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Michael Bevelaqua, 93, Retired Traffic Officer and US Navy veteran, reflects on his submarine service, and what freedom means.

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Brothers Under the Sea

JOHN'S BLOG

by John Hawkins, CEO, The Club

For this, our July issue, we continue our yearly tradition honoring Club Members who are also US military veterans.

This one, with **Michael Bevelaqua**, 93, Retired, Transportation, was really fun. Like Michael, I served on a US Navy submarine. In my era, the 1980s, we heard stories of what it was like to serve on the old diesel electric boats like Michael did, and this was my chance to find out.

The Club first learned Michael's story in April 2020 as part of our Club Care Calls program, when we called all of our Retired Members – one by one – to make sure they were doing okay during the pandemic. (We then called *all* of our Members, too, 50,000, in what became the largest outreach in Club history.) Michael told us he was doing fine. Looking at his age, we then asked if he had served in the military, and he told us his story. I couldn't wait to interview him! The pandemic got in the way,



Traffic Officer Michael Bevelaqua, probably late 1970s, aboard a three-wheeled Harley-Davidson Servi-Car. *Vintage LA Coppers*



From left: Club CEO John Hawkins and fellow US Navy submariner Michael Bevelaqua, Retired, Transportation; and *Alive!* editor John Burnes.

though, and prevented our meeting safely for more than a year. But when it finally cleared enough to be safe (all involved were double vaccinated), we visited Michael in Alhambra just in time for this issue.

I learned a lot about the old subs and

about Michael, who equates freedom with the simple joys of walking down the street, supporting his family, and so forth. I hope you enjoy our story.



A sidenote: Michael's son, **Mark Bevelaqua**, Sr. Inspector, Building and Safety, wanted to include a photo of his dad as a Traffic Officer. He couldn't locate one, so *Alive!* editor John Burnes reached out to Vintage LA Coppers secretary **Sgt. Kevin Ahlemeir** for any generic vintage photo of Traffic Officers on a three-wheeled Harley-Davidson. Kevin supplied one ... that just happened to feature Michael himself! That's an amazing coincidence, and we're happy to reprint it here.

Itching to get outside and enjoy nature, now that it's safe to do so? Head to Rec and Parks' stunning Orcutt Ranch right after the Fourth to pick some true City oranges right in a citrus grove, for a small fee. I visited park curator **Robert Baker** there a few years ago, and it's awesome.

I wish you a meaningful and happy Fourth of July. As the pandemic eases, celebrate freedom, big or small, with your family. It's so important.

JOHN

Photos courtesy Airports/Joshua Sudock

Projects Taking Off

West Gates, Terminal 1.5 projects open as completions begin.

AIRPORTS: In May and June, two major new projects opened at LAX – an expansion of west midfield satellite gates at the Tom Bradley International Terminal, and a terminal that bridges the existing Terminals 1 and 2.

These continue LAX's historic transformation that is changing the airport and how passengers navigate access to it. They form part of a collection of projects that is the biggest in Airports and City history. (The rebuild of the center terminal power plant, the main Tom Bradley International Terminal and the main Terminal 1 opened in recent years. Still to come: the massive people mover and affiliated stations; midfield terminals 4.5 and 5.5; and a new Airport Police HQ, among others.)

New West Gates

On May 24, Airports opened the new \$1.73 billion West Gates project at Tom Bradley International Terminal.

"LAX is our gateway to the world — a global crossroads where dreams take flight and where we welcome the future of our city with open arms," said Mayor Eric Garcetti.

The five-level, 15-gate, 750,000-square-foot facility, which will serve both international and domestic flights, marks

the latest step in the airport's \$14.5 billion modernization.

At nearly 1,700 feet in length, the West Gates at Tom Bradley International Terminal is located just west of the main international terminal and was completed over the course of four-and-a-half years.

The new gates were "designed around a modern, digitally based travel experience and offer numerous comfortable seating options, with thousands of places to plug in, while accessing next-generation wireless internet, touchscreen kiosks and the most advanced baggage handling and boarding systems of any airport in the United States today," Airports said.

The West Gates at Tom Bradley project was funded from LAX's operating revenues, Capital Improvement Program funds, fees from airlines, passenger facility charges and airport revenue bond proceeds. No money was used from the city's General Fund or taxpayers.

Terminal 1 Extension

On June 4, Airports opened its new Terminal 1 Extension, a \$477.5 million facility that added increased capacity

The new West Gates satellite at Tom Bradley International Terminal/LAX.



Mayor Eric Garcetti delivers welcome remarks to open the new Terminal 1 extension. The new automated people mover, under construction, is seen outside the large windows.



with new passenger check-in lobby, security screening, baggage claims and future connection to the Automated People Mover (APM) train system.

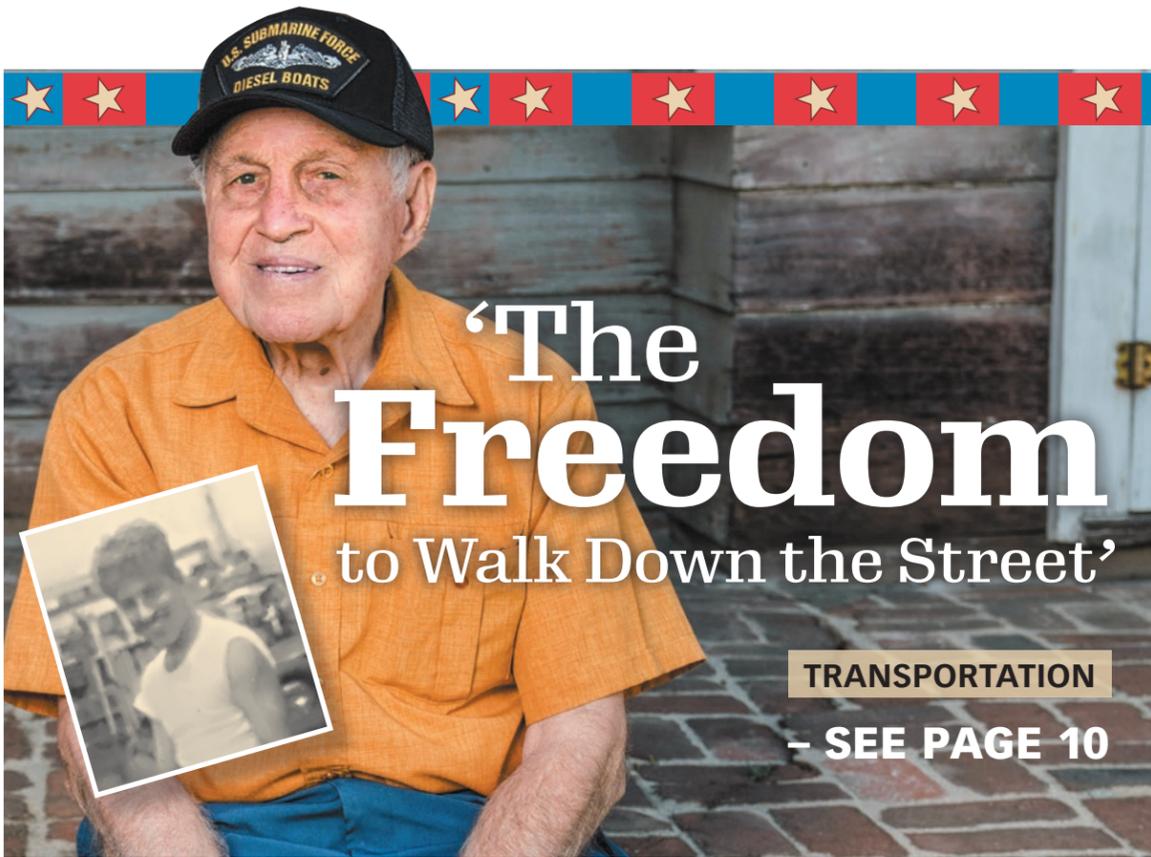
The addition to Terminal 1, which was described as Terminal 1.5 during construction, includes the first of seven Terminal Vertical Cores to open at LAX. In the Terminal 1 core, elevators and escalators will provide passengers access to a pedestrian bridge that will connect to the future APM train system's Center Central Terminal Area (CTA) station.

The 283,000-square-foot extension of Terminal 1 will connect to Terminal 2 behind security when the terminal connector is completed this fall, allowing passengers to move between the two buildings without having to be re-screened and providing another access point for greater flexibility.

"The opening of this Terminal 1 extension is another major step toward a fully transformed and fully connected LAX," said Justin Erbacci, Chief Executive Officer, Airports. "It provides a further glimpse of our incredible future – one that will offer world-class facilities, setting the stage for a reimagined LAX." ■



Officials cut the ribbon for Terminal 1.5.



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Michael Bevelaqua served the US Navy's submarine service before working as a Traffic Officer, Transportation.

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John's Picture Perfect

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Cooking With the Club

Chef Larios goes under the sea with a lobster stuffed ravioli and shrimp in a tomato cream sauce recipe.



Correction

In our "In Memoriam" section in the May 2021 issue, due to a source error, we misspelled the name of Kittara Tongkul, LADWP, with 15 years of City service. He was a well-respected supervisor, and we regret the error. Thanks to Ralph Sanchez, Supervisor, Power Meter Store, LADWP, Club Member, for the correction.

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Orange-Picking Time

Orcutt Ranch continues its orange-picking events for the public.

REC AND PARKS: After a year absence due to the pandemic, orange picking returns in July to Rec and Parks' Orcutt Ranch in West Hills.

The program invites the public to pick oranges from the groves at Orcutt Ranch on select weekends.

The next event is set for 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. July 10-11 at Orcutt Ranch, 23600 Roscoe Blvd., West Hills.

The event is do-it-yourself. Fruit can be picked for \$4 per average reusable bag or \$5 for a medium fruit box. Pickers must bring their own containers. Tree climbing and ladders are prohibited.

See poster for more information. ■



Citrus Groves: Valencia oranges are plentiful at Orcutt Ranch. These trees were ready to be picked at the summer picking event a week after these photos were taken. White grapefruits are also grown here.

Goodbye, Jean

Jean Sarfaty, PSR II and longtime Club Rep, retires after 24 years of City service.

LAPD: LAPD/Communications said goodbye to Jean Sarfaty with a COVID-safe final roll call Feb. 11 at the Valley Communications Dispatch Center (VCDC) before her ultimate retirement date of May 8. Jean retires as a Police Service Rep II (911 Operator) after 24 years of City service. Her coworkers bid her farewell with flowers, an autograph board, gift cards and a retirement shirt.

