



# Alive!

## Scholarships Available for Tough Times

Applications available for Club Scholarship 2009.

**THE CLUB** — Applications are now available for the Club's 2009 Scholarship Program. Ten people will receive stipends for their academic achievement.

"People have been asking about the Club Scholarship program, and we're happy to offer it again, especially this year," said Club CEO John Hawkins. "Last year we started by offering our usual five awards. But we increased the number. We want to do all we can to encourage achievement by the Club family."

The scholarship is open to Club Members, spouses and their immediate families under the age of 25, for those who attend an accredited college, or will attend one next year.

Ten awards totaling \$10,000 will be awarded, each for \$1,000. Deadline is noon June 30, 2009; applications must be physically in the Club Store and Service Center, 120 W. Second St. downtown, at that time.

Applications are available at the Club Store, or they can be downloaded at: [www.cityemployeesclub.com/scholar.asp](http://www.cityemployeesclub.com/scholar.asp)

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## City Mourns South Bureau Chief Garner

Deputy Chief of South Bureau passed away March 1.



Dep. Chief Kenneth Garner, 1955-2009.

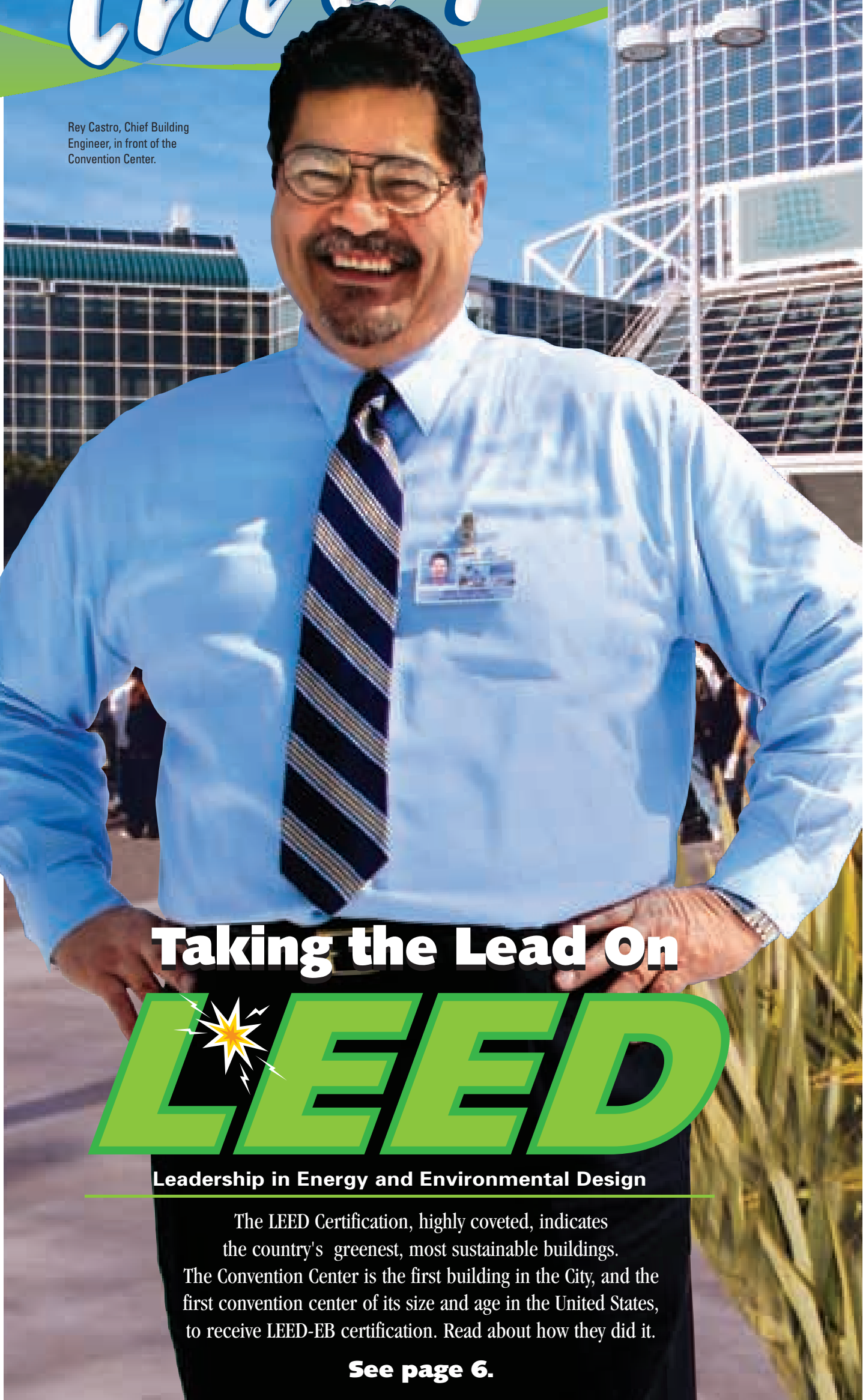
**LAPD** — More than 3,000 family, friends, fellow officers and gang prevention personnel gathered March 3 to pay their respects to LAPD Commanding Officer Kenneth Garner, who was in charge of the South Bureau at the time of his death.

Dep. Chief Garner was 53. He was the second-highest-ranking black officer in the department.

"All of us mourn his passing but take comfort in the knowledge that he lived his life well and helped countless others along the way," eulogized Police Chief William Bratton. "Kenny Garner used his gifts and talents to enlighten and enrich the lives of his community."

**Please see the story on page 15 for more details on his life and career.**

Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, in front of the Convention Center.



## Taking the Lead On



### Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

The LEED Certification, highly coveted, indicates the country's greenest, most sustainable buildings. The Convention Center is the first building in the City, and the first convention center of its size and age in the United States, to receive LEED-EB certification. Read about how they did it.

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**Here's how it works:**

1. Retrieve your Club Membership number on your Club Card. If you don't have one, or misplaced yours, call us at (800)464-0452 or send an email to [info@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:info@cityemployeesclub.com).
2. Search for Club Member numbers hidden between photos and stories in each month's *Alive!*
3. When you find your number, email the Club immediately at: [findyournumber@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:findyournumber@cityemployeesclub.com)
4. If your membership number is verified, then you win the monthly prize!
5. Prizes might change monthly, but will usually be a \$20 gift certificate to Starbucks.
6. On the 15th of each month, the numbers from the previous month's *Alive!* are no longer valid, and those numbers that are unclaimed are returned to the pool.
7. Numbers won't be repeated until all have been run (that's almost 20,000 numbers), so make sure to pay attention!
8. **Have fun!**

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*\* A Message From the CEO \**

# Green's the Color Of Spring in City

by **John Hawkins**  
President and CEO, The Club

Here's something you might not know about me – I'm fascinated at helping save the environment. I had a blast when we toured the house of Ivan Forbes, Retiree and Club Member; he has this amazing setup where he actually dumps more power into the grid than he takes out of it (we covered it in *Alive!* about two years ago). And I've even hooked up my own photovoltaic cell at home and rigged it to power a light or two.

But something as big as the Convention Center? Whoa, no way. But that's what **Rey Castro**, **Pouria Abbasi** and their crew have done, and the team received the coveted LEED Certification for existing buildings. That's an awesome achievement, and as Rey gave *Alive!* a tour, from the deepest parts of the Convention Center, to up on that amazing white roof (my eyes are still trying to adjust to normal light!), I couldn't help but think what an achievement this is. I'm glad the mayor put forth his Directive 10, to lead the City's buildings toward sustainability, but the Convention Center started their project before Directive 10 came to life. So, even more shout-outs to them.



Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, and CEO John Hawkins on the roof of the Convention Center.

Speaking of shout-outs, this one goes to **Hal Danowitz and his wife, Evelyln**. They conclude their monster five-installment, 6,000-mile adventure across the United States for Hal's 50th high school anniversary. This sequence was mighty entertaining – who can forget meeting Hal's first girlfriend, the windshield bugs, the subtle arguments between Hal and Evelyn about the joys (or otherwise) of Super 8 motels ... or Evelyn's unimpressed attitude about crab Rangoon, a Midwestern staple. Hal and Evelyn, you are gems.

We've been running the feature *Everyday Heroes* for a few months now, but I think this month's photo by **Harry Garvin**, courtesy the LAFD, is one of my favorites. It looks to be right out of a movie, almost like it took them weeks to get all the props just right. But of course it's as real as the danger the Firefighters face every single day. That reality makes it even more powerful.

There's a lot going on this month with the Club, too. First, normally we begin offering Club Scholarships in May. But we've had so much interest because of the challenging economic times, that we decided to start a month early, and to keep the number of awards high. That way, Club Members might be able to plan a little earlier how to pay for the education of their children, or themselves. So download the app from the Club Website, or pick one up from **Rachael** at the Club Store.

Let's talk some fun, too! The Club is hosting an awesome "private" party at Magic Mountain at the end of the month, and **Ticket Guy** has set the whole thing up for only 15 bucks per person. Tickets are limited, so don't wait. See the back cover for more details.

Don't forget that Mother's Day is next month, so send those tributes to Mom in, and we'll print as many as we can. Send 'em in!

Meanwhile, enjoy your spring. See you next month!

**JOHN**

(jhawkins@cityemployeesclub.com)

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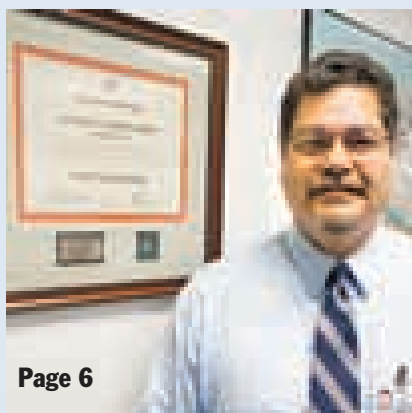
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**Cecilia Talbot,  
Claims Administrator**

You probably won't get to meet Club Claims Administrator Cecilia Talbot very often... until you really need her. That's when her service shines. So, to assure you that you are in good hands, from time to time *Alive!* will reprint letters commending the service given by Cecilia and her excellent staff. — Ed.

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— Oscar San Agustin, January 2009

The Club service was "very good, excellent, prompt, friendly and sincere, with concern for the clients' feelings and needs. I have been a grief counselor and found the book [*The Fall of Freddie the Leaf*] a very appropriate tool for future use."

— John E. Seal, January 2009

The Club service was "quick, with a timely response to requests. Customer service is top-notch!"

— Jennifer Delgado, January 2009

The Club service was "excellent. Everyone was courteous and helpful, especially Cecilia Talbot, who was not only helpful and professional, but she was exceptionally efficient and very understanding. She's an angel in disguise. Thanks again, Club!"

— Samuel Sharp, January 2009

## Your Club Insurance Dollars at Work

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**\$131,028.28**

Long-term disability claims paid this year:  
**\$228,359.52**

Long-term care claims paid this month:  
**\$23,050.00**

Long-term care claims paid this year:  
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### Need help? Contact your Counselor:



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Senior Benefits Specialist – Member Services Counselor

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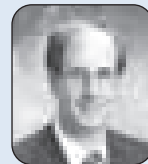
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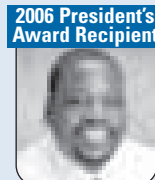
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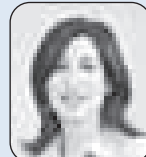


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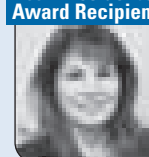


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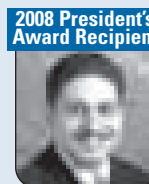


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**2008 President's Award Recipient**

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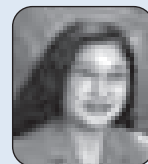
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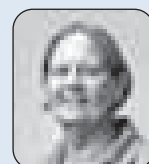
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# LETTERS To the Editor

Tell us what you think! [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## LETTER OF THE MONTH

### Melody's in Love With Everett's Graceful Lines

#### Dear Everett Bennett:

I wanted to write you a letter telling you that I really enjoy your Car Club column. Your last story really brought back memories of my restoration days. I currently have a '71 Dodge Duster (Demon) and a '72 BMW 3.0 CSi Coupe, all beautifully restored. Looking forward to your next piece. All the best!

— Melody Cranson, DWP

Hi Melody: Well, of the two cars you own, I can say I owned close to one of them — and it wasn't the Bimmer! I used to drive a used 1971 Dodge



An early 1970s BMW 3.0 CSi Coupe "Alpina."

*Dart Swinger, the family version of the Demon. It wouldn't go in reverse, but the air conditioner shot ice at me. Hey, at least it got me to college and back! Anyway, thanks for the trip down memory lane. We'll pass your note to Everett. —Ed.*

### Big Thanks for the Way Alive! Covers the City

I'm sure you hear this all the time but I just wanted to say thank you.

Thank you for always putting the City Employee first, thank you for taking the time to interview us, in great detail, about what we do and how we do it. No other publication in the City would ever do this. Thank you for showing us respect.

Keep up the great work, and never, never stop doing what you do.

— Vincent Canavan, Club Member

Hi Vincent: You're welcome, you're welcome. We love telling the good news of the City. —Ed.

### His Own Badlands Adventures Mirrored Those of Hal, Evelyn

Hi Alive!, it feels great to be alive!

I just got back from the Badlands of South Dakota, and let me tell you that there's nothing bad about it — it's terrific just as described in the Adventures with Hal in the last newspaper.

When is the Crazy Horse Memorial getting fixed up? It's taking a century, it seems. That's crazy! Rapid City and Deadwood (the real city, not the one portrayed by HBO) are my favorite places to stop and get a bite to

eat. I even drove up to Devil's Tower. Not sure how I got there, but let say it took at least a half-day to get there from Rapid City. Once you're there, it's a real treat. Takes your breath away.

Anyway, I thought I'd share my travels up that way, just like your Hal did. See ya, wouldn't want to be ya!

— Rex Tierney, Retired

### Photos of LAFD Heroes Really Show Their Drama

Those are amazing photos in the article about Everyday Heroes in Action. Juan Guerra was able to get right into the action. As the reader, I felt like I was really there.

The photos show the drama and stress that go on within a scene that the LAFD has to deal with. Thanks to Alive! for sharing with us what our colleagues in the Fire Department do for Los Angeles. We should all be thankful that Firefighters are willing to do what they do to save lives and protect our City.

— Jenny Gracen, Rec and Parks

Hi Jenny, we couldn't agree more; that's why we added this popular and dramatic new feature. Juan takes great photos, doesn't he? Speaking of, our photo this month, by Harry Garvin, courtesy the LAFD, is a stunner, right out of a movie set. Thanks for writing! —Ed.

## QUESTION of the Month

The Ticket Guy and Rachael at the Club Store ask Club Members fun questions when they visit to purchase tickets or great Club apparel and gifts. So, stop by and join in the fun!

### What was your favorite thing in your Easter basket when you were a kid?



"Candy."

— Cheryl Craig, Transportation, 22 years of City service.



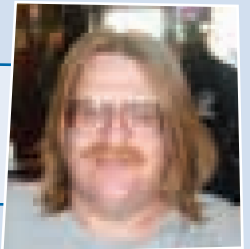
"A hard-boiled egg."

— Gregory Zuniga, General Services, 20 years of service.



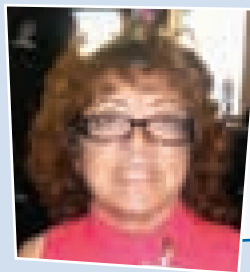
"Bunnies."

— Hubert Gomez, General Services, 1 year of service.



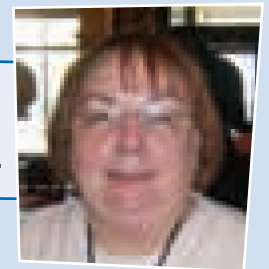
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— Joe Stevenson, Transportation, 16 years of service.



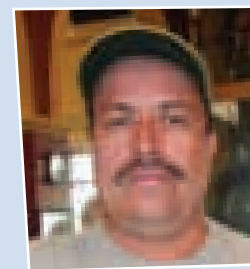
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— Maria Vasquez, Public Works, 20 years of service.



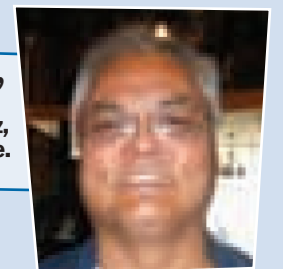
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— Marianne Vila, Rec and Parks, 23 years of service.



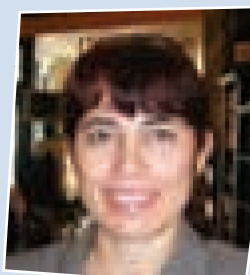
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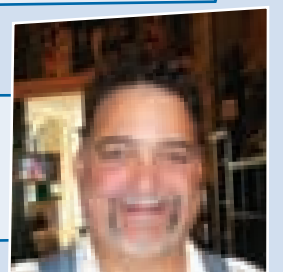
"A hard-boiled egg."

— Ron Sempelsz, DWP, 28 years of service.



"M&Ms."

— Socorro Gonzalez, Rec and Parks, 24 years of service.



"A See's Bordeaux Easter egg."

— Steve Paddio, General Services, 1 year of service

## Correction

In the Special Achievements section of the March issue, we incorrectly listed the title of Anna Ruiz. She is a Senior Clerk Typist, LAPD. Sorry about that, Anna.

## THE *ALIVE!* INTERVIEW



Convention Center Chief Building Engineer Rey Castro (RIGHT) explains the building's LEED-EB certification to Club CEO John Hawkins. They stand on top of the center's white roof, an important part of the center's LEED-EB certification.

CONVENTION CENTER



The Convention Center team that made the LEED-EB Certification happen, posing with the LEED trophy.

# Taking the Lead On

# LEED

*Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design*

The LEED Certification, highly coveted, indicates the country's greenest, most sustainable buildings. The Convention Center is the first building in the City, and the first convention center of its size and age in the United States, to receive LEED-EB certification.

Starting on the next page, read about how they did it.



Taking the Lead On **LEED**

# ► Success, Sustained

THE *ALIVE!* INTERVIEW

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*On March 12, Club CEO John Hawkins and Alive! editor John Burnes met with Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, Convention Center, to talk about the ways he and his crew made the Convention Center a greener, more sustainable building.*

*Alive! photos by Tom Hawkins*

**Alive!:** Thanks for taking us on the tour.

**Rey Castro:** Sure thing!

**How long have you worked for the City?**

**Rey:** Going on 20 years. I first started at City Hall, in General Services, and I worked up the ladder. Before I started, we had only two Chief Building Engineers in the entire City. I'm now the third.

We came to L.A. when I was a little kid, about five or six. I used to play downtown, when City Hall was the tallest building.

**What LEED Is**

**Explain what LEED means. What is the award for?**

**Rey:** LEED-EB stands for Leadership in Energy and in Environment Design for Existing Buildings. That's where the EB comes from. Basically it is a grading scale or guide for your building to abide by and to encourage other facilities to do the same.

LEED addresses five categories: Energy and Atmosphere, Water Efficiency, Material Resources, Indoor Environmental Quality and Sustainable Site, which is your hardscape, the exterior. They don't

want you just running water off for no reason. There's a certain amount of irrigation that you get credit for as well. You can control your water use in a hardscape.

There's a certain baseline that you have to meet. Each category carries a certain amount of prerequisites.

**What did you submit?**

**Rey:** Basically, we submitted policies that we implemented. (See sidebar, "Executive Summary.")

Sometimes people think that being LEED Certified means meeting the criteria of energy efficiencies, meaning you have to save a certain amount of power usage that you're using today compared to what you used to use maybe in years prior. I thought we were going to score big points in that one. However, convention centers are not governed by the EPA, which takes surveys of buildings and studies how much power they use. We're like a hotel that uses occupancy levels to determine how well business is going. We don't measure our success by energy levels. We couldn't prove our energy usage, so we were able to comply with the prerequisite only and not get any points or awards for that.

But we did well in other categories. In the recycling area, there's a maximum of 16 credits you can achieve. We got 14 out of those 16. We really excelled because we recycle like no tomorrow here.

Convention Center Chief Building Engineer Rey Castro (right) explains a point about LEED-EB certification to Club CEO John Hawkins.





# CONVENTION CENTER

Rey Castro shows his dog-eared copy of the LEED Certification manual that guided his team's efforts.



## The Process

### How did you get started in achieving this?

**Rey:** I have to give the credit to my General Manager, Pouria Abbassi. It was his vision, his idea to go after it. It was an awesome idea.

### And he supported you in getting you what you needed to get it done?

**Rey:** He supported us immensely. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do to make sure that this happened.

### There was a mandate from the mayor, too, with Directive 10.

**Rey:** Right, but we had already started it before that came out.

### How long was the process from beginning to certification?

**Rey:** It took about 18 months.

### Was the process all recognizing things that you had already done, or did you make changes in those 18 months?

**Rey:** Some of it we were already doing, but other things we had to implement. For example, they award you a credit if you have a bicycle program, bicycle racks for employees and a shower in proximity to those racks. We developed a policy. We wrote it up according to the U.S. Green Building Guidelines. We submitted it and we got awarded a credit for that.

### How big a job was the LEED process? Did it take up a huge amount of your time?

**Rey:** It was one of the hardest projects I've ever dealt with before, ever. This was like no other project because of the challenge involved and because we've never done it before.

It was a very challenging project. Again, my General Manager was pushing me to get it done as soon as we could. It's a process, not a black and white thing. The heat was on. But this was a team effort.

### All within the Convention Center, right?

**Rey:** Right, only Convention Center personnel. I had administrative analysts, senior management, my superintendent, assistant superintendents, the electrical supervisor, the plumbing supervisor. We have a resident architect here who helped us with a lot of the CAD drawings, a lot of the plans that we had to submit.

We did hire a LEED consultant who got us going. They guided us and put us on track. It was up to us to complete the reports and to develop the policies and implement them. Whatever it took.



**[The LEED process] was one of the hardest projects I've ever dealt with before.**

— Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, Convention Center

## Recommissioning

### Were there any big programs that were part of your submittal?

**Rey:** Yes. We had to do a complete Retro Commissioning, or recommissioning of the facility.

### What's that?

**Rey:** You have to go through your entire facility: go through all the mechanicals, the sequence of operations of everything that was built in 1972 and 1993 and make sure that everything is working like it was designed to work when it was first installed. That's what recommissioning is.

### You have to recommission the buildings and make sure everything is working optimally before you can even begin to do your LEED submission.

**Rey:** Right. And that was a very large undertaking in itself. We had to monitor certain areas. We had to develop an operation plan, describing how we do things here, which meant that we had to describe every control network, like your fire and ice safety, lighting control, building automation, sequence of operation for the central plant, sequence of operation for our air handlers, everything. That's a lot of writing and a lot of work; there were many nights working late.

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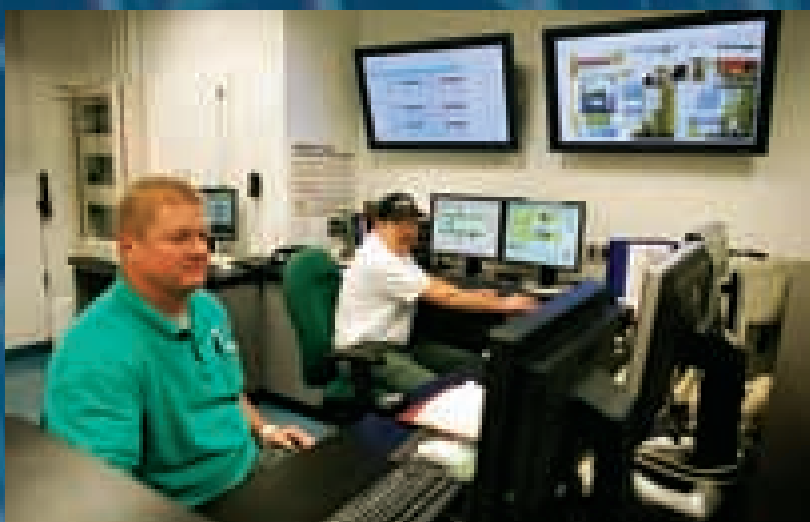
## A Tour of Key Elements in The LEED-EB Certification

Chief Building Engineer Rey Castro took Club CEO John Hawkins and *Alive!* editor John Burnes on a tour of the Convention Center features that played a big role in the building's LEED-EB certification.

### TOUR STOP 1

#### The Control Room

The Saving Power Energy Management System, a highly sophisticated new system at the Convention Center, automates energy use and atmosphere management throughout the building. Managers are now able to "trend" the data in advance and automate much of the management, taking far less time to arrive at optimal temperatures and fresh air introduction than earlier pneumatic systems. In addition, this system allows for the temperature and air quality to be changed from a central point, rather than requiring a staff member to walk to a location and change the conditions there.



### TOUR STOP 2

#### The Water Chillers

The Convention Center is cooled by a water chiller system – water is chilled at a central location and then piped throughout the building in a loop to localized air handlers. Three new R123 chillers – the building's three main ones, out of a total of seven – use the new generation of refrigerant, just like newer automobiles do, that is much more friendly to the ozone layer. In addition, the new chillers are approximately 100 percent more energy-efficient than the previous generation, which are used at the Convention Center strictly as backup. Rey Castro said he has plans to replace the remaining older-generation chillers, too.

## Taking the Lead On **LEED**



Rey Castro explains a point about the Convention Center's water chiller system.

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And we didn't always do it right. I kept throwing some of the tasks back at my crew: "No, no. You've got to do it over. This is not what they're looking for."

As part of the recommissioning, we started monitoring the areas for CO2 levels — the right amount of outside air that should be in the space. If you bring too much in, you have to cool that air, and it takes energy. If you don't bring enough in, then the people will become lethargic, and you create what is known as "sick building syndrome." So we installed CO2 sensors, and now we've become more efficient and healthier at the same time.

### How much did the process cost?

**Rey:** Good question. Not include the man-hours, recommissioning a building costs an average of \$1.25 per square foot. We're about 980,000 square feet. The recommission consultant says, "Well, Mr. Castro, of course we can't charge you that much. But for \$280,000, we'll recommission your facility." That's how much a recommissioning costs. It was mandatory. We had no choice. So that's what it cost, plus the consultant's fee.

### And you received an energy loan from the DWP to accomplish this task, correct?

**Rey:** Yes.

### And you've paid that back already, because of the energy savings in the building?

**Rey:** Correct.

### That's great.

**Rey:** It is, isn't it!

### Even without the LEED Certification, you still have to recommission every once and a while, don't you?

**Rey:** You should, but not everybody does. It depends. You should have an awesome preventative maintenance program in your facility and never have to worry about recommissioning because everything runs like clockwork. For the most part, that was how we were already operating, so the recommissioning went smoothly.

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### Bottom-Line Results

#### What are the results? Is there any way you can say how much more efficient you are now?

**Rey:** Yes. That's what LEED is all about. You start out by creating baselines — your baseline on energy consumption, your baseline on water usage, your baseline on material resources. You first start by creating all these baselines. Once you establish them, then it's up to you to make that better. There's your matrix for quantifying.

#### How would you quantify that then? What figure would you give to how much better off we are? Is it easy to say?

**Rey:** Remember, we're in the business of selling power. We can't prove those savings absolutely because we have to sell that power [to convention center customers]. We have to use power to make money basically.

#### Right; so if the convention center's business is up, then you're using more power.

**Rey:** Correct.

#### But you can talk about efficiency, though, right?

**Rey:** Yes. As far as making it better and more efficient, I would say we're at least 100 percent better.

### Technology and Training

#### How far has technology come in the last few years?

**Rey:** It's always getting better. It's like computers — you buy one today, and in six months it becomes obsolete. We deal with a lot of building automation controls, which are run off of a network. A lot of places, when they purchase a building automation system, they forget to include, or can't afford, the revisions and training. If you include them at the very beginning, then it's automatic and you're covered.

#### You've done that here?

**Rey:** Oh yes. We've got that here pretty well. I believe in training my guys to no end. You've got to give them the right tools, the training.

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## TOUR STOP 3

### The Cooling Towers

These new cooling towers connect to the new chillers down below. Replaced at the same time as the new chillers, they are more energy-efficient than previous models.



## TOUR STOP 4

### The White Roof

The Convention Center's 145,000-square-foot third level West Hall roof is now a "cool roof" -- it's a white colored reflective surface that reflects and emits the sun's heat back to the sky instead of transferring it to the building below. This reflective coating, installed in 2007, can reduce the roof's surface temperature by more than 50 degrees, while adding insulation value inside the building.

An EPA study found that roofs of similar material were able to reduce summertime air conditioning demand by 14 percent.



A Tour of Key Elements

## The Mayor's Directive 10

There are hundreds of environmentally aware elements in the City, ranging all the way from large-scale, longterm programs, to green buildings like Library's new LEED-Certified branch facility in South L.A., to the blue recycle bins in thousands of cubicles across the City.

Perhaps a better way to summarize the City's plans are to highlight Directive 10 – the mayor's plan for a green L.A., and to list some of the major green efforts by the DWP and the Harbor. For much more information on any of these programs, you can find dozens of pages on the Websites of the Environmental Affairs Dept., the Mayor's Office, the DWP and the Harbor.

### Directive 10: Sustainable Practices

In July 2007, Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa put forth Executive Directive 10, a comprehensive vision that instructed the City's departments to create department sustainability plans with Environmental Affairs to guide their efforts. Environmental Affairs is helping the City's departments develop departmental sustainable plans by assessing its current operations, including internal policies, procedures, programs and initiatives to identify and then create departmental sustainability plans. In the future, Environmental Affairs will broaden that approach to a Citywide sustainability plan. The Citywide sustainability plan is a longterm document that will guide the City for the next decade in sustainability practices. It will help the City integrate environmentally sustainable practices into City policies, procedures, operations, and foster collaboration across City government.

The department plan and future Citywide sustainability plan will cover the areas for:

- Sustainable Design
- Energy and Atmosphere
- Materials and Resources
- Water Efficiency
- Landscaping
- Transportation Resources
- Community Impacts
- Economic Sustainability
- Environmental Stewardship

For much more information on any of these plans, go to:

[www.mayor.lacity.org/villaraigosaplan/EnergyandEnvironment/LACITY\\_004467.htm](http://www.mayor.lacity.org/villaraigosaplan/EnergyandEnvironment/LACITY_004467.htm)

### The DWP

As the largest municipal utility in the United States, the DWP has an obligation to take a leading role in the fight against global warming. The department is taking major steps to reduce the City's carbon footprint, protect its water supply and make Los Angeles a greener, cleaner place.

Some elements of the DWP's program include:

- Building the country's largest city-owned wind farm generating station, near Mojave. Look for future stories in *Alive!* on this project.
- Purchasing renewable energy.
- Promoting energy efficiency.
- Conserving water.
- Planting trees.
- Recycling and reusing.
- Improving vital infrastructure.

For more more information on all these programs, go to:

[www.ladwp.com/ladwp/areaHomeIndex.jsp?contentId=LADWP\\_GREENLA\\_SCID](http://www.ladwp.com/ladwp/areaHomeIndex.jsp?contentId=LADWP_GREENLA_SCID)

### The Harbor Dept.'s Clean Air Action Plan

The San Pedro Bay ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach have developed an aggressive strategy to significantly reduce the health risks posed by air pollution from port-related sources.

The Clean Air Action Plan is the most comprehensive, far-reaching strategy to combat air pollution ever developed by any United States seaport. It will involve hundreds of millions of dollars of investment by the ports and private sector businesses and will expedite the introduction of new and innovative methods of reducing emissions prior to that of any federal or state requirements.

### Harbor's Pollution Reduction Strategies

- The Clean Air Action Plan addresses every category of port-related emission sources – ships, trucks, trains, cargo-handling equipment and harbor craft – and outlines specific, detailed strategies to reduce emissions from each category.
- The ports propose to eliminate "dirty" diesel trucks from San Pedro Bay cargo terminals -- The ports will join with the state and local agencies to finance programs to replace trucks with a new generation of clean or retrofitted vehicles.
- The ports, along with the South Coast Air Quality Management District, propose to allocate more than \$200 million over five years towards this effort and will also aggressively seek state bond funding to assist with this massive truck replacement initiative.
- As part of the Plan, all major container cargo and cruise ship terminals at the ports would be equipped with shore-side electricity within five to ten years so that vessels can shut down their diesel-powered engines while at berth.
- Ships also would be required to reduce their speeds when entering or leaving the harbor region, use low-sulfur fuels, and employ other emissions reduction measures and technologies.
- Within five years all cargo-handling equipment would be replaced or retrofitted to meet or emit at levels below those called for in the toughest U.S. Environmental Protection Agency emissions standards for new equipment.
- Without the Clean Air Action Plan, much of the cargo handling equipment not affected by the California Air Resource Board's recently adopted cargo handling equipment regulation would be allowed to operate at current emission levels until it wears out.
- Within five years all switching locomotives operating in the Ports also will meet the toughest U.S. Environmental Protection Agency standards for new locomotives, use cleaner fuels and exhaust treatment and devices that will

automatically shut off engines to prevent extensive idling.

- In addition, all new rail yards must use the cleanest technologies available for locomotives, trucks, and cargo handling equipment within their facilities.
- The Plan also includes a far-reaching research component to address and ultimately overcome obstacles that impair the utilization of the cleanest vessels, engines and equipment in the world at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach.

