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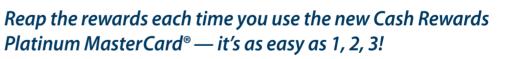
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A Message From the CEO

Good Story, Marshland Are Growing In the Valley

by John Hawkins, President and CEO, The Club

ree we are in the fall... and right on cue, things are really Here we are in the fail... and right on each, and i ght humming in the City, and here in the Club. How can I tell this? Not so much because of the weather, but by seeing how jam-packed Alive! is, with news of all sorts of cool events and Club benefits. Things are busy, so let's get right to it!

After that intro about how much things are bustling, I start off with... some thoughts on the quiet, pastoral beauty of the great outdoors! But that's where our Alive! duties took us this month, spending time with our good friends and Club Members at the DWP out of the Bishop office. What they're doing with the regrowth of native vegetation and the upgrading of the streams - without any reseeding or big machines is awesome. It's done through better management of the lands and the cattle that graze on them. The DWP is on the case, and the land is blooming. I could feel the results on my legs as we walked through the thick, beautiful brush and grasses, and then crossed the streams, in the shadow of the mountains. This is beautiful land, made at least this much better by the DWP. Thanks to Dave Martin, Lori Dermody, Chris Plakos and the whole transecting crew for showing us a great story.

We all know the tensions the DWP faces in the Eastern Sierras. But this is the kind of story that few other media cover. Alive! does, because we look for them. When you start out looking for good news, looking to celebrate the good work that the City does every day, you tend to find it! They're there, for the telling. I was glad to be up in the Eastern Sierras with the DWP, as I always am. But I was doubly excited that we were able to tell our readers all about it. Can you tell I love the Club, and all that we do for our Club Members? Well, it's true.



From left: Chris Plakos, PR Manager, and Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist, both with the DWP; and John Hawkins, Club CEO

In other news, let me take a moment to congratulate the Convention Center on its 40th anniversary. It's one of the City's best departments. They know how to get things done, and return revenue back to the City at the same time. They're in the forefront of sustainable operations and solar initiatives, while they're maintaining a strong facility. With all the talk of the new football stadium downtown, I feel that the Convention Center is getting lost. They're doing good work, and we're happy to celebrate with them. And I would be wrong if I didn't mention one of the best Club reps/Club Members out there - Luis Aguilar at the Convention Center. Luis gathered the elements for the anniversary story, plus the story on the employee luncheon. He believes in the Club, and he's one of the best guys we know in the City. Thanks, Luis. You're a winner. Let's talk about a new Club benefit now. Have you had your identity stolen, or known someone who has? I'm sure you have, as it's a real problem. We're here to help. The Club is now offering access to InfoArmor, which can help protect and defend you should you have your ID stolen. Actually, it's more like when, not if. I suggest you look into this new Club benefit. Talk to your Club Counselor. Can you believe it's nearly Halloween? Wait no longer, and book your fun with any of the several great Club Halloween events. Rachael Brecher, the Ticket Gal, has lined up some great events. So don't wait! (And get your tickets now for the Pirate's Adventure, a Club exclusive event. We've booked the whole place!)

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Club CEO John Hawkins photographs Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist, DWP, along the Crowley Lake tributary system.

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- Eric Koenigshofer, June 2010

The Club's claims service is "very good. You were efficient, pleasant and respectful. [The Fall of Freddie the Leaf is a nice sentiment - simplistic, but appreciated." - John Koenigshofer, June 2010

The Club's claims service is "excellent. Every phone call I made to your office, everyone was pleasant, compassionate, and helpful. Thank you all so much for everything! We wanted something to help my grandson with Grandpa's death, and /The Fall of Freddie the Leaf] is perfect. Thank you so much."