Her end of watch broadcast was read by colleague and good friend Cheryl Chase Feb. 11. "Cheryl and I became best friends, sharing our love of animals and doing Sunday Fundays at the center, where we had drawings for Lotto tickets and, during the pandemic, Cheryl would give prizes such as Lysol sprays and wipes, really helping to keep the PSRs safe from the COVID virus!"

Jean has been a Club Rep for approximately 15 years, serving Club Members in her department access their Club benefits and discounts. She received the coveted Club retirement plaque from Club COO Robert Larios through the mail, due to COVID protocols. "The plaque you sent me is beautiful and very much appreciated!" she wrote after receiving it.

She began her service on April 14, 1997, starting at the Communications



Jean Sarfaty with her Club retirement plaque.

Division Center (CDC) four floors below City Hall, then transferred to the Metro Communications Dispatch Center (MCDC) across from City Hall, then to the Valley Communications Dispatch Center (VCDC), "which luckily for me was only 2.6 miles from my house!"

During her career, she was also a mem-

ber of the Care, Concern and Support Association to support Police Service Representatives in many different ways.

"I truly appreciated my job as a Police Service Representative, being able to help the callers, making a difference and calming those in their time of need," Jean said about her LAPD Communications career. "It was an exciting and fulfilling experience. I appreciated all of my co-workers who were always willing to give their support and the Supervisors who were there in time of need."

"I also couldn't have done this without the incredible help from my husband, Ron Sarfaty, a former LASD Deputy Sheriff who helped me to study every single night until I qualified. His support was amazing."

Jean's retirement plans are to travel, spend more time with her family and grandchildren and to volunteer at animal shelters.

On a note from *Alive!*, Jean has proven a big help in gathering the names and photos of those in the 911 centers who participated in the fun, annual Halloween costume contests, and has helped with photo identifications and department news updates in general. She vows to continue to help us publish the news of the department, for which we're grateful.

From *Alive!* and the Club, we wish Jean and Ron a wonderful retirement. ■



Jean with Joanna Power.



Jean with PSR III Sal Tillet.



Jean with PSR III Jacqui Dreben.



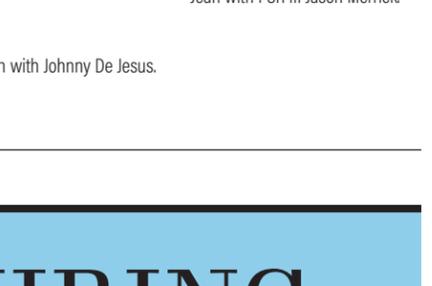
Jean with Sr. PSR Sara Munoz.



Jean with Sr. PSR Dana Thomas.



Jean with PSR III Rosalia Stein.



Jean with PSR III Jason Merrick.



The retirement T-shirt gift from Jean's co-workers.



Cheryl Chase, Jean's "best friend at Communications," reads Jean's end of watch broadcast Feb. 11.



Jean with Timothy Dalton.



Jean dressed up for an LAPD/Communications Halloween costume contest.



Jean and her husband, Ron, Retired, LA County Sheriff's Dept., at an LAPD/Communications Christmas party.



Jean with Sr. PSR Chris Dale.



Jean with Nadia Ferrer.

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Norton Simon Museum is **HIRING** Retired City Employees for its security team.

Attention Retired City Employees: The Norton Simon Museum in Pasadena is looking to fill five part-time positions on its security team. Applicants must live in the area to respond to museum emergencies or other situations. All employees enjoy free parking, free admission to the museum any time, discounts in the store and café, paid sick leave, and a pension program.

Those interested in the open positions can get more information on the museum's Website (all inquiries should be directed there): nortonsimon.org/about/career-opportunities/

Information: Nels Ortlund at nortlund@nortonsimon.com

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The LADWP Retirees page on Facebook.

LADWP RETIREES: Hey LADWP Retirees, there's a new page on Facebook dedicated to you and your fellow Retirees. It contains discussions, photos, memories and other content. The page requires approval to join, so its mission and purpose should remain pretty much on target.

You can find the facebook page using the web address below, or you can search on Facebook for **LADWP Retirees**, and you should be able to find it that way, too. ■

Find it here, and ask to join:
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Moon Shot

Virginia Wai Ching Lit, Retired, Public Works/Engineering, is a photo hobbyist and occasional entrant to John's Picture Perfect contest in *Alive!*



The rare supermoon, blood moon and total lunar eclipse, captured by Virginia Lit, Retired, Public Works/Engineering.

RETIRED: She loves taking pictures of the moon. May 26, she hit a celestial trifecta – a super moon, a blood moon and a total lunar eclipse.

She didn't miss her chance. "The dark blood color made me so excited," she reports.

Thanks, Virginia, for sending your photos to *Alive!* so we can all enjoy them. ■



We'll Be Back!

Missing Club Sports? So are we! We'll be back when masking up, putting on the gloves, flattening the curve and being safe at home are about *softball*, not battling the pandemic!

Seriously, though ... Club Members have written the Sports Dude (also known as Club COO Robert Larios) asking if there will still be a Club Sports League when the City opens up again.

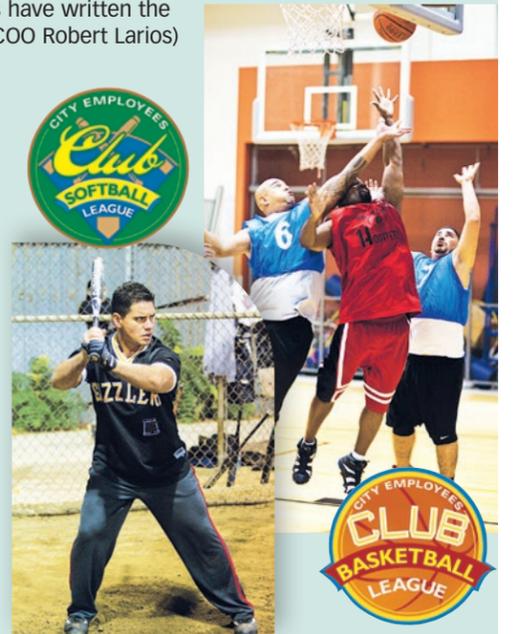
Yes indeed! We love celebrating your lives, and Club Sports is a great way to do that.

We expect Club Sports to resume when the City Rec Centers could be reopened.

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Until then, enjoy some softball and basketball photos from previous years.

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— **Robert Pena, Retired, Animal Services**



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Blyther to the Top

Erica Blyther moves from Acting to full Administrator of Petroleum office.



Erica Blyther

PUBLIC WORKS: Erica Blyther has been named Administrator of the City of Los Angeles Office of Petroleum and Natural Gas Administration and Safety (OPNGAS). Previously she had been Acting Administrator.

The appointment was announced May 24 by Board of Public Works President Greg Good.

Erica Blyther had served as Acting Petroleum Administrator since late 2019 when the previous Administrator left to run the California Geological Energy Management Division (CALGEM) of the State's Natural Resources Department.

In her Acting position, she helped liaise between the agencies responsible for the management, policy, and oversight of oil fields, gas storage facilities, petroleum refineries and pipeline franchise agreements. Since she began working as Acting Administrator, a new pipeline franchise fee study has also been initiated.

Previously, she worked as an Environmental Affairs Officer in OPNGAS, working directly with the Petroleum Administrator, as well as overseeing environmental affairs and community engagement, with an additional focus on policy analysis.

"Having worked closely with Ms. Blyther over the past year, I have absolute confidence that we've made the right choice," Good said in a statement. "Her ability to work with diverse constituencies – ranging from environmental justice advocates and frontline communities, to regulatory agencies and labor – will be crucial as we navigate the complex landscape of oil and gas policy in our City, and usher in a new era in the history of oil in Los Angeles."

In a parallel motion, the City Council has approved new funding for additional staff and resources in the recently approved budget.

The newly approved resources include three positions to establish a drill site compliance and review pilot program and over \$3.5 million and several positions in the Unappropriated Balance to initiate an amortization study of existing sites, which is necessary to determine timeline for making oil and gas extraction an incompatible land use within the City. In addition, two new positions in Planning and one in LAFD will help create a citywide collaborative approach to the City's oversight efforts.

Before coming to the OPNGAS, Erica Blyther worked in sustainability at Airports and is a 23-year veteran of the City. Throughout her career, she has worked in different City departments on environmental issues, including water quality, water conservation, water supply, energy, policy, CEQA/NEPA, air quality, storm water and hazardous substance management. She graduated from Duke University with a Bachelor's degree in environmental science and policy and obtained her Master's degree in environmental and occupational health from Cal State Northridge while working full time and participating in the City's tuition reimbursement program. Erica is a Registered Environmental Health Specialist with the State of California (REHS).

Congratulations, Erica! ■

About OPNGAS

The office of Petroleum and Natural Gas Administration and Safety (OPNGAS) is responsible for the oversight and policy of oil fields, gas storage facilities, petroleum refineries and pipeline franchise agreements. OPNGAS works alongside other regulatory agencies, including the Southern California Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), CALGEM, the California EPA, as well as the LAFD.



Construction progresses on the Sixth Street Viaduct rebuild.

Bridging the Gap

Iconic Sixth Street Viaduct rebuild project progressing toward opening next summer.



From left: Julie Allen, Principal Civil Engineer (project lead), Public Works/Engineering, Club Member; Aura Garcia and Jessica Caloza, Board of Public Works Commissioners; and Gary Lee Moore, City Engineer, Public Works/Engineering.

PUBLIC WORKS:

The rebuilding of the Sixth Street Viaduct, one of the most important engineering projects in the City, is progressing well, according to Public Works/Engineering reports. The new bridge is scheduled to open in the summer of 2022.

The Bureau of Engineering closed the 101 Freeway over the May 3 weekend to facilitate a major concrete pour,

and reopened the freeway 20 hours early.

The rebuild project, prompted by the discovery of failing concrete in the original bridge, is a \$588-million, nearly mile-long bridge over the 101 Freeway, the Los Angeles River and over the Metrolink/Amtrak railroad tracks, spanning the Arts District downtown and Boyle Heights. It is more than a vital transportation link – its predecessor was also an important cultural icon, and the plans for the new viaduct also include parklands to help reconnect the City with the LA River. That is being coordinated with Rec and Parks.