For more information, go to:

[www.portoflosangeles.org/environment/caap.asp](http://www.portoflosangeles.org/environment/caap.asp)



## TOUR STOP 5

### The Air Handlers

The Convention Center was able to become more energy-efficient by adding frequency drives to its air blowers (fans that blow chilled air into the assembly halls). In the previous setup, the air handlers varied the amount of air by opening and closing vents, choking off the flow or freeing it as the need dictated. But this method did not change the fan motor speed; the fans kept spinning at 100 percent speed, whether the air was flowing through the vents or not. With these new frequency drives, the amount of airflow is dictated by the fan speed, not vents. The fans slow down when airflow need is reduced. Slowing down the fans when they aren't needed saves energy. In addition, by controlling the air via fan speed, it produces better airflow.



## TOUR STOP 6

### The Lights

The Convention Center replaced all of its overhead lights in the South Hall (shown) with units that were twice as bright while using the same wattage, allowing for clusters of only two bulbs per unit, rather than four. That made the lighting 50 percent more energy-efficient. In the West Hall, which uses a different kind of fixture, 1,000-watt lights were replaced by 400-watt lights that provide the same amount of illumination. In total, more than 1,900 lighting units were replaced.

## Taking the Lead On **LEED**

### An Executive Summary: The Convention Center's LEEDS-EB Application



The Convention Center (LACC) was originally constructed in 1971 on more than 54 acres of land in downtown Los Angeles. The center went through a major expansion in 1993 to construct a large exhibit hall to accommodate increased demands for the facility. The center now comprises of 720,000 square feet of exhibit space and 102,000 square feet of contiguous meeting room space. In total, the LACC has more than 4.1 million square feet of exhibit, meeting and public space.

In 2007, Pouria Abbassi, General Manager, Convention Center, met with the Chief Building Engineer to discuss the possibility of becoming LEED-EB Certified with the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). The USGBC is a non-profit community of leaders that establishes internationally recognized standards for green performance within commercial and residential buildings. There are currently more than 100 buildings within the United States that are LEED-EB Certified, totaling more than five million square feet of space.

The Convention Center has been modernizing its equipment for several years, but it was Abbassi who recognized that the enhancements needed to be not only cost-effective, but environmentally sustainable.

This submission process was a huge undertaking and a collaborative effort. Unlike LEED Certification for New Construction projects, LEED for Existing Building Certification is considered one of the most challenging to achieve because it requires retrofitting and process improvements to existing equipment.

#### The Process

The LEED-EB Project team was put together by the Chief Building Engineer Rey Castro and administration. This team consisted of several members who were identified as the subject matter experts in their particular fields. While the LEED-EB Certification team was being put together, the LEED-EB Project Manager hired a consultant to help and assist with the LEED-EB project.

To achieve LEED-EB Certification, the team needed to earn a minimum score of 32 credit points. Because of an increase in recent business, the Convention Center has been steadily increasing the number of events per year. With an increase in events, energy usage increases, too. This increase in business (and energy usage) prevented the Convention Center from achieving all the credits it could in pursuit of the LEED-EB certification.

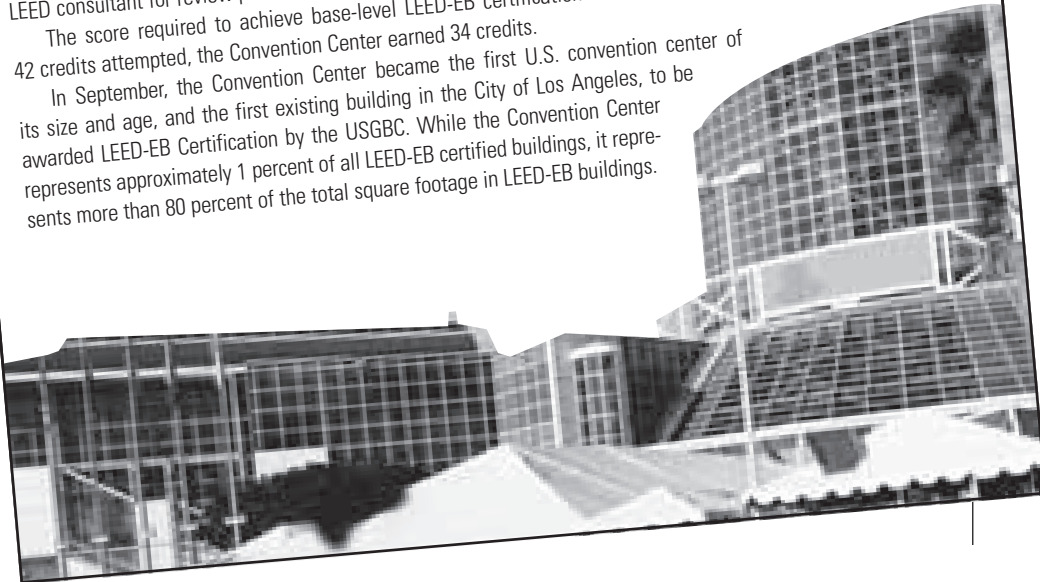
The Convention Center already had an established material recycling program, which turned out to be its biggest point credit maker. The total possible credit points achievable under the material recycling category were 16. The Convention Center earned 14 out of a possible 16 credit points.

#### Submission and Final Outcome

Once all the documentation was completed for the review process, the application was first turned over to the LEED consultant for review prior to formal submittal to the USGBC.

The score required to achieve base-level LEED-EB certification was between 32 and 39 points. Out of the 42 credits attempted, the Convention Center earned 34 credits.

In September, the Convention Center became the first U.S. convention center of its size and age, and the first existing building in the City of Los Angeles, to be awarded LEED-EB Certification by the USGBC. While the Convention Center represents approximately 1 percent of all LEED-EB certified buildings, it represents more than 80 percent of the total square footage in LEED-EB buildings.



### THE **ALIVE!** INTERVIEW

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**A lot of people must have worked a lot of hours on this.**

**Rey:** Yes, absolutely.

**How many people?**

**Rey:** About 15 on the team. You have clerical support. You've got your supervisors for certain divisions. Maybe a couple of senior employees also helped out.

#### Recognizing an Asset

**Tell me about the recognition from the City Council in January. It must have been nice.**

**Rey:** Yes. First though, when we got certified, the U.S. Green Building Chapter from LA came over here and gave us the award. But it wasn't until we went to City Council that I really felt that we finally got recognition. That was awesome.

**What are your customers saying? Has it become a marketing tool?**

**Rey:** Oh yes, very much so. There are some customers that would prefer to come to your building because it's LEED Certified, because you're doing the right thing.

**They're probably getting pressure from their corporate bosses to use LEED Certified buildings.**

**Rey:** Not only that, but now there are some events where clients want to offset the power that they would use for their event by purchasing renewable power. Let's say there's a client like Microsoft. They want to do the right thing, too. They know they're going to use power. So what they're doing is buying these green chips or certificates for the same amount of power that would have been used during their show.

**Why is LEED Certification important?**

**Rey:** That's a good question. Before, all I cared about was conserving energy. Since I've been exposed to LEED, now I realize there's much more to it than just energy. There's the environment that we have to consider now. What's going to be left for their children? We should have started already a long time ago, so what can we do now? We're dealing with the wreckage of our past and we're trying to make it better. It is a big movement. It's so great, so awesome to see 30,000 people at a Green Building Conference all gathered there for one common cause. It's incredible.

**Have you been networking about the process?**

**Rey:** Yes. Other convention centers are calling us, asking us how we did it. I've been networking with the Boston convention center and another committee in Texas. They're calling me.

## TOUR STOP 7

### The Bicycle Program

By instituting an employee bicycle ridership program and facilities – a bike rack, a nearby shower, and scheduling – the Convention Center was able to score points that it was implementing traffic mitigation.

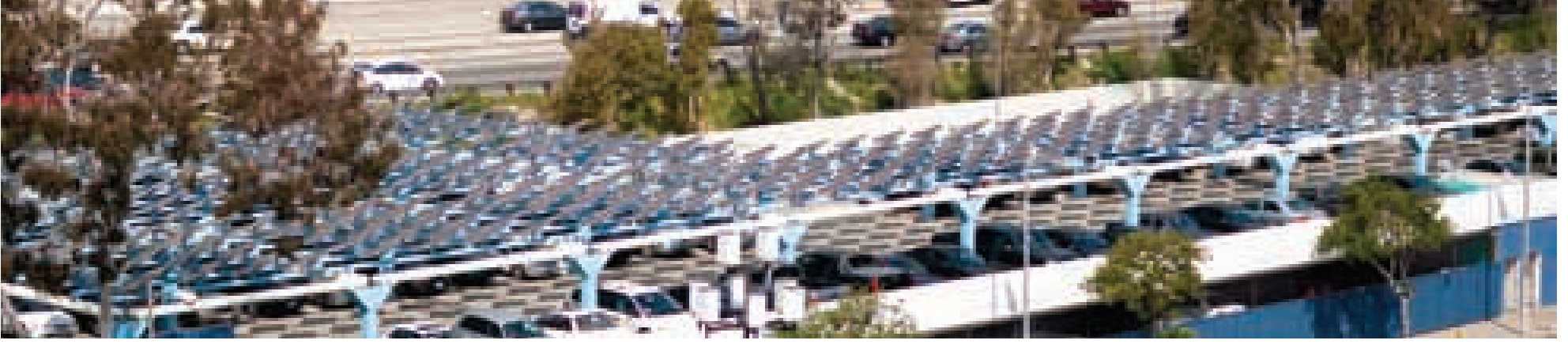


## TOUR STOP 8

### Food Waste Diversion

As part of its routine operation, the Convention Center has also upgraded its food waste diversion program in alignment with the Public Works/Sanitation Food Waste Collection program, which diverts all food, food-soiled paper and plants. The Convention Center had diverted 17 tons from its November 2007 start date to its March 2008 LEED-EB submittal by way of either composting or recycling food waste material that would otherwise end up in the landfills.

# CONVENTION CENTER



## What's Next

**What's next? Not only here in the Convention Center but in the City.**

**Rey:** The whole City is now on this bandwagon to become more green, more efficient. This is under the direction of the mayor, Directive Number 10.

For us, we always wanted to do the right thing. We're always trying to conserve power and energy.

We want to get more renewable energy here — more solar power. There's better solar technology than there was ten years ago. There are better incentives for solar, too. There are power purchase agreements, where contractors will be more than happy to install everything for you and generate enough power that they'll be able to sell it to you at a lower rate than the DWP sells it to you. I'd like to see that here.

Of course I want to go for a higher LEED certification level. My goal for this year is to go for silver. My General Manager is telling us to go for it because that's a better thing to do, but it's a challenge. You have to come up with strategies and ways of achieving these credits.

**And the City has a task force now.**

**Rey:** Yes. That started when the mayor put out his Directive 10. A task team or liaison team was developed out of General Services, where you have representatives of every City department meet on a regular basis to discuss how they're going to implement the mayor's plan.

## A Better Facility, a Changed Man

**Was it worth doing?**

**Rey:** I'll tell you. There were times when I would go home very frustrated and really upset. Sometimes you don't get all the cooperation that you want, or you have to chase after people. Or maybe not everybody believes in it like you do. You have to watch out for that when you have a team and make sure that everyone's on board. I even drove to San Diego one time in the afternoon with a truck to pick up some filters because we had to change them before the recommissioning process started. We needed a big batch, and it wasn't going to get here for a couple of weeks, which would have been too late. So I went and got them myself.

At times, it was hell, man.

## We really excelled because we recycle like tomorrow here."

— Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, Convention Center



**But it has to be worth it to you, though.**

**Rey:** It is. I am very proud. If anything, I'm a changed man from it, because of it. Before, I believed only in saving power and energy, the heck with the environment. But now it all matters to me. Now I'm preaching it. Now I'm networking. Now anybody I can talk to about it, if I have an opportunity to mention it to them, I do that.

**Going through this process converted you.**

**Rey:** Absolutely.

**Would you encourage homeowners to look into what they can do personally?**

**Rey:** Oh, absolutely. There's LEED for residential certification. You can do all kinds of stuff at your home, from reclaiming the water after it rains from the gutter.

**Are you doing more at home?**

**Rey:** Yes, I am. I get harassed at home sometimes for throwing away a bottle cap in the wrong can instead of the recycle can.

**Thanks for your time, Rey. And congratulations!**

**Rey:** Sure. Come back and check on us next year! ■



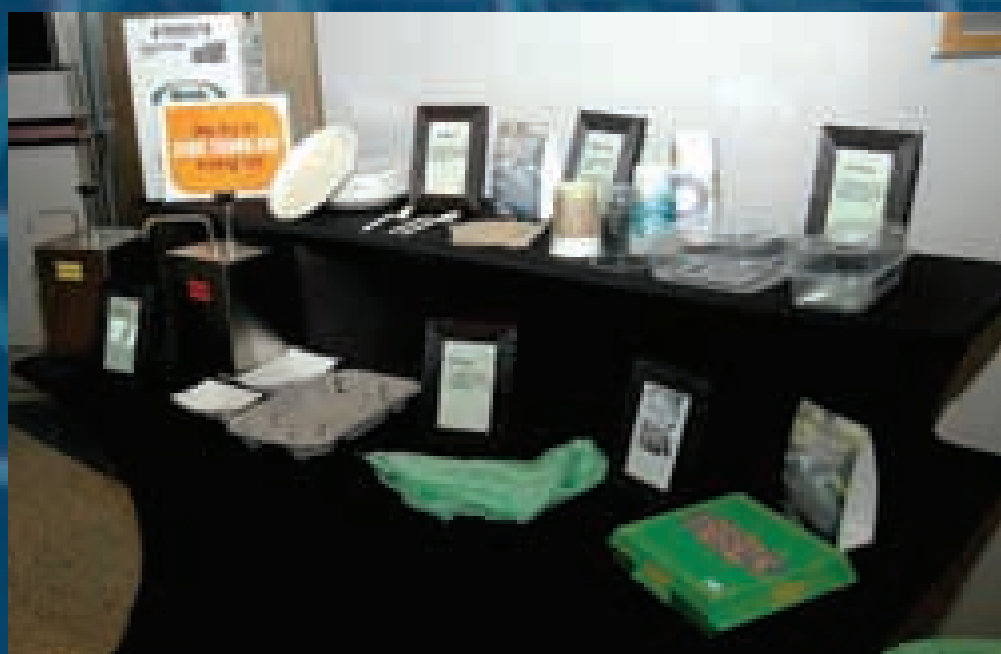
Rey Castro, Chief Building Engineer, led the Convention Center team that earned the building's LEED-EB Certification.

## TOUR STOP 9

### The Material Recycling Program

In 2001, the Convention Center officially implemented an internal and independent recycling program that reported diversion numbers directly to Public Works/Sanitation. The Convention Center annually diverts and recycles more than 733 tons (1.46 million pounds) of recyclable goods. The Convention Center recycled 860,000 pounds of concrete in 2006 derived from a needed concrete slab renovation project. It also recycled 20 tons of gravel with the 2007 cool roof replacement project. Additionally, in collaboration with one of the Convention Center's vendors in the exposition services industry, the facility diverts recyclable material that is left over from exhibitor's use. For example, the vendor estimates that the following materials were recycled from Convention Center activity:

- Aluminum (2006): 511 pounds
- Carpet padding (2007): 1,668 pounds
- Steel (2007): 11,008 pounds
- Plastic (2007): 1,421 pounds
- White paper (2007): 743 pounds
- Carpet (2007): 27,527 pounds



## TOUR STOP 10

### The Food Service Recycling Program

The Convention Center's Public Food Services operates with a 100 percent environmentally friendly approach, using serviceware products that can either biodegrade or can be composted. The service ware products are made from materials derived from natural ingredients such as: sugarcane pulp, raw bamboo pulp, palm fiber, wheat chaff, rice chaff, bull rush (tullies), savanna grass, corn starch and organic substances.

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## Newsbrief

### MORE 'STUDENT SMART' SEMINARS:

Cash-strapped parents seeking academic help for their teens, and a high school dropout rate that has reached crisis proportion, have prompted the Library and The Princeton Review to nearly double the free seminars in the popular Student Smart program, which helps middle and high school students improve study skills and SAT/PSAT/ACT scores. These college preparation seminars, which can cost up to \$1,000, will be offered free at the Central Library and select branch libraries Citywide.

"We have received more calls than ever before from parents, who want their teens to take advantage of this free program because they cannot afford to pay for similar programs during these hard economic times," said Georgette Todd, Director of the Library's Young Adult Services. "We have responded by expanding the number of workshops and seminars held in our libraries by nearly 50 percent."

The Student Smart program gives students free access to SAT/PSAT/ACT seminars and practice tests and reviews techniques to improve test scores, study habits, writing and skills for college preparation. This year, the program will offer 133 Student Smart programs - 56 seminars and 77 SAT practice tests, a nearly 50 percent increase compared to last year. The program is open to all middle school and high school students and more than 10,000 students have taken advantage of the free program over the past three years.

The Library designed Student Smart to combat the school dropout crisis that has reached epidemic proportions in Los Angeles and the state. Ten percent of California's high schools are considered "dropout factories," schools where more than 60 percent of the freshman class fails to graduate in four years, according to the Campaign for High School Equity. The L.A. Unified School District's 34 percent dropout rate for high school students is one of the highest in the state.

The Student Smart schedule of seminars and practice test sessions is available online at [www.lapl.org/studentSMART](http://www.lapl.org/studentSMART). Teens interested in participating in a particular seminar are encouraged to contact the libraries where programs are scheduled; pre-registration will be available and is highly recommended.

For more information about the program, call the Library's Young Adult Services at (213) 228-7510 or visit the Library's Website at [www.lapl.org/studentSMART](http://www.lapl.org/studentSMART).

Student Smart is made possible through the generosity of Linda Duttonhaver, with additional support provided by the Sterling Foundation. Funding secured by the Library Foundation of Los Angeles. To support the Los Angeles Public Library, please contact (213) 228-7500 or [libfnd@lap.org](mailto:libfnd@lap.org).

IN MEMORIAM / LAPD

# Dep. Chief Kenneth Garner, Commanding Officer, South Bureau

Deputy Police Chief Kenneth O. Garner, Commanding Officer of the LAPD's South Bureau, died March 1 at his home. He was the second-highest-ranking black officer in the department. He was 53.



Deputy Chief Kenneth Garner



Kenneth Garner with his daughter, Lauren; taken from the funeral program.

On March 9, some 3,000 mourners, including family, fellow officers and gang prevention personnel attended his memorial service at the Crenshaw Christian Center Faith Dome in Los Angeles. His interment is at Rose Hills Cemetery in Whittier.

"Deputy Chief Garner began his career with the Department over three decades ago and served the community with both distinction and honor," eulogized Police Chief William Bratton. "All of us mourn his passing but take comfort in the knowledge that he lived his life well and helped countless others along the way."

"Kenny was blessed with three families," Bratton said, indicating Garner's biological family, the LAPD and the people he served. "Kenny Garner used his gifts and talents to enlighten and enrich the lives of his community."

Deputy Chief Garner was appointed to the LAPD June 6, 1977. As a police officer, his assignments included Southwest Area, 77th Street Area, Central Area, 77th Street Area Vice, and Southeast Area. Upon promotion to sergeant in 1986, his assignments included Central Area, Operations South Bureau C.R.A.S.H., 77th Street Area, the Internal Affairs Division and Operations South Bureau as a commander's aide. After being promoted to lieutenant, he was assigned to Wilshire Area and then South Traffic Division as a Watch Commander.



Deputy Chief Garner as a younger man.

Upon being promoted to captain in 1998, Garner was assigned as the Commanding Officer of Foothill Detective Division and then South Traffic Division. Later, he became the Commanding Officer of the entire Foothill Division. As Commanding Officer of the Transit Bus Division, he oversaw a command of 124 sworn and four civilian personnel. On Oct. 2, 2005, Chief of Police William J. Bratton promoted Garner to Commander of LAPD Personnel Group, where he oversaw all personnel matters within the Department, including hiring of sworn and civilian Department members, reserve officer recruitment and assignment, all workers compensation issues and personnel record keeping.

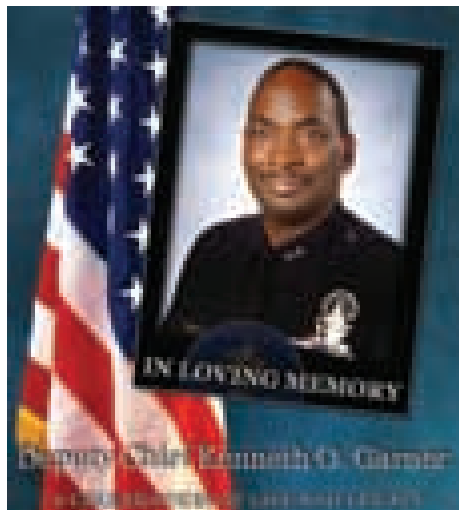
On July 1, 2007, a month after he celebrated his 30th anniversary with LAPD, Garner was promoted to Deputy Chief. He was assigned as the Commanding Officer of Operations-West Bureau, where he oversaw all the police operations in Hollywood, Wilshire, West Los Angeles, Pacific and West Traffic Division.

On March 2, 2008, Deputy Chief Garner came home to the community where he grew up and spent most of his early years in life. He assumed command of Operations-South Bureau.

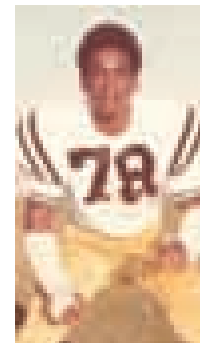
Deputy Chief Garner was born in Hot Springs, Ark. He is survived by his daughter, his mother and father, and a large, loving family.



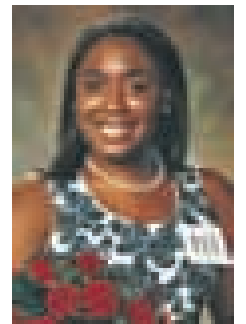
A photo from Dep. Chief Garner's funeral program.



Dep. Chief Garner's funeral program.



Photos from Dep. Chief Garner's funeral program.



Dep. Chief Garner's daughter, Lauren; taken from the funeral program.

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GENERAL SERVICES

# Hooray for the Mail!

General Services hosts 7th annual Mail Services appreciation day.



Terra Jones, Sr. Clerk Typist, Club Member, with the raffle prizes.



Aram Salmasi, Mail Services Division Manager.



Angelis Gray-Stovall, Principal Clerk, Club Member, with Mail Services appreciation gift bags.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

General Services honored the Mail Services Division with the 7th annual appreciation day Jan. 22. The luncheon was held in the Tom Bradley Room high atop City Hall.

Custodians and their supervisors came out to enjoy their day. Opening remarks were made by Melody McCormick, Director, Facilities Management. Welcome remarks were delivered by Aram Salmasi, Mail Services Division Manager, and Tony M. Royster, General Manager.

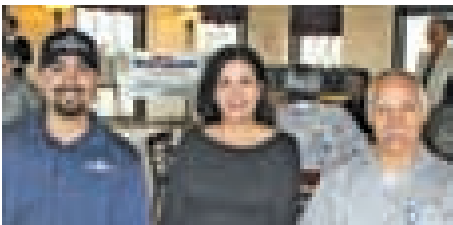
Mail Services employees enjoyed their lunch and prize raffles. Some of the prizes were donated by the Club.

There was a special memorial portion for Michael Hammersley, a Mail Services employee who was killed in last year's Metrolink train crash in Chatsworth. Family members of Michael were also on hand to accept honors on his behalf. He was represented by his mother, Pat, and brothers, Timothy and Thomas Hammersley, both City Employees.

Service pins and certificates were handed out. Special guests included ACEA Local 3090 AFSCME; and Councilwoman and Club Member Jan Perry.

The Club thanks Aram Salmasi for assisting us in this article.

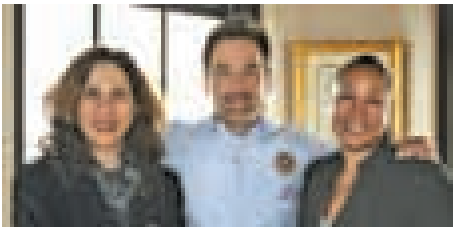
Here are the Mail Services Division 2008 awardees:



From left: Gus Cortes, Delivery Driver, 3 years of City service, Club Member; Espie Reynoso, Messenger Clerk, 9 years of service; and David Meraz, Delivery Driver II, 15 years of service.

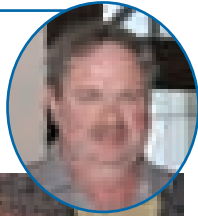


Back row, from left: David Pongvarin, Delivery Driver III; and Thomas Williams, Delivery Driver. Seated: Napoleon Fuller III, Delivery Driver, Club Member; Regino Sarabia, Messenger Clerk; and Kevin Ward, Messenger Clerk, Club Member.



From left: Valerie Melloff, Assistant General Manager, Club Member; John Hawkins, Club CEO; and Jeannette Arnold, Mail Operations.

The late Michael Hammersley, former employee of the Mail Services Division, was honored at the luncheon. Michael was killed in the Metrolink train crash in Chatsworth last fall.



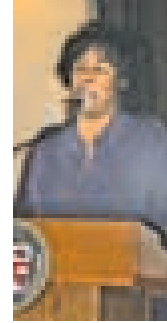
Michael Hammersley's family accepts a Perfect Attendance certificate on his behalf. From left: Aram Salmasi, Division Manager; Thomas Hammersley, Mechanical Helper, LAFD, Club Member; Timothy Hammersley, Equipment, Street Services; Pat Hammersley, mother of Michael Hammersley; Tony Royster, General Manager, Club Member; and Valerie Melloff, Assistant General Manager, Club Member.



The family of the late Michael Hammersley -- mother, Pat, and brothers, Timothy and Thomas Hammersley -- accept a Los Angeles City Council Resolution on Michael's behalf. With the Hammersleys are Mail Services delivery drivers.



Welcome remarks were delivered by Melody McCormick, Facilities Management Director, General Services, Club Member.



Councilwoman Jan Perry, Club Member.



From left: Terry Brummund, Delivery Driver; Jacobi Patterson, Delivery Driver, Club Member; and Jack Callies, Delivery Driver 1.



Standing, from left: Aram Salmasi, Mail Services Division Manager; and Michael Hairston, Delivery Driver, Club Member. Seated: Ken Mak, Clerk; Randy Gordon, Clerk, Club Member; Sonissa Norman, Messenger Clerk, Club Member; and Peggy Moore, Messenger Clerk, Club Member.



From left: Tony Royster, General Manager, General Services, and Club Member; and Cindy Serrano, Delivery Driver I, 3 years of service, Club Member.

## SERVICE PINS

- 10 Years: Ying (Ken) Mack
- 15 Years: David Meraz
- 20 Years: Ersalyn Green
- 30 Years: Terry Brummond

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

- Ying (Ken) Mak
- Ersalyn Green, 2 years of consecutive perfect attendance
- Sonissa Norman
- Terry Brummond, 2 years of consecutive perfect attendance
- Michael Hammersley, 7 years consecutive perfect attendance
- Margaret Moore, 2 years of consecutive perfect attendance
- David Meraz, 3 years of consecutive perfect attendance
- Napoleon Fuller III, 4 years of consecutive perfect attendance
- Jacobi Patterson, 4 years of consecutive perfect attendance
- Jack Callies, 6 years of consecutive perfect attendance

## EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

- Dedicated Team Member: Randy Gordon
- Outstanding Customer Service: Esperanza Reynoso
- Exemplary Employee: Ying (Ken) Mak



15-year service pin recipient David Meraz with Aram Salmasi, Division Manager.



Terry Brummond receives the 30-year service Pin from Aram Salmasi, Division Manager.



Perfect Attendance Certificate Recipients, from left: Jack Callies, Delivery Driver 1; David Meraz, Delivery Driver II, Peggy Moore, Messenger Clerk, Club Member; Sonissa Norman, Messenger Clerk, Club Member; and Ken Mak, Clerk.



Outstanding Customer Service Recipient Espie Reynoso and division leaders, from left: Melody McCormick, Director of Facilities Management, Club Member; Aram Salmasi, Division Manager; Valerie Melloff, Assistant General Manager, Club Member; Espie Reynoso, award recipient; and Tony Royster, General Manager, Club Member.



Winner of the Dedicated Team Member Award, Randy Gordon.



IN MEMORIAM / HARBOR

# Bill Stein, Former Harbor Administrator

Port pays tribute to Bill Stein, retired Director of Administration, who recently passed away.



A photo of Bill during his Harbor days.



Bill Stein.

*Story and photos courtesy Harbor, and the Stein family*

Harry William (Bill) Stein, 62, longtime Port of Los Angeles Director of Administration, passed away March 4 following a brief illness.

The Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners convened its March 5 meeting in his memory, and a celebration of his life was held March 13, at St. John Fisher Catholic Church in Palos Verdes.

Bill began his career with the Harbor Department in 1971 as a Junior Administrative assistant in what is now the Port's Human Resources Division. He later became Personnel Director and subsequently Director of Port Administration. At various times during his lengthy Port career, Bill supervised the Human Resources Division, the Construction and Maintenance Division, Management Services, the Port Pilots, the Port Police, the Purchasing Division and Risk Management. He retired in 2003.

Bill is fondly remembered as a mentor to many Port employees. He was also an instructor in international business and business management at Los Angeles Harbor College, and played an integral role in the development of the International Trade Education Program academies at Banning High School.

Bill leaves behind his wife, Penny; his son, Mark; his daughters, Gail and Marianne; and his six-month-old granddaughter, Charlotte.



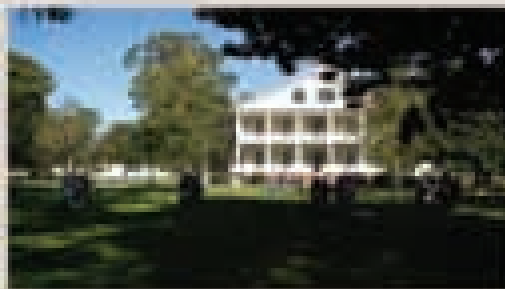
Bill and his wife, Penny.



Bill and his family.

## VOLUNTEER

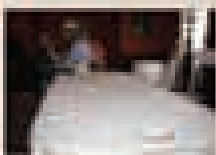
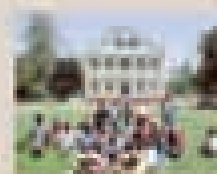
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**Banning Museum**



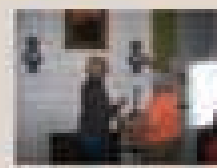
For an engaging and enjoyable volunteer experience, consider becoming a Banning Museum Volunteer, where you can:



- Choose from volunteer activities, including leading tours, assisting the Curator with the Museum's decorative arts and textile collections, museum publications or various committee groups.
- Help educate and inspire as you bring history alive for thousands of schoolchildren and visitors from all around the world.



- Become involved with the preservation and presentation of the Victorian-era home of General Phineas Banning, one of Southern California's most visionary pioneers.



Our VOLUNTEERS play a vital role in the operation of Banning Museum, a national, state and local landmark. Your involvement will make a difference!

### JOIN OUR NEXT 8 WEEK TRAINING CLASS

**Saturdays March 14 through May 16, 2009**  
**9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Banning Residence Museum 401 East "M" Street, Wilmington, CA 90744  
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If you would like to learn more before making a commitment, join us for a reception from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on any of the dates below:  
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Angel Gomez, Director of Member Services



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The steam locomotive and crew with plenty of passengers aboard.

# The Live Steamers Railroad Museum



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Angel in front of the Los Angeles Live Steamers Railroad Museum

## Hello again, everybody! I'm really ... steamed this time!

That's because I visited the Los Angeles Live Steamers Railroad Museum (LALSRLM) in Griffith Park. The railroad museum was started in 1956 by railroad enthusiasts to educate the general public in railroad history including live steam, gas-mechanical and electronic railroad technology. (1) The museum survives solely on donations made by the general public, who visit and ride the trains. The suggested donation is \$3. It's not mandatory, although you actually go to a booth and pay (for each person), and they give you a ticket. You will be asked for a ticket each time you want to ride. (2) It's a very small price to pay.

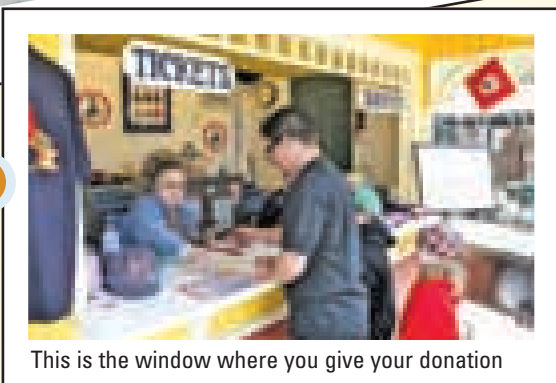
If it looks familiar, it might be because *Alive!* writes about it every holiday season. Over Christmas and New Year's, the museum decorates the trains and train stations. The museum is adjacent to Travel Town Museum, a local club devoted to the presentation of locomotives through scale models.

Almost all of the facility, including the trains, was built by members of the Los Angeles Live Steamers Railroad Museum. I heard that the members planted the trees and grass, too. Most of the materials came from donations and through fundraising from LALSRLM members and local

businesses. Great job!

The museum is a very fun place to visit for you and your family. I really enjoyed the 4- to-10-mph relaxing ride and all the things to see. By the way, once you get on the trains you are not allowed to take any pictures. I took a few to try to help promote the museum.

And remember, it's open only on Sundays.