- Donna Goldfarb, June 2010

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- Hope Lin, June 2010

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LETTER OF THE MONTH

Getting the Details Right Is All in a Day's Work at *Alive!*

Honestly kids, I just don't know how you do it. Your articles are simply amazing. I just finished reading "The Trace Chase" and was overwhelmed with your well-written dialogue. The best part is that your questions are tailored for everyone to understand – I know that what these forensic scientists do is



to understand – I know that what these forensic scientists do is extremely complicated, but you boys have a way of making it very understandable. I also like being able to see both "Johns" [Alive! editor John Burnes, and Club CEO John Hawkins] working together in the photos. The two of you go to great lengths for us, and I just wanted to know that I really appreciate the work that you and your staff do. Now get back to work, you've got another issue to put together, don't you? Signing off from the high desert.

– Mary Rose Wilkens, retired and loving it

Hi again Mary Rose, thanks! Sometimes the functions that City Employees do every day can be a bit complicated to explain. But we love going through it over and over until we get it right, without oversimplifying. We love covering the duties of City Employees... and yes, we're already well into next month's story. When it comes to the cool stuff that City Employees do, there's always more to tell! – Ed.

With Insurance, It Pays To Have the Long View

Hey there City Employees Club! I just wanted to say thanks for helping me with all my insurance needs. I had insurance with a different association but cancelled everything and went with you guys, mainly because what you provide is "necessary" insurance as opposed to bells and whistles. My investment portfolio manager told me that the two most important insurance products that I should have are life insurance and long-term disability insurance. He told me that many insurance companies are selling "short"term disability, but that I should focus on "long"term disability first, and if I have money left over, then maybe I could get some short-term disability insurance. He paid the Club a very high compliment, telling me that you are the ones to trust...and he was especially impressed that none of your staff are on commission, unlike all the other agents running around the City. So, thank you for letting me trust you with the wellbeing of my family and me.

– Todd Butler, a happy Club Member

Hi Todd, your investment manager is right – those are the best policies to have. The Club offers these products because it believes in serving City Employees, and empowering them to lead great lives. Thanks for writing! – Ed.

After Seeing Photo, He Makes (Olympic) Jump to His Memory

That picture that Earl and Debra [Earl Rodgers, DWP, and Zebbra Corbin-Rodgers, DWP, September issue] took in *Alive! Around the* remember seeing the Winter Olympics there, and it brought back wonderful memories. It sure looks different without any snow!

- Ken Rosenberg, Rec and Parks

Hard at Work, You Deserve To Have a Picture in Alive!

Hi there! I love your City Employees at work feature! Can I email you a picture of my crew and me working? And if so, who do I send the photo to?

– Mary Swanson, Rec and Parks

Hi Mary, yes, absolutely! Just send your photo to info@cityemployeesclub.com. We look forward to seeing yours and many others from City Employees!

Son of a Gun, There's Great Fun With Marilyn's Jambalaya Recipe

Oh wow! Marilyn's Jambalaya is a recipe for kings /*Cooking With the Club, September*/! I really enjoyed making this one and the flavor was incredible! I give this a double-thumbs-up! I even emailed the Chef [Larios] to get the secret ingredient! It is magical what it does to the taste.

– Keith Lasco, LAPD

Hi Keith, it's no secret that we have lots of great cooks here in the City. Send in your best recipes to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com, and we might publish them, turning you into a rock star! Well, you know, sort of. But send 'em







Alive! Feature

ver the last 20 years, through management of livestock grazing and recreation, the DWP has staged a comeback of vegetation in the Long Valley. The Crowley Lake Tributary Stream Enhancement Program has been producing results, with renewed native growth along the streams. Here's how they're doing it.

Crowley Lake Tributary Stream Enhancement Program

Throughout the west, livestock grazing and other historic land uses that began more than a century ago, along with increasing use of streams for fishing, hunting, and other forms of public recreation, have impacted vegetation along streams, resulting in declining fishery and wildlife habitat and water quality. In recent years, public interest in the protection and enhancement of these important resources has grown.

Photos by John Hawkins, Club CEO; John Burnes, Alive! editor; and courtesy the DWP.