The bridge replacement project was detailed in an *Alive!* cover story in June 2018. Julie Allen, Principal Civil Engineer, Public Works/Engineering, Club Member, is the project lead.

According to Mary Nemick, Bureau of Engineering spokesperson, the City has completed six of the 20 largest arches that will support the bridge deck. The new viaduct will feature extensive lighting decorations, which *Alive!* chronicled in our main story in May.

Well done, team. We look forward to crossing over the bridge soon! ■



Construction progresses on the Sixth Street Viaduct rebuild.



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| Sat., July 10 | Tues., Aug. 24 (4:30 p.m.) |
| Tues., July 13 (4:30 p.m.) | Thurs., Sept. 2 |
| Thurs., July 22 | Sat., Sept. 18 |
| Sat., Aug. 7 | Tues., Sept. 21 (4:30 p.m.) |
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Barbara Retires



Barbara Carranza

Officer II Barbara Carranza retires from the LAPD after 34 years of City service.

LAPD: Officer II Barbara Carranza, Club Member, is set to retire July 1 after a 34-year career serving the City.

Congratulations on your excellent career, Barbara, and enjoy your retirement.

Barbara wrote the following reflection as her sworn service ends:

A THANK YOU FROM RETIRING POLICE OFFICER BARBARA L. CARRANZA #25695

I want to start by thanking God for the blessed life and career He has given me. Yes, I said career because it was that to me, not just a job. You get from this career what you put into it. I'm glad I watched "The Burning Bed" that one time, when I was deciding whether to go the CHP route or the LAPD route; it helped me decide. My career didn't go as I had originally planned but you know what they say, "tell God your plans." I guess He had other things in mind for me. It's been a great ride.

I am so thankful for my mom and dad and the way they raised me. They taught me to be strong physically and mentally and to *never give up* and *never quit*, no matter what! For the work ethic they gave me and for teaching me to give everything I do, my best! I am truly blessed to have both of them still with me. I thank my family and friends for the sacrifices they made and for their support from the beginning to the very end. I thank my family for putting up with the strange hours that I had, at times, and missing some holiday family gatherings. I couldn't have asked for a more supportive group of family and friends.

Although you all deserve a special mention I have to give one to Mikey Schwehr #20651, who was with me as a reserve instructor, in the Reserve Academy, Class 4-85R. I had the privilege to work with him at Detective Headquarters Division where he helped me better myself. I continue to know him past his retirement and now into mine. Mikey, you've been there with me from the beginning of my reserve time and still now, as a very close friend, more like family. I also consider all of you a part of my extended family. All of you that I've crossed paths with, I hope I've helped you. Thank you for being a special part of my life and a special part of my career. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart!

I'm thankful for my classmates (12-87) and those who went before me in this Department, for showing me the way. I've learned from many and I am thankful for that. I am always sad for the families of those we've lost through the years. I ask God to keep them strong and help them through the tough times.

For my Supervisors, Captains, and above, I know I didn't always make it easy for you; many times you had your hands full. I do thank you for tolerating and teaching me and, yes, for the discipline because I do believe I'm a better person for it, and I thank you. Thank you for being upfront with me. Regardless of how it felt, it did help. Thank you for letting me go all out at work like I love to do. Also, for having the confidence that I'll do my job correctly, no matter what it was or how much it was. I hope I didn't complain too much.

Thank you to the civilians who have helped me throughout my career and assignments. Thank you for making me look so good with your help, doing the extra work so that I could get my work done. Officers, the civilians are very willing to help you, just ask them. They have a lot to offer and a lot of knowledge to share.

I also thank the Protective League for allowing me to serve the membership and the other delegates for more than 32 years. Directors and defense representatives, thank you for always having my back, for getting me the best that you could (benefits), for being straightforward with me, and for having my best interest at heart.

I thank all the men and women on the front line for keeping our Department number one in my book! For the younger Officers, you are going to go through some of the worst times any of us have ever seen in this Department. The public will scrutinize you in every way. Hang in there and know you are supported by so many of us, sworn and civilian. Dear Lord, please watch over my brothers and sisters in blue and keep them safe. Watch each other's backs! Keep each other safe! Don't stab each other in the back to get ahead!

God bless us all!

If there is ever anything I can do for you don't hesitate to contact me:

bulldogblc@yahoo.com. ■



Carmela Espiritu holds her Employees Club retirement plaque.

Goodbye, Carmela

Carmela Espiritu, Chief Accountant, retires after 33 years of City service.

LAFD: A goodbye ceremony was held May 5 for Carmela Espiritu, Chief Accountant, LAFD. Carmela retires with 33 years of City service.

The event was held in City Hall East.

Chief Ralph Terrazas presented certificates to Carmela. Club COO Robert Larios provided a recorded presentation, honoring Carmela for her dedication and service.

Congratulations on your retirement, Carmela!

Special thanks to Marigina Dantic, Payroll Supervisor, 33 years of City service; Christine Isidro, Sr. Accountant II, 8 years; and Mario Pasaporte II, Pr. Accountant II, 8 years. ■



From left: Cindy Rodarte Rivota, Sr Administrative Clerk, 13 years of City service; Christine Qi, Accountant, 4 years; Carmela Espiritu, Retiree; Laura Kakita, Accounting Clerk, 15 years; Nora Bendimez, Sr Administrative Clerk, 37 years; and Maria Toledo Zelaya, Administrative Clerk, 1 year.



From left: Chief Ralph M Terrazas, 37 years of City service; Carmela Espiritu, Retiree; and S. Jenny Park, Fire Administrator, 13 years.



Top row, from left: Carmela Espiritu, Retiree, and Deanna Minastikan-Vargas, Office Services Assistant, 9 months of City service; Carmela Espiritu and Cecile Aguirre, Fiscal Systems Specialist II, 26 years. Bottom: Marigina Dantic, Payroll Supervisor, 33 years; Amy Ta, Management Assistant, 2 years; Carmela Espiritu, Retiree; Tiffany Baltazar, Sr. Management Analyst I, 15 years; and Nelson Magtibay, Sr. Accountant II, 15 years, with Carmela.



Carmela Espiritu, Retiree; and Emilio Rodriguez, Acting Chief Management Analyst, 29 years of City service.



From left: Marigina Dantic, Payroll Supervisor, 33 years of City service; Marcello Castillo, Retired, Pr. Accountant; Noelani Solomona, Accounting Clerk, 10 years; Christine Isidro, Sr. Accountant II, 8 years; Mark Davis, Retired, Chief Management Analyst; Tiffany Baltazar, Sr. Management Analyst I, 15 years; Charmane Tiratira, Accounting Clerk, 6 years; Carmela Espiritu, Retiree; Marife Espenilla, Accountant, 3 years; Liberty Maglunog, Payroll Supervisor, 21 years; Natalie Beltran, Sr. Accountant II, 6 years; Christine Qi, Accountant III, 4 years; and Mario Pasaporte II, Pr. Accountant II, 8 years.



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John's Picture Perfect Contest

The Club's online photo contest, organized by CEO John Hawkins, now has a monthly theme.

This month's contest theme:
Red, White and Blue

Submit your best photos of red, white and blue, and be in the running for a prize.

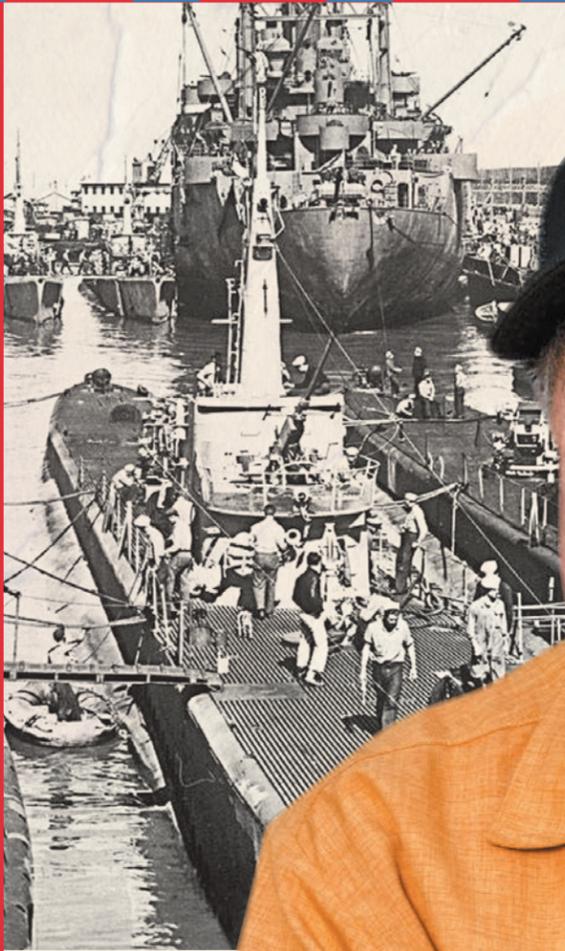
DEADLINE: July 13
Club Members only. Good luck!

Submit your photos online here:
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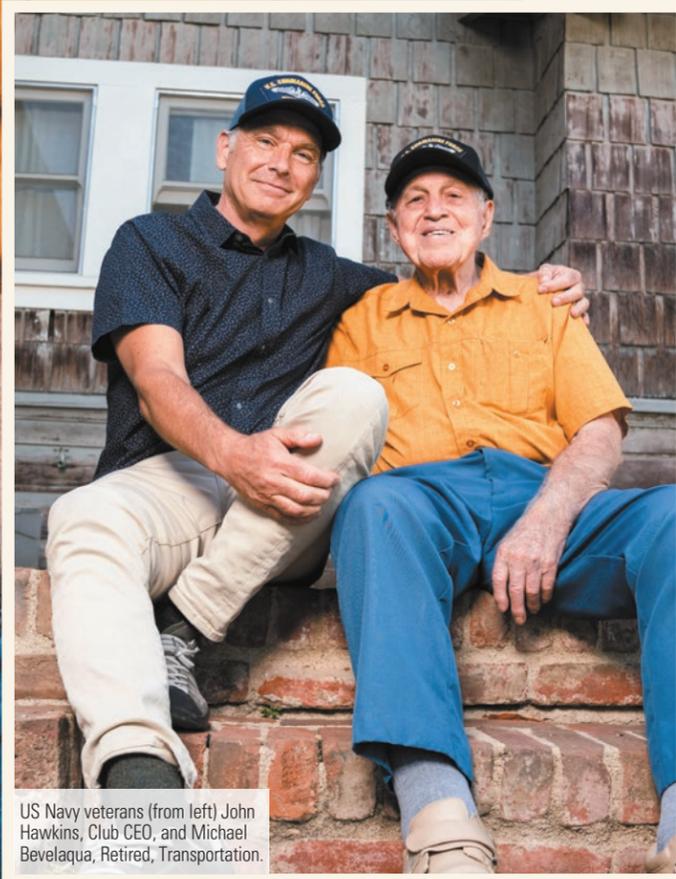


US Navy subs dock at the naval base in Fremantle, Perth, Australia, during World War II. *US Navy*



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US Navy veterans (from left) John Hawkins, Club CEO, and Michael Bevelaqua, Retired, Transportation.