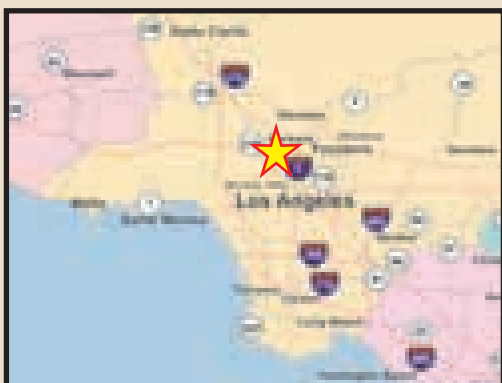
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This is the window where you give your donation

## Directions:

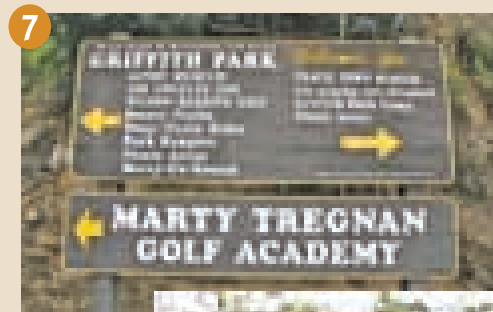
Going North to Location: take the I-5 North to the 134 East (Pasadena/Ventura Fwy) keep right at the fork, follow signs for the Zoo Dr. then turn Right at Western Heritage Way continue on Zoo Dr. (about a mile) LALSRLM will be on the left. (7)

Going South to Location: take the I-5 South then take the 145A for Western Ave keep right at the fork, follow the signs to Western Ave W then turn right at Western Ave then turn left at Victory Blvd. Slightly right at Riverside Dr then Turn right at Zoo Dr. LALSRLM will be on the left.



Actual address is: (8)  
**5202 Zoo Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90027**

When you exit the freeway, you will notice that there is a horse trail and wide grass areas (along the street going to the museum) with picnic benches and plenty of room for relaxing. The Parking is on the right and left of the entrance just pick a spot.



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Aden, Kathy and Angel enjoy a ride on a locomotive steam train.



The Conductor and his passengers speed by.

There is parking on either side of the entrance. As you travel on Zoo Drive, you will notice plenty of space on either side of the road, for picnics, jogging and horseback riding.

So, go out this weekend (on Sunday) and take a train ride for only \$3 per person. This is truly a great place and a best-kept secret right in our own backyard.

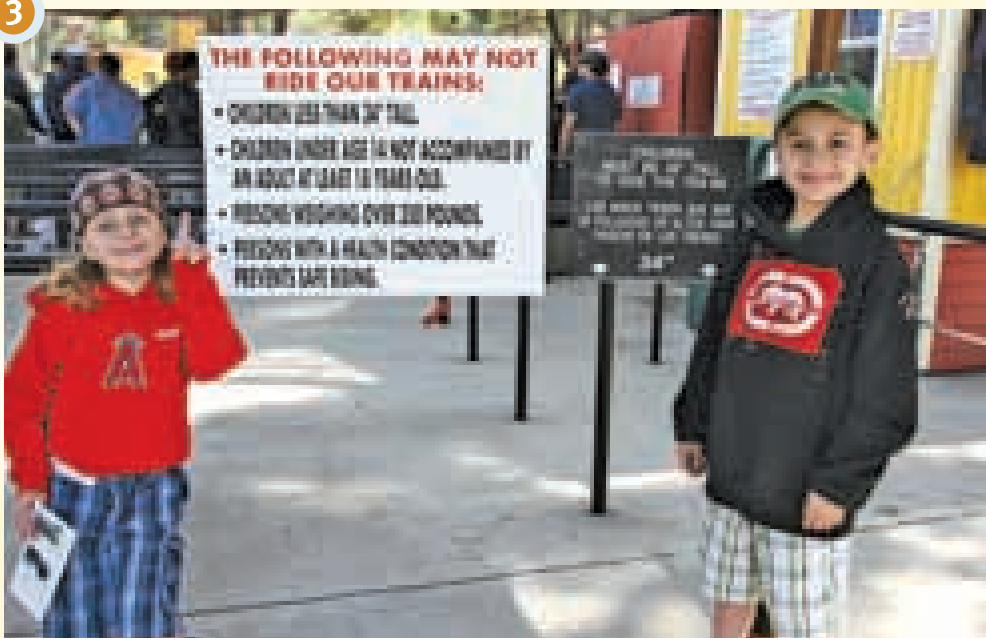
LALSRLM members operate 7.5-inch-gauge model trains for the general public to ride from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Sunday, weather permitting, except for the Sunday before Memorial Day and the first Sunday in October. Passengers must be at least 34 inches tall and weigh less than 350 pounds to ride. (3)

While visiting the museum, you will be riding a one-eighth-scale miniature steam, diesel or electric locomotive. (4) and (5) If a steam locomotive is pulling your train, you might notice that the engine has fire and smoke, and actually runs on steam. The steam locomotives may be burning coal, fuel oil or propane. The typical locomotive operates with about 100 pounds of steam pressure. These miniature steam locomotives need lots of water and require as much maintenance as a full-size engine. (6) If a diesel locomotive is pulling your train, it is probably powered by a gasoline engine that is coupled to a transmission with a hydraulic drive. If an electric locomotive is pulling your train, these engines are generally powered by storage batteries.

The rolling stock used by the museum is probably center bench cars or gondolas, both with a caboose. All of the cars use machined wheels that have flanges and tire profiles just like real trains.

The railroad's main line is about a mile and a half long. Members have built and installed more than 23,000 feet of track. They use steel rails, and the ties are made from recycled plastic. Before any tracks are installed, the ground must be carefully prepared so that the track is level and straight. In addition to the track, there are two turntables, 44 steaming bays for engine preparation and maintenance, and two power hoists to raise and lower trains for storage by car or truck.

Until, next month, **Be Safe and Be Alive!**



Aden and Angel are very happy they both meet the height requirement.



The O'Brien-Moore Bridge you see as you travel.

## Bridges and Tunnels:

There is more than 395 feet of steel and concrete bridges. The 216-foot steel and truss bridge (O'Brien-Moore Bridge), at the west end of the tracks, was built with more than 16 tons of steel. The center of the bridge was constructed off-site and delivered to Griffith Park by truck. A crane was used to place the bridge on its concrete piers. There are three concrete tunnels that measure about 112 feet combined.



The Nelson Tunnel.

{ Who are the people you see every day? }

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# People We See

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## Meet Xavier Anderson.



Mumford High School in Detroit has produced a number of successful graduates, including movie and television producers (Jerry Bruckheimer), gospel recording artists, and many, many others.



**AGE:** "I'm 40 years old."  
**BIRTHPLACE:** "Detroit, Mich."  
**WHEN DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES?** "In 1997."  
**MARITAL STATUS:** "Single."  
**FAMILY:** "I have two older brothers and two older sisters."  
**RELIGION:** "Catholic."  
**FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY:** "Meeting girls in elementary school."  
**EDUCATION:** "I went to Mumford High School and then got my GED at Cobalt Hall. I wanted to be a computer accountant, but when I was 20 years old I started having bouts of paranoia and visual hallucinations. Soon thereafter I was diagnosed with schizophrenia and have consistent visual hallucinations and occasionally an auditory hallucination. I'm taking my meds, which really helps."  
**WHAT WAS THE LAST JOB YOU HAD?** "I worked in a car parts factory back in northwest Michigan. It was a good job."  
**AWARDS:** "I got a first-place medal for the 100-yard dash."  
**IF YOU COULD WISH FOR ANYTHING, WHAT WOULD IT BE?** "I'd ask for more wishes, and then endless wishes. And with that I'd wish for health and strength."  
**IF YOU HAD A MILLION DOLLARS, WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH IT?** "I'd invest in automobiles, like Cadillacs and Lincolns."  
**FAVORITE FOOD:** "I love Italian food, especially spaghetti and fettuccine."  
**FAVORITE MOVIE:** "*The Matrix*."  
**FAVORITE ACTOR:** "Arnold [Schwarzenegger], Mel Gibson, Sylvester Stallone, Tom Cruise, Keanu Reeves."  
**FAVORITE ACTRESS:** "All of them!"  
**FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "I love the new *Knight Rider*."  
**FAVORITE MUSIC:** "I like Latin rap, thug rappers, Fabulous, etc."  
**FAVORITE CANDY:** "Definitely Jolly Ranchers."  
**WHAT'S THE LAST BOOK YOU READ?** "*A Kenji Dictionary*."  
**DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS?** "Just a few. I'm staying with one right now at the Stanford Hotel."  
**WHAT WAS THE LAST THING YOU ATE?** "I had beef stew at Emmanuel Baptist."  
**WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY?** "Pershing Square."  
**ADVICE FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE:** "Stay positive; don't get in trouble with the police."  
**WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE IRAQ WAR?** "I liked George Bush; he was cool and calm. He always knew what he was going to do next. He was a straight talker."  
**WHICH ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN THE BIGGEST HELP TO YOU?** "The L.A. and Midnight Mission."  
**WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF FIVE YEARS FROM NOW?** "Just doing the same thing, hopefully no worse off."  
*The Club gave Xavier a McDonald's gift certificate, some cash, snacks, and a Club tote bag.*  
 This interview took place March 16 at the corner of Los Angeles and Second Streets, in front of the Little Tokyo Branch Library.

## Newsbrief

### LED LIGHTING:

On Feb. 16, the City, in partnership with the Clinton Climate Initiative, announced the largest LED (light-emitting diode) green street light program ever undertaken by a City, with the replacement of 140,000 streetlights to energy efficient lights.

"Public Works looks forward to playing an instrumental role in this program and is proud to lead the nation in these efforts," said Board of Public Works President Cynthia M. Ruiz.

As part of the process to convert the streetlights, the Public Works/Street Lighting is conducting a demonstration project to evaluate LED luminaries from different manufacturers. Four luminaries from a manufacturer have been installed side-by-side on residential streets in North Hills. In addition, the bureau is collecting feedback from the residents.

"This is a very important program for the City, and we are going to conduct a thorough and diligent process to determine which LED luminaries will be installed," said Street Lighting Director Ed Ebrahimi.

The demonstration will continue through the spring, and then in July, Street Lighting is scheduled to begin installing the first 20,000 LED lights over the next year, followed by 30,000 each succeeding year.

The conversion of the 140,000 streetlights will provide a 40 percent energy saving, reduce maintenance and energy costs, provide more durable and damage-resistant unit, and reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 40,500 tons per year – the equivalent of taking 6,700 cars off the road.

LED lights have a life span of 10 to 12 years, compared to a typical streetlight, which lasts 4 to 6 years, and will be installed with remote monitoring units to automatically report direct to the bureau when streetlight is not working and needs to be repaired.



Public Works/Street Lighting's Tim Spradley inspects an LED light being tested.

### SPAY/NEUTER VOUCHERS ARE BACK:

Animal Services has reinstated its spay/neuter vouchers for low-income pet owners.

On March 10, Animal Services temporarily suspended distribution of spay/neuter vouchers due to a concern that increased demand was exceeding available funding. After a review of the program with several City Council offices and the Mayor's office, the Department developed a plan to restore distribution in a manner it believes is fiscally prudent, sustainable and consistent with the most pressing community needs and the City Council's guidance when it approved the landmark Spay/Neuter Ordinance in February 2008.

The Department is reinstating distribution of the \$70 certificate for qualified low-income residents (based on HUD Very Low Income level of \$30,300 annual income per household as mandated in the Municipal Code) and to senior and disabled residents also meeting the Very Low Income Level. Strengthened procedures are in place for Department staff to verify low income status when issuing coupons to ensure they are going to qualified pet owners.

Qualified residents can pick up a certificate at any LA City Animal Care Center. More information on program requirements can be found at: [www.lacity.org/ANI/serv\\_bigfix.htm](http://www.lacity.org/ANI/serv_bigfix.htm)

The Amanda Foundation Mobile Spay/Neuter Clinic will continue free services for qualified low-income residents. There was no suspension in these services. Information regarding the Amanda clinic's visits to LA neighborhoods is available at: [www.lacity.org/ANI/events\\_schedule.htm](http://www.lacity.org/ANI/events_schedule.htm)



Club CEO John Hawkins and his son, Noah (left), with Xavier.

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

## THE CLUB

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## Club Scholarship Applications Available

Applications are available online and at the Club Store. Deadline is noon, June 30, 2009.

Pick up your Club Scholarship application at the Club Store, or download an application today!

The 2009 Club Scholarship Program has expanded to 10 awards, and is now accepting applications.

All materials must be physically in the new Club Store and Service Center downtown, 120 W. Second St. by noon, June 30, 2009.

Ten college scholarships are available. Each recipient will receive a stipend of \$1,000.

Those eligible include Club Members, their spouses and their children who are in college or will be attending an accredited college or university in Fall 2009.

"We know that times are tough right now, and we want to do something special to meet the demand," said John Hawkins, Club CEO. "We offer ten awards now."

"Every year, we're amazed at the quality of the applicants. We expect this year to be even better."

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

[www.cityemployeesclub.com/scholar.asp](http://www.cityemployeesclub.com/scholar.asp)

"We fully support the dedication of our Club families to taking care of the educational needs

of themselves and their children," Hawkins continued. "We want to help them in every way possible. We look forward to giving back."

### Eligibility requirements:

- All Club Members and their spouses, and children of Club members under the age 25, are eligible to apply. Club members must be in good standing.
- The successful candidate must attend an accredited four-year college or university full time in the fall semester 2009. Current high school seniors matriculating to a four-year school in Fall 2009 are eligible.
- Candidates will be judged for academic excellence, community service and financial need.
- Ten (10) scholarships will be awarded, in equal amounts of \$1,000 (each).
- Deadline: Applications must be in the Club Store and Service Center, 120 W. Second St. downtown, by noon June 30, 2009. All applications must be physically in the Club office at that time to be eligible. Sorry, but the Club is not responsible for delays in delivery.
- Decisions will be made by Club personnel and will be considered final.
- Club Store and Service Center address: 120 W. Second St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
- Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Send questions to: [scholarship@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:scholarship@cityemployeesclub.com)



Jorge Zavala, son of Jose Avala, Airports, received the Club's top stipend last year.



HOT CLUB OFFER!!

## Dodgers Deals

VERSUS	DATE	SPECIAL NIGHT
Philadelphia	Fri: 6/5	(Fireworks Night)
Seattle	Fri: 6/26	(Fireworks Night)
Houston	Fri: 7/17	(Firefighter Appreciation Night)
Florida	Fri: 7/24	(Fireworks Night)
Atlanta	Fri: 8/7	(Fireworks Night)
St Louis	Mon: 8/17	(Fireworks Night)
Pittsburgh	Tues: 9/15	(Fleece Blanket Giveaway Night)
San Francisco	Fri: 9/18	(Fireworks Night)
Colorado	Sun: 10/4	(Fan Appreciation Night)

All tickets are FIELD LEVEL and are normally \$50

# Club Price \$32

(Available sections 45,47,49)

This offer is only good through the Club and there's a limited amount available so act now!

To take advantage of this great deal, call the Ticket Guy on the Ticket Hotline today!

(888) 777-1744


[www.cityemployeesclub.com](http://www.cityemployeesclub.com)


### Bureau Of Street Services

## Charity Golf Tournament

Monday, June 29, 2009  
Porter Valley Country Club  
19216 Singing Hills Drive, Northridge, 91326

8:00 – 9:30 a.m.: Registration; Practice Range; Continental Breakfast  
10:00 a.m.: Shotgun Start -Best Ball Tournament; BBQ Lunch On Course  
Dinner/Awards Presentation Following Tournament

 Early Bird: \$135 Per Golfer (When You Pay By 3/31/09!)  
\$150 Per Golfer Paying 4/1/09 Thru 6/19/09 Or Until Sold Out.  
So Register Early!

 For more information and to register,  
Contact: Jennifer Klevinskas @ 213-847-3218,  
Erin Jones @ 213-485-5561, Richard Lopez @ 818-266-7149  
Or Online @ [www.Golfdigestplanner.com/8463-Bssgolf09](http://www.Golfdigestplanner.com/8463-Bssgolf09)

 Contests, Raffle Prizes, Awards, Food, & Fun!

 Make Checks Payable To: Street Services Charities

Event Will Occur Rain Or Shine!  
Dress Code Enforced; Soft Spike Golf Shoes Only



## Who's going to Magic Mountain?

# \$15.

Discount tickets at the Club Store.

See Back Cover



# Life's Important Moments

# Share your moments!

Did you get married? Have a baby? (Yea!) Get a promotion? (Hooray!) Retire? (Ahhhh.) We want to hear from you. Share your news with the world! Send all notices and high resolution photos with the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com) or send paper notices and print photos to: *Alive!*, 311 S. Spring St., Suite 1300, Los Angeles, CA 90013

## New Members

### Welcome New Members!

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

<b>Airports</b>	<b>Harbor</b>	<b>Finance</b>
Laquinta Dean	Nazario Calacuayo	Kay Ha
Isaac Duchene	John Holmes	
Joe Espitia	Carol Joya	<b>DWP</b>
Richard Heath	Leonard Mace	Eric Aguilar
Jose Miranda	Cynthia Montano	Sandra Elvey
Luis Reyes	John Pham	Raymond Escobar
		Kelvin Evans
<b>Aging</b>	<b>Convention Center</b>	Beda Jardenil
Georgette Chretien	Monica Shelton	Rudolfo Martinez
		Jorge Moreno
<b>Building &amp; Safety</b>	<b>LAPD</b>	Tien Nguyen
Larry Isidro	Manasporh Khantisiri	Annamae Peji
Frederick Lu	Yesenia Medina	Mariam Schahmoradi
	Caroline Milanes	
<b>City Attorney</b>	<b>Public Works: Sanitation</b>	<b>Retired</b>
Brad Rothenberg	Ernesto Cruz	Elois Green
Janna Sidley	Guadalupe Guerena	Sinclair McMichael
	Jilberto Verduzco	Earnestine Tucker
<b>ITA</b>	<b>Public Works: Street Services</b>	Corazon Valino
Emily McEnroe	Joseph Gomos	
	Ralph Jackson	<b>Other</b>
<b>LAFD</b>	<b>Rec and Parks</b>	Noel Binotapa
Richard Caplan	Doris Campos	Amy Brown
Greg Gilchrist	Steven Cohen	Michael Cusack
	Michael Harrison	Pablo Grande
<b>General Services</b>	Akilah Hite	Jack Jones
Roderick Bingley	Adriel Navarro	Timothy Lamb
Charles Crumble	Timothy Rhyne	Jane Molina
Ruben Jaramillo	Manuel Valenzuela	Horacio Moran
Pablo Lazaro		Agustin Noverola
Jose Maravillaramos	<b>Transportation</b>	Somsak Poolperm
Joe McKeon	Rochelle Randall	Susan Rich
Vladimir Nesterenko	Drew Way	Robert Sepulveda
Victor Villa	Debra Westbrook	Charles Sherrill
Zubair Yousif		
		<b>Club Staff</b>
		Rachael Brecher

## In Memoriam


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

<b>Active</b>	Muriel Hochberg, LAPD, 13
Aaron Braden, Public Works, 3	John Ignatz, DWP, 32
Tommie Howard, Rec and Parks, 5	Albert Izmirian, Public Works, 19
Larry McMichael, DWP, 24	William Jenkins, DWP, 28
Vernell Scott, General Services, 14	Robert Johncox, Transportation, 25
Thanh Tran, ITA, 4	William Koehler, DWP, 28
Joel Valino, DWP, 23	Henry Lara, DWP, 33
	Gilbert Lee, DWP, 16
<b>Retired</b>	Suzanne Letts, DWP, 34
Virginia Abney, LAPD, 31	Jesse Maese, General Services, 14
Robert Albrecht, Public Works, 31	Walter Mandry, Transportation, 23
Beatriz Becker, ITA, 24	Charles Mattson, City Attorney, 10
Richard Bird, Building and Safety, 26	Lynn McCord, ITA, 21
Thomas Bowker, Airports, 30	Robert Melhourn, DWP, 28
Myrtle Braun, DWP, 24	George Morrison, Public Works, 28
Willie Crain, General Services, 27	Ellwood Moss, Not Disclosed, 21
Stanley Curtis, DWP, 35	Cecil Muchmore, Airports, 11
Willie Davis, Public Works, 9	Carol Nelson, DWP, 32
Charles Deprez, Building and Safety, 25	Matthew Shreeves, Airports, 11
Gwendolyn Dolman, Library, 31	John Petrucelli, DWP, 22
Wallace Elder, Public Works, 34	Michael Prefke, DWP, 30
John Feher, DWP, 22	George Quintero, Building and Safety, 36
John Fourage, DWP, 28	Evelyn Ricci, DWP, 23
Masami Furuya, City Clerk, 35	Howard Schaad, Public Works, 30
Samuel Govan, Public Works, 17	Leamon Smith, DWP, 21
Betty Hall, ITA, 28	Donald Steele, DWP, 17
Phyllis Hendrickson, Public Works, 10	Eugene Swacker, DWP, 41
Robert Holloway, DWP, 28	Gordon Swartout, Rec and Parks, 15
Blanchard Horton, LAFD, 10	Minoru Toda, DWP, 31
Manuel Hummel, DWP, 32	Salvador Veas, DWP, 28
Bobby Hirai, General Services, 10	Betty Weaver, DWP, 36
Yoshio Hirata, LAPD, 16	

## Retirements

NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS
Daniel Aleman	Lieutenant	Harbor	36	Elmer Harlan	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
James Allen	Garage Attendant	General Services	14	Rosalio Haro	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
Barbara Arnold	Rec. Facility Director	Rec and Parks	42	Henri Kenyatta	Sr. Mgt. Analyst	CDD	38
Bernadette Arzu	Council Aide	Council	22	Hyacinth Livingston	Med Technician	Personnel	33
Patrick Ball	Firearms Examiner	LAPD	27	Nury Manii	Management Analyst	Airports	23
Jacqueline Boddie	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Henry Martinez	Ref. Coll. Truck Opr.	Public Works	37
Stephen Bowes	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Ted Matthews	Auto Body Bldr./Rpr.	LAFD	10
Manuel Bustos	Custodian	Airports	10	Derek Molette	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
Honorio Cenidoza	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Eugene Navarro	Sr. Traffic Supervisor	Transportation	35
Cynthia Davidson	Sr. Clerk Typist	LAPD	28	Rodolfo Ortiz	Building Mech. Inspr.	Building and Safety	11
Ricardo De Guzman	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Arthur Rodriguez	Light Equip. Operator	Rec and Parks	31
Jacqueline Dileva	Fingerprint Identity Exp.	LAPD	18	Antonio Ruiz	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
Deborah Disselhoff	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Jeffrey Senac	Light Equip. Operator	Rec and Parks	21
Linda Ector	Airport Police Officer	Airports	28	Romualdas Siugzda	Parking Meter Tech.	Transportation	20
Johnnie Fields	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	25	Pacifico Uy	Pr. Tax Auditor	Finance	29
Raymond Graham	Airport Superintendent	Airports	22	Ignacio Valdivia	Maintenance Laborer	General Services	25

### Military



Does someone in your extended family serve their country as a member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard? Send us a photo – either formal or on duty, along with your name, City department and relationship to the subject. Send photos to *Alive!* in the Military, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 311 S. Spring St. Suite 1300, Los Angeles, CA 90013. Send digital photos to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## Weddings

Have a photo of a recent wedding? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)



## Births



Bree Ana Jones, born Jan. 17 to Bruce and Marviana Jones. Marviana is a Senior Clerk Typist, Personnel. Bruce is an RCTO, Public Works.



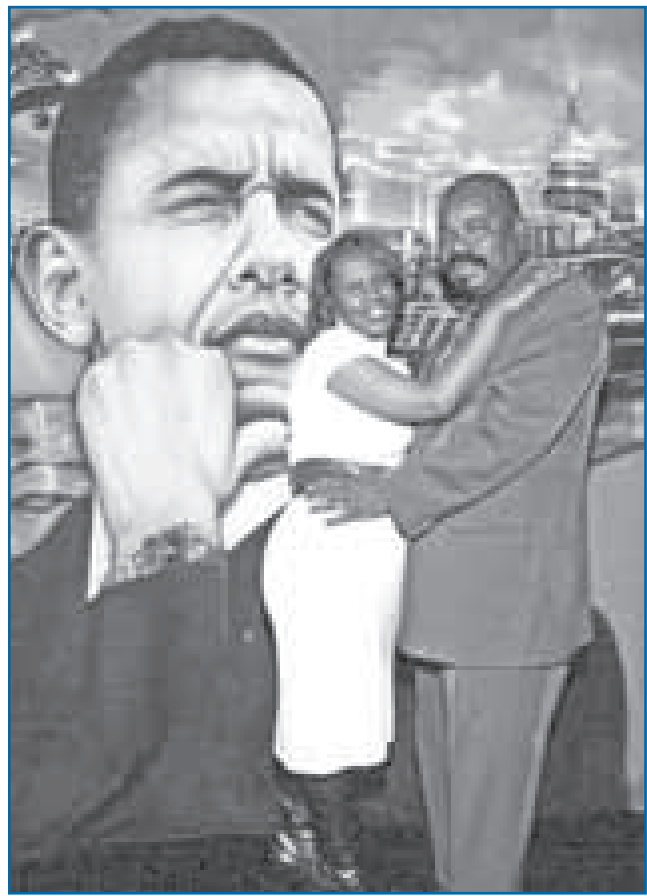
Noah Roger Akasaka Alvarado, born July 19 to Albert and Rebecca Alvarado. Albert's a detective with the Port Police. Noah was welcomed "by his sisters, Amanda and Paris, and his brother, Elijah."



Makayla Breann Lyles, born Dec. 5 and christened Feb. 28, to Nicole Williams and Willie Lyles. Makayla is the granddaughter of Sharon Williams, Ontario Airport Police.

Have a photo of a recent newborn? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## Special Achievements



Terri and Donald Clark celebrate their 25th anniversary April 14. Terri says, "I met this young sweet thing, and I told him about the opportunities the City was offering and brought him an application, and the rest is history. Through God, all things are possible. To my husband: I love you and thank you for being my soul mate." Terri is a Clerk Typist, Public Works/Sanitation, and Donald is a Heavy Equipment Operator, Public Works/Street Services.

Have you or your children recently achieved something special? It could be academic, or part of your hobby, or similar. Let us know! Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## Quinceañera



Alexandria Nicole Ulloa celebrated her quinceañera Nov. 28 in an event attended by friends and family. She's the daughter of Martha and Salvador Ulloa. Martha works in LAPD Communications. "We are extremely proud of our cute little girl, becoming a beautiful young lady."

Have a photo of a recent quinceañera? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## Graduations



Raquel Neria expects to graduate in May from Cal State Dominguez Hills with a Bachelor's degree in health science and a minor in information system. She plans to continue at Riverside Community College in the physicians' assistant program. Her aunt is Rosemarie Terrones, DWP, who says, "Way to go, Raquell!"

Alive! is delighted to publish graduation photos of Club members and their children. Have a photo of a recent graduation? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## Insurance Products From the Club

The Club offers these group-rated insurance products to its members. Don't wait... make a positive step for your peace of mind today. Contact your Club Counselor for all the details of these plans.

**Term Life** (from \$10K to \$300K)  
Safeguard your loved ones! Life insurance is a great way to protect them. Purchasing term life insurance also makes you eligible for the Club's famous refund check...whatever we don't spend in claims and overhead, we return to the policyholders. Smart...well managed...and service-oriented.

**Spouse Life Insurance**  
Include your spouse with Club Term Life Insurance.

**Long Term Disability Insurance**  
Protect yourself from career-ending traumas.

**Long Term Care Insurance**  
Manage your future health-care costs with this Club package.

**Cancer Insurance**  
Purchase a Cancer Insurance policy from the Club, and put this affliction out of your mind.

**Group Rated Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance**  
Use the power of the Club to protect yourself against the financial downfall of accidental death or dismemberment.

**Group Rated Auto and Homeowners Insurance**  
Take advantage of the Club's purchasing power (strength in numbers!) to get great rates for your auto and homeowners insurance.



## Protect Your Family With Club Insurance. Today!

### Your Counselor Can Help

Your Club Counselor will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding the Club's insurance packages. Look on page 4 to find out which Counselor represents your department ... or call (800) 464-0452.



Arlene Herrero



Tiffany Sy



Irene Small

# Why do you need a legal plan?

## Because Life can be unexpected

*[7 out of 10 people will have the need for an attorney this year]*

- Foreclosure
- Traffic Tickets
- Divorce
- Child Support
- Will Preparation
- Bankruptcy
- Real Estate Closing
- Just to name a few...

## The Family Legal Protection Plan

Access to attorneys for only \$12 a month. Legal matters left unresolved can cost you hundreds even thousands of dollars and just finding an attorney can consume many hours. With the Family Legal Protection Plan, you receive guaranteed flat rates for 8 common legal matters and 25% discount off the attorney's hourly rate for other matters. You get financial benefits when you have the FLPP; Budgeting, Financial Counseling, and Financial Planning. We also help you find the RIGHT attorney.



**For information on the Family Legal Protection Plan offered through the Club, contact your Club Counselor:  
(800) 464 0452**

This benefit summary is intended only to highlight your benefits and should not be relied upon to fully determine coverage. More complete descriptions of benefits and the terms under which they are provided can be confirmed in a plan booklet. If this benefit summary conflicts in any way with the Policy issued to your employers association, the policy shall prevail.



For Retired Club Members



# The Best Years

## City Retiree Associations:

### DWP Retirees Association



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

### Los Angeles Retired Fire and Police Association



**Warren B. Braun, President**  
Phone: (323) 283-4441  
Fax: (626) 285-1461  
E-mail: larfpa@pacbell.net or  
9521 Las Tunas Dr. #4,  
Temple City, CA 91780

### Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI)



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

### Change of Address?

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

### Have News About Yourself?

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

## Upcoming Events:

**April 9:** General membership meeting at the Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles 90027.

**April 16:** LACERS Health Workshop on emotional wellness at the Friendship Auditorium, same address.

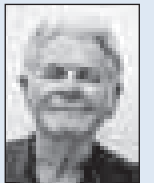
**June 2:** Retirees Golf Tournament at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course. See entry form in this issue of *Alive!*

**Aug. 13:** Retirees Picnic at Grace E. Simons Lodge in Elysian Park.

For reservations to RLACEI meetings and lunches, RSVP to (800) 678-4145, ext. 701.

## Retirees Corner:

# Voters Approve Plan to Add Fire, Police Partners



By Phil Skarin,  
RLACEI Publicity Chair

### President Ed Harding reports:



Ed Harding

"There's good news for a lot of retirees. The recent March 3 election approved a charter amendment for the Fire and Police Pension Plan, allowing their retirees who have lost their spouse or domestic partners through death or divorce to take a reduction in their pension to provide the new spouse or domestic partner with a share of the pension when the retiree dies. The deduction is actuarially adjusted, so the retiree pays the cost of allowing the new spouse or domestic partner to share in the retiree's pension. This is cost-neutral to the pension plan.

"We have been having meetings with the Retired Fire and Police Association regarding this charter change, and we decided to wait

for the results of this election. Now, we should have no trouble getting the City Council to approve a similar change for our retirees.

"I wish to thank David Dorion, *El Pueblo* editor, and John Hawkins, the Club's CEO, for allowing us to add a column by Mary Beetz, Publicity Committee member, about LACERS activities.

"Remember, April 9 is our general membership meeting at the Friendship Auditorium. Call the RSVP number for lunch reservations, or you may not get fed. We are cutting back on the number of meals ordered."

The Bylaws Committee has proposed new Bylaws. Chairman Hal Danowitz will move for their adoption at the April 9 meeting.



Mary Beetz

### Director Mary Beetz reports:

"MYLACERS is a new Web Member Service that lets retired members view account information. It is easy, fast and very informative. To create your account, Log on to [MYLACERS.org](http://MYLACERS.org). You will be instructed to create an ID and password. Once this is done, you can view past

LACERS Update,  
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### Legislative Update:



Ken Spiker

"The LACERS Benefits Committee had its interviews of bidders for the Health and Welfare Consultant Contract.

"Aon Consulting, Doloitte Consulting, Mercer and Watson Wyatt submitted extensive Requests for Proposal bids. Each of the three finalists received and hour-plus interview. The three-member committee, which I chair, voted unanimously to recommend the contract be awarded to Watson Wyatt.

"Watson Wyatt is a publicly owned company, listed on the New York Stock Exchange and NASDAQ. They have committed

11 personnel to handle the LACERS account. All 11 attended the committee interviews and presented their 'Special talents and experience' related to our needs.

"Committee members were more than favorably impressed with their presentations and answers to our questions. Their financial bid was favorable in comparison with the other bidders.

"With the recommendation, we are looking forward to improved and additional health premiums and affordable premiums.

"It is worth noting that a recent *L.A. Times* article stated, 'The City faces a \$427 million shortfall,

which could more that double due to the pension fund problem.' *Baloney* – don't blame the retirees, look where the real problem lies.

All is quiet in Sacramento on retiree issues as the State budget deficit continues to hold center stage, according to committee staff in the Capitol. The usual advocate groups in the pensioner area are sitting tight, hoping to maintain the benefits they now have. There is an occasional initiative that may make it to the ballot box, but as far as what is proposed in the Legislature, all eyes are on the budget and the economy.

### RLACEI Website

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

### Contact LACERS

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

# The Best Years



Old Faithful.