Recognizing the need to improve stream conditions, DWP biologists, ranch lessees, and consultants with riparian (stream-side) habitat enhancement expertise completed environmental studies of tributaries to Crowley Lake in California's Eastern High Sierra Mountains in 1990. The studies showed the need for additional pasture fencing, which would allow both recreational and livestock use of the areas, while promoting natural improvement in streamside habitat.

In 1991, DWP staff, lessees and consultants began developing plans to modify fencing and grazing practices in the Crowley Lake tributary area. They had two goals: to provide ranchers with the

tools to effectively control, based upon scientific criteria, livestock timing and distribution in pastures and along the creeks; and to provide the public with convenient parking locations and creek access points that reduce human impacts to streams and adjacent wet meadows.

Implementation of the plans began in 1992 with the installation of the first fencing along Convict Creek. Since then, the DWP has



Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist, DWP on the cover of this month's *Alive*!

installed fencing on McGee Creek, Mammoth Creek, and the Upper Owens River using the same restoration approach.

Fence Me In... and Out

Key to the new vegetative growth is the management of cattle

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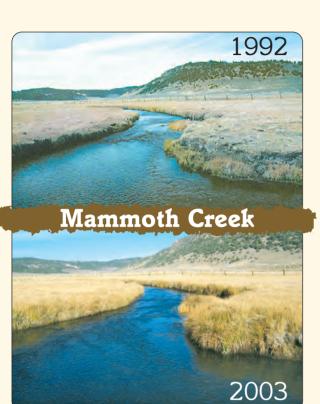
New native vegetation is sprouting in the Crowley Lake tributary area in Long Valley, thanks in part to the DWP's management and monitoring.

grazing. The DWP leases much of its land in the area to private ranchers, who raise cattle on the land. Uncontrolled cattle grazing wore down the grounds.

In 1992, new fencing was installed that created a series of riparian pastures. Historically, the streamside meadows were open and accessible to livestock the entire growing season. Grasses along the stream have access to plentiful water and tend to grow faster. Livestock would concentrate along the stream and never move. With the fencing in place, the rancher can open the riparian pasture and allow the cattle to move into the pasture to graze, and when approximately 30 percent of the forage has been utilized, they move the cows out and close the gates. The cattle then can't just hang around and munch on the grasses. This allows the grasses to recover before the end of the growing season.

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New Growth in the Valley

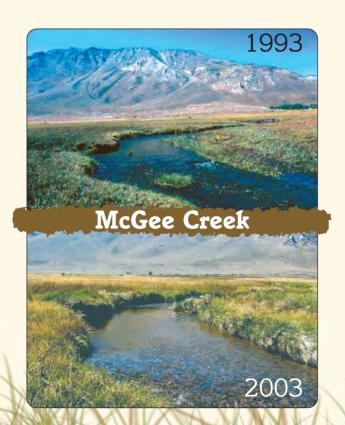


Signs of Success

The changes are clear to see in the Crowley Lake tributary system.

Although this year's data – chronicled partly in this issue of *Alive!* – are not yet finalized, field time thus far indicates that the stream channels are narrowing, banks are stabilizing, and desirable riparian species now inhabit the stream banks in most areas. This was confirmed through the department's data collected in 2003 and 2004, and the field biologists expect this year's data to indicate the same.

Here are some photos of the difference.



'This Is fabulous! This is why we work in this field.'

- Lori Dermody, DWP Watershed Resources Specialist

THE ALIVE! INTERVIEW

On Aug. 17, Alive! CEO John Hawkins interviewed Dr. David Martin, Watershed Resources Supervisor, and Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist, about the department's successful project in managing the cattle and people, bringing back native vegetation, and improving water quality. The interview took place in a conference room in the DWP's Bishop office. —Ed.

Alivel: So Dave, in layman's terms, what do you do?