Are You a Veteran?

The last few years, *Alive!* has been telling the stories of American veterans as part of our Fourth of July issue. We know many of you are veterans. For now, we're looking to interview veterans of World War II or Korea who also were City employees. We might not be able to interview you all right away, but we'll do our best.

Contact us at:
talkback@employeesclub.com
THANK YOU!



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Freedom Walk Down Street'



Seaman First Class Michael Bevelaqua on the deck of the USS *Bugara*, circa 1946-47. Site unknown.

Photos by Summy Lam, Club Director of Marketing; courtesy the Bevelaqua family; and as noted.

Michael Bevelaqua, 93, Retired Traffic Officer and US Navy veteran, reflects on his submarine service and what it means to be free.

It's a familiar refrain when *Alive!* interviews military service veterans, as we do for our annual Fourth of July issues – "I wasn't afraid." "I enjoyed serving." "I was doing my duty." And that was Michael Bevelaqua's response this year as well, that serving on the USS *Bugara*, a World War II-era submarine, was just par for the course.

The Club is a great admirer of those who

serve our country and keep it safe. This year, we salute Michael, who entered the US Navy less than a month after the United States and Japan signed the peace accords in Tokyo Bay in August 1945, which ended World War II.

Michael served the City of Los Angeles as a Traffic Officer, first for the LAPD and then Transportation after the City transferred the non-sworn traffic

and parking management jobs to LADOT. He worked for the City from 1971 to 1989, when he retired fully.

To Michael, and all those who have served our country in battle or peacetime, we say thanks.

Please enjoy reading about Michael's service exploits and Traffic Officer memories, and Happy Fourth of July. ■



USS *Bugara* (331), a diesel-electric submarine. Seaman First Class Michael Bevelaqua served aboard her from 1945-48.



The USS *Bugara* patch, worn by those who served on her.

The *Alive!* Interview

'We Worked as a Family'

On Thursday, May 27, Club CEO John Hawkins and *Alive!* editor John Burnes interviewed Michael Bevelaqua, 93, Retired, Traffic Officer, LAPD/Transportation, and Retired, Seaman First Class, United States Navy. Michael, a Club Member, served on the USS *Bugara* (331), a submarine, from September 1945 to September 1948. He began his military service in the Pacific theatre less than one month after the signing of the surrender papers in Tokyo Bay, Japan, ending World War II. He was honorably discharged two years before the beginning of hostilities on the Korean peninsula.

He grew up in Lincoln Heights. His father was an immigrant from southern Italy and became a United States citizen. Michael's wife, Jennie Ann, died in 1998. He has four children: Nancy Ann Rawson; Michael Bevelaqua; Mark Bevelaqua, Sr. Building Inspector, Building and Safety; and Joanne Louise Bevelaqua. He has 11 grandchildren.

Before joining the City, he was a machinist, a lathe operator making depth charge meters and valves.

Michael worked for the City from 1971 to 1989, when he retired.

Club CEO John Hawkins is also a veteran of the U.S. Navy's submarine service. He and Michael shared many stories of serving the country under the sea.

This interview took place in Michael's home in Alhambra, and was the Club's first face-to-face interview without masks since March 2020. All participants were double vaccinated, and the interview was held according to CDC protocols and with Michael's permission.

Alive! Michael, thank you for inviting us in and agreeing to tell us your story

Michael Bevelaqua: Sure. Come to my house any time.

How have you done through the pandemic? Did you feel a little isolated?

I was very fortunate. I stayed home. I didn't think I was pinned down, because I have the yard here, and I can walk down the street here with the mask on and talk to my neighbors.

They say it started from China, but I don't know. To have the whole world affected is beyond me – I just don't comprehend how it can affect the whole world. But I just stayed indoors and followed the rules and regulations that came on television.

Six months ago, when I first called you, it looked like things were beginning to ease up a bit, and people were getting together a little. But then the winter hit, and I said, there's no way we can go over and be in the same space. It just wasn't safe for you and for us. But now, we feel safe again. I'm glad you feel safe enough to invite us in.

Right, sure. I just hope they're not actually jumping the gun and opening everything up. There are a lot of people who have not been vaccinated yet. We don't know what they carry.

Right.

★ City Career

Michael, what was your title when you worked for the City of LA?

I was a Traffic Officer. When I first started to work for the City, Traffic Officers worked with the sworn Police Officers. After a period of time, the City decided to move the Traffic Officers to Transportation.

Got it. Did you like that?

No. I liked working with the Police Officers. I was very comfortable with that. We were not sworn, but we took an oath.

As a Traffic Officer, what did your day look like? Was it writing parking tickets and directing traffic in intersections? Or meters?

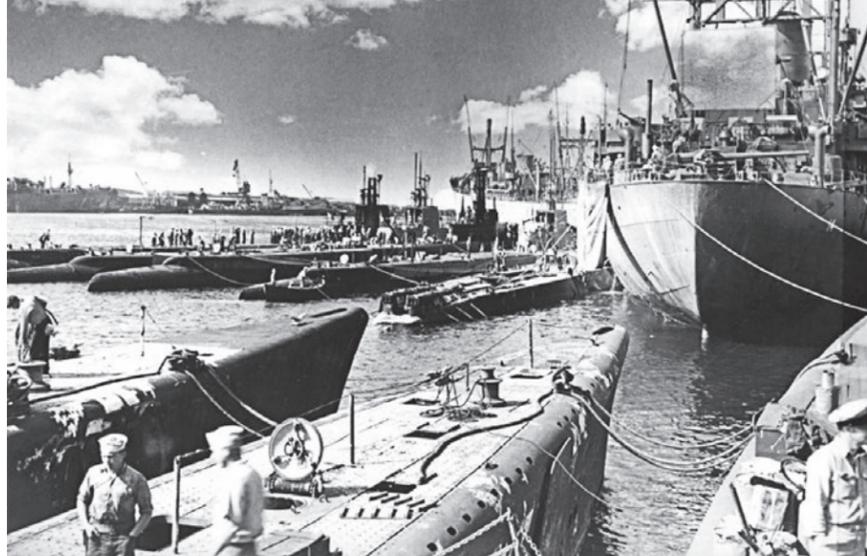
We used to have a beat, certain areas, and we actually ticketed for meters, street cleaning, no stopping, and tow-away. During the heavy traffic hours, the car had to be towed away because of the flow of traffic, and that was from 3:30 to four o'clock in the afternoon or something like that. We also picked up cars that were parked more than 72 hours; we impounded them. We ran across some stolen vehicles, which we shoved over to the policemen to take care of. Yes, the policemen had them towed away. The sworn officers took care of that because they could have been involved in a robbery, for example.

What parts of being a Traffic Officer did you really enjoy?

I enjoyed the discipline that we had. I respected the supervisors. I worked down at the desk for around seven years.



US subs at Fremantle, Perth, Australia, 1946. The USS *Bugara* was a frequent visitor to Fremantle during World War II, but at the time this photo was taken, she was probably in dry dock in Pearl Harbor, undergoing a scheduled overhaul. *US Navy*



San Diego Naval Base, early 1946. Michael Bevelaqua would have boarded the USS *Bugara*, his ship, as he entered service before this photo was taken. In this photo, 20 Fletcher-class destroyers tied up at the repair base, San Diego, while undergoing inactivation. *US Navy*



The *Alive!* Interview

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I answered calls and reported to a Watch Commander and Captain and so on. I sent out units wherever they may be needed. I really enjoyed that desk job. I used to check citations. I used to complete the impounds that the Officers came back with. I used to complete the paperwork and send out the cards to the owners of the vehicles, so they knew exactly where to pick up the car.

When you performed your Traffic Officer duties in a vehicle, what location did you have? A bunch of different ones?

Yes, I had Skid Row, I had downtown Los Angeles, I had a place out in the Fairfax area. This one time I was directing traffic into Dodger Stadium, and I see this car come in, going north on Sunset. Sunset and Eastern Park Avenue. A green Jaguar. And who should it be? Liz Taylor.

Really?

Yes.

Was she speeding or anything?

No, she just gave me a smile. She was a wonderful actress, a good gal. She lived her life the way she wanted to live. And she helped other people.

How did you decide to become a Traffic Officer later in your career? How did you make that decision?

I'll tell you exactly how. I was working in a machine shop, and my buddy says, "Hey, Bevelaqua." "What do you want, Rudy?" He says that they're giving a test in Los Angeles for a Traffic Officer, why don't you go down there and apply? I applied, and I ended up second on the list. I got my interviews and all that, and I passed them all, and I was hired. I was 45 when I was hired.

You decided to make a change.

When you work for the City, you get a lot of benefits. And I got a pension from the City after 17 years. That's very accommodating.

Sure, sure. Do you remember anybody from your time?

I lost track of them, and a lot of them passed away too. One of those fellows, Lawrence Tique, and his wife worked as Traffic Officers downtown. Very nice people. Really beautiful. But I always looked at the "In Memoriam" section in *Alive!*, and Tique was listed. He's gone. I really felt sad, because he was a sweetheart.

Did you like working for the City overall?

I did. It was a good job. It was not a job that you had to make 50 parts in two hours.

I remember one time when there was a tornado downtown. Did you know there was a tornado downtown?

No, I didn't know that.

I don't know the year it happened. [March 1, 1983. — Ed.] Wires came down and some buildings were damaged. We had to work around the clock.

I bet.

They set up a command center on a schoolyard at 54th Street. A helicopter landed on the school-

yard. A young boy was inside that helicopter. When he came out of that helicopter, the blade killed him.

That's really sad. Moving on — you retired in 1989.

Michael: Right.

Did you retire from everything, or did you go onto another job after that?

No, that was it. I retired on Valentine's Day. It was drizzling.

As a Traffic Officer, you worked on your feet a lot. Did you use a car on the job?