By Hal Danowitz, Secretary, RLACEI

## Retiree Hotlines

Who to call? Following is a list of contacts for RLACEI and for the DWP:

**City Employees Retirement System:** (213) 473-7200

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

• Edward Harding	Ext. 703
• Phil Skarin	Ext. 709
• Michael Karsch	Ext. 704
• Jerry Bardwell	Ext. 706
• Harold Danowitz	Ext. 707
• Jack Mathews	Ext. 712
• Helen Salgado (membership)	Ext. 713
• Americo Garza	Ext. 710
• Tom Stemnock	Ext. 708
• Mary Beetz	Ext. 711

**DWP Retirement Plan Office:** (213) 367-1722

## RLACEI:

### Officers for 2009

- Edward Harding, President
- Kenneth Spiker, First Vice President
- Tom Stemnock, Second Vice President
- Hal Danowitz, Secretary
- Jerry Bardwell, Treasurer

### Committee Chairpersons for 2009

- Jerry Bardwell, Budget
- Hal Danowitz, Bylaws
- Ken Spiker, Legal and Legislative
- Helen Salgado, Membership
- Phil Skarin, Publicity
- Tom Stemnock and Phil Skarin, Golf
- Tom Stemnock, Audit
- Americo Garza, Picnic
- Americo Garza, Holiday Party and Installation
- Jack Mathews, Senior Citizens
- Neil Ricci, Health
- Neil Ricci, Nominating
- Phil Skarin, Parliamentarian

### Directors

- Michael Karsch
- Americo Garza
- Helen Salgado
- Phil Skarin
- Jack Mathews
- Neil Ricci
- Mary Beetz



# 6,000 Miles, and Still Speaking

■ Hal and Evelyn conclude a happy and memorable road trip through 18 states for his high school reunion.

Evelyn and I took a three-week road trip on our way to my 50th high school reunion in Lansing, Mich. We took a more southern route on the way there and the northern route on the way home. So far in our travels we have traveled from Los Angeles to Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Michigan (for the reunion), Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota and Montana. During the trip, Evelyn and I kept a daily log, which we e-mailed to friends, and I have decided to share this log with you to tell the tale of our trip. We left off last month in Red Lodge, Mont.

### Day 18 – Oct. 5

Last night's dinner at the Pollard was very good – the service was a little iffy, but overall it was fine. Our room included breakfast, and after that we left Red Lodge on US 212 toward the northeast entrance of Yellowstone.

The weather had turned; yesterday it sprinkled and last night it rained. Temperatures were in the mid-40s that morning. The drive on 212 would take us over the Bear Tooth Mountains, which top out at more than 11,000 feet. I had some concerns about the highway conditions, but the road was open. When we left Red Lodge, the rain had stopped, but it was still cold. The drive to the Old Faithful Inn (at the south end of Yellowstone) was only 150 miles but through the mountain pass, and I planned on at least five hours (it took us six hours), but we stopped along the way after we entered Yellowstone.

*Evelyn: Aside from the mild rain, a little sleet, snow that almost stuck and a blustery*

*wind, the weather was great, with blue skies and billowy clouds. The drive is beyond beautiful.*

The road is two-lane and it started to rain and then turned to snow. When we reached the summit (10,800 feet), there was snow on the road, so we drove very carefully. We made it to the entrance to Yellowstone with no problems. With my Gold Age Card, there was no charge to get in (normally \$25 per car), and we drove the Grand Loop to the west and then turned south to get to Old Faithful.

It is hard to describe the beauty of Yellowstone, with its tall mountains and deep valleys, with steams and rivers. And then there are the geysers, which are all over the place. We saw herds of buffalo, some deer, and at the Mammoth Station, elk were all over the place. We saw no bears as of yet. Maybe Evelyn can give a better description.



Hal and Evelyn at the antler arch in Jackson Hole.



Entering Yellowstone.



Hal and Evelyn saw this buffalo in Yellowstone.

## ADVENTURES WITH HAL!

*Evelyn: The leaves are changing, and in areas where there are Aspen and birch trees, the golden color of the leaves is amazing. For me, a city kid born in Los Angeles, the change of seasons is a 10-degree drop in the daytime temperature. Now I understand what people mean by missing the change in seasons. I hope some of our pictures do justice to the beautiful scenery we have enjoyed.*

We stayed at the Old Faithful Inn, next to the Old Faithful Geysler. In fact, you can see the eruption from the balcony of the Inn. The room was okay – at least it has a bath (some don't).



Hal and Evelyn at the high point of the Bear Tooth Mountains.

*Evelyn: The inn was built around 1929 and added onto more than once. We were in the "new" wing -- it had a radiator for heat. The lobby was four stories high, with balconies on each floor above the first, with very unusual wood details that also looked like they helped support the interior structure. It almost looked like a giant log home or a tree house. There was an optional guided tour of the inn and tomorrow, if we had time before leaving, we thought about taking it. And yes we did see the geyser erupt. It's on a 70- to 90-minute schedule, more or less.*

The next day, we headed to Jackson Hole, Wyo., and then for home.

### Day 19 – Oct. 6

Last night for dinner we ate at the Old Faithful Snow Lodge, just behind the inn. We couldn't get a reservation at the Inn before 9 p.m., so we walked over to the Snow Lodge and had a very good dinner. I had buffalo short ribs, and Evelyn had a small prime rib.

We got up early in the morning to watch another eruption of Old Faithful, this time up close and personal. It rained during the night, and there was ice on the walkways and the car. We decided not to eat at the inn and just got some coffee and started out about 9 a.m. As we headed toward the south entrance, the trees and grounds were covered with snow. Evelyn drove, and she did a good job keeping us on the road, but she didn't see a deer getting ready to cross the road. Luckily the deer decided to wait until she drove by.

As soon as we left Yellowstone, we entered the Grand Teton National Forest. The terrain was different from Yellowstone and had more fall color, I think because the elevation was a little lower and the birch and aspens grew at a lower altitude than most of Yellowstone. We didn't have to climb too high, and the roads were clear. It was only 100 miles from Old Faithful to Jackson, Wyo., and we made it there in about three hours.

We stayed at the Wyoming Inn, just west of the downtown area. Even though we got to the inn early, our room was ready -- a very large presidential-size bed, with a sitting area and fireplace. The bath had both a Jacuzzi tub and a stall shower, with one sink in the bathroom and one sink in the dressing area of the bedroom. I'm not sure how I found this place, seeing there was a perfectly good Super 8 just down the road.

*Evelyn: Very funny! One more Super 8, and I would have had it.*

After we checked in we drove back to the "historic" downtown and had lunch. We then walked the area and purchased our allotment of T-shirts and other kid's items.

*Evelyn: Hal found slingshots with the handles carved in the shape of a wolf. He wanted to buy one, and I said I would kill him. So he*



Hal and Evelyn in Jackson Hole with a large bear.

from 31 to 89 degrees. We followed US 89 from Jackson Hole and reached I-15 just above Salt Lake City. Our drive that day took us through five states – Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, Arizona and Nevada.

*Evelyn: I don't suggest this drive for the faint of heart or those who hate driving. It really wasn't a bad drive if your goal was simply getting from point A to point B, and the scenery was varied. But it was one long day. We traded driving about every 200 miles, and that made it easier.*

We were to stay in Las Vegas for two nights and drive back to LA on Thursday. By the time we reached home, we had traveled almost 6,000 miles through 18 states.

*Evelyn: And we were still speaking to each other. In fact, as I wrote this, I reflected on my expectations and the reality of this great adventure. It is said that traveling with another person is the most stressful thing you can do. I had to admit that other than a very few differences of opinion about driving techniques, there was little to disagree about. I learned a great deal about our beautiful country and the regional differences and similarities. We had all types of weather, geography and topography. We are thankful for the beautiful and vast country we have.*

I hope you enjoyed our travel log. The trip was a great experience.

*bought three, one for each of the girls. The idea is to shoot using marshmallows. At least they will each have one. Oh! They do say "Jackson Hole" on them, so that makes them souvenirs.*

On the way back to the inn, I had the car washed, as we had picked up a lot of mud going through Yellowstone.

The next day we're to drive to Las Vegas, 690 miles from here. We planned to spend two nights in Vegas and be home on Thursday.

*Evelyn: With lots of pictures.*

### Day 20 – Oct. 7

Last night we had pizza for dinner and saved the leftovers for lunch today.

*Evelyn: I am so "fooded" out I can't even tell you.*

The breakfast at the inn was very good. In fact, the Wyoming Inn was the best place we stayed on the trip.

We left Jackson Hole and drove for almost 11 hours to Las Vegas. The weather was clear, with the temperature ranging



Evelyn at one of the hot sulfur springs.

## RLACEI MEMBER NEWS:

**John Fritz**, Camas, Wash., retired in January 1978 as a Street Maintenance Foreman and turned 90 Sept. 25. He enjoys golf, swimming and photography. He has visited all of the United States states except Alaska. He served in the U.S. Navy for seven years, and is a survivor of two ships sunk in World War II, including at Pearl Harbor.

**Michael Westerlin**, Norwalk, retired in February 1984 as a Principal Economic Coordinator for Public Works. He has traveled to China, Japan, Korea, Spain, Portugal, England Scotland and Ireland. He has been a member of a board of education for 14 years and is past Advisory Board Member of the California Youth Authority. He has four sons, eight grandkids and three great-grandkids.

**Nick Apodaca** retired in 1996 after 27 years with Rec. and Parks. He is involved with senior programs in Arizona and has made recordings and performed in various musical programs. He has been on cruises around the world. He would like to hear from his old buddies. Call him at (520) 744-7526.

**Olga Singer**, North Hollywood, turned 93 Jan. 20 and still does her own driving and cooking. She retired in January 1998 as a Recreation Supervisor after 45 years of service. Give her a call at (818) 766-6441.

**Raymond Kellam**, Escondido, has been married for 58 years to Monica. He retired from Building and Safety in July 1986 as a Principal Building Inspector. He is a member of the Escondido Country Club and plays golf and pool there. He builds clocks from scratch and has won second place in a national contest. He has built 14 clocks. Call him at (760) 747-2241.

**George Ewing's** children threw a 60th wedding anniversary party for he and his wife, Peggy, Feb. 14 in Garden Grove. The valentine touch was nice for a pair of old lovebirds. Thanks to Ed Howell for the info.

**William Garber**, Playa del Rey, worked as a Sanitary Engineer at the Hyperion Treatment Plant. Their retirees have a monthly get-together that keeps friendships alive. He and his wife are very involved with the Congregational Church. They spent a week in England tracing the roots of Congregationalism.

Hal Danowitz asks you to visit our Website at [www.rlacei.com](http://www.rlacei.com) to find the latest news. You can also e-mail us at [rlacei@verizon.net](mailto:rlacei@verizon.net).

An information sheet, "What to Do Upon the Death of a Retired City Employee," is available by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to Phil Skarin.

If you have news about yourself or other retirees that you'd like to share, send it to Phil Skarin at 5301 Norwich Avenue, Van Nuys, CA 91411 or phone (818) 784-0130.



Ken Kochakji



*Alive!*'s good friend and frequent contributor, Ken Kochakji, Retired, Rec and Parks, grabbed his camera and spent some time at Lake Balboa recently. "This picture of the Lake Balboa cherry blossom trees was taken last week," he wrote in mid-March. "The cherry blossoms will soon be in full glory." Thanks for sending them in, Ken!

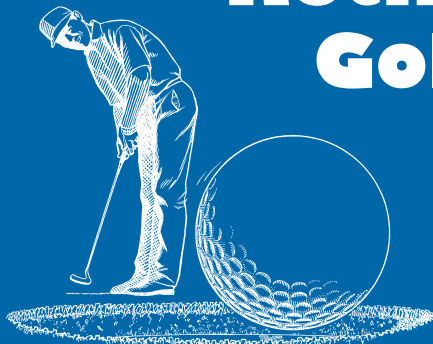
# On the Move



*Alive!* catches up with Retirees who are active, involved ... *Alive!*

*Are you On the Move?*  
Write to us and tell us what you're up to! It's even better if you send us a photo. We'll print what we can! [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## 31st Annual Retirees Invitational Golf Tournament



The 31st Annual Retired Los Angeles City Employees Invitational Golf Tournament will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course with a Shotgun Start at 7:30 a.m. The course is located at 630 South Almansor Street, Alhambra, CA 91801. Check-in is at 7:00 a.m. **SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!**

- ¥ The tournament is open to retired and active employees and friends. The cost is \$60 for R.L.A.C.E.I., City Club and All City Employee Benefits Service Association members (\$70 for all others) and includes green fees, carts, prizes and lunch at the Almansor Court restaurant. Lunch only is \$24.00.
- ¥ Those interested in participating must complete the reservation form and mail it with their check payable to **"R.L.A.C.E.I." by May 20th** to: Tom Stemmnoock, Co-Chairman, 4040 Vineland Avenue, Suite 108, Studio City, CA 91604. For any questions, call either Co-Chairman Tom Stemmnoock at (818) 487-6789 or Phil Skarkin at (818) 784-0130.

### 2009 Golf Tournament Reservation Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount Included \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 for R.L.A.C.E.I. and City Employees Club Members. (\$70.00 for all others)  
 Luncheon: \$24.00

**Make checks payable to R.L.A.C.E.I.**

#### NOTICE: SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!

FOURSOME	Member R.L.A.C.E.I.	Member A.C.E.B.S.A. or City Club	Guest or City Club
	<b>(check all that apply)</b>		
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## LACERS Update, *continued from page 25*

1099R statements, current payment statements, deductions, health deduction information, current address and designated beneficiaries, any time anywhere 24/7 and as often as you like. The information is updated every two weeks to give you the most current information about your account. For more information, assistance with setting up your account or to let us know what you think of MYLACERS Web service, contact LACERS at [lacers.services@city.org](mailto:lacers.services@city.org) or (800) 779-8328.

"LACERS will conduct a health workshop Thursday, April 16 at the Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr. in Griffith Park. The theme is emotional wellness. Breakfast and lunch will be provided as well as drawings for door prizes and giveaways. Look for more details at future LACERS mailings.

"LACERS will hold an election for one of its active member Board of Administration seat on Friday, April 24. A runoff election may be held on Friday, June 5 of the top two candidates in the event one candidate does not receive at least 51 percent of the votes. The incumbent is Shelly I. Smith. Any active member of the retirement system can run for this seat, which is elected by LACERS active members. The board consists of seven commissioners, four appointed by the mayor, two elected by active members and one elected by retired members. Each board member serves a five-year term. In addition to meeting twice a month, each commissioner serves on at least one committee. The Board of Administration is the head of LACERS. Among other things, commissioners are responsible for:

- Determining policies focusing on asset allocation of the retirement fund
- Actuarial funding liabilities, and actuarial funding methods
- Selecting consultant and investment managers
- Overseeing the General Manager in the administration of the department
- Determining eligibility for disability retirements
- Ensuring the integrity of the financial control and reporting system.

Contact LACERS at (213) 473-7190 or the City Clerk Election Division at (213) 978-0444 for more information.



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

### *Patience and Courtesy*

*This is the first advice they give you in traffic school. Following this advice would have prevented getting that ticket.*

*This advice is applicable in many areas of life, such as in interpersonal relationships, discussion groups and at business board meetings. Do you listen attentively to what the other person is saying? Are you too quick to disagree, rather than looking between the lines to find something you agree with?*

– Phil Skarin

## RLACEI's Toll-Free Number

RLACEI — The Retired Los Angeles City Employees Inc. group has established a new toll-free helpline number that can be accessed free of charge throughout the United States.

**The number is: (800) 678-4145**

Call the Helpline to reach the officers of RLACEI. For information on problems, activities, meetings or membership, call the helpline. Each officer's extension is listed.

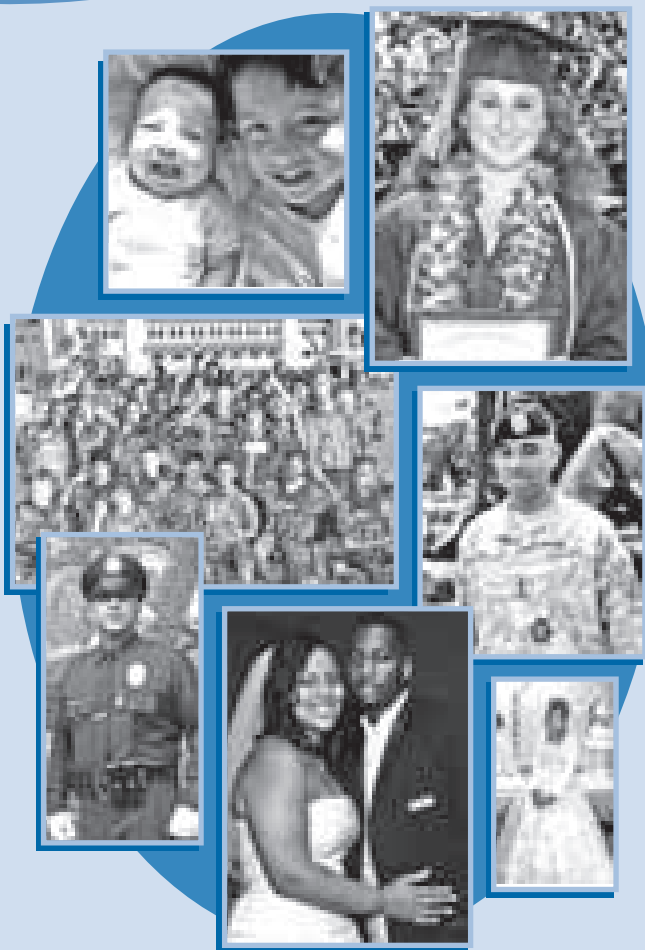
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## Life's Important Moments

# Share Your Good News!



Everyone reads Life's Most Important Moments in **Alive!** Share your news... and send in a photo! Have you gotten married? Had a baby? Graduated? Has someone in your family had a quinceañera? Is a family member in the military? Send in a photo and a paragraph, telling us the details. We love to share your good news.

### We're looking for:

- Weddings
- Babies
- Graduations
- Quinceañeras
- Special Achievements
- **Alive!** in the Military

Send digital photos (as high a resolution as you can send) to: [moments@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:moments@cityemployeesclub.com)  
OR send paper photos (please don't send the only one you have!) to:

Life's Moments – **Alive!**  
City Employees Club of Los Angeles  
120 W. 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012





# Collapsed Building, Koreatown

*Photos courtesy of LAFD; By Harry Garvin*

**S**unday, Jan. 18, nine Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, seven LAFD Rescue Ambulances, one Heavy Rescue, one Arson Unit, two Urban Search and Rescue Units, one Hazardous Materials Team, three EMS Battalion Captains, three Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, one Division Chief Officer Command Team, and Emergency Lighting 3 responded to a reported collapsed structure at 1625 S. Westmoreland Ave. in the Koreatown area.

The first arriving firefighters found a 30-by-25-foot section of a two-story fourplex had collapsed at the front of the building. Firefighters were alerted by residents that three people were trapped within the rubble, and natural gas was leaking. As firefighters sifted through the rubble, two of the occupants self extricated while the third needed minimal assistance. Other Firefighters were deployed to shut down disrupted utilities, lessening the hazard to all at the scene. A Building and Safety Inspector condemned the extensively damaged structure.

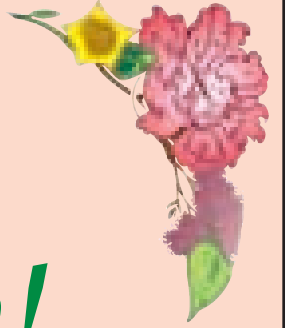
Everyday  
Heroes  
*in* Action





# Pay Tribute to Your Mom!

*Moms love tributes. It's the least you can do, after all she has done for you!*



**CLUB MEMBERS:** Pay tribute to your mom this Mother's Day... with a photo and message of lifelong love, published in *Alive!*

In our May issue, we'll print a photo of you and your mom (or just your mom) ... and a two- or three-sentence message of Happy Mother's Day from you. Photos can be either print or digital. Send it in now!

- ⊙ Send in a print or digital photo of you and your mom (or just your mom). Send **high resolution** digital photos to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com). Send print photos (or drop them off in person) to the Club Store, 120 W. Second St., Los Angeles 90012
- ⊙ Include a message of Happy Mother's Day (up to three sentences).
- ⊙ **Deadline: April 14.**



**MAGIC MOUNTAIN PRIVATE PARTY**  
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**Good times coming at Magic Mountain! \$15.**

**Discount tickets at the Club Store.**

**See Back Cover**

## Central City Police Boosters Charity Motorcycle Ride #6

Sunday, May 31, 2009

<p><b>Check-in</b>                  9:00am - 10:30am                  Ahanson Recruit Training Center                  5651 West Manchester Boulevard                  Los Angeles 90045</p>	<p><b>Beach Ride</b>                  10:30am - 12:00pm</p>	<p><b>Lunch-Music-Prizes</b>                  12:00pm - 2:00pm                  Point Fermin Park                  807 Paseo Del Mar                  San Pedro 90731</p>
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Please join us in supporting the Los Angeles Police Department, Central Area, Community Police Station in raising funds for their crime prevention activities and community youth programs.

The ride starts at the Ahanson Recruit Training Center followed by a short and scenic beach ride to Point Fermin Park in San Pedro. At the park you can relax, eat lunch, and enjoy the music, colorful gardens and breathtaking view of the coast.

Your ride donation will include an event pin (first 250 riders), entertainment, lunch from the well-known "Busy Bee Market", and lots of prize giveaways. Pre-register by May 18, 2009 and receive a free t-shirt on the day of the event.

For further information on the ride, or to obtain sign-up sheets, please contact the Central City Police Boosters Liaison, Officer Marie Kardiban, (213) 972-1876 or email at [279750@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:279750@lapd.lacity.org).

Please see reverse side for release and waiver/registration form. Please obey all federal, state, and local traffic laws!

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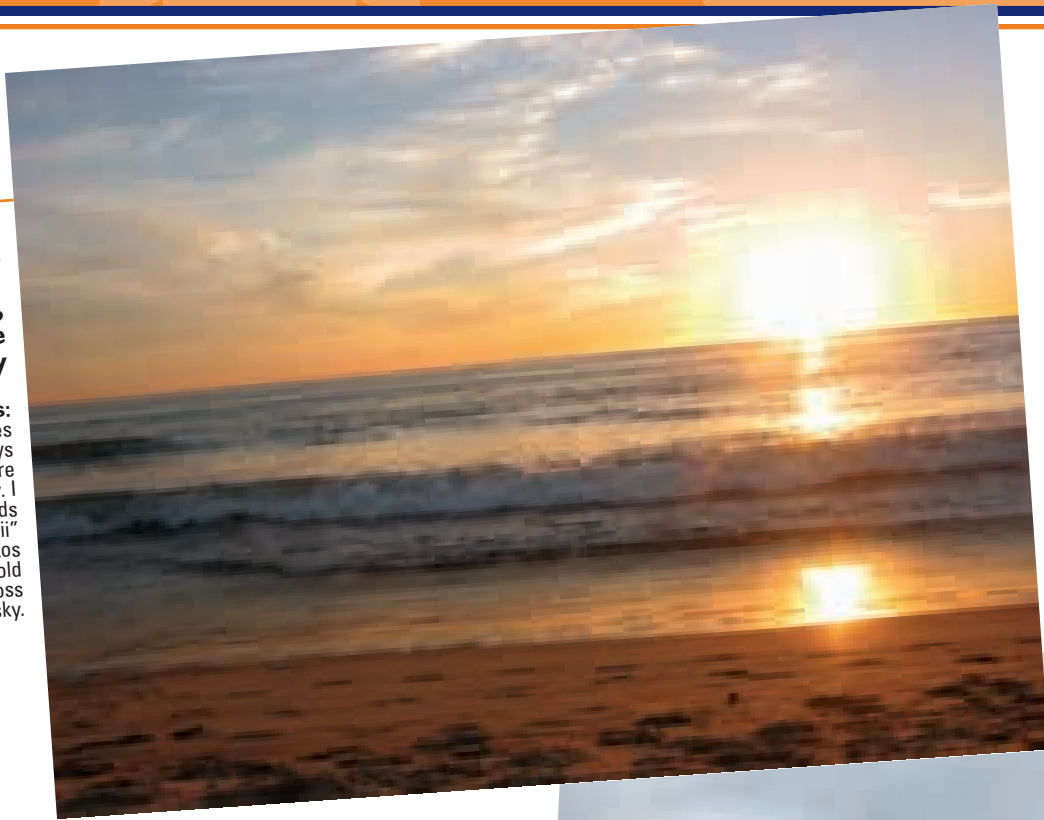
*Alan Reno*  
**"Let the Music Play"**

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# John's Picture Perfect Contest



"I call this photo 'Serenity.' I took it at Manhattan Beach."

**- Lori Evans, Airport Police Security**

**John's comments:** Lori, this photo takes me back to the days when postcards were the emails of today. I can see the words "California," "Hawaii" or maybe even "Los Angeles," in a bold font, streaking across the sky.

**WIN FOUR PRIZES**  
**\$25 WalMart Card**

**NEXT DEADLINE: April 15**  
**Happy Snapping!**

**For March, we have four winners!**

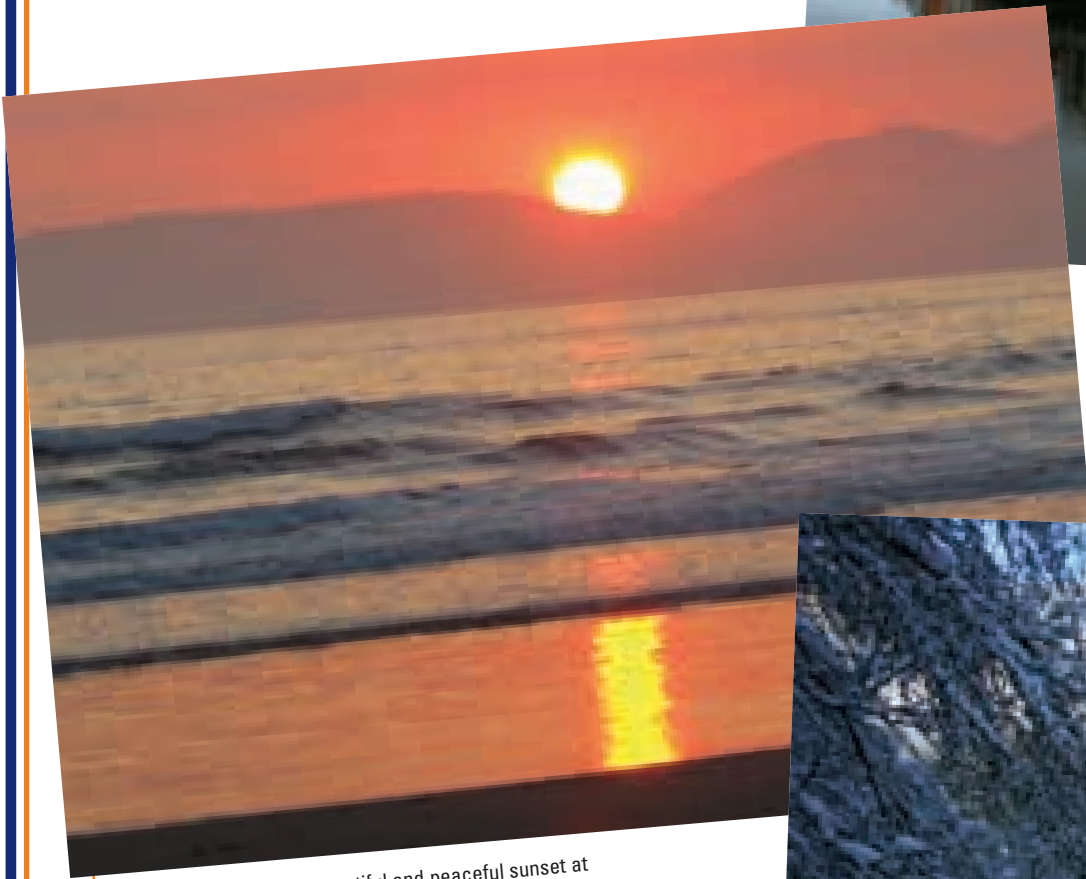
Start snapping today, and send us your best results! Four winners will receive a \$25 WalMart Card.



"In September 2007, when my daughter and I cruised Norway's Fjord Coast, the city of Trondheim was one of the 32 city stop-overs. Trondheim is approximately 300 miles north of Oslo. The houses are painted in different colors because legend says that, when one Norwegian returned home very drunk late one night (all the houses then were still painted white), he mistakenly entered the neighbor's house, crept into bed with the neighbor's wife ... Well, suffice it to say, fishermen never made that mistake again."

**- Gina Enrile-Caguiat, Public Works/Engineering**

**John's comments:** Thank you, Gina, for sharing this wonderful photo - it brought back fond memories of my ride on the Oslo-Bergen railway back in the 1980s!



"This is a snapshot of a beautiful and peaceful sunset at Pismo Beach during a weekend getaway."

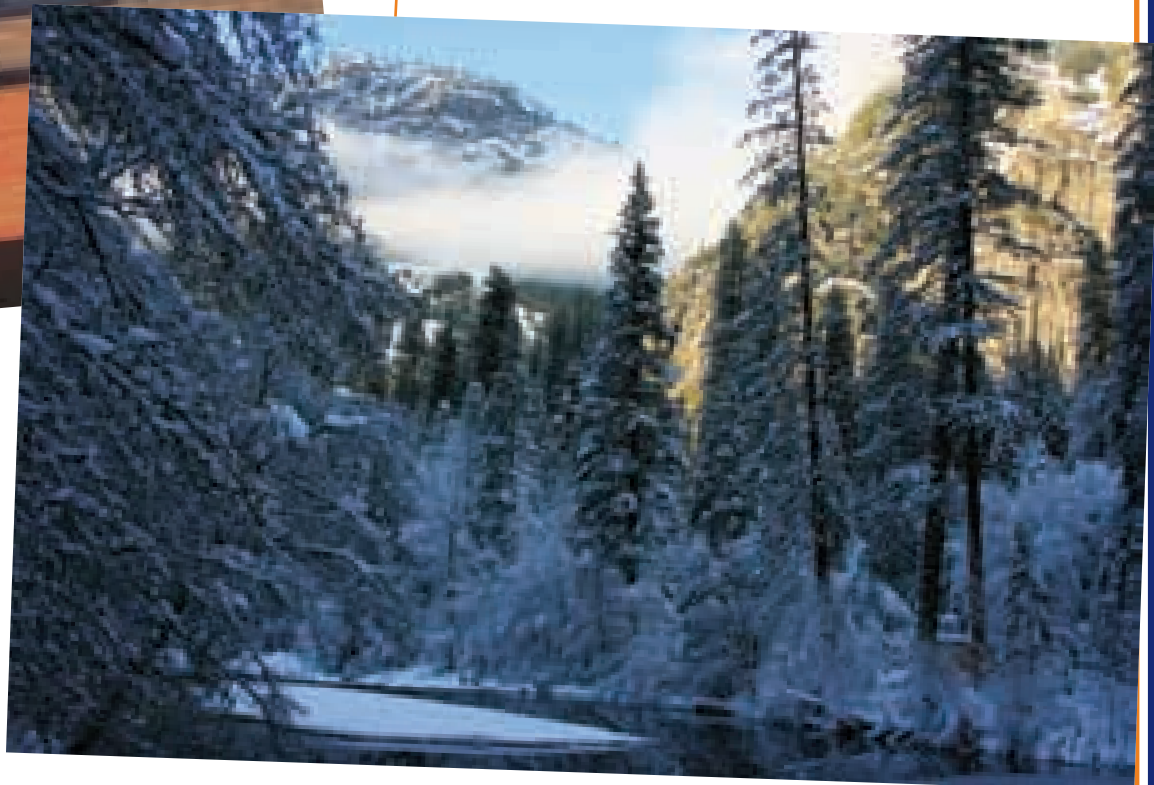
**- Frank Frias, Animal Services, Club Member**

**John's comments:** Frank, your beautiful photo resembles an Impressionist painting -- I'm thinking Monet with a dash of Renoir. Nice work!

"This picture was taken in December in Yosemite in the calm after the storm."

**- Hector Cardenas**

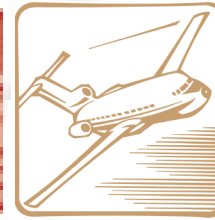
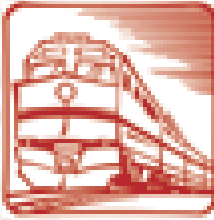
**John's comments:** Thank you, Hector, for this beautiful shot. You captured California at its best!



