.

It's a good read.

— Lynne D. Wright, Ontario Airport



The Third Victim
Lisa Gardner
Bantam Books
2001
Mystery
373 pages

Ms. Gardner is still turning out great mystery novels. This is

another book that was hard to put down. It was also filled with suspense. It kept me on edge until the very end, trying to figure out who the perpetrator was.

The story revolved around a school shooting in a small town and the prime suspect was the Sheriff's 14-year-old son. Again, I will not tell the story, but can tell you this is a book to not be missed. The story is all too real and scary because we all know these things have happened and can happen.

— Lynne D. Wright, Ontario Airport



A Round-Heeled Woman
Jane Juska
Villard Books 2003
Adult Fiction
272 pages

This book is a story of a 67-year-old divorcee who is still in search of self discovery, and deciding she has been celibate

too long places a personal ad in her local newspaper. The responses were overwhelming, and she took a sabbatical from teaching to meet some of the men who replied.

I enjoyed reading this book. The author sends the message that it is okay to get old. The character found out that at 67, there were many people male and female who were experiencing the same things at a similar age. The story being told covers the character's childhood relationship with her mother, marriage, experiences as an English teacher, and how she finally became secure with herself after placing an ad in the personals. The best lesson learned is as you age, you don't have to give up passion for life, lust for adventure, and intimacy with another person.

— Lisa M. Flenoury, LAPD

Let the Church Say Amen
Rashonda Tate Billingsly
Pocket Books 2004
Fiction
277 pages

This novel is about a pastor of a church with average family problems. Pastor Simon Jackson believes are to focus on the church and their needs. Loretta is a submissive, loyal and devoted wife and mother who has to endure all the heartaches and pain that her family is going through. Rachel, her only daughter, had two children by the age 18. She is so busy chasing after her ex-boyfriend Bobby that she is neglecting her children little Bobby and Nia. Jonathan, the youngest son, returns from Atlanta after finishing college. Prior to leaving Tracy breaks his heart. Jonathan broke his first love's heart Angela by breaking up with her in college, because he fell in love with Tracy (he will never admit it to her). He does not know how to tell his father that he does not want to follow in his footsteps, and one day take over the church. David the eldest son is an athlete who was injured during his college years. Unfortunately, the devastation hit him and he turned to drugs, and he even stole from family members. Loretta realizes that the nucleus of the family (Pastor Jackson) needs to be a part of the family.

After numerous events throughout the book, the author shows how both parents are needed to raise children, and through lack of parenting skills children tend to look for love in other places. The book is superb and a must read.

— Marviana Jones, Club Member



The Other Daughter
Lisa Gardner
Bantam Books 1999
Mystery
404 pages

This was a book filled with a lot of twists and turns, not too much that you couldn't follow the story, but enough to keep you very interested. It is full of suspense.

The story revolved around Melanie, the adopted daughter of a well-off family. One twist is Melanie seems to be a replacement of Megan, the daughter who was killed at the tender age of five by a serial killer. I won't spoil the story by telling all, but this book is definitely a must read. I have read several other books by this author, and I have yet to be disappointed by her work.

— Lynne D. Wright, Ontario Airport



A Lesson Before Dying
Ernest J. Gaines
Random House
1997
Adult Fiction
256 pages

Set in the 1940s, a young black man, Jefferson, is a witness

at a liquor store robbery. As the only survivor, he is accused of the crime and is sentenced to death. A friend of Jefferson's godmother happens to have a son that is a teacher, Grant Higgins, and he is asked to impact Jefferson's learning and pride before he is put to death. Concluding the book, the two men form a respect for one another and understand if heroism of resisting and defying the expected.

The book wasn't anything I expected. However, it caught my attention and made me feel a part of the story. It has also taught me some of the responsibilities as a young black female. On a scale of one to ten, this book was an amazing 11.

— Ashley Flenoury, Club Member

Confessions of a Shopaholic
Sophie Kinsella
Dell Publishing 2001
Adult Fiction
310 pages

This book is the story of a young woman who does not take life seriously, and lives a lifestyle she cannot afford. She tries to cut back and even make more money, but nothing seems to work until a chain of events take place that change her life as she knows it.

I enjoyed this book. It is the story of a young professional woman who is not living within her means, and does not know it. It shares her rationale for such spending, and is hilarious at times because she actually thinks she does not have a spending problem. This is definitely a good book to read at a time when you need a good laugh.