[[image: anything from 9599, 9600 or anything from the Three Wheelers folder]]

An LAPD Harley-Davidson Servi-Car, date unknown.

When I first started, I had a three-wheel Harley-Davidson. [Harley-Davidson Servi-Car. — Ed.]

I remember those!

Then after the Harley-Davidsons, we had the Cushman.

Like a golf cart.

Yes. Then they came out with the small Pontiac car. You parked your car, you walked your beat. You marked the time by marking the tire. You came back after an hour and fifteen minutes, and you saw it's was 15 minutes over.

So you were a nice guy.

Supervisor Kay Beachum was a very nice lady,

A photo of a Pontiac T-1000, typical of the type Michael Bevelaqua used during his career as a Traffic Officer, Transportation. *LADOT Traffic Officers Facebook page*



Traffic Officer Michael Bevelaqua, probably late 1970s, aboard a three-wheeled Harley-Davidson Servi-Car. *Vintage LA Coppers*

Michael Bevelaqua, US Navy veteran and Retired, Transportation (background) is interviewed by *Alive!* editor John Burnes (foreground) and Club CEO and US Navy veteran John Hawkins.



and a very good Supervisor. She said, if there were a tally taken in the civilians out there, and they wanted to know who the nicest traffic officer was, she said I'd be the one. I said, no, no!

The nicest Traffic Officer.

I was the lowest ticket writer.

I directed traffic at First and Hill one day. I finished, and I walked to my car. A guy said that his son wanted to know how I kept your hand moving so long. I said, young man, you've got to exercise and keep in shape.

I can see that.

When I came home from work, I would exercise at the Mark Keppel school in Alhambra. I started with calisthenics. And then I walked one lap, and then started to jog. I got to three-and-a-half miles one time. After I finished jogging, I walked another lap and a half. And then, I went home and took a nice shower and then ate my supper.

You did that for years?

For quite a while, yes. A friend of mine came over to see me on the track and said he thought I was running after a rabbit.

You are in fantastic shape.

I'm lucky. I was directing traffic at Seventh and Figueroa one day, with a lot of people walking. This lady came right directly at me, in the middle of the street where I was, and said I was the best traffic officer she'd ever seen. I said, wow. Thank you very much! That was pretty nice.

Very nice.

This other time I directed traffic at the Colosseum for a Notre Dame-USC football game. 90,000 people. At halftime, I took off for a coffee shop at Bellevue and Seventh and Eighth Avenue to eat my lunch. I came back. It was drizzling. I turned on Union, and I flipped over. The rear end locked on me, and the Cushman went over.

Oh no.

I kept my head away from the asphalt. They always want to give you a physical and make sure that you are okay. So, thank God I was.

Yes indeed.

★ Naval Service

Michael, let's transition to your Naval service. First, thank you for your service to the country. Now, you began service in September 1945. You began less than a month after the signing of the papers in Tokyo Bay, to end of the war.

Yes.

You finished high school first.

Yes, I did. I was student body president. This is how I won: There were four candidates. When I gave my speech, I wore brown slacks and a blue, checkered sports coat and a tie. But the tie was a bowtie.

You stood out.

Like Frank Sinatra. Nobody else wore a bowtie. Who did they call first to give the talk? Well, of course, me.

The guy with the bowtie.

I won by 150 votes.

Good thinking. What was the name of your high school?

Abraham Lincoln High School. 3501 N. Broadway.

When you were in high school, did you follow the war?

Oh yes. That year, President Roosevelt passed away.

Right. Harry Truman took over; he ended the war. Were you following the war when you were a high school student?

Yes. I used to talk to my father about the wars. My dad was European. He came from Europe, and he was under the dictatorship in Italy.

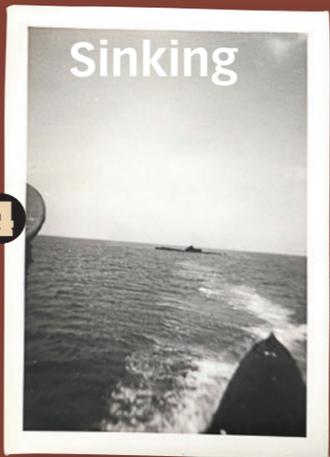
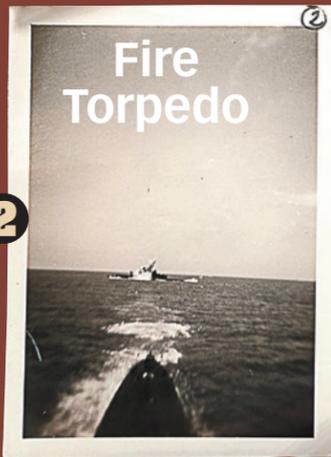
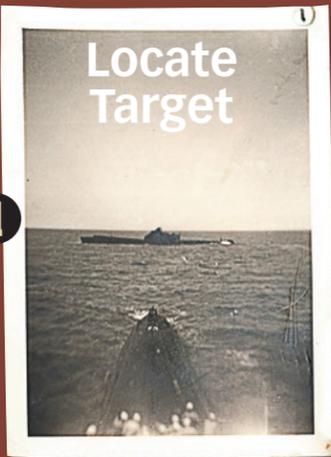
Mussolini.

And every time the Germans would sink the [Allied] ships — the Germans used to run in threes. The wolf pack, remember that? Well anyway, they sank so many ships, it's unbelievable. I bet that ocean out there is full of ships. My dad would say, the Germans kicked the heck out of the Americans and the British. But the next day, we got the counterattack and kicked the heck out of the Germans. My dad became a citizen. I want you to know that.



Captured Sub Sunk!

Post war, a captured Japanese sub was towed out to sea from Pearl Harbor and destroyed by US forces. No one was aboard the vessel when it was sunk.



The *Alive!* Interview

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What made you join the Navy? And then, how did you pick the submarine service?

I liked the Navy very much. I liked the sailors, with the uniform and all that.

The uniform, sure.

How many buttons, do you know?

13.

Right!

Did you go to the recruiter and say, "I want to join?" Did you go with a buddy?

Yes, I went to a recruiter and said I wanted to join, then took the test. They said, "We'll call you." They called me, and that was it.

Well, who came up with the submarine idea? Because you have to volunteer.

I'll tell you that. At boot camp in San Diego, Camp Decatur, you worked out every day in the grinder with a rifle.

Yes, the grinder. It's a good thing our bladders were good. Because you can't go to the bathroom.

You can't break ranks. So, anyway, then we had to swim 50 yards, back and forth, to qualify. We went to Mission Bay Beach in San Diego. You get on the diving board above 18 feet water. With your white uniform on. We were sitting there on the racks, before getting up on the tower to jump off. It came my turn. I get up there, and the guy who was the trainer, said to me, are you afraid? I said, don't tell me that! Finally I went down. And I made it. You had to do that to get out of boot camp.

Is that when you took your pants off and made a little air cushion out of it?

No, no.

We had to do that.

We had to shoot, too. We used .03-06 rifles to qualify.

That's a powerful gun.

Right. After three months at Camp Elliott, we were transferred to the Bushnell sub tender.

AS-15.

Yes. They put us aboard there for two days. And then, from there, they assigned us to one of the submarines that was close by.

You had to ask to be on a submarine, right?

No. They assigned me.

What?

That's right. They said, the USS *Bugara*. And when

I was coming down the hatch, when they called my name down the sub, they called my name out, Bevelaqua.

Didn't you go to submarine school?

No, I didn't.

They just threw you right in! We had six or eight weeks. Weren't you afraid?

No. I didn't give it a thought. As an 18-year-old kid, you're not afraid of anything. And the war was over. Anyway, I was on this submarine, and I remember when we sailed out of San Diego, November 10, '45.



USS *Bugara* was a frequent wartime visitor to Fremantle, the port of Perth, Western Australia, during World War II. Fremantle was the second busiest Pacific port during World War II for the U.S. Navy, next to Pearl Harbor. The ships in the foreground are submarines of the *Bugara*'s class and might include the *Bugara* herself.

It was back from Australia?

[The U.S. used Perth/Fremantle as a Pacific Ocean submarine base during the war. — Ed.]

It was back from Australia. I didn't go to Australia. Anyway, when we were going to go out to San Diego, before going to Pearl Harbor, I was home for the weekend, and I told my folks that I'll never see them again, because we're going to dive. We're going to submerge. That's what I said. That's what I was thinking about. If you submerge, you're not going to come back up again. I wasn't scared; I said, this is what I have to do.

It's not like you had a choice.

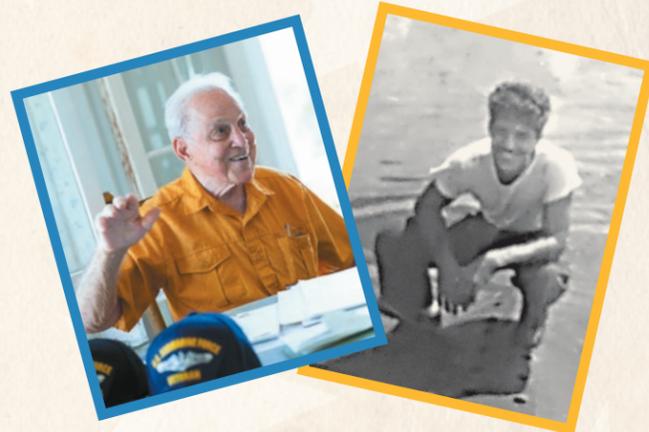
No.

The *Bugara* was a new boat at that time, only a couple of years old. Where did you go next? Pearl?

Yes, Pearl Harbor.

When you first got on the *Bugara*, did you think, wow, I'm going to be spending two years on here? *[His third year was spent on land. — Ed.]*

I didn't really give it a thought. I just said, I've got to serve three years in the Navy. I had to put three years in before I could get out. I enjoyed putting the suit on. My folks were happy that I was a sailor.



'Freedom means being able to drive down the street without being afraid or encountering any problems. Safe driving.'

— Michael Bevelaqua

USS *Bugara* (331), a diesel-electric submarine. Seaman First Class Michael Bevelaqua served aboard her from 1945-48.



About the USS *Bugara*

Seaman First Class Michael Bevelaqua, Retired, Transportation, served aboard the USS *Bugara*. He served during peacetime, beginning his service less than one month after the end of World War II in the Pacific. The *Bugara* saw combat before he joined the US Navy.