## Runners Up: John Otoshi

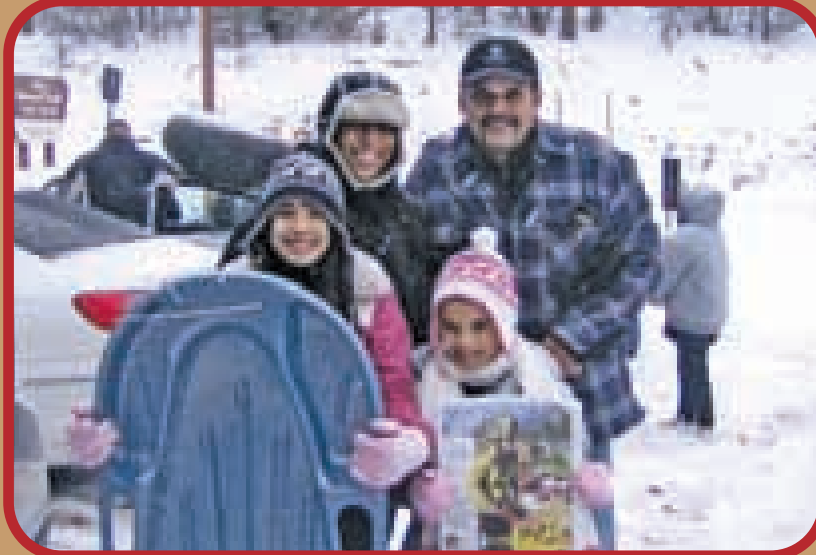
## RULES:

- The contest is open to all Club members in good standing. Non-members are welcome to submit, but only Club members are eligible to win the monthly prize.
- If your photograph does not win, you are welcome to re-submit.
- Winners are chosen by Club staff. All decisions will be final.
- You must certify (if asked) that you indeed took the picture. No ringers!
- Photos can be submitted either on paper or digitally. Please don't send both.
- If you want your print photo returned, please write your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.
- Photos can be of any subject matter: vacation, portraits, families, landscapes, still lifes, pets, etc. Subject matter must be appropriate for *Alive!*
- Paper prints can be mailed to: Picture Perfect Contest, *Alive!*, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 120 W. Second Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
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- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: [pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com)
- The contest is all in good fun! The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering *Alive!*, or for delays in the transmission of responses.



**1**

**New Mexico**



Here is a photo of Alfonso, Judy, Mercedes and Alexandria Avila in Albuquerque, N.M. **Alfonso** is a **Building Mechanical Inspector, Building and Safety**.

**2**

**Italy**



**Pablo Ninofranco, Retired, Harbor**, and his wife, Josie, went on a 16-day vacation/pilgrimage to Eastern and Central Europe, visiting countries including Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, Croatia, Bosnia/Herzegovina and Italy. The picture was taken at the Trevi Fountain in Rome.

**3**

**Poland**



"I was visiting Eastern Europe, and when in Poland I visited a very disturbing place — Auschwitz Birkenau. I never realized just how horrible a place this concentration camp was until I saw it with my own eyes.

Auschwitz was a prison/work camp. Then they built Birkenau a few miles away, and that was a death camp. I am standing in front of Birkenau. The train ran through the underpass where I am standing, and the people were separated into groups and sent to the gas chambers within minutes of arrival. Later, Auschwitz was turned into a death camp also. They called them Auschwitz I and II. Children were put to death immediately but later kept alive to do experiments on."

— **Carol Karkenny, Retired DWP**

*Hi Carol, we sincerely thank you for sending in your photo. Up to this date, "Alive! Around the World" has been mostly light-hearted, but you have done us all a great service by reminding us of important history that we must never forget. —Ed.*

**4**

**California**



Here's **Frank Frias, Animal Services**, at Pismo Beach. "For a nearby wonderful getaway, Pismo Beach is the way to go," Frank says. "It has beautiful beaches, friendly people, nice weather and a scenic route along the coast. And it's an hour drive away from the famous Madonna Inn and Hearst Castle."

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**The Philippines**

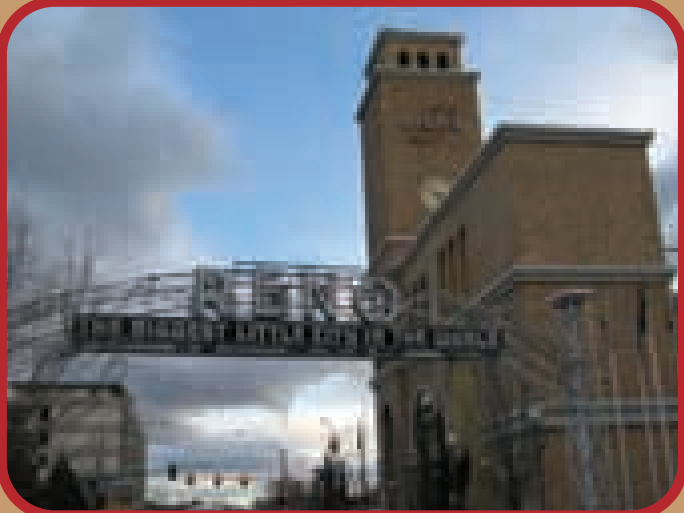


**Phyllis Ninofranco, Harbor**, and her family in front of the Boracay Regency Hotel, the Philippines. Front row, from left: Phyllis and her dad, **Pablo Ninofranco, Retired, Harbor**. Back row: Mom, Josie Ninofranco; brother, Joe Ninofranco; niece, Maliya Ninofranco; brother, John Ninofranco; and sister in law, Ivy.

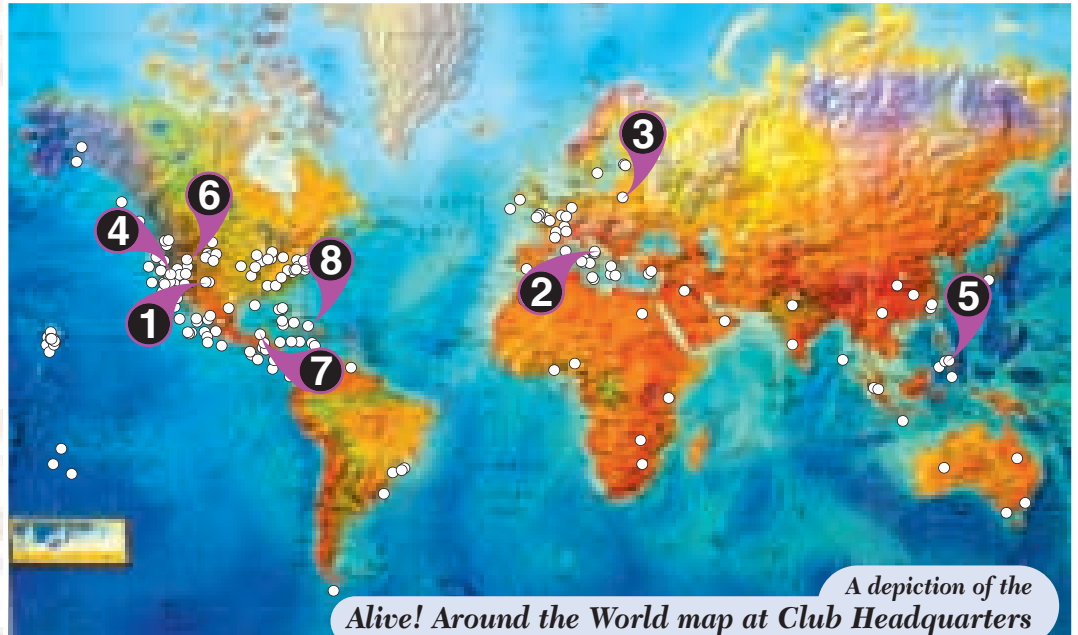
# Alive! AROUND THE WORLD



## 6 Nevada



"This is me taking Amtrak from Sacramento to Reno over the Donner Pass on the route of the first transcontinental railroad built in the 1860s."  
- Richard Radmacher



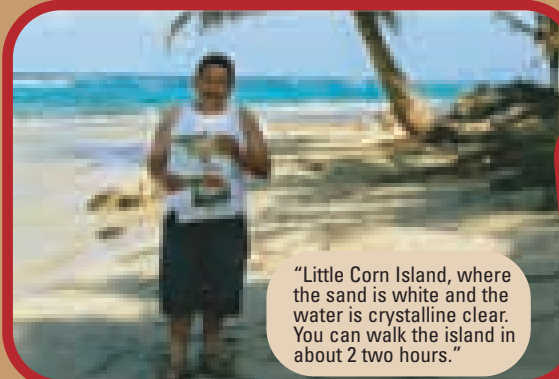
A depiction of the Alive! Around the World map at Club Headquarters

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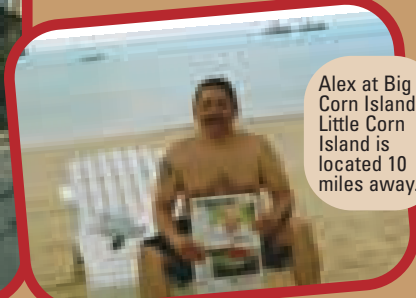


## 7 Nicaragua



Here's **Alex Lopez, DWP**, on Big Corn Island, Nicaragua.

"Little Corn Island, where the sand is white and the water is crystalline clear. You can walk the island in about 2 two hours."



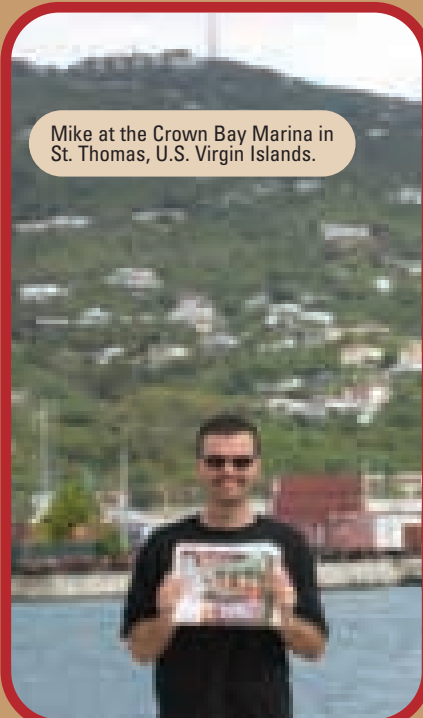
Alex at Big Corn Island. Little Corn Island is located 10 miles away.

## 8 The Caribbean

Here are some shots of **Mike Boyd, West Valley Sanitation Yard**, Public Works, with friends and family in the Caribbean.



Shawn and Mike Boyd in Bonaire.



Mike at the Crown Bay Marina in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.



Mike at the Grand Etang, a lake covering 36 acres in the crater of an ancient volcano.



Mike aboard a catamaran in Palm Beach, Aruba.

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April 10

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April 17

Rosa Calderon, 8:30a.m. – 4p.m.

April 24

Patty Pulido, 8:30a.m. – 4p.m.

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LAPD

**Capt. Scott Is On His Way**

A luncheon celebrates William Scott's promotion to Capt. III, Mission Area.

*Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; Photos by Arlene Herrero and Stella Jew, Club Member*

A luncheon was held Feb. 5 at LAPD Communications Metro headquarters to celebrate the promotion of Capt. William Scott to Captain III.

His new assignment is the Mission Community Police Station, which serves the neighborhoods of Arleta, Mission Hills, North Hills, Panorama City and Sylmar. Mission Area encompasses 25.1 square miles and has an estimated population in excess of 225,849 and is under the jurisdiction of Valley Bureau.

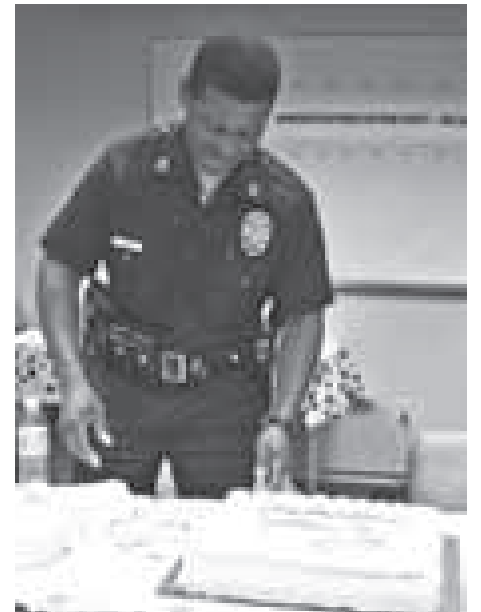
Capt. III Scott filled the position vacated by the promotion of now Commander Jorge A. Villegas. Capt. Scott's position at LAPD Communications Metro was filled by Capt. I Gregory C. Allen from the 77th Area Patrol.

Congratulations, Capt. Scott, Commander Villegas and Capt. Allen!

*The Club thanks Stella Jew, Club Member, for her assistance.*



From left: Capt. III William Scott and Lt. Jerry Rodriguez.



Capt. III William Scott cuts his cake.



From left: Commander Kirk J. Albanese; Capt. III William Scott; and Chief Earl C. Paysinger.



From left: Naum Ware, P2; Lisset Fuentes, P3; Andy Lassak, P3; and Stella Jew, MA II, Club Member.



Back: Ruth Phillips, Sr. Clerk Typist. Front, from left: Sgt. Gena Brooks; Raymond Sanchez, P3; and Yvonne Whiteman, P3.



From left: Darrian Carlyle, P2; Leonid Tsap, P2; and Kim Lenoue, P3, Club Member.



From left: Stella Jew, MA II, Club Member; and Catherine Guel, P3.



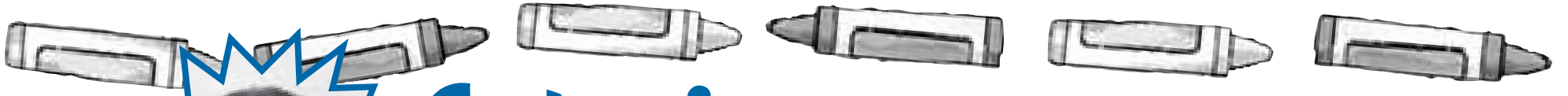
From left: Jesse Sosa, P3 and Lori Lee, P3.



From left: Paul Hong, P3; Jasmine White, Community Police Aide; and Fatemah YaDullah, PSR II.



From left: Sgt. Curtis McIntyre and Marlo Lopez-Del Haro, P3.



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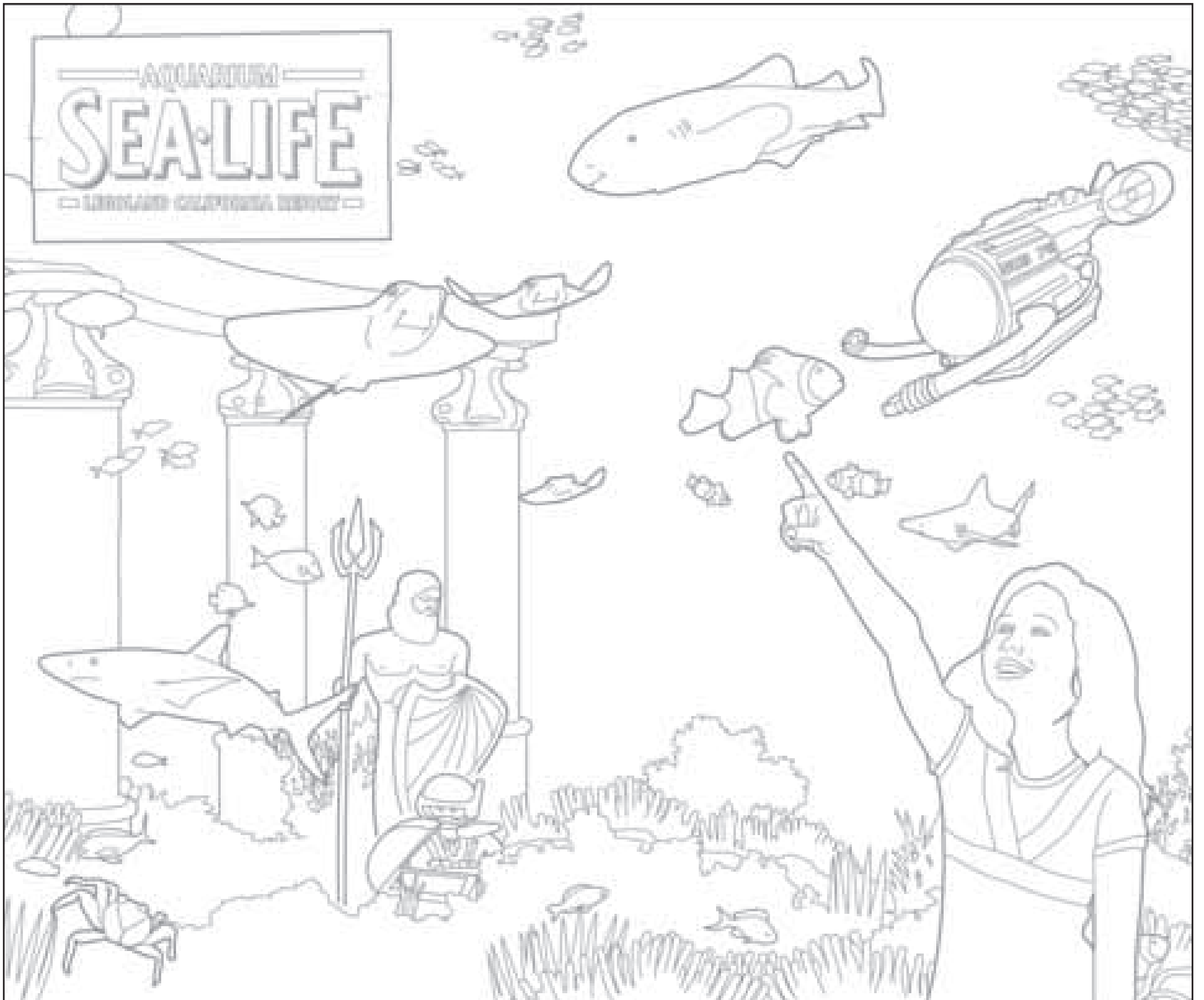
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**May 15, 2009**

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

**Good luck, and have fun!**



REC AND PARKS

# Restoring the Hollenbeck Park Bridge

Rec and Parks, Public Works/Engineering and City Council break ground for restoration of landmark Hollenbeck Park bridge.

*Photos by JuanCarlos Chan, Photographer, Rec and Parks*

On Feb. 26, representatives of Rec and Parks, Public Works/Engineering and City Council District 14 gathered to break ground for the restoration of the landmark Hollenbeck Park bridge.

The bridge is a Boyle Heights landmark used by thousands of Angelenos for its picturesque setting overlooking Hollenbeck Park Lake.

Through the years, countless people have posed on the bridge for photographs for special occasions, including weddings, *quinceañeras* and baptisms. It has been closed to pedestrians for five years.

For the \$450,000 Capital Improvement project, workers will painstakingly restore and replicate the historic bridge one piece at a time. At the ceremony, Councilman Jose Huizar announced that he secured an additional \$150,000 for other park improvements that are expected to coincide with the six-month bridge restoration, including landscape improvements, tree plantings and the installation of an exercise-equipment fitness zone.

"For many Angelenos, myself included, the Historic Hollenbeck Park and Bridge represent more than just land and lumber," said Huizar, who in years past took his wedding photos on the bridge. "They are a piece of our lives and a destination that holds unforgettable memories. With these improvements, we're guaranteeing that new memories will soon play out on a daily basis."



From left: Gale Minnifield and Christina Conyers.



The bridge dedication ceremony included Bill Lee, Architect, Public Works/Engineering (left); José Huizar, Councilman (center); and Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, and Club Member (right).



The Hollenbeck Bridge dedication ceremony included (center) Christina Conyers and (at left) Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, and Club Member, and Councilman José Huizar. At right is Bill Lee, Architect, Public Works/Engineering.



At the bridge dedication ceremony.

# Congratulations, GRADUATES



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Print photos will be returned within two months after publication if you request it, and if you write your name and address on the back.



## CITY CLERK

## City Election Results

Mayor, most councilmembers cruise to victory. Props are a mixed bag.

Official results from the election March 3 carry a number of implication for City-based concerns.

### In the results:

- Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa was re-elected to another four-year term, with slightly less than 56 percent of the votes cast.
- Councilwoman Wendy Greuel won her bid to become the City's next Controller, with 65 percent of the vote.
- Councilman Jack Weiss faces a runoff against Carmen "Nuch" Trutanich in the bid for City Attorney. Weiss received 36 percent of the vote; Trutanich received 27 percent.
- In the Fifth Council District, being vacated by Weiss, there will be a runoff David Vahedi and Paul Koretz.
- Councilmembers Ed Reyes, Dennis Zine, Bill Rosendahl, Eric Garcetti and Janice Hahn, Club Member, each won easy re-election in Districts 1, 3, 11, 13 and 15, respectively.
- In Districts 7 and 9, Councilmembers Richard Alarcon and Jan Perry, Club Member, respectively, ran unopposed.
- In perhaps the most hotly contested proposition, Charter Amendment B, which would have allowed the DWP to install 400 megawatts of solar panels by 2014, the measure lost by a slim margin, 50.5 percent to 49.5 percent against. The work would have been performed by DWP employees.
- Charter Amendment A, which creates an independent assessor in the LAFD to oversee reforms aimed at ending sexual and racial harassment, passed with a 53-percent majority.
- Charter Amendment C, which allows a disabled surviving child past aged 18 to receive survivor benefits from Fire and Police Pensions in certain circumstances, passed with a two-thirds majority.
- Charter Amendment D, which allows retired Firefighters and Police Officers, at their own expense, to purchase a survivor benefit for a spouse or domestic partner, passed with a 70-percent majority.

Congratulations to everyone at the City Clerk's Office for their hard and quality work.

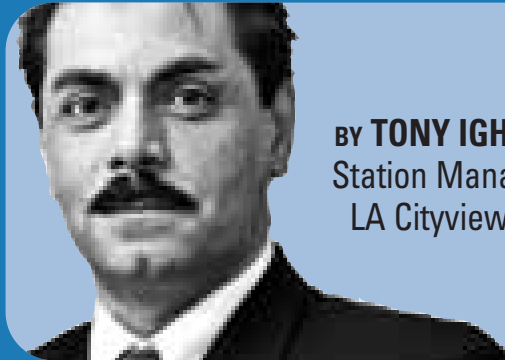


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BY TONY IGHANI  
Station Manager,  
LA Cityview 35



## Critical Budget Hearings Are Live on Channel 35

The City will begin its annual budget review process later this month. Unlike in any other fiscal year, the City is faced with unprecedented challenges resulting from the national economic downturn, and therefore, citizen participation in setting spending priorities is more critical than ever before. As in previous years, *LA CityView 35* will provide live coverage of the annual budget hearings that begin in late April and continue into May.

In addition, the City Clerk will be posting the budget hearings on the Internet so that they can be viewed at your convenience. Visit [www.lacity.org](http://www.lacity.org) and follow the link for Council and Council Committee on-demand.

### Program Highlights in April:

#### City Works

This month's episode of *City Works* features reports on the Terminal Island Renewable Energy Project, a first-of-its-kind project in the United States; Public Works Emergency Responders; and the Pilot Food Scraps Recycling Program, now under way in selected North Central and South Los Angeles neighborhoods.

*Airs:* Thursdays, April 9 at 11:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., and April 23 at 11:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.

#### Days of Service

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is committed to bringing the City together as one. And one concrete way he is doing that is through sponsoring "Days of Service," a day devoted to community involvement, held in various neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles.

"*South Los Angeles Day of Service*" – On Sept. 20, *LA Cityview 35* was on hand to cover the South Los Angeles Day of Service. The theme of this day was "Together as One," and the Mayor and 10th District Councilmember Herb Wesson joined thousands of volunteers all across South Los Angeles, in communities like Leimert Park, Baldwin Village, Baldwin Hills, Park Mesa Heights, and Village Green, to take part in more than 35 activities, including planting trees, doing a home make-over, and replacing a goalpost at Dorsey High School.

*Airs:* Mondays, April 13 and 20 at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

"*East Valley Day of Service*" – On Nov. 22, Channel 35 covered another Day of Service, this time in the East San Fernando Valley. Mayor Villaraigosa and Councilmembers Wendy Greuel (CD-2), Tony Cardenas (CD-6), and Richard Alarcón (CD-7) joined thousands of volunteers at more than 70 sites scattered throughout the East Valley to plant trees and community gardens, paint over graffiti, feed the hungry, tutor young people, and much more!

*Airs:* Mondays, April 13 and 20 at 11:15 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.

#### L.A. Business Today

*L.A. Business Today* is back with groundbreaking new shows to help inspire and educate Angelenos through these troubling economic times. Hosts Bob and Sharon Jimenez bring their expertise into viewers' homes as they discuss a range of issues on doing business in L.A.

"*The Business of Media*" – Bob visits the studios of Brave New Films to chat with its founder and president, Robert Greenwald, about the 40 million hits on his viral videos and the expansion of Internet-based media. We also sit down with Douglas Caballero, Senior Producer of Al Gore's *Current-TV*, to discuss the growth of social youth activism through film, music, and art. Roy Banks, the CEO of Merv Griffin Group, talks about the late Merv Griffin, the expansion of his work from "Survivor" to "So You Think You're Smarter Than a Fifth Grader," and why there is such a huge audience for this type of programming.

"*The Business of Food Availability*" – TV newscasters, Wendy Burch and Christine Devine join Bob and Sharon to discuss their partnership with The Good News Foundation, established to help L.A.'s needy.

*Airs:* Mondays, April 6 and 20 at 11 a.m. and 11 p.m.

#### LADWP Science Bowl XVII

*LA Cityview 35* has produced a half-hour documentary on the exciting annual high school academic competition, held Feb. 28. The coordinating regional sponsor is the DWP.

The program highlights the breathtaking knowledge, skill and teamwork of local high school academic scholars, as demonstrated in the quiz show format competition and the hands-on event. We follow several teams as they practice on their

campuses in preparation for the annual regional competition.

Also shown is the Franklin Lu Hands-on Competition in which students build and race self-propelled vehicles. This competition is held for teams that are eliminated from the quiz show formatted event.

*Airs:* Thursday, April 16, and Monday, April 20, at 5:30 p.m.; Fridays, April 17 and 24 at 7 p.m.; and Monday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m.

#### The Mayor's State of the City Address

*LA Cityview 35* will be bringing to our viewers a live broadcast of Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa's annual State of the City address Tuesday, April 14, at 4:30 p.m. Please check our Web listings at [lacityview.org](http://lacityview.org) for repeat broadcast schedule.

#### Watts Towers Arts Center: A Tribute to Charles Mingus: Past, Present and Future

An all-star line-up of world-class musicians, singers, dancers, and artists come together to honor Charles Mingus at the 27th annual Watts Towers Day of the Drum Festival, the 32nd Annual Simon Rodia Watts Towers Jazz Festival, and to celebrate the opening of the Charles Mingus Youth Arts Center and the Charles Mingus – Son of Watts – Musical Caravan Project.

World-renowned jazz artists Patrice Rushen, Buddy Collette, Nedra Wheeler, Billy Mitchell, and Master of Ceremonies Ndugu Chanler, are just some of the many talented performers who are part of this exciting and entertaining hour. The work of visual artists Carlos Spivey and Ramsess, and photographer Kevin Tidmore are also featured in footage and interviews, as is the ground breaking ceremony for the Charles Mingus Youth Arts Center.

*Airs:* Mondays, April 13 and 20 at 10 a.m. and 9 p.m.

For airing schedule of the above programs,  
and for more program listings and information, [www.lacityview.org](http://www.lacityview.org).



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# REST INSURED



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



## Salvaged Cars: Too Good to Be True?

When something looks too good to be true, it often is. This is often the case when you are looking for a used car. Maybe you're looking at used cars, and you find one that's listed as great, with low mileage, that's only a few years old, and it costs thousands less than comparable cars. I wonder why?

Too often it is because the car has been salvaged.

A salvage vehicle is one that has been "totaled" by the insurance company after a loss. The loss is most commonly an accident, but could also be caused by a hurricane, flood, hail or tornado. The company writes off the vehicle as a complete loss because it's not worth repairing, which, in effect, invalidates the title since the vehicle doesn't legally exist any longer. However, since many of these vehicles are actually repairable, they can return to life as rebuilt salvage vehicles.

By paying off a damaged vehicle, an insurance company effectively purchases the vehicle. They then resell these at auctions to individuals or dealers who want to restore them. In many states, as in California, it is required that such vehicles have a "salvage" title. Other states allow a new "clean" title without salvage status. Unscrupulous sellers can "wash" and hide a salvage title by moving the car from a salvage-title state to a clean-title state.

If you're going to be in the market for a used car, or even a new car, in the months after a major natural weather event such as a hurricane, flood, tornado, or hail storm, you should take extra caution when shopping, unless you are specifically looking for damaged cars to fix up and drive. It's amazing how easily and quickly a storm-damaged car from Mississippi can show up for sale in California with no indication that it may be hiding serious problems for a new buyer. Therefore, automotive consumers should be on the lookout for flooded or

storm-damaged vehicles, as well as vehicles that have sustained major repairs.

Insuring salvage vehicles brings its own issues. While insurance companies will insure them, many times you will have to sign a statement agreeing to the value of the vehicle. As a salvaged vehicle is less valuable than a normal vehicle, the replacement value is also lower.

The stated value is the *most* that the insurance company will pay in the event of a loss. You may not even get that much, but under no circumstances will you ever get more.

Feel free to call our agency if you have any questions about insuring a salvaged vehicle, or would like an auto insurance quote. Call us if you would like to get a quote for your home or boat through us also, or would like a question answered on any type of insurance.

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### REC AND PARKS

## Roosevelt Pool Reopens

Rec and Parks reopens the swimming pool at Roosevelt High School, after a \$2.7 million renovation.

Story and photos by Tiffany Sy, Club Counselor

On Feb. 26, City officials gathered to celebrate the opening of the restored swimming pool at Roosevelt High School in Boyle Heights.

The \$2.7 million pool restoration, which includes a major renovation of the year-round pool and locker and shower facilities, will be used by the school while remaining a public pool operated by Rec and Parks, which means thousands of area boys and girls will get to swim in the new facility each and every summer. Angelenos may participate during non school hours and weekends for a nominal fee.

The pool renovation was the result of collaborative, diligent efforts of Rec and Parks, General Services and Public Works/Engineering. At the event, there were welcoming and congratulatory presentations delivered by Councilmember Jose Huizar of the 14th District; Carlos Espinoza, Aquatic Facility Manager; Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, Club Member; Gary Lee Moore, City Engineer; and Dr. Sofia Freire, Roosevelt High School Principal. The ribbon-cutting ceremony was led by Councilman Jose Huizar.

Improvements to the Roosevelt High School Pool, which was finished ahead of schedule, include the construction of a new pool deck; upgraded showers, toilets, changing rooms and offices; new heaters in the locker rooms; and new landscaping ground covering and irrigation system.

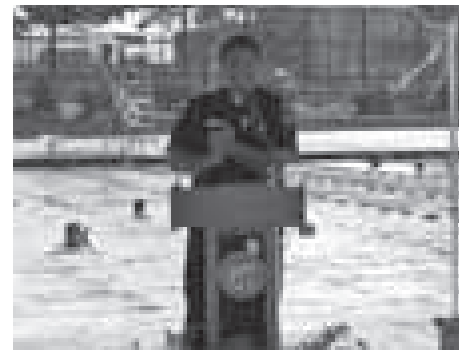
Many thanks to Mary Bingham, Club Member, for her assistance in producing this article.



Councilman Jose Huizar gives thanks to supporters and contributors.



From left: Jake Sabori, Hollenbeck Maintenance, 34 years of City service; Javier Solis, Acting Principal Maintenance Grounds Supervisor, 19 years of City service; Sophia Pina-Cortez, Superintendent, West Region, Rec and Parks; Martin Hernandez, Park Maintenance Supervisor, 23 years of City service; and Bill Lopez, Sr. Park Maintenance Supervisor, 37 years of City service.



Carlos Espinoza, Aquatics Facility Manager II, gives a warm welcome to the supporters of the Roosevelt High School pool.



From left: Mary Bingham, Principal Recreation Supervisor, Aquatics, Club Member; Felice Chen, Management Analyst II; John Kopitzke, Aquatics Director; Maha Yatkem, AFM II; Sophia Pina-Cortez, Superintendent, West Region, Rec and Parks; Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, Club Member; Ingrid Gonzalez, AFM I; and Carlos Espinoza- AFM II.



From left: Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks; Mary Bingham, Principal Recreation Supervisor, Aquatics, 28 years of City Service; Carlos Espinoza, Aquatics Facility Manager II, 13 years of City service; and Sophia Pina Cortez, Superintendent, Rec and Parks West Region, 25 years of City service.



From left: Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, Club Member; Jose Huizar, Councilman, 14th District; and Gary Lee Moore, City Engineer, Public Works/Engineering.



The ribbon-cutting ceremony, led by Councilman Jose Huizar.



**PUBLIC WORKS**

# Dominic Dominates

Public Works Toastmasters Club member wins an area speech contest.

*Story and photo by Ivan Gerson, Public Works/Engineering*

On March 19, at a state of the art conference room at the Union Station downtown, Public Works Pioneers Toastmasters Club member Dominic Buenaventura competed in the Area D-42 International Speech Contest and in the Area D-42 Evaluation Contest.

Dominic, a Civil Engineering Associate IV, Project and Award Control Division, Public Works/Engineering, has been a member of the Public Works Pioneers Toastmasters Club for five years, since its inception.

Against a talented field of veteran competitors, Dominic won second place in the evaluation contest and won first place in the international speech contest. His winning speech was titled "Girl and Gasoline." Dominic's speech was filled with entertaining stories about his teenage daughter and ends with a subtle message. Dominic has worked diligently to hone his skills by delivering the award-winning speech at Club meetings.

The winner of the Toastmasters International Annual Speech Contest is proclaimed the World Champion of Public Speaking each August. Dominic and several other area contest winners are now qualified to compete at the next level of the Toastmasters contest, Division D. This contest was scheduled for March 26 at the Shriners Hospital.

Congratulations to Dominic, and best of luck at the next level of this prestigious contest!