— Lisa M. Flenoury, LAPD



Critic's Corner What I Saw

Write a brief review of a current movie — give us the general plot line, whether you liked it, and whether it's appropriate for family audiences. If we print it, we'll send you two free movie tickets! So let's hear it! Send them to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

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Cellular

I loved this movie! Kim Basinger is perfect as Jessica, a high school science teacher who gets kidnapped for something her husband has that she has no knowledge of. She is able to put together a broken phone good enough to get a call out. Chris Evans as Ryan answers his cell phone to find Jessica on the other end. At first he thinks it's a joke, but then realizes it is for real and now will do anything to help.

The movie wastes no time in getting the action started. From start to finish, you are glued to the screen. I would definitely recommend this film for 13 and up. There is some violence here. This is another best of the summer releases. Go go go see this movie.

— Gail Seltzer, DWP

relentless paparazzi cause him to crash his car (sadly this will remind you of what Princess Diana went through before her death). This leaves his son in a coma and his wife needing surgery. Still this does not affect the four paparazzi involved and they continue to hound the new star. After accidentally hitting one of the paparazzi, which results in his death, Bo turns the tables on the other three. This is when the movie really becomes great.

I really enjoyed this movie, from start to especially finish. I do recommend this for 13 and up. Dennis Farina also stars.

— Gail Seltzer, DWP

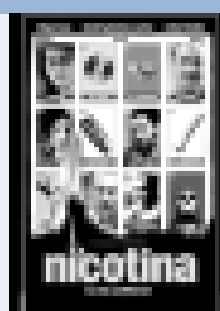
The Cookout



All I needed to know was Queen Latifah was in this and I am there.

Well, there are a few laughs, but overall, save your money! It's not worth the price of admission or your time.

— Gail Seltzer, DWP



Nicotina

This dark, addictive comedy really has you on the edge of your seats until the very last scene. It compares a lot to other great movies like Snatch (2000) or Pulp Fiction (1994).

It's basically an entertaining movie about an awkward science geek Lolo (Diego Luna) who is infatuated with his beautiful neighbor Andrea (Marta Belaustegui). His peeping practices go wrong, and soon after he gets tangled with a clutch of a Mexican Tomson (Jesús Ochoa), Argentinean Nene (Lucas Crespi) and Russian mobster (Norman Sotolongo) after he delivers to them the wrong computer disk, meant to carry information on Swiss bank accounts. The error explodes in violence, causing the lives of nine unsuspecting people to spin on a downward spiral. Everyone is trying to get a hold on the situation, but it escapes their grasps time and time again. Ultimately they fulfill their twisted destiny and blind fate. People's dark sides come out and everyone is seen as guilty of doing wrong by the end of the story.

The story line is full of characters dealing with their personal addictions (smoking being the most elemental). There's lust,

voyeurism, infatuation, greed, obsession, signs of neuroticism even. At the end of the movie, you realize you've been hooked and breaking the obsession is too late.

Four stars!

— Robert Renteria, Animal Services

Without A Paddle

Without a Paddle is a fun movie to watch. It's a movie about four guys who have been friends since they were little kids. They were always obsessed with a story about a hijacker name DB Cooper who jumped out of a plane with \$200,000. It was their dream to one day find that treasure.

Years later, one of the guys dies. At the funeral, the three friends reunite and reminisce about old times. They visit their old tree house and discover something interesting. Before Billy died, he had done some research on DB Cooper. Billy made a map of where DB Cooper may have actually landed with his money. The three guys decide to go out into the wilderness and attempt to find the treasure, which results with many comedic situations.

This movie makes you want to reach out to your friends for some good times and adventures. A very good and funny movie.

— Gwen Lew, DWP Owens Valley



Paparazzi

Cole Hauser stars as Bo Laramie, who becomes a big action movie star and finds out there is a price for the fame. The paparazzi hound him and his family day and night. Finally one evening, four