The *Bugara* (SS-331) was a Balao-class submarine built for the U.S. Navy by the Electric Boat Co., Groton, Connecticut. She was launched July 2, 1944 and commissioned on Nov. 15 of the same year.

She was busy during the Pacific war. *Bugara*'s crew sank 57 small enemy ships. *Bugara* made sure to put native crews safely ashore before sinking their vessels. In many cases, foreign crewmembers were cordial to *Bugara*'s crew. As a result, they thoroughly disrupted the Bangkok-Singapore route of supplies for the Japanese.

After serving in World War II, *Bugara* participated in regular tours and training activities throughout the 1950s and 1960s. She was a very active boat during this period, making 7,000 dives by 1969. *Bugara* was decommissioned and mothballed in the reserve fleet at Mare Island, Calif., in May 1970.

No longer suited for useful service, *Bugara* was classified as a target ship for weapons testing. On June 1, 1971, while being towed to Bangor Naval Ammunition Depot in Washington, she took on water and sank



Capt. Francis Greenup, Commanding Officer of the USS *Bugara* during the first part of Michael Bevelaqua's service. Michael greatly admired him.



Sailors and Officers aboard the USS *Bugara* at pier, early 1960s.

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alive.employeesclub.com

The *Alive!* Kids' Coloring Contest **Coloring** with **The Club**

Deadline for submission:

Aug. 10, 2021

Compiled by:



Guadalupe Lira,
Club Store Manager



DeAngelo Thompson,
Customer Service Associate

Mail completed coloring art to:
Club Coloring Contest
Employees Club of California
120 West 2nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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

Print and Online Schedule

Alive! has moved half of its children's coloring contests online.

In the printed *Alive!*:

January (winners published in March)
July (winners published in September)

In the online edition of *Alive!*:

April (winners posted in June)
October (winners posted in December)



SCAN TO
DOWNLOAD ART



Download Coloring Art From the Web

You can also download and print art from *Web Alive!*:
alive.employeesclub.com/kidscoloringcontest

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

Your name _____ How old are you? _____

When is your birthday? _____ What is the first name of your best friend? _____

What is your favorite snack? _____

What is your favorite television show? _____

Why do you want to go to this amusement park? _____

For parents/guardian to complete:

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Job title and department with the City: _____

Parent/guardian phone number: _____

Child's address/city/zip: _____

Club Membership number: _____



Seroka Honored

Port Exec. Director Gene Seroka honored by SoCal economic partnership.



Gene Seroka

HARBOR: Recognizing decades of leadership and accomplishments in the supply chain, logistics and maritime industry, the Inland Empire Economic Partnership (IEEP) has named Harbor Executive Director Gene Seroka as its seventh annual recipient of the Southern California Logistics Council Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Supply Chain & Logistics Management. The honor was presented recently at the 2021 Southern California E-commerce and Logistics Summit.

Last September, *Alive!* featured Gene and the Port's efforts to use its logistics expertise to distribute badly needed equipment during the pandemic.

"Gene Seroka is the living definition of excellence in logistics and supply chain management," said Paul Granillo, president and CEO of IEEP. "Because of all that Gene has achieved for our industry, he is very deserving of this award."

The IEEP's Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes business leaders who exemplify management excellence, exhibit high levels of integrity in moral and ethical conduct, lead beyond borders to meet the requirements of stakeholders, and ultimately serve the common good, among other criteria.

In presenting the award, IEEP also pointed to Seroka's leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic. Appointed in March 2020 by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti as the City's Chief Logistics Officer, Seroka spearheaded Logistics Victory Los Angeles (LoVLA), an initiative to get critical personal protective equipment and emergency supplies through the supply chain to healthcare workers and others on the pandemic frontlines.

Congratulations, Gene! ■



Our September 2020 cover story highlighted the Port's logistics program to distribute badly needed gear to fight COVID-19.

Scenes From a Pandemic PART 16

Alive! continues its documentation of City employees as they take a multitude of measures to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. Here are entries from the Club and the City Twitter feeds about City Employees and Club Members at work during this trying time.

Public Works/Sanitation and Environment



"We're in #SouthLA this morning, repairing and replacing automated litter bins in #thenewninth with @CurrenDPriceJr. If you come across one that is damaged or overflowing, you can report that from your phone in the #MyLA311 app. #LA #publicworkweek #lacitysan #strongertogether"

May 18

LAPD/Capt. Gisselle Espinoza



"Walking foot beats in the community is one of my favorite things to do. People who LIVE here LOVE and APPRECIATE their @LAPDHQ officers. They thank us for our presence & we take pride in knowing that we are appreciated & welcomed in their space. I love my COPS."

May 19

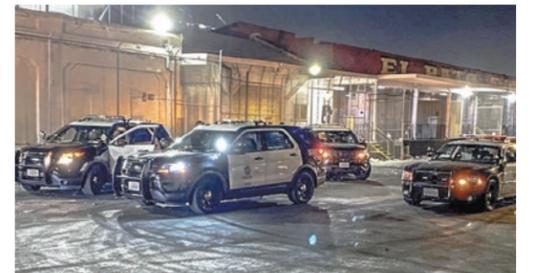
Mayor of LA



"During #NationalPublicWorksWeek, our Clean L.A. Jobs program launched with the hard work of newly hired Angelenos who are rising above challenges into full-time pathway jobs in service. Clean L.A. is about more than cleaning – it's about equity, justice, opportunity & possibility."

May 20

LAPD/Central Traffic



"Central Traffic Division Street Racing Team is making our streets safe. @LAPDHQ @LAPDBlackChow @LAPDWoodyard @Labrada @LAPD"

May 23

Public Works/StreetsLA



"We're proud to participate at the launch of #LAforALL – a multilingual PSA campaign to encourage the reporting of hate crimes & celebrate diversity, belonging & inclusion in #LA. Learn more: bit.ly/3bVLBAM Look for the artwork on bus stops across @LACity @GmsTREEtsLA1H20"

May 26

Celebrate With Cheryl!

Popular Club Counselor Cheryl Martin is turning 63 next year and celebrating in Greece. Sign up now to join the fun!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Travel dates: Oct. 13-21, 2022 (nine days)
- Starting price: \$4,069, double occupancy, including air and hotel
- Deposit: \$99 down with monthly payment arrangement, or \$500 down per person at the time of reservation.
- Final payment date: Aug. 4, 2022
- Important notes: Travelers must have their passport information at time of booking. First-come, first-served basis. Seats are limited.

Mykonos ... Santorini ... and mainland Greece! Head with Cheryl Martin for a once-in-a-lifetime trip to the Aegean in October 2022.

"Celebrate my 63rd with me in Greece!"

cmartin@cityemployeesclub.com, (213) 819-0794

To register and for more information, go to:
www.grouptoursite.com/cherylmartin
Reservation tour number 70295428

MYKONOS

SANTORINI

GREECE



Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc.

RLACEI

For Retired Club Members

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 Los Angeles, CA 90086
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EMAIL: Ruth.Perry@RLACEI.org
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RLACEI RETIREE HELPLINE:
(800) 678-4145, Ext. 0
 For retirement assistance, call the Retiree Hotline and leave a message. A Director of RLACEI will return your call and assist you with your concerns.

RLACEI WEBSITE
 Visit the RLACEI website www.RLACEI.org to find the latest retirement news. Call (800) 678-4145 Ext. 0 to make suggestions.
EMAIL: Contact@RLACEI.org

MAILING ADDRESS:
 Retired Los Angeles City Employees Inc.
 Terminal Annex
 P.O. Box 86264
 Los Angeles, CA 90086

Change of Address?
 Please notify Ruth B. Perry, Membership Chair, at (800) 678-4145 ext. 717 or Ruth.Perry@RLACEI.org for a change of address or to add or change your email address. Also notify LACERS, ACEBSA, LAPCU, and LAFUCU as applicable.

Send in your Interesting News Contributions!



Contact: **Beverly J. Clark**, Publicity Director
 Email: Beverly.Clark@RLACEI.org or
 Phone: (800) 678-4145 ext 716

2021 RETIREE EVENTS

June 10 Annual Tom Stennock Memorial Golf Tournament
 Alhambra Golf Course, 630 S. Almansor St., Alhambra
Cancelled

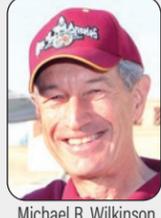
Aug. 5 Annual Picnic
 Location to be announced

RESERVATION LINE:
 RLACEI: (800) 678-4145, Ext. 701

LACERS BOARD UPDATE

Allocation Adjustments Aim to Capture Long-Term Returns

by Michael R. Wilkinson, LACERS Commissioner
 Email: MikeWilkinson4LACERS@gmail.com



The LACERS Board adjusted its asset allocation investments mix to better attain the investment returns necessary to fund the plan. The Board reviews the asset allocation every few years to see if it is measuring up to providing a sufficient investment return without taking undue risk. The adjustments the Board recently made working with our investment staff and general investment consultant, NEPC, seek to get better returns while increasing diversification. One important factor for our asset mix is to ensure sufficient cash to pay pensions, healthcare costs and the plan's operating expenses. Many of our investments are liquid, meaning they can be quickly converted to cash at a fair price, while others are illiquid long-term investments that cannot be quickly sold. Some of our highest-performing assets, such as private equity, are illiquid. The asset allocation chosen by the Board provides for ample liquid assets. According to the projections provided to the Board, our new asset mix is targeting an annualized return of 7 percent over 30 years, equaling the assumed rate calculated by LACERS' actuary and already approved by the Board. While the newly adopted asset allocation is like our current asset allocation model, some fine tuning included: private equity, publicly traded equities, and private debt were increased 2 percent, 1 percent and 2 percent, respectively; and publicly traded fixed income and real assets were decreased by 4 percent and 1 percent, respectively. In summary, the asset allocation has been adjusted to put LACERS in the best position to capture the strong long-term investment returns needed for our pension plan. ■

RLACEI Looking For a 'Geek' Director

Computer savvy RLACEI Board Director needed!

Experience and skills in Webpage maintenance, Facebook and extensive Microsoft Office experience particularly wanted. Other computer skills greatly appreciated. If you enjoy working with and assisting City retirees, join us.

For more information on this position contact:
 Dennis Harding at:
 Tel: (800) 678-4145, ext. 706
 Email: Dennis.Harding@RLACEI.org
 or
 Contact Beverly Clark at
 Email: Beverly.Clark@RLACEI.org

Become an RLACEI Member

RLACEI is dedicated to advocating for retiree interests. We are over 6,000 strong! Members of the Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. enjoy all RLACEI events such as the golf tournament, member picnic and holiday party with FREE membership to the Employees Club with access to all group benefits (insurance, discounts, etc.).