Toastmasters is an internationally known and recognized organization that enhances



Dominic Buenaventura, Public Works/Engineering, with his first-place trophy for speech (in his right hand) and second place trophy for evaluation.

everyone's knowledge and experience in communication and leadership. The Public Works Pioneers Toastmasters Club of which Dominic is a member meets every Wednesday at 12:05 p.m. in sixth floor conference room no. 6004 in the Public Works Building, 1149 S. Broadway. Guests are always welcome to attend and to join the dynamic club. Contact Theresa Jimenez (213) 847-0831, or Kari Iwai (213) 485-3888.

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**DWP**

# Lineman's Rodeo

City Employees are invited to watch the DWP Lineman's Rodeo, a fun event for the family.

City Employees are given a special invitation to watch the DWP lineman doing their thing during the annual DWP Lineman's Rodeo. The event is not open to the general public.

The event is set for 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 16, at the DWP Truesdale Facility, 11760 Truesdale St. in Sun Valley.

The DWP Linemen compete in a number of events. Winning teams will go to regional and possibly national competition.

**The Journeyman skill events include:**

- Pole climb
- Hurt man rescue
- Cross arm changeout
- Jumper installation
- Dead end changeout

**Apprentice events include:**

- Pole climb
- Hurt man rescue
- Secondary parallel
- Temporary service installation

Past activities for the family include a petting zoo, a climbing wall, face painting, jumpers and balloons. Food and drink is expected to be available. The event is free, except for food and drink.

The annual event usually lasts until about 1:30 p.m.



From past years, Hurt-Man Rescue Competition: Hector Avila (Lineman - Palms District) competed in the hurt-man rescue. Other events included the pole climb, crossarm, streetlight, dead-end, insulator, and jumper change-outs.



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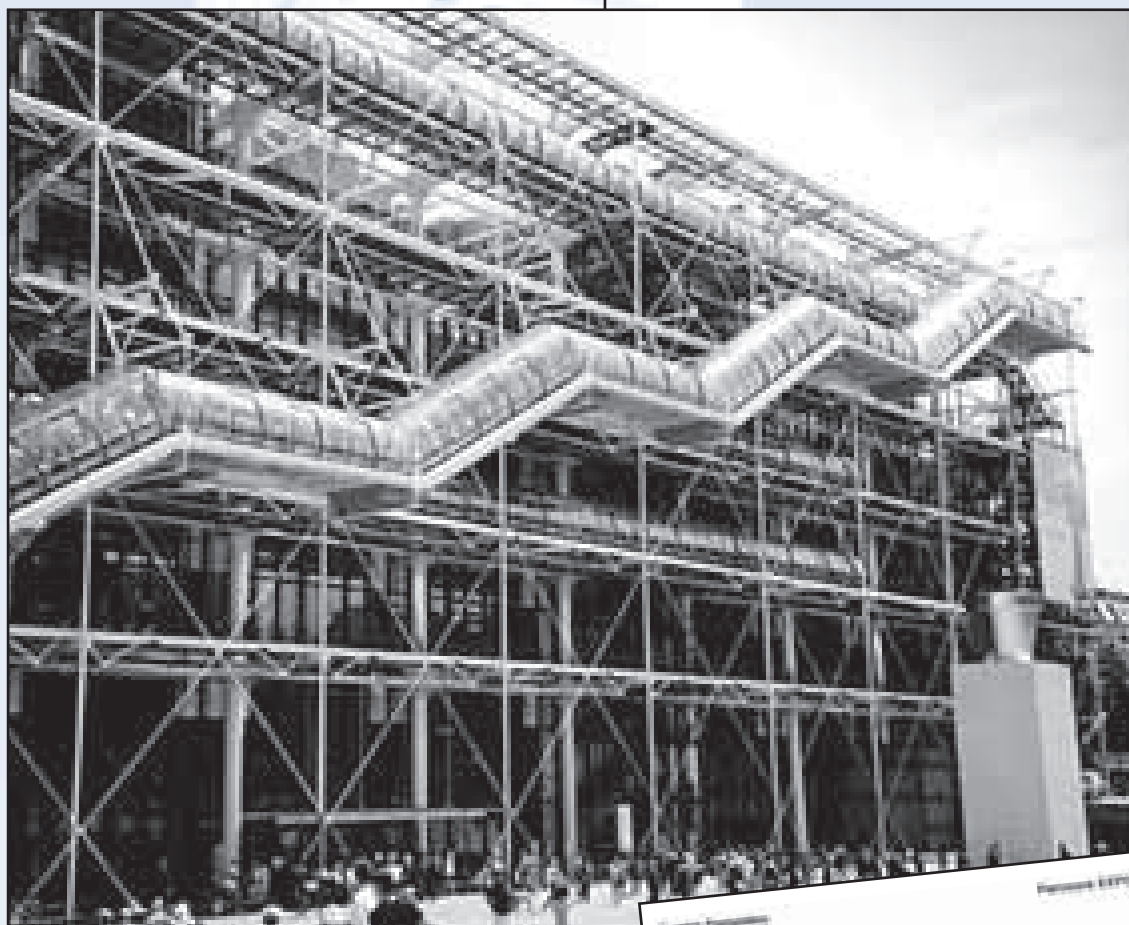
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# The Birth of an Art Capital

■ Los Angeles becomes a home for Contemporary artists.

By Eddy S. Feldman



Pompidou Centre in Paris.

*Photos courtesy the Security Pacific Collection, Los Angeles Public Library Photo Archive, Carolyn Cole, director*

The title of this article is the title of a remarkable historical event involving the City, which occurred not here but in Paris, France, in 2006.

From the beginning of the last century, the City officially concerned itself with the beauty of the city, its neighborhoods, and, indeed, of the citizenry itself. On Nov. 2, 1903, the City Council resolved that there be created a Public Art Committee of five, "including one or two women," taken from lists supplied by public organizations "that are at work for the betterment of the City."

The resolution declared, in part,

"That the duties of this Public Art Committee should be as follows:

"To work for the gradual elimination of ugliness from the conspicuous parts of the city.

"To study into methods used in Eastern and European Municipalities for rendering the city more beautiful.

"To pass upon plans for public buildings and other public undertakings from the point of view of art."

On Jan. 23, 1905, the title of the Public Art Committee was changed to the Municipal Art Commission. The first members, appointed by Mayor Owen McAleer were Major E.F.C. Klokke, Mrs. Sumner P. Hunt, Mr. W.J. Washburn, Mr. John Parkinson and Mr. Fielding J. Stilson.

In its report for 1904, the Commission offered as its first endorsement and recommendation that it "believes the time has come when this city should possess an Art Gallery for the housing of objects of art, and urges all organizations and individuals to co-operate with the Art Commission in securing this gallery." However, it would not be until March 31, 1971, during the term of Mayor Sam Yorty, that the City's own Municipal Art Gallery would be dedicated in Barnsdall Park. [For a fuller description of the history of the Municipal Art(s) Department and its successor, Cultural Affairs, see Gloria Ricci Lothrop's Chapter 18 in *The Development of Los Angeles City Government, an Institutional History, 1850-2000*, published by the Los Angeles City Historical Society, 2007.]

In the intervening years, the greater Los Angeles community of artists and art lovers was not waiting around. Art schools were active, and museums including the Los Angeles County Museum of Art; the Pasadena Art Museum (now the Norton Simon Museum); the Hammer Museum; the Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens; and the Museum of Contemporary Art; among others, had gained worldwide respect.

Still, as *Los Angeles Times* art critic Christopher Knight observed, "Beyond the art world, say the words 'L.A. art,' and most people will give you one of two responses: A blank stare, which conveys the conventional wisdom lurking inside Woody Allen's stale joke about California culture being mostly found in yogurt; or a puzzled look, which telegraphs a common tendency to shrink Los Angeles into Hollywood, followed by a snotty refusal even to consider movies and TV as products of artists' sensibilities.

"L.A. art? Yeah, right." [March 15, 2006]

One person seeking to bring greater recognition to the Los Angeles art scene has been the indefatigable Lyn Kienholz, former wife of the already widely known and -appreciated artist, Edward Kienholz, and President of California/International Arts Foundation in Los Angeles. At a breakfast in Paris in 2001, she was presented by Alfred Pacquemet, Director of the Musée National d'Art Moderne of

The substance of this article by Eddy S. Feldman encompasses a 30-year period in Los Angeles from 1955 through 1985. That era

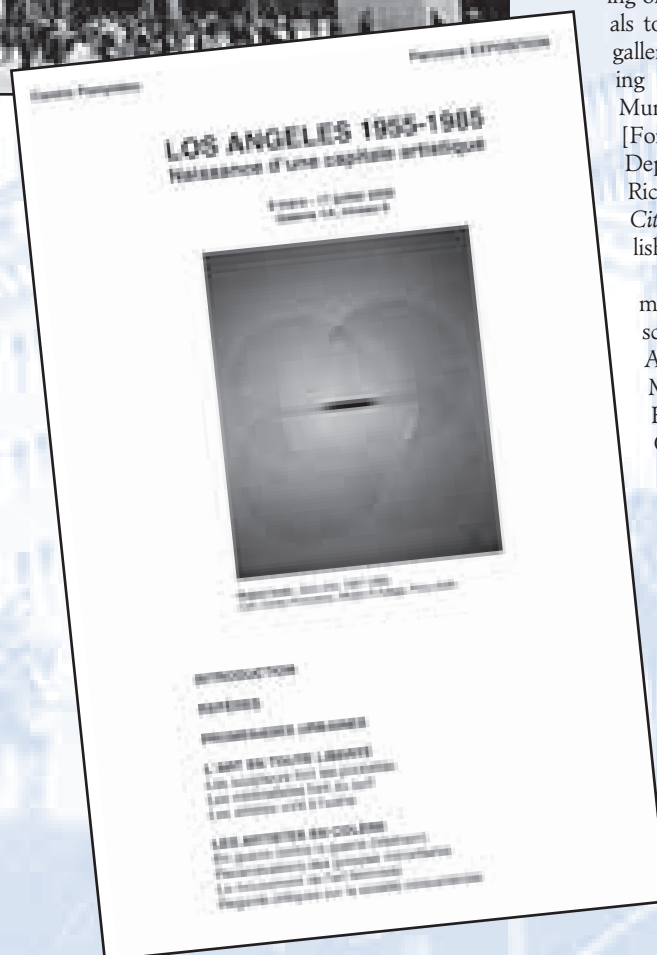


Guest columnist, Eddy Feldman.

was when contemporary art made its entrance and impact on the world, and, Los Angeles being Los Angeles, the art was immediately at the forefront. During that time, Mr. Feldman was a former member and President of the Los Angeles City Board of Municipal Arts

Commissioners. This article was originally published in the Los Angeles City Historical Society Newsletter, February 2009.

— Hynda



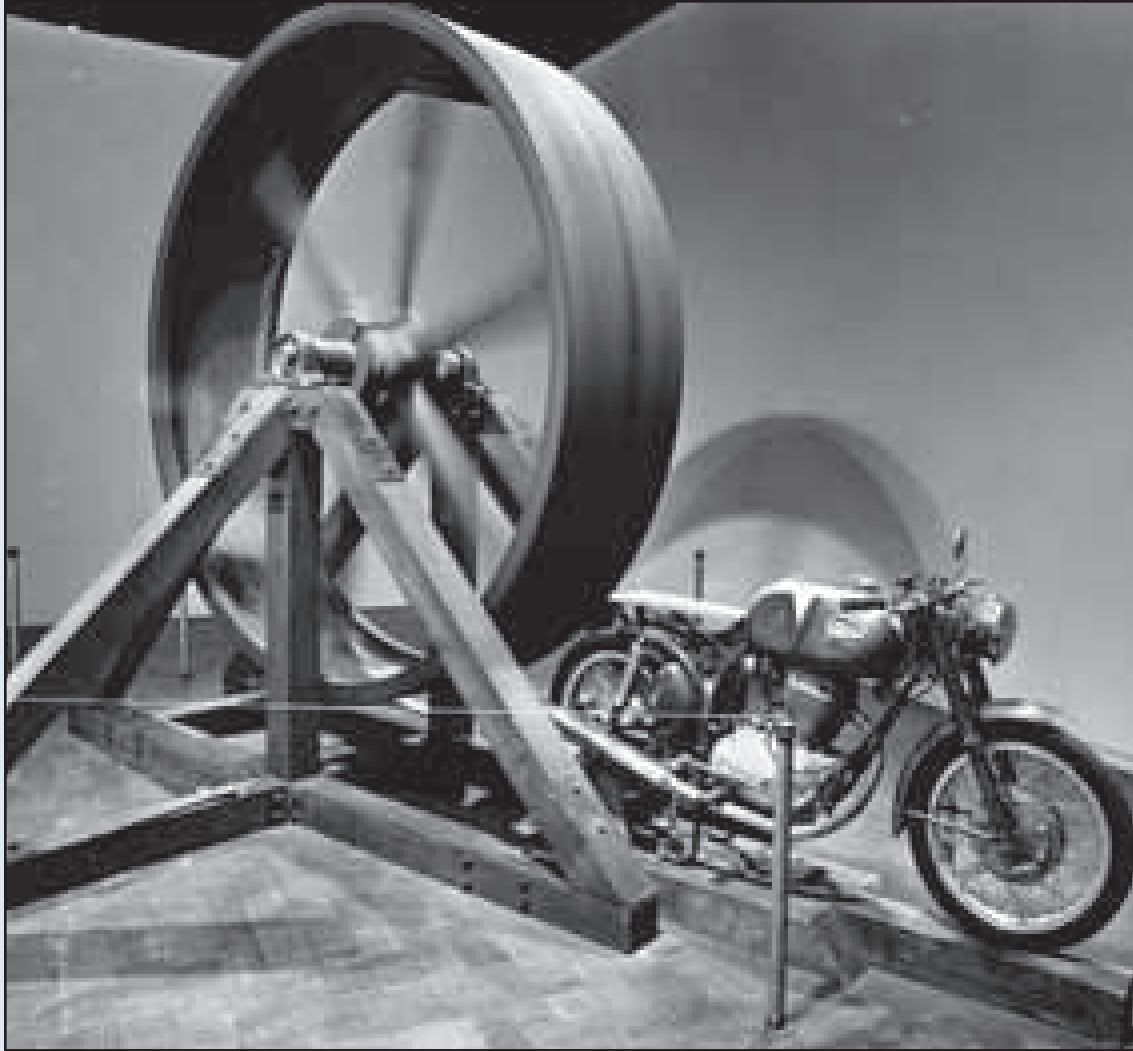
"LOS ANGELES 1955-1985 The birth of an art capital" program.

# History Comes Alive!

Tales From the City Archives



by Hynda Rudd,  
City Archivist (Retired),  
and Club Member



Chris Burden, *Big Wheels* (1988).



Raymond Pettibon, a portrait (1999).

the Centre Pompidou, with the idea that it was time – after its exhibitions such as “Paris-New York,” “Paris-Berlin” and “Paris-Moscow” – to devote space to showing “the extent and individuality of this fertile yet still under appreciated artistic breeding ground.”

Ms. Kienholz agreed enthusiastically and provided the contacts with Los Angeles artists. (The California/International Arts Foundation will soon publish an encyclopedia, *L.A. and Artists Before 1980*.)

Catherine Grenier, an independent curator working for the French Ministry of Culture, was retained to bring the project to life. Acting on a list supplied by Ms. Kienholz, Ms. Grenier, after three years, assembled in some 20 galleries on the Centre Pompidou's top floor about 350 works by 85 artists, including paintings, sculptures, drawings, photographs, films, videos, artists' books and performance artifacts, all made between 1955 and 1985.

The time frame chosen, according to Ms. Grenier, “dates from the mid-'50s, when artistic Los Angeles was still a provincial outpost,” and to the 1980s, when “more and better museums, the development of new networks of galleries and collectors, and the prestige of its schools turned L.A. into a front-rank international art centre.”

Attending the opening of this momentous affair on behalf of the City of Los Angeles was a large delegation of artists; collectors; gallery owners; staff and members of the Cultural Affairs Department and Commissioners; and members of the press and academicians; all chaired by City Councilperson Janice Hahn. And recognizing that this event would enhance the perception of Los Angeles as a great tourist destination was L.A. Inc.'s Visitors Bureau, which helped coordinate the several events that surrounded the exhibition, including a dinner at the residence of the American Ambassador to France, and a visit by Madame Georges Pompidou herself.

Damon Willick, Assistant Professor of Modern and Contemporary Art History at Loyola Marymount University, who was also in attendance, observed in *X-TRA Contemporary Art Quarterly*, Winter, 2007, that:

“The opportunity to see Los Angeles's canonical artists together is a rare treat, and the heavy hitters all make their appearances. Great examples of work by John Baldessari, Larry Bell, Billy Al Bengston, Chris Burden, Vija Celmins, Judy Chicago, Richard Diebenkorn, Sam Francis, David Hammons, David Hockney, Robert Irwin, Mike Kelley, Ed Kienholz, Paul McCarthy, Raymond Pettibon, Charles Ray and Ed Ruscha highlight the exhibition. It is uncommon to

be able to see such artists' best work together, and, though Los Angeles art aficionados will undoubtedly complain about the exclusion of such artists as Sister Mary Corita Kent, Maria Nordman, Richard Pettibone, Gordon Wagner, Peter Voulkos, Robert Williams and others, Grenier has selected many artists that challenge and expand the existing canons of L.A. art history.”

The catalog of the exhibition itself is quite spectacular, with its the reproduction of many of the exhibits, its textual support, composition, length (383 pages) and weight (5 pounds, three ounces).

Attendance was said to be the second highest in the history of the Centre, with a long line surrounding the Centre during a heavy rain on day one.

The Pompidou exhibition was again in the news when the Centre recently announced that artist Craig Kauffman's

vacuum-formed Plexiglas wall relief, which had crashed to the floor July 15, 2006, breaking the lower left corner into a dozen pieces, would pay LACMA the insured value of the piece, \$60,000. According to art critic Suzanne Muchnic, writing in the *Los Angeles Times*, on Nov. 27, LACMA will buy a new version of the work. (Another piece by Peter Alexander had fallen off a wall shortly before the show opened.)

Surely, this validation by the Pompidou Centre of Los Angeles' claims to artistic maturity must be a source of pride to our community and should be appropriately memorialized – in these pages, at least. It is fitting to record, also, that Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, on Jan. 6, announced that January was “L.A. Arts Month,” calling the City, “the Venice of the 21st century.” (*Los Angeles Times*, Jan. 7.)



Ed Ruscha with civic leaders Eli and Edith Broad.

HARBOR

# Lt. Aleman Retires

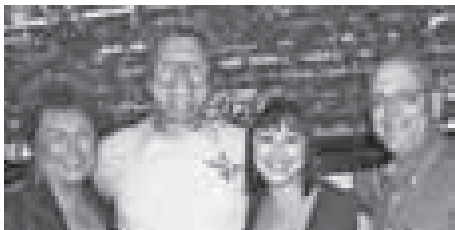
Lt. Daniel Aleman, Port Police leader, union organizer and Club Member, retires from Port Police after 26 years of City service.



From left: Lt. Daniel Aleman, Retiree, Club Member, and his wife, Wanda.



From left: Mike Freese, Local 13; Lt. Dan Aleman, Club Member; and Lt. Mike Kettelkamp, Club Member.



From left: Pauline Hospe, Port Pilots; David Bailey, Retired, Club Member; Jessica Bautista, MA, Club Member; and Lt. Ken Hawkes, Port Police, Club Member.



From left: Jeanne Schwab, Dispatcher; David Knight, Retired, Club Member; Sgt. Michael Alva, Port Police, Club Member; Maria Alva, Sr. CT, Club Member; and Sgt. Brent Smith, LAPD Harbor.



From left: Capt. Al Rosario, Port Police, Club Member; LaChelle Washington, Dispatcher, Club Member; and Jason Ho, Civil Engineering Associate.



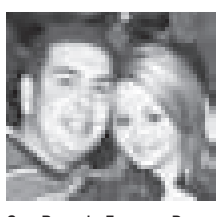
Julie Di Tucci, Secretary, Club Member, and Anthony Di Tucci, Captain, Angelina II.



From left: Muna Beusailah, Attorney; and Lt. Titus Smith, Port Police, Club Member.



From left: Carolyn and Sgt. Dan Cobos, Club Member.



Sgt. Rosario Ferrara, Port Police, Club Member, and his wife, Jessica.



From left: Wanda Aleman, wife of retiree, Lt. Daniel Aleman; Michael Canlas, P2, Club Member; and Erica Saavedra, niece of Lt. Daniel Aleman.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

A retirement celebration was held January 30 honoring Lt. Daniel Aleman, Club Member, who retired from the Port Police. He was also active in the support of union activities. He started working for the Dept. in 1982.

The celebration was held at Ports O'Call restaurant in San Pedro. Many attended, including Councilwoman Janice Hahn, Club Member.

Here's a career retrospective of Lt. Dan, in his own words:

"In 1982, I started my career as a Port Warden. And then in 1983 I attended the Long Beach Police Academy.

"I was fortunate to be teamed up my partner Al Guerrero, without him I probably would have turned out to be just a regular deputy. Under his tutelage, I became a very good cop. He taught me what was expected of a deputy Port Warden, and he taught me how to be a very good boat operator. He explained to me that a good cop always does the right thing. It took me five years to feel comfortable to do it all.

"In 1988, our name change went into effect. We went from deputy Port Wardens to L.A. Port Police Officers. In 1989, our classification in the Penal Code was changed, and it was a great day for our Department and our Officers. In 1991, we officially became the L.A. Port Police Assn., and I became its first president. I held the position for 13 years, and I made quite a bit of strides for our Officers during my tenure.

"In 1992, I was promoted to Senior Lead Officer. This is where I started learning the power of politics. I made many friendships with the politicians in my zone and the owners of fish markets at B-72. I made many friendships with the Locals (ILWU) and the presidents.

"In 1995, to secure better pay and benefits, as president of LAPPA, I joined in a relationship with ILWU. It was a very radical move and sent shockwaves throughout the City. It worked, and we were awarded a very large pay and benefit package. It brought us 2% percent below LAPD as far as pay.

"In 1998, I was promoted to Port Police Sergeant, and I was put in charge of the Bike Team, Boating Enforcement, and Special Events, and I still held the position of President of LAPPA and the President of Local 65-ILWU all at the same time. I negotiated with Environmental Affairs for six free motorized bicycles and four free mountain bikes for our

Bike Teams. I was able to get about 12 officers trained and certified as Bike Enforcement officers. As special events coordinator, I assisted with the security of some of the largest events in the Port, namely the Fourth of July, Concerts by the Sea and the Lobster Festival, to name a few.

"In 2005, Ronald J. Boyd was promoted to Port Warden/Chief of the Port Police. He brought vision, experience and commitment to the Port Police Department. One of his visions was to enlarge our Department to 200-plus Officers. I was selected to head the recruitment campaign. During my tenure, we expanded from 55 officers to 135, where we are at right now. I was very fortunate to have Officer Dianne Kelly to help me meet my goals. I couldn't have done it without her.

"In April 2008, I was promoted to Port Police Lieutenant, still in charge of Recruitment. On Jan. 29, 2009, I retired. It was the hardest decision I have ever had to make because I loved being a Port Police Officer."

Congratulations on your great success, Lt. Dan. And many best wishes for happiness in your retirement.

Special thanks to Officer Dianne Kelly for her assistance with this article.



The retirement celebration flyer.



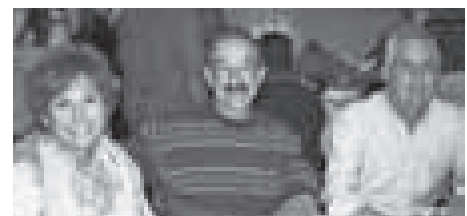
From left: Jessica Ferrara, wife of Sgt. Ferrara, Club Member; and Sgt. David Clements, Port Police, Club Member.



From left: Det. Al Alvarado, Club Member; and Mikki Mowrer, Dispatcher, Club Member.



From left: Michael Canlas, P2, Club Member; and Lt. Ken Hawkes, Club Member.



From left: Karin and Lt. Michael Capodanno, Port Police, Club Member; and Robert Dunbar, Hydrographic Chief of Operations.



Lt. Daniel Aleman, Club Member, with Councilwoman Janice Hahn, Club Member.



Back: Tony Alvarado, Security Officer, Club Member. Seated, from left: Damon Lankford, Sr. Security Officer, Club Member; Christine Pina, Port Police Cadet; and Sr. Lead Officer Brandon A. Smith, Port Police, Club Member.



From left: Nilza Serrano, guest; Daniel Aguilera, guest; Margie Hernandez, Contracts and Purchasing Director, Club Member; and James Acevedo, Former Port Commissioner, and his wife, Leticia.



From left: Sr. Lead Officer Porfirio Blas, Port Police, Club Member; Rene Melo, Principal Clerk; Ted Fernandez, MA II, Club Member; and Ricardo Hon, Harbor Area Director, Office of the Mayor.



Erika Cabberra, Student Worker, Club Member; and Sgt. Glenn Twardy, Club Member.



From left: Lt. Titus Smith, Port Police, Club Member; Julie Di Tucci, Secretary, Club Member; and Sr. Lead Officer Porfirio Blas, Port Police, Club Member.



From left: Danny Rodriguez, Port Police, Club Member; Melody Ugalde, MA, Club Member; and Claudia and Alex Castillo, P2, Club Member.



From left: Alex Bernard, Retired, Airports; Sgt. Ken Huerta, Club Member; Julie Huerta, Commission Chief Administrative Officer, Club Member; Debbie and Capt. Tracy, Port Police; and Sgt. Vince Garcia, Airports.



Back, from left: Sgt. Nathan Ewert, Club Member; Lt. Rosa Reynoso, Club Member; Alex Castillo; Officer Omar Cuevas, Club Member; Lt. Ken Hawkes, Club Member; Sr. Lead Officer Ismael Flores, Club Member; Roberto Redondo, P2, Club Member; Officer Freddy Moya, Club Member; Officer Jose Magana, Club Member; Officer Dianne Kelly, Club Member; and Officer Jane Chiappetta, Club Member. Front: Sr. Lead Officer Mark Renteria, Club Member; Sr. Lead Officer Brandon A. Smith, Club Member; and Sgt. Al Guerrero, Club Member.



From left: Port Police Chief Ronald J. Boyd, Club Member; and Lt. Daniel Aleman, Club Member.

LACEAAA

# Lunar New Year

Asian American Employees Assn. hosts luncheon for the Chinese New Year.

Story and photos courtesy Maychelle Yee, LAPD



The Los Angeles City Employees Asian American Association (LACEAAA) launched the Lunar New Year off with a bang Feb. 12 at the

Mayflower restaurant in the heart of Chinatown. More than 150 people attended. Red and gold lanterns lit up the newly renovated venue, which served as the backdrop of the yearly gala.

LACEAAA members from throughout the City gathered to celebrate 4707, the Year of the Ox, with a scrumptious eight-course luncheon and an inspirational speech by Board of Public Works Commissioner Paula Daniels.

The annual event, which serves as a perfect opportunity for old friends to gather and new friends to meet, was a huge success, with more than 150 attendees and the enrolling of 19 new members. In tradition, guests were treated to red envelopes with lucky money, also known as lycee, to wish them good fortune in the New Year. For a lucky few, gifts were also awarded through the generosity of the City Employees Club of Los Angeles.

For more information on how to become a member or for a listing of upcoming events, please e-mail [lanceaaa@gmail.com](mailto:lanceaaa@gmail.com).

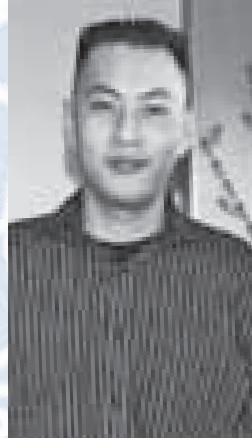
The Club thanks Joe Quan for his assistance in producing this article.



Lily Wren, LAPD, won AMC tickets donated by the Club, Club Member.



Marcus Look, LAFD, won AMC tickets donated by the Club.



David Luong, Public Works/Sanitation, won AMC tickets donated by the Club.



Michelle Yu, ITA, won AMC tickets donated by the Club.



Joyce Lin, ITA, won AMC tickets donated by the Club.



Hua Ling, RAP, won AMC tickets donated by the Club, Club Member.



Toni Kostriba, CLA, won a T-shirt donated by the Club.




Victoria Law, ITA, won a T-shirt donated by the Club, Club Member.



Emilia Tso, City Clerk, won a watch donated by the Club.



Grace Hsieh, LAPD, won a watch donated by the Club.

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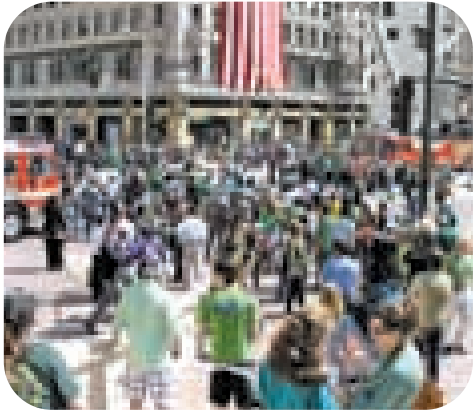
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The LAPD motorcycle patrol in formation.



The 10th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade downtown.



The LAFD Color Guard.



The Young Dubliners rock the house.



At the end of the parade, and the entrance to Pershing Square.

# Green to the Extreme

■ 10th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and party afterward draw big crowds downtown with great weather, raucous music.



Central Division Senior Lead Officers (from left) Earl Wright, Club Member, and Lenny Davis.

REC AND PARKS — Warm sunshine, VIPs and strong Celtic rock by a nationally renowned rock band said *Cead Mile Failte – a Hundred Thousand Welcomes*, in the Irish language – to the big crowds who attended the City's annual St. Patrick's Day parade and party afterward in Pershing Square March 17. It was the day's biggest crowd since *Alive!* has been covering the double event.

Dozens of floats, vintage cars, marching bands, City VIPs and equestrian units marched down the parade route, starting at Olvera Street and ending at Pershing Square.

Mr. L.A., Councilman Tom LaBonge, chose to emphasize the environmental meaning of the word "green" by riding his bike during the entire parade.

Pershing Square was crowded with lunchtime revelers and Celtic rock fans dancing to the Young Dubliners, a local group with a national fan base. "Tis always a great idea, putting people with white skin and freckles under the noonday sun!" commented Young Dubliners lead man, Irishman Keith Roberts, from the stage.

Thanks to Rec and Parks for producing the afternoon party; the Fire and Police Depts. for their participation; the Council offices for their cooperation; Transportation, for its safety officers; Public Works, for its Street Services cleanup effort; and all the City participants.



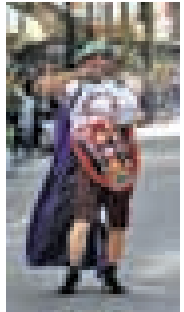
Grand Marshal, actor Robert Patrick.



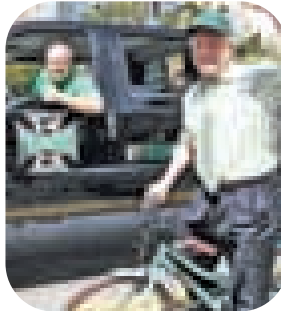
The Praties Irish Band.



Councilwoman Jan Perry, Club Member.



The Town Crier makes his appearance.



Mr. L.A., Councilman Tom LaBonge, Club Member (right), rode his bike during the parade.



Irish Honorary Consul Finbar Hill.



The LAFD's Irish Fireman of the Year, Capt. Richard Andrade.



The crew from FS 9.



The L.A. Zoo's Zoomobile took part.



The LAPD's Emerald Society pipe and drum outfit.



LAPD Officer of the Year, Assistant Chief Jim McDonnell.



Two from the LAPD Mounted Unit.



The Rio Hondo Middle School Marching Band, from Arcadia.



The Choir Boys, a law enforcement motorcycle club.



The Northview High School Marching Band, from Covina.



Rec and Parks participated in the parade, too.



Public Works/Sanitation's South Yard was keeping Los Angeles beautiful.



Vehicles from the LAFD Historical Society and Museum.



Councilman and Club Member Tom LaBonge welcomes the crowd on the warm afternoon.



LAFD Chief Douglas Barry.



The awardees and awarders, from left: Policeman of the Year, LAPD Assistant Chief Jim McDonnell, Club Member; Councilman Tom LaBonge, Club Member; LAFD Firefighter of the Year, Capt. Richard Andrade, Club Member; Councilwoman Jan Perry, Club Member; and LAFD Chief Douglas Barry.

LAPD

# Get Active, Fight Cancer

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You can register directly with Team LAPD at:

[www.revlonrunwalk.com/la/secure/TeamWebPage.cfm?piD=42690&eid=850080](http://www.revlonrunwalk.com/la/secure/TeamWebPage.cfm?piD=42690&eid=850080)

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## HARBOR

# Hazmat Team: No Toying Around

Port's Hazardous Materials Unit gets a shoutout from the City Council for eliminating lead-based toys.

By Jane Chiappetta, Senior Lead Officer, Port Police; Photo courtesy Port Police

On Feb. 27, the Los Angeles Port Police Hazardous Materials Unit received a recognition award from the City Council at City Hall for participation in the first Holiday Lead Toy Exchange Program.

The program, fronted by the City Attorney's Office, tested, removed and exchanged lead-based toys from families with children. Lead exposure has been determined by the medical community to have a severe adverse effect on

child development. The role of the Port Police Hazmat Unit was to properly dispose of those toys that tested positive for lead content.