DAVE MARTIN: I supervise a staff of 17 watershed resources specialists. We have about 315,000 acres of fairly pristine watershed. We're responsible for monitoring all of the activities to ensure that we comply with state and federal environmental regulations, which includes monitoring threatened and endangered species, compliance with a lot of resources codes, and fish and game codes, among other things. And today what did we see? DAVE: You saw the 20th year of monitoring for the Long Valley Riparian Livestock Management Program.

What does riparian mean?

Is this unique in the City? Are there other biologists in the City or DWP that do something similar?

DAVE: There are other biologists, but they're fairly specialized, as far as I know. We specialize mostly on land management, so we have a lot of folks with specialties in wildlife management, soil science, plant ecology... LORI DERMODY: Botany, fisheries...

DAVE: Right. Our breadth of experiences is much larger than you'll find in another biological group that might work for the City.

Origins of the Project

How often do you transect to measure the changes?

DAVE: We do some type of transect sampling every year someplace in the valley.

DAVE: It's the vegetation associated with the water in the stream.

A marsh?

LORI: Streamside.

DAVE: Yes, streamside vegetation. A hyporheic zone is the influence of the water from the stream extending into the flood plain. It depends on the soils how far it extends, and that dictates how wide your riparian band is. It's the streamside vegetation affected by the water flowing down the creek.

Why is what you're doing important?

DAVE: The watershed in the Upper Owens was in fairly bad condition in the 1990s, and CalTrout – an environmental special interest group that focuses on fisheries, the trout fisheries specifically – contacted the [DWP]. The streams were in a fairly degraded condition. They had been for a number of years because of the grazing practices that were ongoing at the time. Our managers contacted a consulting company from Idaho, Ecosystem Sciences, and their principal scientist, Bill Platts. He was one of the very first riparian restoration ecologists in the western United States. They brought him in, and he was working with my predecessors to develop this riparian livestock-grazing program 20 years ago. Management of the cattle that graze in the valley has been key to the regrowth of the area's vegetation.

Alive! Feature

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In addition to the fencing, alterations were made to the timing and duration of the livestock grazing.

"After 20 years, the changes [to the native habitat] have been phenomenal," says Dave Martin, Watershed Resources Supervisor, DWP, who's in charge of the project.

Runoff Management

Additionally, snowmelt runoff is more controlled and passed down directly into the creeks. This allows nature to do the heavy lifting in the restoration process: The entire amount of stream power is available to physically reshape the stream channel from being wider and shallower (untamed) to being narrower and deeper, which better promotes riparian health.

A degraded stream will be wider and shallower because there will be no vegetation to armor and protect the banks. As the stream heals, vegetation begins to grow on the banks, causing the stream power to be directed to the bottom of the channel, causing it to deepen. As this process continues, the channel continues to narrow and deepen. This is exactly what has been observed on the upper Owens River and its tributary streams.

The peak water runoff usually comes at about the time of peak seed release by the most desirable riparian plant species, so no active seeding or planting was needed for restoration purposes.

Riparian Monitoring

DWP biologists note changes in the stream profile and vegetation communities over time through periodic monitoring of the riparian corridor. In this case, DWP biologists measure changes in plant



Chris Plakos, Public Relations Manager, and Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist.

communities, species diversity and cover, new growth of woody species such as willows and cottonwoods, streambank condition, and changes in stream channel shape and function. They do so by running cross channel transects, where they record data at regular intervals to characterize the current conditions of the site. These data are then compared to past data to note trends and changes over time, to recognize successes and failures, and to provide information to guide future management. Biologists visit each site periodically at the same time of year to judge how the environment has changed.

Better Water From Better Lands

That was 20 years ago.