Reimbursement of dues for those joining January thru June 2021

Call (800) 678-4145 x717, or visit our website at RLACEI.ORG and join today!

RETIRES UPDATE

LACERS Staff, Board Doing Their Fiduciary Duty

by Tom Moutes, RLACEI Legislative Director
 Email: Tom.Moutes@RLACEI.org



It's important to call out issues when they occur, and it's also important to say "good job" when that is appropriate. In the last couple of months, LACERS has had to respond to three ill-conceived motions adopted by the City Council. Those motions have included two attacks on our retiree healthcare: • Council File Number 20-1606, which aimed to reduce the City's healthcare costs for "current employees and retirees, especially those retirees who are not yet eligible for Medicare" and • Council File Number 21-0295, which would have replaced the great healthcare coverage we get now with high-deductible health plans plus health savings accounts. The third motion – Council File Number 19-1577 – would have interfered with the LACERS Board's exclusive authority to make investment decisions for the pension fund. For each of the three motions, the LACERS staff wrote a comprehensive report detailing why the way it already was doing business was best for the LACERS membership (and for the City too, for that matter!). In each case, the LACERS Board unanimously adopted the staff reports, thus rebuffing the City Council's attempts to interfere with our benefits and how those benefits are funded. It's hard to know whether the Council motions were borne out of ignorance, desperation due to the perceived budgetary problems at the time, or both, but it's comforting to know that the LACERS staff and Board did the right things in response to those motions – so "good job"! ■



Golf Tourney: A Swing and a Miss!

Our sincerest apologies to our avid golfers. After many attempts, we were unable to reschedule our First Tom Stennock Memorial Tournament again this year. Almansor Golf Course was unable to accommodate a shotgun-start-style tournament at this time. All registration fees are being refunded, and we will make every attempt to reschedule the tournament in early 2022. We thank you for your patience and your membership to RLACEI. Take care, keep on practicing that swing, and remember—

"It's how you deal with failure that determines how you achieve success."
 — **David Feherty**

A Word on COVID-19

California lifted its mask mandate and re-opened its businesses effective June 15, 2021. Californians are now free to move about with less restrictions and more socializing with friends and family. Restaurants, gyms, hair salons and barbers are welcoming customers back under their own rules. We've all weathered the storm and look forward to brighter days. This good news has lifted our spirits and given us hope. As we enter the summer months, we look forward to enjoying our time with family and friends by doing all the things we enjoy with others, like attending religious services, barbecues, picnics, frolicking at the beach, playing tennis at the park, jamming at concerts and a host of activities that was put on "hold!" As we continue to inch back to normalcy, please be reminded to continue to stay mindful, stay healthy and stay well both physically and mentally. The RLACEI Board looks forward to seeing you soon! ■

RLACEI



RLACEI 2021 Summer Picnic

Open to all Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. members!

Thursday, Aug. 5, 2021
 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Location to be Announced



RSVP to (800) 678-4145 EXT. 701

RSVP no later than July 31, 2021.
EVENT SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION.
 Limit one (1) RLACEI member plus one (1) guest at no cost.

We look forward to seeing you!

RLACEI 2021 Picnic Reservation Form

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____ Address _____
 _____ City _____
 _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Number of Attendees _____

Email to Contact@RLACEI.org or mail to RLACEI, P.O. Box 86264, Los Angeles, CA 90086

****Only RLACEI members will be eligible to win prizes.****

Facebook Giveaway

Winners

Have you joined RLACEI or followed the RLACEI Facebook page? Why not? You could win a prize!

May Winners - \$5.00 gift card
 (See the ad below for more information.)

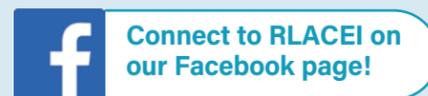
New RLACEI Members – and Welcome!
 Ronald Cunningham Joseph Kirkpatrick Elisha Mitchell

New Facebook Followers
 Jim Garner Gwendolyn Johnson Barbara Taylor
 John Hernandez Michael Leisenbach
 Cheryl Jantz Bob Pena

Congratulations for joining the RLACEI Facebook page!

Sign Up!

YOU COULD WIN A PRIZE



TO ENTER:

RLACEI Members: Follow us on Facebook

Other City Retirees:
 Like us on Facebook and join RLACEI

PRIZES TO FIRST 150!

FIRST 50 WIN
 Target \$25 gift card

51-100 WIN
 \$5 gift card
 (See's or Starbucks)

101-150 WIN
 RLACEI reusable cloth bag



Find us: Log on to Facebook, then search for RLACEI

Join at: RLACEI.org
 (must be Retired City employee)



Larios in the City

BY ROBERT LARIOS, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Club COO Robert Larios continues honoring retiring Club Members by presenting the Club's coveted retiree plaque.



Daryl Paul Salangron,
 Transportation, Retired after 34 years of City service.



Carmela Espiritu,
 LAFD, Retired after 33 years of City service.

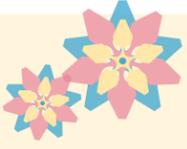


Emmanuel C. Galang,
 Transportation, Retired after 21 years of City service.



Georgina Tellechea,
 Transportation, Retired after 34 years of City service.

Larios in the City is also available on the *Alive!* website for viewing and sharing:
alive.employeesclub.com/lariosinthecity



Life's Important Moments



Graduations

2021

Graduations



Michelle Lopez graduated from San Pedro High School and plans to attend college in the fall, studying biochemistry. She's the **granddaughter of Sergio Rosales, Club Member.**



Brianna Rivera graduated from West Covina High School and plans to attend Cal Poly Pomona this fall as a psychology major. She's the **daughter of Daniel Rivera, Public Works/ StreetsLA.**



Erin Henkhaus graduated from the University of Idaho, double majoring in mechanical engineering and theatre arts/theatre technology. She's the **daughter of Teresa Henkhaus, Harbor.**

Sean Evangelista graduated from Washington State University with a Bachelor of science degree in earth and atmospheric science. He works for the Dept. of Natural Resources and the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation environmental program. He's the **son of Daphne Evangelista, LADWP.**



Angel Galicia-Cooper graduated from San Gabriel High School cum laude and plans to attend Cal Poly Pomona in the fall, majoring in English applied studies. Her career goal is to become a speech pathologist. She's the **daughter of Aracely Galicia, LADWP.**



Alexa Rosales graduated from Rio Hondo Community College in Whittier, and plans to complete her Bachelor's degree in health sciences at Cal State Fullerton. She's the **daughter of Alexander Rosales, LADWP.**



Jazmyne Rojas-Duarte graduated from Norwalk High School and plans to attend Cerritos College in the fall, pursuing a paralegal career. She's the **granddaughter of David and Rose Rojas, Retired, LAPD.**

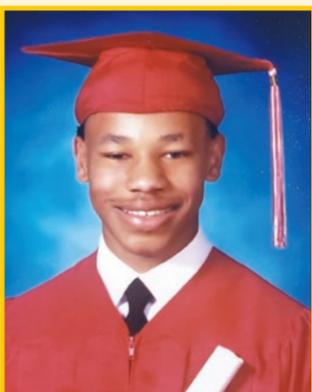


Gabriel Rojas graduated from Leland Stanford Middle School in Long Beach and plans to attend Lakewood High School in the fall. He's the **grandson of David and Rose Rojas, Retired, LAPD.**



Adrian Negrete graduated from Los Angeles Valley College and plans to transfer to the University of La Verne to pursue a Bachelor's degree in organizational management. **Adrian is an Administrative Clerk, LAPD.**

Aaron Randle graduated from Westchester Enriched Sciences Magnet High School and plans to attend Cal State Dominguez Hills in the fall, majoring in business and entrepreneurship. He's the **son of Vanessa Roberson, Airport Police.**



Jasmine Chavez graduated from Virginia Road Elementary School and plans to attend John Burroughs Middle School in the fall. "Today is your day, we're celebrating you! We are so proud of you and happy for you! Keep learning and keep growing!" She's the **daughter of Rosa San Martin, Security Officer, Airport Police.**



In Memoriam

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

DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE			
ACTIVE										
Caudillo, Larry M.	Transportation	21	Dyson, John	Housing	30	Leivas, Clifford	Harbor	16		
Chang, Raymond S.	Rec and Parks	29	Evans, Diann	Gen. Services	11	McCarthy, William F.	N/D	N/D		
Chesterton, Jacob R.	Rec and Parks	<1	Flournoy, Sukari S.	LADWP	26	Mesa, Frank	Public Works	21		
Davis, Luwanda	Rec and Parks	17	Fox, Laurence B.	LADWP	33	Moore, Robert R.	Public Works	31		
Godel, Ronald	Public Works	14	French, George A.	N/D	N/D	Myers, Timothy J.	Rec and Parks	22		
Hanzy, Samantha O.	LADWP	5	Gaines, Willie L.	N/D	N/D	Nakamura, Henry Y.	LADWP	12		
Jackson, Hilton	Rec and Parks	26	Gant, Hazel E.	LADWP	38	Namihira, Calvin H.	N/D	N/D		
Jackson, Kelvin	Public Works	19	Gillmer, Donald H.	N/D	N/D	Partlow, Albert D.	N/D	N/D		
Walton, Terree S.	Transportation	20	Gonzales, Norma L.	LADWP	37	Perez, Dorothy	City Council	39		
RETIRED										
Black, Frank D.	LADWP	30	Gorton, John W.	Gen. Services	32	Raudales, Fernando	Public Works	19		
Brady, John L.	ITA	39	Graham, John M.	N/D	N/D	Roberts, Victor E.	Rec and Parks	20		
Burgin, Terry A.	Bldg. & Safety	24	Guevara, Janice	N/D	N/D	Salvosa, Generoso V.	N/D	N/D		
Burke, Lupe	Airports	25	Harradine, Earl W.	LADWP	36	Sandoval, Gilbert E.	LADWP	30		
Burks, Lawrence H.	N/D	N/D	Heatherly, Jamie D.	LADWP	28	Saunders, Lezar	LADWP	32		
Comes, Imelda I.	LADWP	21	Hee, David T.	N/D	N/D	Sedwick, Jack C.	Planning	N/D		
Davis, Richard G.	LAPD	37	Jones, Georgia L.	LAPD	36	Serna, Shirley A.	City Attorney	37		
Daugharty, Monte M.	Public Works	23	King, Paul E.	Public Works	40	Smith, Wesley	N/D	N/D		
DEPARTMENT										
YEARS OF SERVICE										
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Strawn, William H.	LADWP	34	Soto, Abelardo	N/D	N/D	Soto, Jerome R.	LADWP	30		
Takahata, Suzuko	N/D	N/D	Souksamlane, Seua	Transportation	26	Souza, Edward I.	LADWP	14		
Tesser, Eli S.	Transportation	20						Tyndall, John F.	LADWP	28
Thomas, Tylice C.	LADWP	30						Underwood, Autrina B.	Gen. Services	32
Toda, Akira	N/D	N/D						Vaughn, Emmett N.	LADWP	24
Tolentino, Godofredo S.	LADWP	33						Wade, Benny M.	N/D	N/D
Toromanian, Vrezh	LADWP	24						Ward, Julius A.	LADWP	20
Tukia, Simone	LADWP	22						Weinstein, Byron	LADWP	47
Twamley, Edgar M.	N/D	N/D						Weston, Aaron C.	LADWP	27
Ward, Julius A.	LADWP	20						Williams, Donald R.	LADWP	31
Weston, Aaron C.	LADWP	27						Wilson, Clarence	Rec and Parks	12
Williams, Donald R.	LADWP	31						Ybarra, Arthur	City Council	6
Wilson, Clarence	Rec and Parks	12						<i>N/D = not disclosed</i>		
Ybarra, Arthur	City Council	6								