This recognition comes at a pivotal time for the Port Police, who have now concentrated their efforts on a full-time dedicated Hazmat Unit. The Hazmat unit's major objective is to prevent and report on environmental crimes in the Port of Los Angeles. This furthers the mission of the Port of Los Angeles to create a greener port.

Congratulations to the Port Police Hazmat Unit!



The Port Police Hazmat Unit, from left: Senior Lead Officer Fernando Martinez, Senior Lead Officer Dong Lee and Senior Lead Officer Jane Chiappetta, all Club Members.



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# How Much Is Enough?

■ Many Americans with life insurance are so under-insured that if they die, their families won't be able to maintain their standard of living.

Loss of the deceased's income can have a devastating financial impact on a family. Assets may have to be sold to cover heavy medical expenses, final expenses and living costs. Recent reports from LIMRA International found that:

- Many married couples fail to plan for the eventual death of one spouse before the other, which can have serious consequences, especially when the survivor is the wife (*Public Misperceptions About Retirement Security – Closing the Gaps, 2007*).
- 22% of families with dependent children admit they would have immediate trouble meeting everyday expenses and another 26% could only cover expenses for a few months if a primary wage earner died (*Facts About Life, 2006*).
- 45% of widows and 37% of widowers say their spouse was inadequately insured. (*LIMRA Web site, 3/2007*).

The stark fact is that many Americans – nearly one-third, according to the 2006 LIMRA report – still don't have life insurance, and many of those who do have coverage often don't have enough to really make a difference:

- On average, U.S. households report they should own enough life insurance to replace six years of income, but only owned enough to replace their income for 2.8 years.

**Getting the coverage you need**

When you consider these facts, you may find that your family would not be adequately protected should they lose you and your income.

"Typically, term life insurance offers you the most life insurance protection for your money," explained Robert Larios, the Director of Marketing and Communications for The City Employees Club of Los Angeles. "It becomes even more affordable when you can purchase it at an attractive group rate. If there is a gap between the amount of life insurance you have and the amount your family would need, term life insurance may be the most economical way to close it."

**What to look for in a plan**

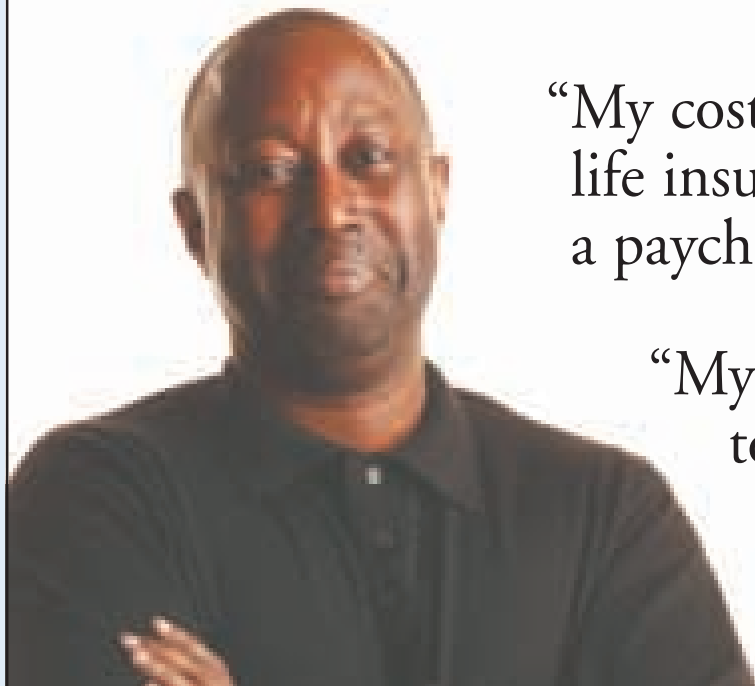
When evaluating term life insurance plans, here are some things to consider:

- Can you get the amount you need to adequately protect your family?
- Can you also get coverage for your spouse?
- Will the premiums for the amount of coverage you want be easy for you to handle?
- Is it easy and convenient to apply for?
- Is the underwriting company highly rated and financially strong?

The City Employees Club of Los Angeles has selected a Group Term Life Insurance Plan underwritten by a member company of American International Group, Inc., The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York. This company has been awarded an A++ (Superior) rating from A.M. Best. This rating reflects The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York's superior overall financial strength and operating performance when compared to A.M. Best's standards. The rating is current as of October 1, 2007. For the latest A.M. Best's ratings and A.M. Best's Company Reports, please visit the A.M. Best Web site at [www.ambest.com](http://www.ambest.com).

Club members are eligible to apply for this Club-sponsored plan at economical group rates. To apply, call The City Employees Club of Los Angeles at 1-800-464-0452, or review the plan details in this issue of *Alive!* and apply today with the application printed in this month's publication.

For active and retired City or DWP employees



"My cost for \$100,000 of life insurance? Just \$6.00\* a paycheck."

"My advice? Take a minute to apply today."

See how economical this plan can be for you – see the chart below.

## Life Insurance from the Club is a smart, easy choice

**As little as \$2.75 per pay period!** Get \$50,000 to \$300,000 of term life insurance coverage at economical group rates – for example, a 29-year-old can get \$50,000 for \$2.75 per bi-weekly pay period.

**Both you and your spouse can apply.** Your spouse can apply even if you don't.

**Fair pricing built right in!** If we collect more premium than we end up needing for claims and expenses, we give the excess back to you! For 77 of our 79 years, insured members have received a Term Life premium refund!

**Typically no medical exam needed\*\*** if you're under age 50 and apply for up to \$100,000. If an exam is required for higher amounts, it will be scheduled at your convenience and at no cost to you.

**You can take your coverage with you.** This plan is portable, and stays with you even if you change jobs.

\*Example for a 30- to 34-year-old.

\*\*Issuance of a Certificate of Insurance or payment of benefits may depend upon the answers given in the application and the truthfulness of those answers.

**No need to write a check!** Payroll deduction makes premium payments easy and automatic.

**Double your benefit for just a few dollars more.**

An economical way to double your total death benefit is to choose the same amount of Group Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance (AD&D) as your term life coverage. Just complete Step 3 of the application. There's never a medical exam required for Accidental Death insurance. And the cost is just \$1.25 per \$25,000 of coverage, regardless of age:

- \$50,000 for \$2.50/month
- \$100,000 for \$5.00/month
- \$200,000 for \$10.00/month

**Apply in minutes!** Just complete and return the brief application at right to apply. >>>

**Quick and easy to buy!** Find your economical group cost below, based on your current age. Then select the premium amount most comfortable for your budget – \$50,000, \$100,000, \$200,000. Or choose any other amount from \$10,000 up to \$300,000, in increments of \$10,000.

**Term Life Insurance premiums based on bi-weekly payroll deductions**

Age	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$200,000
Under 30	\$2.75	\$5.50	\$11.00
30-34	3.00	6.00	12.00
35-39	3.75	7.50	15.00
40-44	5.25	10.50	21.00
45-49	7.75	15.50	31.00
50-54	12.75	25.50	51.00
55-59	21.50	43.00	86.00
60-64	30.75	61.50	123.00
65-69	55.00	110.00	220.00
70+	(Renewal only, \$10,000 benefit, \$12.50/month)		

Just \$1.20 bi-weekly covers all dependents over 6 months to age 19 (23 if a full-time student) for \$10,000 each (subject to state variations).

DWP employees please note: Because your deductions occur once per month instead of bi-weekly, your premiums are 2 times the premiums shown. Coverage amount reduces to \$10,000 when you reach age 70. Maximum benefit for those individuals 70+ years of age is \$10,000. The bi-weekly cost is \$12.50. For retirees, insurance ends at age 60. After age 60, you're eligible for the Retire Life Plan.



Questions?  
Call 1-800-464-0452

The City Employees Club of Los Angeles  
World Trade Center  
350 South Figueroa St., Suite 700  
Los Angeles, CA 90071

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New York, New York  
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**It's easy to make your family's future more secure – apply at right in minutes!**

**KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS**

**MIB DISCLOSURE**  
**Medical Information Bureau (MIB) Disclosure Notice:** (Must be retained by the applicant) Information regarding your insurability will be treated as confidential. The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York, or its reinsurers may, however, make a brief report thereon to MIB, a not-for-profit membership organization of insurance companies, which operates an information exchange on behalf of its Members. If you apply to another MIB Member company for life or health insurance

coverage, or a claim for benefits is submitted to such a company, MIB, upon request, will supply such company with the information in its file.

Upon receipt of a request from you, MIB will arrange disclosure of any information it may have in your file. Please contact MIB at 866-692-6901 (TTY 866-346-3642). If you question the accuracy of information in MIB's file, you may contact MIB and seek a correction in accordance with the procedures set forth

in the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act. The address of MIB's information office is Post Office Box 105, Essex Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02112.

The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York, or its reinsurers, may also release information in its file to other insurance companies to whom you may apply for life or health insurance, or to whom a claim for benefits may be submitted.

# 7 EASY STEPS TO APPLY >>>

1. Complete the personal information for yourself, and your spouse, if applying.
2. Select the amount of Term Life you want for your family and answer the brief health questions.
3. Decide if you also want Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D) coverage.
4. Designate your beneficiaries.
5. Sign and date the application – make sure your spouse also signs the application if he or she is applying.
6. Complete and sign the Payroll Deduction Authorization, including your Social Security number, name and department name.
7. Cut out the application, fold and mail it to:  
**The City Employees Club of Los Angeles, World Trade Center, 350 South Figueroa St., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90071**

**No checks to send! Once your coverage is approved, your premium will be conveniently deducted from your paycheck. If you have any questions, please call us at 1-800-464-0452.**

**Note: Club membership is automatic when you apply for coverage.** As a member, you have access to discounts and savings on movies, theme parks, shopping and more for a payroll deduction of only \$4.50 per month (active employee) or \$2.50 per month (retired). By signing the Payroll Deduction Authorization (at right) you authorize these monthly deductions. Membership fees may change from time to time.

**Summary of plan details**

**Effective date:** For term life, you will be insured on the first of the month coinciding with or next following the date United States Life approves the request, provided the required premium is paid. You must be actively at work on the date the insurance is to take effect. If you are not, the insurance will take effect on the day you return to work. Spouses, if applying, must be able to perform the normal activities of a person of like age and sex, in good health, on the date insurance is to take effect. If not, such insurance will take effect on the day they resume such activities. For AD&D, coverage will take effect on the date United States Life states in writing. You must be actively at work on the date the insurance is to take effect. If you are not, the insurance will take effect on the day you return to work. Spouses, if applying, must not be hospitalized on the date insurance is to take effect; if they are, insurance will take effect on the day after they are discharged.

**Eligibility:** You are eligible to apply if you are a member of the City Employees Club of Los Angeles (LACEA) and actively working full time.

**Date insurance ends:** As long as you continue to pay premiums, the group policy remains in effect, and insurance does not end for your class, your coverage will not end. In addition, AD&D coverage will not end unless you cease to be a member in good standing with the City Employees Club of Los Angeles (LACEA), with respect to spouses, if applying, the date marriage ends by divorce or annulment, and with respect to children, the date eligibility ends.

**Exclusions/limitations:** Certain exclusions apply. See your Certificate of Insurance for details. For term life, if a person commits suicide within two years from the date coverage takes effect, liability will be limited to the return of premiums paid, plus interest. Accidental death exclusions include: No benefits are payable for loss caused by suicide or intentionally self-inflicted injury; insurrection, war or act of war; physical or mental sickness or treatment of that sickness; voluntary intake of poison, gas, fumes, unless taken as prescribed by a physician; committing a felony, or an attempt to do so; being intoxicated or under the influence of a narcotic, unless prescribed by a physician; and flight in any type of aircraft in which you are the pilot, licensed or unlicensed, or a member of the crew.

This is a summary of benefits only and is subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of Group Policy Nos. V-189,706, V-189,709, and V-189,710, Form No. G-19000. Coverage may vary and may not be available in all states.

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## Application for Group Term Life Insurance City Employees Club of Los Angeles

Employee Term Life Insurance • Spouse Term Life Insurance • Accidental Death and Dismemberment

### STEP 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

CITY/DWP EMPLOYEE	Last Name		First Name	MI	Social Security Number				City Dept.# /DWP Empl.#
	Street Address				Work Phone ( )		Height (ft.-in.)		
	City	State	ZIP		Home Phone ( )		Weight (lbs.)		
	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	Place of Birth (City/State)			Age	E-Mail Address		<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Single	
SPOUSE	FILL OUT ONLY IF SPOUSE IS APPLYING FOR COVERAGE.								
	Last Name		First Name	MI	Social Security Number				
	Street Address				Work Phone ( )		Height (ft.-in.)		
	City	State	ZIP		Home Phone ( )		Weight (lbs.)		
	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	Place of Birth (City/State)			Age	E-Mail Address		<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	

### STEP 2. COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF YOU WANT TERM LIFE INSURANCE

Choose the plan and indicate the benefit amount desired: (You may purchase in increments of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$300,000.)

Employee Total Coverage Amount Desired: \$

Spouse Total Coverage Amount Desired: \$

Dependent Coverage Total Coverage Amount Available: \$ 10,000

	EMPLOYEE	SPOUSE
1. Have you ever had chest pains, disease or disorder of the heart, liver, kidneys or lungs, high blood pressure, albumin or sugar in his/her urine, diabetes, cancer, tumors or ulcers?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Have you, or your spouse if applying, during the past 5 years, consulted any physician or other practitioner or been confined or treated in any hospital or similar institution?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Have you used tobacco or nicotine in any form during the past twelve months?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If you answered "Yes" to any parts of the above questions, give details below. Use a separate sheet of paper, sign and date it if more space is needed for answers.

Question #	Name of Proposed Insured	Condition	Date Occurred	Duration	Degree of Recovery	Names & Addresses of Physicians, Hospitals or Clinics Consulted

### STEP 3. COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF YOU WANT GROUP ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

Choose the plan and indicate the benefit amount desired:

Employee Total Coverage Amount Desired: \$ \$25,000 to \$300,000 (available in increments of \$25,000)

Spouse Total Coverage Amount Desired: \$ \$25,000 to \$300,000 (available in increments of \$25,000)

Family Plan
 

- Family plan covers spouse for 50% and children for 20%.
- Spouse but no children = 60% coverage. Children but no spouse = 25% coverage.

### STEP 4. DESIGNATE YOUR BENEFICIARIES

Primary Beneficiary: Relationship:

Secondary Beneficiary (Optional): Relationship:

Beneficiary of spouse will be the City/DWP Employee unless otherwise specified on a separate sheet of paper.

### STEP 5. PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING, THEN SIGN AND DATE BELOW TO APPLY.

**AUTHORIZATION AND DECLARATION OF EACH PERSON GIVING A STATEMENT OF INSURABILITY**

I hereby authorize any licensed physician, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, or other medical or medically related facility, insurance company, the Medical Information Bureau, or other organization, institution or person that has any records or knowledge of me or my health, to give to United States Life or its reinsurers any such information. Such information will pertain to my employment, or other insurance carrier or medical care, advice, treatment or supplies for any physical or mental condition. This includes that information obtained in connection with the preparation or procurement of an investigative consumer report as defined under the Fair Credit Reporting Act(s). To facilitate the rapid submission of such information, I authorize all said sources, except the Medical Information Bureau, to give such records or knowledge to any agency employed by United States Life to collect and transmit such information.

I understand that this information will be used by United States Life solely to determine eligibility for insurance. I understand that I may revoke this authorization at any time. I agree that such revocation will not affect any action which United States Life has taken in reliance upon this authorization. I understand this authorization will not be valid after 24 months from the effective date of coverage, if not revoked earlier. I know that I should retain a copy of this authorization for my records. I agree that a photocopy of this authorization is as valid as the original. To the best of my knowledge and belief, all statements made above are true and complete.

I understand that my application for group insurance will be accepted or declined on the basis of these statements. Insurance will take effect only if a certificate is issued based on this application and the first premium is paid in full (a) during the lifetime of all proposed insureds; and (b) while there is no change in the insurability or health of such person from that stated in the application.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which may be a crime. Fraud provisions vary by state.

Date: Applicant's Signature: **X**

Date: Spouse's Signature (if applying for insurance): **X**

**NEW POLICYHOLDERS: Club membership fees will be automatically deducted.**

G-19027L AG5539 Group Policy Nos. V-189,706, V-189,709, and V-189,710

### STEP 6. COMPLETE AND SIGN THE PAYROLL DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION.

## Payroll Deduction Authorization

Social Security #: Name: Department:

To: **Controller – City of Los Angeles, or Fire and Police Pension, or City Employees Retirement System, or Paymaster – Department of Water and Power**

I hereby authorize the deduction from my salary of amounts sufficient to cover premiums/membership fees on any of my group benefits provided by **City Employees Club of Los Angeles**. In the event any premiums should change due to age, increase in salary or benefits, or a general rate increase for the entire Association, I authorize you to make such change upon notification from the City Employees Club of Los Angeles and such deduction to remain in force until canceled by me in writing.

Sign Here

**X**

City/DWP Employee Date

**Federal Law P.L. 93-579 Section 7**  
**RE: FEDERAL PRIVACY ACT AND USE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS**  
This law requires you be informed, when asked for your Social Security Number, that it must be provided for use in employment, personnel and payroll processes: Authority for requiring this information is based upon provision of the City's payroll and personnel candidate processing system operational prior to January 1, 1975 and applicable Federal Law.

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## REVIEWS BY FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS

## ENTERTAINMENT

## MOVIE REVIEWS

**Pink Panther 2**

Rated PG

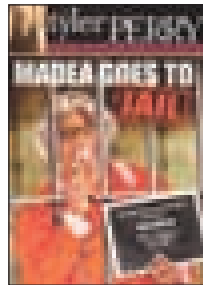
**My Score: 1 (out of 5)**

Steve Martin is one of my all-time favorite comedians, but he should avoid any future Inspector Clouseau sequels to save his career. I laughed, maybe twice. Even the other

well-established actors in this film (including the incomparable John Cleese of *Monty Python* fame) couldn't save it from vapidness. The story: A thief is stealing famous artifacts. Yawn.

If you manage to get a free copy of the DVD, I suggest you use it as a coaster for your highball glass. But don't see it. Avoid this film if possible.

— Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

**Madea Goes to Jail**

Rated PG-13

**My Score: 4 (out of 5)**

I don't know what it is about men in dresses and wigs, but it always makes me laugh. As a fan of the other *Madea* movies, I was pleased to see that a new movie was done. Tyler Perry once

again brings lots of laughs and fun with his portrayal of the lead character. I hope he continues making these types of movies. Maybe the next one could be *Madea Goes to College* or *Madea Wins the Lotto* -- the possibilities with this character are endless, and so are the laughs.

— Gail Seltzer, DWP

**Taken**

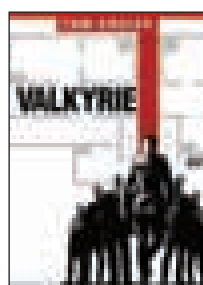
Rated PG-13

**My Score: 4 (out of 5)**

In *Taken*, Liam Neeson puts his past training to the test when he must rescue his daughter that has been kidnapped by sex-slave traffickers.

This movie has a lot of action with special effects and a very good story line. It's a must-see movie for young girls and parents of young girls/daughters.

— Gwendolyn Lew, DWP

**Valkyrie**

Rated PG-13

**My Score: 4 (out of 5)**

Tom Cruise plays Col. Claus von Stauffenberg in the German military. He is one of many who try to kill Adolf Hitler. I think the movie was very historical and educational

for those of us who are not history buffs. The movie's time period starts with Stauffenberg stationed in Africa and ends with his execution. The movie is very intense but keeps you interested. Cruise does a great job and should have been nominated for an Academy Award. Go see the movie; it's a part of history.

— Stephanie Lazarus, LAPD

**Slumdog Millionaire**

Rated R

**My Score: 5 (out of 5)**

I was not going to see this movie, but after it won all those Academy Awards, I had to see what it was all about. Well, I must say it was one of the better movies

I have seen. It was an interesting story, filmed in India, and the suspense had my attention for the full two hours. Not to give too much away, but the movie is about a young man who lives in the slums of India and becomes a contestant on India's version of *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire*. All I can say is, go see it.

— Stephanie Lazarus, LAPD

**Hotel For Dogs**

Rated PG

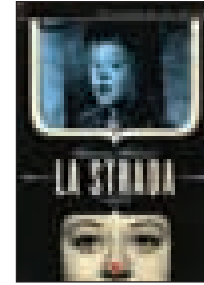
**My Score: 3 (out of 5)**

This film depicts a fantasy of orphan siblings operating a hotel for stray dogs. The kids gather dogs from city streets as well as the enemy—the Animal Control Department,

and build elaborate machines to feed, clean and care for the hundreds of dogs that end up in the hotel for dogs. What this film lacks in dialogue and suspense, it makes up for in inventiveness and charm.

— Erin Knight, Public Works

## DVD Reviews

**La Strada (1954)**

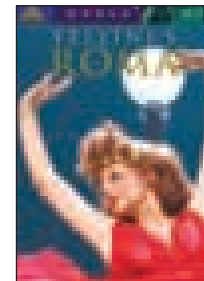
Unrated

**My Score: 5 (out of 5)**

What is the role of the traveling artist in society? What distinguishes art from deception? These are only a few of the big questions *La Strada* asks in its depiction of Zampano, an apelike strongman, and

Gelsomina, his mentally disabled girlfriend, as they travel around Italy in a motorcycle with a tent on its back. They perform their sideshow routine for common people and pass the hat around afterwards. *La Strada* is a simple film, wandering and poetic, with excellent performances from the entire cast.

— Erin Knight, Public Works

**Fellini's Roma (1972)**

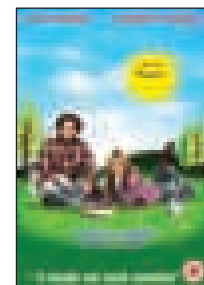
Rated R

**My Score: 5 (out of 5)**

*Fellini's Roma* is a love letter to the city of Rome. Traffic jams, sidewalk cafés, crowded cinemas, Vaudeville-type musical reviews, brothels and ancient buildings at night

all feature heavily in this film. The sets and costumes are beautifully detailed. I enjoyed every minute of this film. Afterward, I wanted to move to Rome in the heat of the summer to eat snails shirtless at an outdoor feast.

— Erin Knight, Public Works

**Zack and Miri (2008)**

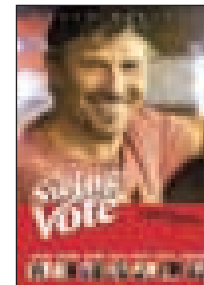
Rated R

**My Score: 5 (out of 5)**

If you're looking for a movie that you can just sit back, vegetate with and just simply be entertained, this is the right movie. I normally do not watch the same movie

twice, but this one I enjoyed so much that I did just that. Zack and Miri are childhood friends and roommates who are so broke that, to pay their bills, they decide to make a porno movie starring themselves. That's basically it for the story line. But it's enough to get you laughing throughout the movie. There are gross-out scenes and frontal nudity, but overall, it's fun to watch.

— Marilou Romney, LAPD

**Swing Vote (2008)**

Rated PG-13

**My Score: 3 (out of 5)**

Bud Johnson (Kevin Costner) lives with his daughter, Molly, and likes to drink beer at the local bar. Molly is doing a school report on voting and pleads for her dad to vote so she can finish her report. Too

busy drinking in the bar, Molly votes for him. Weird circumstances occur, and Bud's vote will determine who becomes the president of the United States. Funny and entertaining as the candidates try to bribe Bud for his vote, it's worth renting.

— Stephanie Lazarus, LAPD

## BOOK REVIEWS

**Wicked Games**

Lisa Jackson and Nancy Bush;  
Fiction/thriller,  
384 pages

Kensington Publishing  
**My Score: 5 (out of 5)**

Suspense author Lisa Jackson and her mystery author sister, Nancy Bush, team up to create a novel of suspense and mystery.

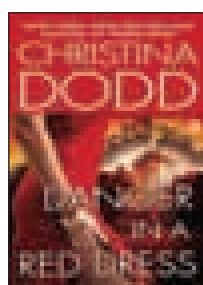
Twenty years ago, Jessie Brentwood vanished from St. Elizabeth's High School. Most of Jessie's friends believe she ran away. Few suspect she is hiding a shocking secret.

Two decades pass, and a body is found on school grounds. Most believe the body is Jessie's, and the mystery of her disappearance has been solved. But soon, Jessie's friends each die in horrible, unexplained deaths.

Becca Sutcliff has been haunted for years by visions of Jessie, certain her friend met with a grisly end. Now the latest deaths have her rattled. Becca can sense that an evil force is shadowing her too, waiting for just the right moment to strike. She feels like she's going crazy. Is it all a coincidence, or has Jessie's killer finally returned to finish what was started all those years ago?

This collaboration by sister-authors Lisa Jackson and Nancy Bush is a mystery novel that is sure to make your spine tingle.

— Linda Rorex, Personnel

**Danger in a Red Dress**

Christina Dodd;  
Fiction/romance,  
400 pages; Penguin  
**My Score: 5 (out of 5)**

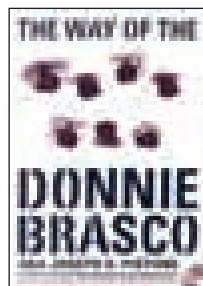
Homecare nurse Hannah Grey is dedicated to her patient, an aging widow still tainted by the financial scandal

her late husband perpetrated. The widow makes Hannah promise that upon her death, she'll right the family's wrongs, and gives Hannah her offshore account's access codes.

But Carrick Manly will do anything to discover where his family's fortunes lie, including kill his own mother. Fearing for her life, and desperate not to betray the widow, Hannah flees. And when Carrick's half-brother, Gabriel, tracks her down in Houston, Hannah must trust her own instincts—and her heart—to survive.

This romantic novel of mystery, suspense and action are sure to keep the reader engaged.

— Linda Rorex, Personnel

**The Way of the Wiseguy**

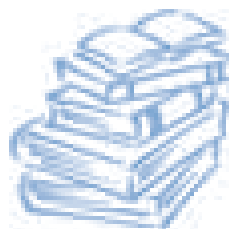
Joseph D. Pistone;  
True crime, 224 pages  
Running Press

**My Score: 4 (out of 5)**

This is a simple read by Joseph D. Pistone, the only undercover FBI agent who infiltrated the Mafia. In this book,

Pistone describes the Mob's lifestyle and culture through accounts of his own experience. Some chapters will make you chuckle in disbelief, like "Wiseguy Table Manners," while others, like "How To Carry Out a Hit," will make the Mob's calculating killer mentality come to life. This book comes with undercover surveillance audio between Pistone (AKA Donnie Brasco) and Mafia made man Lefty "Two Guns" Ruggiero.

— Robert Garcia, LAPD



## Your Reviews



## 100 Words or Fewer

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

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

- For movies: Make sure the movie is still in theatres. For DVDs and books, make sure they are generally available. For theatre shows: try to submit your review before the show closes.
- Have fun!

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

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PUBLIC WORKS

# Sanitation's Open Houses Add Radio Disney

Sanitation announces its Open House schedule for 2009.

Public Works/Sanitation has scheduled its seventh annual Open House events, and everyone is invited to attend for a day of free recycling fun, games, raffles, food and activities. As an added treat, the Radio Disney Rockin' Road Crew will be at each open house to spice things up with some cool music, recycling fun and giveaways.

Attending Sanitation's open house events is a great way for kids of all ages to learn about recycling and other City services in a fun environment. Kids will get a chance to watch trash truck and equipment demonstrations. There will be guided facility tours, information booths and learning activities. Mr. Recycle will be there to greet everyone and hand out raffle tickets. Robo Blue will be there to talk about recycling fun!

The City's Million-Tree program will also hand out free citrus trees to City residents. Sanitation will distribute free mulch recycled from its green waste program. Citrus trees and mulch will be available while supplies last. City residents who want a free citrus tree and/or mulch should come early.

Everyone attending the open houses will get a chance to meet the City's hard-working employees who volunteer their time to meet the community and make sure everyone is learning all they can while having a great time.

Open houses will be held at each of the City's six district yards in Sun Valley, Northridge, Lincoln Heights, South Los Angeles, San Pedro, and West Los Angeles.

All open houses showcase the City's collection and recycling programs to improve recycling awareness and increase recycling practices.

They also provide residents with easy access and information to all city services delivered by Sanitation.

Last year, close to 4,000 residents attended Sanitation's open houses, with more than 300 City employees volunteering their time to "give back" to the community at the free weekend events. This year's 2009 open houses are the seventh in a series.



**Following are the dates and locations for the 2009 open houses:**

- May 2: East Valley District Yard, Sun Valley
- May 16: West Valley District Yard, Northridge
- May 30: North Central District Yard, Los Angeles (San Fernando)
- June 6: South L.A. District Yard, Los Angeles (Mission Road)
- June 13: Harbor District Yard, San Pedro
- June 27: West L.A. District Yard, Los Angeles (West L.A.)

For more information, call (800) 773-2489 or visit [www.lacity.org/SAN](http://www.lacity.org/SAN)

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# Cooking with the Club

by Chef 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](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com).

# Shrimp Scampi a la Larios

### DIRECTIONS:



1 Gather your ingredients. Dice the green onions, jalapeño and red bell pepper, and mince all cloves of garlic.



2 Turn on stovetop to medium heat. Add olive oil and butter to a large saucepan. Once butter melts, add minced garlic, diced green onions, jalapeño, and red bell pepper. Let these ingredients brown and then add shrimp, white wine, juice of lemon and parsley. Let cook until shrimp turns white and pink – signaling they are done. Please note that overcooking shrimp will make it chewy.

Shrimp scampi typically calls for lemon, parsley, butter, onions, a little white wine and, of course, garlic. But my version has pizzazz and flair, with the addition of a jalapeño, red bell pepper, extra virgin olive oil and sliced almonds. The addition of heat from the jalapeño and the crunchy texture of the sliced almonds gives this shrimp scampi a new dimension and level of deliciousness. Also, you can never have enough garlic in my opinion, so if you want to add more than what is suggested in the recipe, be my guest! With parsley, use as much as you like as well. I find that if you have the opportunity to use fresh parsley, you can use less of it than if you used dried parsley.

This is truly one of my favorite dishes, and I hope this becomes one of yours, too!

### Shrimp Scampi a la Larios

#### INGREDIENTS:

- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 2 green onions
- 1 jalapeño
- 6 to 8 cloves garlic
- 1 lemon
- 1 red bell pepper
- 2 lbs. shrimp (size does not matter) and can be frozen before cooking
- Sea salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup sliced or crumbled almonds
- 1/4 white wine
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup diced fresh parsley or half-cup dried parsley
- Parmesan cheese, shredded (optional)



**Cooking Tidbit:** Roll the lemon on the cutting board with your hand to loosen the juice. This will aid in releasing more of it when you squeeze out the juice.



3 Just before serving with everything still in the saucepan, add more parsley if you like as well as some shredded Parmesan cheese. It's optional, of course, but it does add a whole new dimension.

### [ A Cook's Dictionary ]

#### Almond:

The kernel of the fruit of the almond tree, grown extensively in California, the Mediterranean, Australia and South Africa. There are two major types of almonds – sweet and bitter.

– From the *The New Food Lover's Companion*, Sharon Tyler Herbst, 1995, Barron's Educational Series.

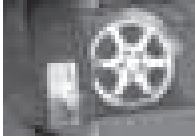


### Food Factoid:

Did you know shrimp got their name from *schrimpe*, the Middle English word for “small, puny person”?

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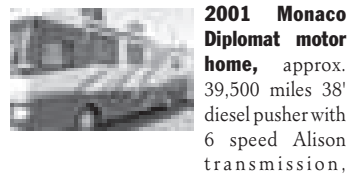
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Homes/Rentals/Land

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Las Vegas Condo: 1 bedrm, 1 bath, 780 sq feet, A/C, heat, new fans in dining area and bedroom; other upgrades. Nice and cozy, quiet, across the street from Texas Casino and 1/4 mile from Fiesta Casino and a new Super WalMart; gated community. 10 min from LV Strip. Sell for \$125,000. Call for info (310) 801-3164.

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Home For Sale - Highland Park- Close To Downtown and Valley, 2 Bdrm, 1 3/4 Bath plus Den - View of Eagle Rock. \$430,000. 323-254-2123 Ask for Sue for showing.

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NoHo Condo for Sale Only \$265,000 - Toluca Terrace starter condo. Beautifully landscaped complex with palm trees, lush foliage, tranquil pool, spa, laundry facilities. Well lit 1st level home w/ open floor plan, lots of closet space, remodeled bathroom and 1 car detached garage & back door. Close to Universal Studios, the Metro Station, NOHO art district, shops and transportation. 6 months HOA fees will be paid as bonus to buyer. Call Barbara at (626) 375 3620 for info.

Room for rent. Free Utilities. \$500 a month. Located in Harbor City off Lomita Blvd. adjacent to the Harbor Freeway. Call (310) 326-3922 from 9am to 9pm.