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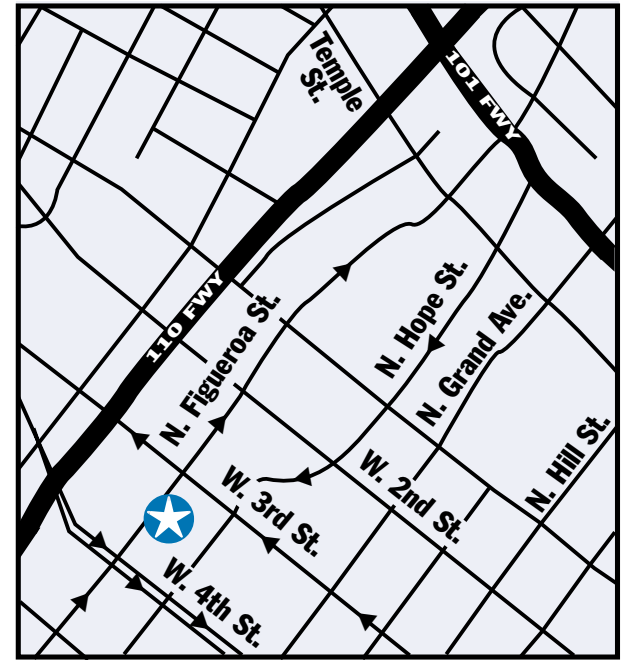
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Disneyland - Child - Through 12/16/04	\$50.00	\$34.00 x	=	\$
Knott's Berry Farm - Adult	\$43.00	\$20.95 x	=	\$
Knott's Berry Farm - Child 3-11 Valid all year	\$32.00	\$12.95 x	=	\$
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Legoland - Child	\$34.95	\$28.95 x	=	\$
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Navin Cotton, The "Ticket Guy"

October Deals From The Ticket Guy

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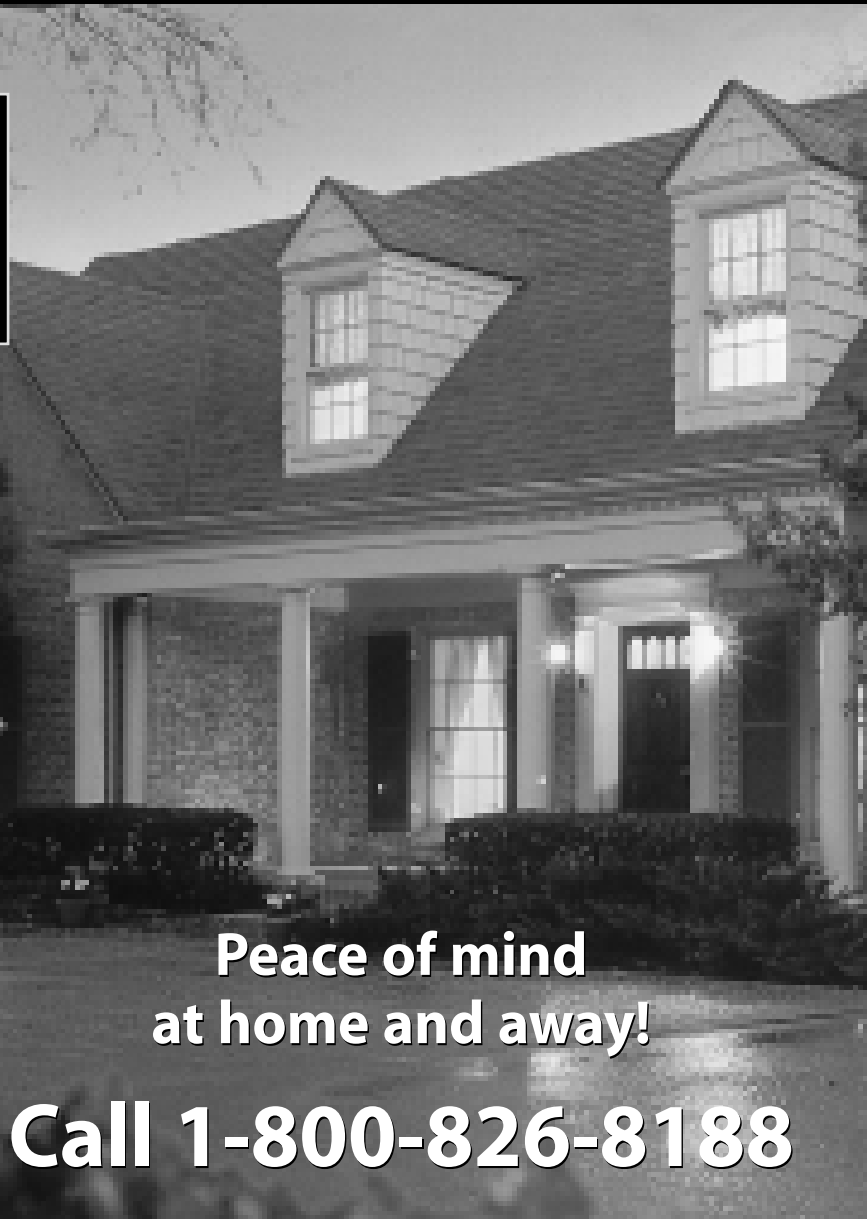
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Need help? Find your Counselor

When contacting the Club, ask for the counselor that handles your department.



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Member Services
Counselor

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