Retirements

View July 2021 Retirements online at:
alive.employeesclub.com/retirements-202107

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

NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS
Agripino Camarillo, Eduardo	Custodian	Gen. Services	25	Gonzalez, Paul	Warehouse/T.R. Wrkr.	Gen. Services	31	Padgett, Timmy L.	Wastewater Mgr.	Public Works	35
Alabash, Teshale B.	Security Officer	LAPD	19	Gordo, Maria Eugenia	Exec. Admin. Asst.	Animal Services	36	Page, Tracy Cheri	Sr. Police Service Rep	LAPD	30
Alamillo, Pascual	Light Equip. Op.	Rec & Parks	36	Grahek, Michael E.	Water Operations	LADWP	N/D	Palguta, Stephen	Light Equip. Op.	Rec & Parks	21
Alarcon, Nilda L.	Airport Guide	Airports	8	Grove, Sharon B.	Customer Service	LADWP	N/D	Palma, Jose J.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	15
Alvarado, Victor M.	Roofer	Gen. Services	31	Gunn, Stanley Earl	Traffic Officer	Transportation	19	Palomo, Julio Cesar	Security Officer	LAPD	35
Amer, Les A.	Accounting Clerk	Public Works	32	Gutierrez, Christina	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	12	Panagiotidis, Cynthia M.	Sr. Personnel Analyst	Personnel	25
Anderson, Gary Thomas	Golf Starter	Rec & Parks	19	Gutierrez, Robert A.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	33	Paran, Divina Asiddao	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	22
Anderson, Vincent J.	Supv. Criminalist	LAPD	15	Guzman, Gilbert	Tree Surgeon Asst.	Public Works	34	Pardo, George	Tree Surgeon Supv.	Public Works	39
Aquino, Remedios R.	Info System Mgr.	Airports	36	Hadnot, Stephanie	Special Prog. Asst.	Rec & Parks	6	Parker, James	Custodian	Gen. Services	20
Arias, Jose E.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	32	Hames, Mike E.	Sr. Constr. Insp.	Public Works	37	Partida, Sergio	Maint./Const. Helper	Public Works	20
Arreguin, Carmen Rodriguez	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	25	Hanson, Kirk R.	JFB/Facilities	LADWP	N/D	Peralta, Cheryl Anne	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	21
Arriola, Julio	Security Officer	LAPD	5	Hardison, Vickie E.	Gardener Caretaker	Public Works	21	Pereyra, Alicia Reyes	Admin. Clerk	Rec & Parks	11
Bales, Steven E.	Metering Services	LADWP	N/D	Hartnett, Lawrence D.	Dr. of Maintenance	Airports	28	Perez, Ernesto	Traffic Officer	Transportation	22
Banks, Verneice	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	16	Haskett, Claudia L.	Environmental Eng.	Public Works	32	Perez, Manuel A.	Truck Op.	Public Works	34
Barragan, Santos	Custodian	Gen. Services	19	Henderson, Phyllis F.	Deputy City Attorney	City Attorney	35	Petillo, Jeffery C.	Wastewater Coll. Wrkr.	Public Works	14
Bass, Brian Joseph	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst	Transportation	35	Herda, Ingrid Vivianne	Sr. Personnel Analyst	Personnel	31	Petta, Laurence J.	Fleet Services	LADWP	N/D
Beard, Ceola	Custodian	Gen. Services	23	Hermosillo, Marco H.	Power Planning	LADWP	N/D	Pimentel, Anita	Bindery Wrkr.	Gen. Services	31
Bellin, Laura E.	Admin. Clerk	Library	5	Hernandez, Debra A.	Warehouse/T.R. Wrkr.	Public Works	31	Pinkney, David E.	Refuse Coll. Truck Op.	Public Works	31
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Bernal, Ernest	Delivery Driver	Gen. Services	19	Herrera, Martin V.	Supply Chain	LADWP	N/D	Prince, Darryl Carnel	Traffic Officer	Transportation	34
Brown, Marcia F.	ITS	LADWP	N/D	Hill, Gregory R.	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	25	Ramirez, Anthony R.	Power New Business	LADWP	N/D
Buising, Erlinda L.	Treasury Accountant	Finance	14	Hisserich, Helmi Ann	Director of Housing	Housing	16	Ramos, Eduardo L.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	35
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Campos, Juventino	Custodian	Gen. Services	23	Israel, Vicki D.	Asst. GM	Rec & Parks	46	Reaux, Kevin	Truck Op.	Gen. Services	34
Canamaso, Policarpio L.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	31	Jay, Terry	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst	Eco./Wrkfrc.Dev.	21	Reese, Julianne	Animal Keeper	Zoo	29
Candiotti, Ricardo A.	Water Distribution	LADWP	N/D	Jeciel, Leonardo F.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	23	Reibsamens, Christopher	Fleet Services	LADWP	N/D
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Carter, Stephen P.	Garage Attendant	Gen. Services	15	Jenkins, Carondelette D.	Special Officer	Airports	5	Reyes, Roberto G.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	19
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Castillo, John	Traffic Officer	Transportation	34	Jimenez, Cruz	Maintenance Laborer	Public Works	16	Rivas Dardon, Elizabeth	Custodian	Gen. Services	23
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Chamberlain, Deborah	Sr. Admin. Clerk	LAPD	15	Johnson, Paul D.	Power Transmission	LADWP	N/D	Robles, Eliseo	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	30
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Chico, Catherine D.	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst	Animal Services	31	Jones, Janica	Gardener Caretaker	Zoo	21	Rodriguez, Raul	Police Officer	Airports	28
Cohen, Steven	Light Equipment Op.	Rec & Parks	28	Jones, Paul R.	Truck Op.	Public Works	22	Romero, Herbert E.	Maintenance Laborer	Transportation	37
Cole, Cynthia	Traffic Officer	Transportation	32	Juarez, Nancy M.	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	40	Romo, Gloria A.	Admin. Clerk	Public Works	36
Coleman, Sharon R.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	32	Juarez, Rebeca	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	32	Roque, Roque	Patrol Lifeguard	Rec & Parks	17
Colon, Albert S.	ITS	LADWP	N/D	Kearney, Phillip J.	Metering Services	LADWP	N/D	Rounds, Gary K.	Integrated Support	LADWP	N/D
Comorre, Dan F.	Sr. Civil Engineer	Public Works	25	Keeling, Eldon Dwight	Custodian	Gen. Services	13	Rugamas, Ronald	Sr. Gardener	Rec & Parks	40
Cornwell, Robert M.	Fleet Services	LADWP	N/D	Khimani, Amin	Park Services Attend.	Rec & Parks	26	Saenz, Alfredo	Water Distribution	LADWP	N/D
Corona, Gloria Leticia	Police Service Rep	LAPD	30	Kinney, Marvin E.	JFB/Facilities	LADWP	N/D	Saenz, Richard M.	Electrical Craft Helper	Public Works	17
Cortina, Ivan	Light Equipment Op.	Public Works	30	Knotts, Charles E.	Safety Eng. Elevators	Bldg. & Safety	7	Saenz, Rose Susan	Sr. Gardener	Rec & Parks	21
Cox, Flemmon L.	Truck Op.	Public Works	22	Kovacevich, Candise S.	Legal Clerk	City Attorney	23	Salangron, Daryl P.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	33
Cruz, Danny D.	Maint./Constr. Helper	Gen. Services	37	Lacour, Tyrone L.	Custodian	Airports	17	Salazar, Maria E.	Custodian	Gen. Services	23
Cruz, Tessie P.	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Personnel	14	Laita, Edgar	Wastewater Treat. Mech.	Public Works	32	Samana, John C.	Light Equip. Oper.	Rec & Parks	35
Cunningham, Fred W.	Power Transmission	LADWP	N/D	Lares-Legaspi, Laura	Customer Service	LADWP	N/D	Sandoval, Rosie M.	Admin. Clerk	Transportation	40
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De Prez, Michael J.	Water Operations	LADWP	N/D	Liu, Shi K.	Power Planning	LADWP	N/D	Serrano, Cindy Sue	Pr. Tax Compliance Off.	Finance	27
Dela Cruz, Edmundo R.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	20	Llarena, Jim Herrera	Gardener Caretaker	Rec & Parks	21	Shack, Gary R.	Custodian	Gen. Services	20
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Diaz, Roberto F.	Power Planning	LADWP	N/D	Lopez, Carlos	Sr. Custodian	Gen. Services	15	Sobalvarro, Ivania	Asst. Chief Leg. Anlyst	Council	34
Dominguez, Edward E.	Custodian	Gen. Services	33	Lopez, Imelda	Recreation Asst.	Rec & Parks	7	Sotomayor, Tami Jo	Sr. Admin. Clerk	LAPD	16
Dorsey, Vaughn A.	Traffic Officer	Transportation	36	Lopez, Maria E.	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Personnel	40	Summers, Rebecca F.	Animal Care Tech.	Animal Services	40
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