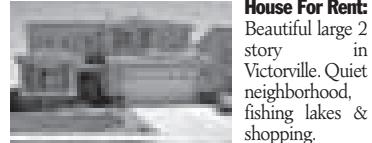
Room for rent in San Fernando. \$750 MO. Utilities Included. 3 Bdrm, 1 Ba, Den, Yard & Drwy. Share W/45 yr old male. Call: Ozzy (818) 312-5351

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Apartment For Rent: Southwest LA, Large 2BD/1 BA - Triplex upstairs very clean. Built-in/gated/large bk yard/garage. 544 West 120th St., #3 Hoover/Figueroa. \$1250/mo. Call: (562)430-2694

Household Items

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4 Burial Plots, Rose Hills, 4500X4 plots. 323-382-2405

Cemetery Plot - at Eden Memorial Park/Hillel Row 18, space 46, \$1200. Contact Eugene Rubin 702-658-3184

Cemetery Plot For Sale. Located in Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills. Lot 3966, Sp#2 Bell of Peace. \$2700. Contact Douglas or Robie @ 714-828-2699

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Campground Membership: Exchange my Silent Valley Club, Inc. in Banning for your Mountain Lakes Resort at Lytle Creek. My yearly dues paid up until October, 2008. Call (626) 965-1049-Diana.

Cemetery: 1 plot. At Ontario Cemetery. Section Evergreen. Lot 411, grave 6. \$1800. Can be converted to two plots. Ask for Silvia @ 661-297-0271.

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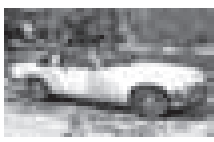
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1998 Mercedes E320, 2nd Owner... no major accidents, car in more than fair condition, black w/gray interior, chrome 18" rims w/new tires. A STEAL @ \$5,700.00 (Blue Book \$7,500), Call Kevin at (323) 251-0655

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Restricted	\$10.00	\$6.50 X	=	\$6.50
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<b>Krikorian Theatres - Good Any Time</b>	\$10.00	\$6.75 X	=	\$6.75
<b>Laemmle Theatres - Good Any Time</b>	\$10.00	\$6.25 X	=	\$6.25
<b>Mann Theatres</b>				
Good Any Time	\$10.00	\$7.00 X	=	\$7.00
<b>Pacific Theatres</b>				
Restricted	\$10.00	\$6.25 X	=	\$6.25
<small>\$2 surcharge for use at Grove, not valid at Arclight</small>				
Gift Book	\$40.00	\$27.50 X	=	\$27.50
<small>2 unrestricted admissions, 2 medium drinks, 1 large popcorn</small>				
<b>Regal/Edwards Cinema/United Artists</b>				
Restricted	\$10.00	\$6.25 X	=	\$6.25
Good Any Time	\$10.00	\$7.25 X	=	\$7.25

Attraction Tickets **	Retail Price	Club Price	Quantity	TOTAL
<b>24 Hour Fitness - Annual Pass</b> Adult	\$533.97	\$199.00 X	=	\$199.00
<b>Adventure City</b> Adult/Child	\$14.95	\$9.50 X	=	\$9.50
<small>Tickets expire 12/31/09</small>				
<b>Aquarium of the Pacific</b> Adult	\$20.95	\$15.25 X	=	\$15.25
Child 3-11	\$11.95	\$10.25 X	=	\$10.25
<small>Tickets expire 11/30/09</small>				
<b>Boomer's Family Fun Centers - All Day Pass</b>	\$21.00	\$15.50 X	=	\$15.50
<b>Catalina</b>				
Island Express - Round Trip - Adult	\$58.00	\$55.75 X	=	\$55.75
- Child	\$45.50	\$46.25 X	=	\$46.25
<small>Through 12/31/09. Not Valid May 23-25, July 3-5, Sept 5-7.</small>				
<b>Davey's Locker</b>				
Whale Watching - Adult	\$25.00	\$21.00 X	=	\$21.00
- Child	\$20.00	\$17.00 X	=	\$17.00
Sportfishing - 1/2 Day - Adult	\$36.00	\$30.00 X	=	\$30.00
- Child	\$29.00	\$25.50 X	=	\$25.50
Sportfishing - Full Day - Adult	\$65.00	\$56.00 X	=	\$56.00
- Child	\$55.00	\$47.50 X	=	\$47.50

Disneyland/California Adventure	Retail Price	Club Price	Quantity	TOTAL
1-Day Ticket - Adult	\$69.00	\$59.25 X	=	\$59.25
Child 3-9	\$59.00	\$51.25 X	=	\$51.25
1-Day Park Hopper - Adult	\$94.00	\$69.25 X	=	\$69.25
Child 3-9	\$84.00	\$61.25 X	=	\$61.25
2-Day Park Hopper - Adult	\$143.00	\$94.25 X	=	\$94.25
Child 3-9	\$123.00	\$84.25 X	=	\$84.25
<small>This ticket entitles you to experience two theme parks- Disneyland and Disney's California Adventure in the same day, and come back a second day and do it all over again. No Blackout Dates. Valid From 1/3/2009 thru 12/17/2009. First Visit must occur by 12/17/09. Expires 13 Days after initial visit.</small>				
"2fer" - Adult	\$69.00	\$59.25 X	=	\$59.25
Child 3-9	\$61.00	\$51.25 X	=	\$51.25
<small>Valid through 6/30/09. Visit one park on one day and visit the 2nd park another day within 30 days of the initial visit.</small>				
Annual Passport (SoCal Select)	\$136.00	\$127.55 X	=	\$127.55
<small>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 1/2/10. Valid 175 days.</small>				
Annual Passport (SoCal)	\$176.00	\$165.55 X	=	\$165.55
<small>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 1/2/10. Valid 220 days.</small>				
Deluxe Annual Passport	\$279.00	\$255.80 X	=	\$255.80
<small>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 1/2/10. Valid 315 days.</small>				
Annual Passport w/Parking	\$389.00	\$369.80 X	=	\$369.80
<small>Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated before 1/2/10. No blackout dates.</small>				

<b>Knott's Berry Farm</b> - Adult	\$45.00	\$27.25 X	=	\$27.25
Child 3-11	\$19.95	\$20.00 X	=	\$20.00
<small>Expires 3/31/09</small>				
<b>LEGOLAND</b>				
1-Day Ticket - Adult	\$57.00	\$43.25 X	=	\$43.25
Child 3-11	\$44.00	\$43.25 X	=	\$43.25
2-Day Park Hopper - Adult	\$79.95	\$52.25 X	=	\$52.25
Child 3-11	\$64.95	\$52.25 X	=	\$52.25
<small>Pass includes admission to LEGOLAND and Sea Life Aquarium for 2 days of fun. 2 day use must be within 9 days of initial use.</small>				

<b>Los Angeles Zoo</b> - Adult	\$10.00	\$9.25 X	=	\$9.25
Child 2-12	\$7.00	\$6.25 X	=	\$6.25
<small>No expiration</small>				
<b>Magic Mountain</b> - Adult	\$59.99	\$25.25 X	=	\$25.25
Child (under 48")	\$49.99	\$15.00 X	=	\$15.00
<small>Expires 12/31/09</small>				
<b>Medieval Times</b> - Adult	\$50.65	\$42.50 X	=	\$42.50
Child 0-12	\$34.40	\$30.40 X	=	\$30.40
<small>Not valid 12/30, 12/31</small>				

<b>Mulligan's - All Day Pass</b> - Adult/Child	\$25.00	\$16.50 X	=	\$16.50
<small>Restrictions: Pass gives 1 Adult or Child unlimited use of Laser Tag, Miniature Golfing, Go-Karts/Speedway and the Rock Wall. This ticket is valid Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, major holidays and everyday during the summer. Attractions vary per location. Certain height, weight, restrictions may apply. This ticket is accepted at Mulligan Torrance, Murrieta, and Palmdale.</small>				

<b>Pirates Dinner Adventure</b> - Adult	\$52.95	\$47.25 X	=	\$47.25
Child	\$42.95	\$32.75 X	=	\$32.75
<small>Expires 11/30/09</small>				

<b>Queen Mary</b> - Adult	\$22.95	\$17.25 X	=	\$17.25
Child 4-11	\$11.95	\$10.25 X	=	\$10.25

<b>San Diego Zoo</b> - Adult	\$34.00	\$28.25 X	=	\$28.25
Child 3-11	\$24.00	\$21.25 X	=	\$21.25
<small>Expires 12/31/09</small>				

<b>Sea World San Diego</b> - Adult	\$59.00	\$51.25 X	=	\$51.25
Child 3-9	\$49.00	\$45.75 X	=	\$45.75
<small>Expires 12/31/09. Comes w/2nd day free</small>				

<b>Speedzone</b>	\$38.50	\$25.25 X	=	\$25.25
<small>Includes use of all tracks and 1 round of miniature golf. Expires 7/31/09</small>				

<b>Universal Studios</b> 1-Day Ticket	\$64.00	\$54.00 X	=	\$54.00
Child (under 48")	\$54.00	\$54.00 X	=	\$54.00
Annual Pass - Child (3 years & up)	\$83.00	\$68.00 X	=	\$68.00
<small>Year long admission for one full day. Ticket must be activated at Universal Studios Hollywood by 6/15/2009 or it will expire. Blackout dates apply. Pass is valid 1 year from date of activation.</small>				

<b>Wild Animal Park</b> - Adult	\$34.00	\$28.25 X	=	\$28.25
Child 3-11	\$24.00	\$21.25 X	=	\$21.25
<small>Expires 12/31/09</small>				

Gift Certificates	Retail Price	Club Price	Quantity	TOTAL
See's Candies Gift Certificate (1 lb.)	\$14.25	\$11.00 X	=	\$11.00
Mulligan's Family Fun Center: \$15 Gift Certificate	\$15.00	\$10.00 X	=	\$10.00

Merchandise	Price	Quantity	TOTAL
<b>Hats, Watches, Shirts, Clocks, T-shirts \$5.50 added to the total order.</b>			
ITEM #			= \$
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T-shirts (Men's & Women's)	Size	Color	Price	Quantity	TOTAL
ITEM #					= \$
ITEM #					= \$
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ITEM #					= \$
ITEM #					= \$

**SUBTOTAL** \$

Shipping & Handling	Price	Quantity	TOTAL
Tickets: Priority Mail (2-3 Days)	\$7.00 X	1	= \$7.00
Tickets: Standard Mail*	\$2.50 X	1	= \$2.50
Tickets: Certified Mail	\$3.75 X	1	= \$3.75
Hats, Watches, T-Shirts, Books, Clocks	\$5.50, any quantity		= \$
Overnight Shipping	\$20.00 X		= \$20.00
<small>Available only to orders shipped to a California address. No P.O. Boxes.</small>			
Tax (Only applicable to Hats, shirts, books, clocks, watches, lapel pins and stuffed bears.)	8.25%		= \$

**TOTAL** (please include shipping) \$

\*When using Standard mail, please be aware that the Club cannot be responsible for tickets lost in the mail.  
 \*\*Please be aware that black-out dates and restrictions may apply to the use of discounted tickets.

## To Order:

BY MAIL: Complete the order form below and mail to: <b>Ticket Guy</b> City Employees Club of Los Angeles 120 W. 2nd Street Los Angeles, CA 90012	BY PHONE: (888) 777-1744 BY FAX: (213) 617-1294 BY WEB SITE: Go to <b>www.cityemployeesclub.com</b> and click on Club Store.
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## Member Information

Member's name		
Home Street Address		
City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Work Phone	
Club Member Number		

## Payment Method

Check or Money Order enclosed (please paper clip to order form)  
 Make checks payable to **City Employees Club of Los Angeles**  
 Credit Card  
 Please charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ (enter total from above form) to my credit card.  
 MasterCard  VISA CVV Code:\* \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Cardholder Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_



- ALL TICKETS SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. PRICES MAY CHANGE.
- DO NOT SEND CASH - ALL SALES ARE FINAL - NO REFUNDS.
- All checks and credit cards have to be issued by the member. Third party checks and credit cards will not be accepted.
- When visiting Club offices, only the first 15-minutes of parking will be validated. The CLUB strongly encourages that members phone in orders before visiting our office.
- Orders will be processed as soon as received.
- Tickets must be mailed to your home address.
- City Employees Club of Los Angeles cannot be held responsible for money or tickets lost in the mail.
- For your convenience, the Club accepts VISA or MasterCard.
- **Maximum 12 tickets per event/theatre/attraction per order.**
- Allow 3 to 7 days for delivery.

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**TICKET GUY Tips for Visiting the Club Store:**



- I would strongly recommend that members place their orders by phone using a debit/credit card before visiting. This will help you avoid lines.
- The best time to visit the new Club Store would be around 9:15 a.m. Parking is abundant and portions of downtown are still sleeping.
- When visiting the Club Store, try to bring a co-worker who is not a member. If they sign up, you will receive a \$10 Gift Card. So bring Johnny or Lisa down.

# Club Store



## Men's Watches with City Seal

These watches have been meticulously crafted using only high-quality quartz movements. These new diver watches are made from solid stainless steel and genuine leather.

\*Plus tax and shipping



**Men's Watch, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #SF2000  
PRICE: \$25.00\*



**Men's Watch, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #SF1000  
PRICE: \$25.00\*



**Special Price!**

**Men's Watch, Silver**  
ITEM: #WGS3000  
PRICE: \$50.00\* **Now \$25**



**Men's Small Seal, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #WL2601  
PRICE: \$45.00\*



**Men's Large Seal, Stainless Steel Band**  
ITEM: #VVS2500  
PRICE: \$65.00\*



**Men's Large Seal, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #WL2600  
PRICE: \$45.00\*



**Special Price!**

**Men's Small DWP Seal, Stainless Steel Band**  
ITEM: #DWPWS2700  
PRICE: \$55.00\* **Now \$40**



**Special Price!**

**Men's Small DWP Seal, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #DWPW3050  
PRICE: \$45.00\* **Now \$35**

## Ladies' Watches with City Seal

**Ladies' Watch, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #LWBRN4000  
PRICE: \$25.00\*



**Ladies' Watch, Leather Band**  
ITEM: #LWBLK5000  
PRICE: \$25.00\*



**Ladies' Watch, Two-tone gold and silver**  
ITEM: #VGSW1000  
PRICE: \$50.00\*  
**Now \$25**

**Special Price!**



**Ladies' Watch, Silver Band**  
ITEM: #LWRF2000  
PRICE: \$25.00\*



## Writing Implement

### "City of Los Angeles" Engraved Pen & Case

**Member Price:**  
**\$19<sup>99</sup>**  
per pen\*



ITEM: #CLPEN3000

- Elegant electroplated two-tone 24k gold plated and chrome silver pen with solid brass construction.
- "City of Los Angeles" is engraved on the pen.

\*Plus tax and shipping

## Historical Books



**Hollywood Views of the Past & Present**  
ITEM: #B1659



**Los Angeles Views of the Past & Present**  
ITEM: #B1488



**Orange County Views of the Past & Present**  
ITEM: #B1544

**Club Discount Price!**  
(\$32.95 Retail)

**Member Price:**  
**\$25**  
per book\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

An excellent review of what these areas looked like in their humble beginnings compared to the present day. Photographs by the world famous George Ross Jezek.

# Club Store

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## City Button Down Shirts

**City Woman's Long Sleeve Button Down Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



**Member Price:**  
**\$25**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

- Black
- Sky Blue
- Khaki
- Navy Blue
- White

ITEM: #WMNLSSTCTY4000

**City Men's Short Sleeve Button Down Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



Available Colors:

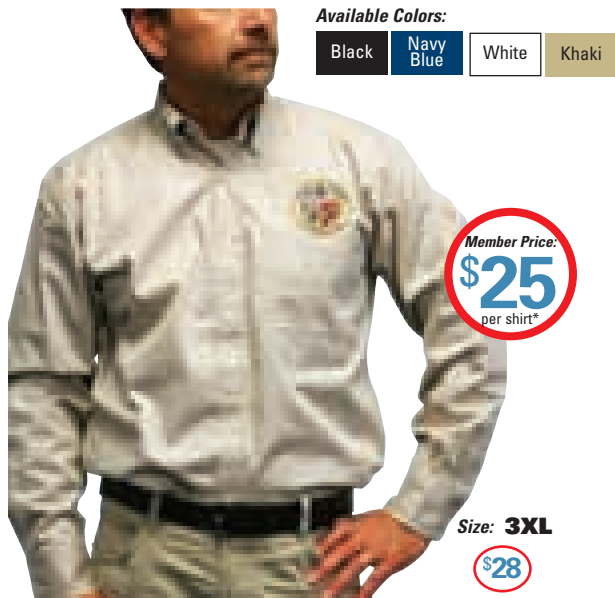
- Black
- Navy Blue
- Oxford
- White

**Member Price:**  
**\$22.99**  
 per jacket\*

Size: **3XL** **\$23.99**

ITEM: #CTYSLST1000

**City Men's Long Sleeve Button Down Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL 3XL**



Available Colors:

- Black
- Navy Blue
- White
- Khaki

**Member Price:**  
**\$25**  
 per shirt\*

Size: **3XL**

**\$28**

ITEM: #LSB1000

## City Girl "Classic" T-shirt

**City Girl "Classic" T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL**



Available Colors:  
 Crew Neck Style:

- Heather Gray
- Hot Pink
- Cherry

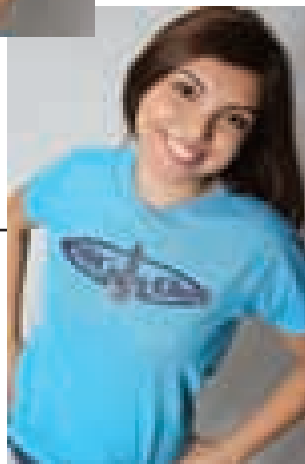
**Member Price:**  
**\$10**  
 per shirt\*

ITEM: #T-W1000

**City Girl "Retro" T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL**

Available Colors:  
 V-Neck Style:

- Black
- Caribbean Blue
- Violet
- White
- Key Lime



ITEM: #T-W2000

## Women's Classic Seal T-Shirt

**Women's Classic Seal T-Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Available Colors:

- Black
- Azalea
- Carolina Blue
- Royal
- Red
- Hot Pink
- White

**Member Price:**  
**\$10**  
 per shirt\*

Size: **3XL** **\$11**

- Available Colors:
- Black
  - White



ITEM: #WMNCLSC4000

## Fleece Jackets

**Men's Full Zip Polar Fleece w/ Embroidered City Seal**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

**Member Price:**  
**\$34.99**  
 per jacket\*

Available Colors:

- Black
- Charcoal
- Khaki
- Navy Blue



ITEM: #CTY3000

**Women's Full Zip Polar Fleece w/ Embroidered City Seal**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



**Member Price:**  
**\$30**  
 per jacket\*

Available Colors:

- Black
- Stone
- Sky Blue

ITEM: #WMNFLJKT1000

## Women's T-shirts

**City Women's - LA Hall Full Color Seal T-Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL**

**Member Price:**  
**\$11**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:  
 Crew Neck Style:

- Navy Blue

Available Colors:  
 V-Neck Style:

- Black

Size: **2XL**

Available Colors:  
 Crew Neck Style:

- Navy Blue

ITEM: #WFCS1000



**City Women's - LA Hall One Color Seal T-Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL**

**Member Price:**  
**\$8**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:  
 V-Neck Style:

- Black
- Heather Gray
- White

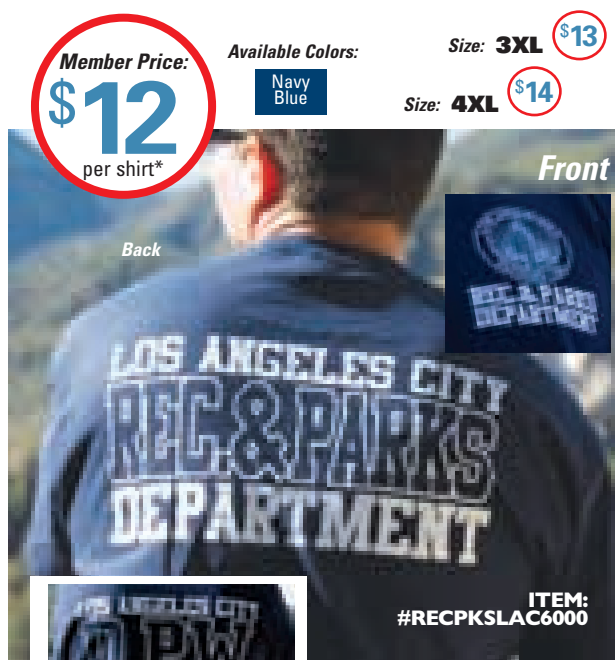
On white shirt, emblem is pink



ITEM: #JS1000

## City "Bold" Department Shirts

**City "Bold" Department Shirts**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



**Member Price:**  
**\$12**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

- Navy Blue

Size: **3XL** **\$13**

Size: **4XL** **\$14**

ITEM: #RECPKSLAC6000



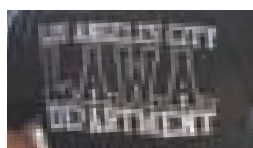
ITEM: #D.PWLAC1000



ITEM: #HARBORLAC2000



ITEM: #G.S.DLAC4000



ITEM: #L.A.WA.LAC5000  
 also available in:

- White
- Green
- Red
- Sky Blue

\*Plus tax and shipping

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## Polo Shirts

**City Seal Polo Shirt with Stripes**  
 Sizes: **M L XL 2XL**

Available Colors:  
 Black Navy Blue White

Member Price:  
**\$19<sup>99</sup>**  
 per shirt\*



ITEM: #CTYPOLO2000

**LA City Polo Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Front



ITEM: #PS1000

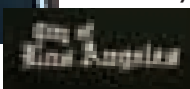
Member Price:  
**\$12**  
 per shirt\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

Available Colors:

Black  
 Navy Blue  
 Pink  
 White

Close-up of Embroidery



## City Seal Tank Tops

**Women's**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL**

Available Colors:

Hot Pink  
 White

On white shirt, emblem is pink

Member Price:  
**\$7<sup>50</sup>**  
 per shirt\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



ITEM: #WTT2000

**Men's**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



ITEM: #MTT3000

Member Price:  
**\$7<sup>50</sup>**  
 per shirt\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

Available Colors:

Heather Gray  
 White

## L.A. City T-shirts

**New City LA-Hall Long Sleeve T-Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



ITEM: #NC1000

Member Price:  
**\$12**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Black Navy Blue

Size: **3XL**

**\$13**

Size: **4XL**

**\$14**

Front



**New City LA-Hall Short Sleeve T-Shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



ITEM: #CN1000

Member Price:  
**\$8<sup>50</sup>**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Black Blue Dusky Navy Blue  
 Sport Gray Tan White

Sizes: **3XL**

**\$9<sup>50</sup>**

Sizes: **4XL**

**\$10<sup>50</sup>**

Available Colors:

Black Navy Blue Sport Gray

Front



**LA City "B-Label" T-Shirt (with Depts.)**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



Back

Member Price:  
**\$10**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Black  
 Gray  
 Navy Blue

Size: **3XL**

**\$13**

ITEM: #LAC-5000

**LA City "Alma Mater" T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



Front

Member Price:  
**\$5**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Black  
 Gray  
 Navy Blue

ITEM: #LAC-2000

**LA City "B-Label" Sweatshirt (with Depts.)**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



ITEM: #LAC-6000

Member Price:  
**\$22**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Black Navy Blue

Size: **3XL**

**\$23**

**LA City Seal T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



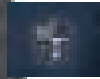
Front

Member Price:  
**\$10**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Cedar Dark Heather  
 Metro Blue Military Green  
 Sand Sky Blue

Front



ITEM: #MOC51000

**Short Sleeve "Classic" T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL (all colors)**



Member Price:  
**\$12**  
 per shirt\*

Non-Member Price:  
 \$25 per shirt  
 \*Plus tax and shipping

Available Colors:

Blue Dusky	Charcoal	Chestnut	Forest Green	Indigo Blue
Leaf Green	Light Pink	Maroon	Olive	Orange
Royal	Sport Gray	Texas Orange	White	White available with front pocket.
Black	Navy Blue			

Front



Back



ITEM: #T1000

Sizes: **3XL** **\$13**

Available Colors:

Blue Dusky	Charcoal	Forest Green
Indigo Blue	Royal	Sport Gray
White	Black	Navy Blue

White available with front pocket.

Sizes: **4XL** **\$14**

Available Colors:

Indigo Blue	Sport Gray
Black	Navy Blue

**LA City "Olde English" T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



Back

Member Price:  
**\$8**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

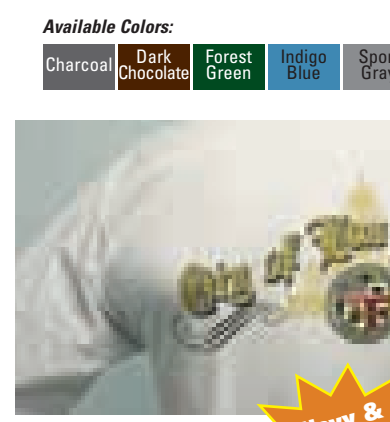
Black Navy Blue

Front



ITEM: #LAC-4000

**Long Sleeve "Classic" T-shirt**  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**



Back

Member Price:  
**\$15**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:

Charcoal Dark Chocolate Forest Green Indigo Blue Sport Gray White

\*Plus tax and shipping

Size: **3XL** **\$16**

Available Colors:

Dark Chocolate	Forest Green	Indigo Blue	Sport Gray
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**Navy & Black LIMITED**

Size: **4XL** **\$17**

Available Colors:

Black	Navy Blue	White
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## DWP T-shirts

DWP "Water" T-Shirt  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Member Price:  
**\$12**  
 per shirt\*



ITEM: #WTRSDE3000

Available Colors:  
 White Navy Blue

## Kid's T-shirts

"Official City Kid"  
 Kid's T-shirt

Sizes: **XS S M L XL**

Available Colors:  
 Green  
 Red  
 Royal Blue

Member Price:  
**\$8.99**  
 per shirt\*



ITEM: #KIDOFF2000

DWP "Classic" Long Sleeve T-Shirt  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Member Price:  
**\$15**  
 per shirt\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

Available Colors:  
 Gray Charcoal  
 Maroon Carolina Blue  
 Sand

Size: **3XL**  
**\$16**  
 Available Color:  
 Gray



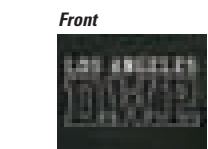
ITEM: #T2500VWP

Navy & Black LIMITED

DWP "Bold" T-Shirt  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Member Price:  
**\$8.50**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:  
 Black Navy Blue White

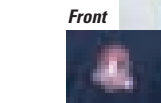


ITEM: #T3000VWP

Water & Power T-shirt  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Member Price:  
**\$10**  
 per shirt\*

Available Colors:  
 Black  
 Navy Blue  
 Orange  
 White



ITEM: #T2002VWP

Available Colors:  
 Black  
 Navy Blue  
 Orange  
 White  
 White available with front pocket.



ITEM: #T2003VWP

Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Available Colors:  
 Blue Dusk Charcoal Orange Black Navy Blue White  
 White available with front pocket.

Member Price:  
**\$12**  
 per shirt\*

Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Available Colors:  
 Navy Blue Orange White Black



ITEM: #T2000VWP

Size: **3XL**  
 Available Colors:  
 Blue Dusk Charcoal  
 Black Navy Blue

Size: **4XL**  
 Available Colors:  
 Black Navy Blue



ITEM: #T2001VWP

## City Jackets



City Executive Sueded Microfiber Jacket  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL**

Member Price:  
**\$45**  
 per jacket\*

Available Colors:  
 Brown  
 Charcoal  
 Indigo Blue

ITEM#: SUDJKT1000

\*Plus tax and shipping

City Windbreaker  
 Sizes: **S M L XL 2XL 3XL**

Available Colors:  
 Black with Gray Stripes  
 Gray with Black Stripes

Member Price:  
**\$32.50**  
 per jacket\*

Sizes: **3XL**  
**\$35.50**



ITEM: #JKT2000



ITEM: #JKT1000

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## Hats Hats Hats! High quality embroidered ball caps!

### City Seal Ball Cap with Department Name



**Transportation**  
NAVY: #H2003  
BLACK: #H2004

**Member Price:**  
**\$10**  
per hat\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



**Bureau of Sanitation**  
FOREST GREEN: #H1996  
NAVY: #H1995  
BLACK: #H1998

**Hats available for these departments:**

**Bureau of Sanitation**  
FOREST GREEN: #H1996  
NAVY: #H1995  
BLACK: #H1998

**General Services**  
NAVY: #H1999  
BLACK: #H2000

**Harbor**  
NAVY: #H2005  
BLACK: #H2006

**Public Works**  
NAVY: #H2001  
BLACK: #H2002

**Recreation & Parks**  
NAVY: #H1993  
BLACK: #H1992

**Transportation**  
NAVY: #H2003  
BLACK: #H2004

**Water & Power**  
NAVY: #H1997  
BLACK: #H1998

**Retiree**  
BLACK: #H2007

**Available Colors:**



### DWP Ball Cap



**DWP Hat**  
BLACK: #DPWH3000

**Member Price:**  
**\$8**  
per hat\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



**DWP Hat**  
NAVY: #DPWH2000

### City Seal Ball Cap

NAVY: #H1628  
ORANGE: #H1661  
KHAKI: #H1988  
BLACK: #H1987



**City Seal**

**Member Price:**  
**\$8**  
per hat\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



### City Seal Ball Cap with Script

NAVY: #H1989  
ORANGE: #H1990  
KHAKI: #H1991  
BLACK: #H1613



**Seal w/Script**  
NAVY: #H1989

**Member Price:**  
**\$8**  
per hat\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



**Seal w/Script**  
BLACK: #H1613

**Available Colors:**



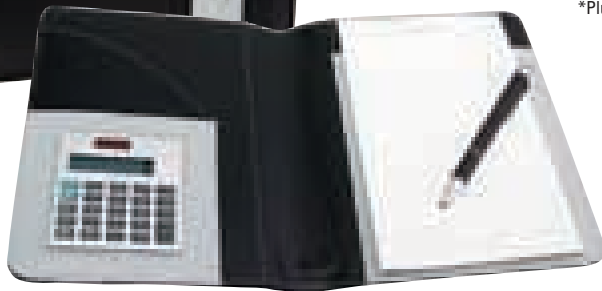
## City Seal Merchandise

### City Executive Portfolio with Pen and Calculator

Size: 9" x 7"



ITEM: #EXEPWC1000



**Member Price:**  
**\$20**  
per portfolio\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

### City Umbrella

**Member Price:**  
**\$19.99**  
each\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



ITEM: #CTYUMB1000

### City of LA Portfolio Deluxe Bag

ITEM: #DELBG1000



**Member Price:**  
**\$20**  
per bag\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

**Available Color:**

Black

### City Hot Beverage Mug

**Member Price:**  
**\$9.99**  
per mug\*

\*Plus tax and shipping



ITEM: #MGS1000

### City Professional Bag

**Member Price:**  
**\$25**  
per bag\*

\*Plus tax and shipping

**Available Color:**

Black



ITEM: #BAG1000

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## City Seal Lapel Pins



**DWP Enamel Lapel Pin - 3/4" Diameter**  
ITEM: #LP4 PRICE: \$10.00\* **Now \$5**



**"The Classic" Enamel Lapel Pin - 3/4" Diameter**  
ITEM: #LP3 PRICE: \$10.00\* **Now \$8**



**Gold Embossed Lapel Pin - 3/4" Diameter**  
ITEM: #LP2 PRICE: \$5.00\*



**Full-Color Silkscreened Lapel Pin - 3/4" Diameter**  
ITEM: #LPI PRICE: \$5.00\*



**City of LA Hall Enamel Pin**  
ITEM: #LPH1 PRICE: \$5.00\*



**City of LA Hall Silver Finish Pin**  
ITEM: #LPH2 PRICE: \$5.00\*

## Decals



**LA City Decal, 3" Diameter**  
ITEM: #DECLAC2000 • PRICE: \$2.50\*  
\*Tax included



**DWP Decal, 3" Diameter**  
ITEM: #DECWP1000 • PRICE: \$2.50\*  
\*Tax included

## City Seal Key Chain



**City Seal Key Chain - Silver**  
ITEM: #LAKC2000



**Member Price: \$5 per chain\***  
**Club Discount Price! (\$10 Retail)**  
\*Plus tax and shipping

**City Seal Key Chain**  
ITEM: #LAKC001

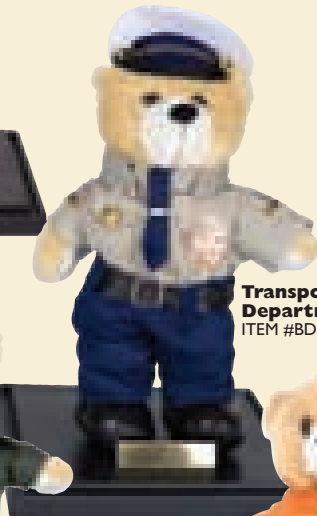
## City Department Bears

**Member Price: \$20 per bear\***  
\*Plus tax and shipping



**DWP**  
ITEM #BDWP

Each custom made "City Bear" stands 10" tall and is dressed in meticulously detailed and accurate uniforms. **Stand not included.**



**Transportation Department**  
ITEM #BDOT



**General Services**  
ITEM #BGSD



**Sanitation Department**  
ITEM #BBOS



**Street Services**  
ITEM #BSTS

**Member Price: \$12 per bear\***  
\*Plus tax and shipping

**Available T-shirt Colors:**  
Blue  
Green



**CITY SEAL BEAR**  
ITEM #TEBY1000

## City Wall Clocks



ITEM: #C8003

**Member Price: \$12 per clock\***  
\*Plus tax and shipping



ITEM: #WCWSP3000

**10" Diameter Battery Operated (AA)**

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