DAVE: Right. The project has improved the conditions where the watershed is now to a point where we don't have the sediment load in the creeks that we once had, so we have a cleaner water supply. To the City, that means less cost for cleaning the water, because we're delivering better-quality water. And because the watershed's in an improved condition, the quantity of water also delivered to the City can be increased. Those natural and it goes right in your reservoirs with all that sediment and all that stuff that's on the flood plain. Well, now we've got an intact meadow community with all of these nice grasses and grass-like species that you saw today. Those filter the sediments as the water runs down. And then the soil pores, which used to be compacted because of the livestock action, are now open, and those will hold water and act as soil storage reservoirs. Through time, those soils can release that water back into the system. It fills up, and then it slowly releases the water back in. It improves the availability of water to the City as well.

riparian flood plains act as sponges when the snowmelt comes off, because our stream systems are all snowmelt driven. The snow is essentially a reservoir for the City. And when that snowmelt starts coming off, if you've got degraded watershed conditions it

just flushes down. It's

like flushing a toilet,

Our maintenance cost is reduced because now we don't have all the maintenance on the stream systems, the diversion structures, the measuring stations, and reservoir storage. Reservoir life has been extended because we're not filling them with sediments.

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Transects are also done on land such as in the photo on page 11. Note in the photo that the biologists are using a tape measure at this site. They move along the tape in a specific direction, taking their measurements at specific distances. ■

From left: John Hawkins, Club CEO, and Dave Martin, Watershed Resources Supervisor, DWP.



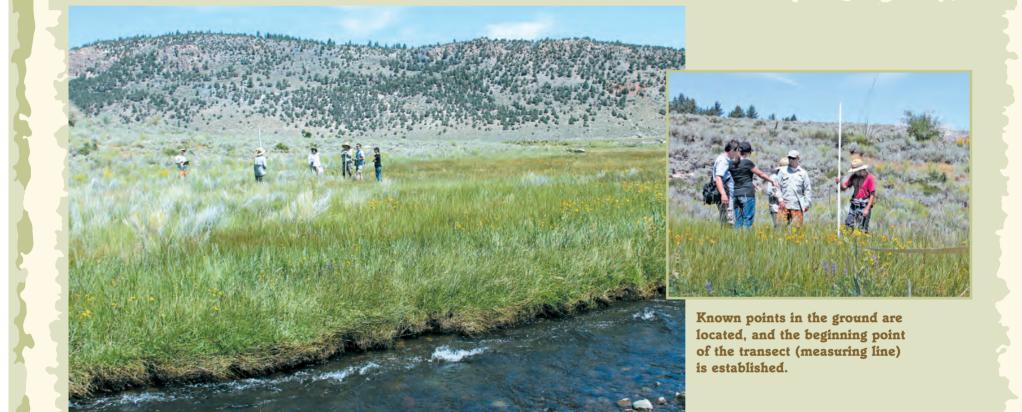
Documenting the Restoration

The riparian (streamside) areas of Long Valley are seeing regrowth of native species, thanks to the DWP's management of livestock grazing and recreation.

Monitoring the Stream

In this effort, DWP biologists measure changes in the stream shape and function, bank condition, and vegetation communities of the river and creeks over time. Known points are made in the ground and logged via GPS. Then, at regular intervals, the biologists come back and re-measure the vegetation conditions and channel characteristics to note changes.

These photos were taken Aug. 17 along Mammoth Creek, a tributary of Crowley Lake.



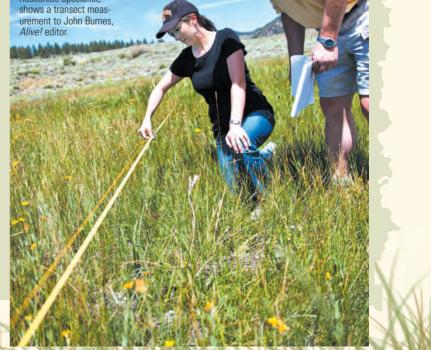




Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist,



The transect is represented by this yellow measuring tape, which reaches from one side of the creek to the other. The cross channel transect is set up so that multiple vegetation communities and landforms will be represented (generally terrace to terrace). Measurements are recorded along this tape.



Alive! Feature



Measurements are taken along the transect as it crosses the stream. This measures how deep the channel is at known points.

Measuring landform elevation and the depth of the creek are Watershed **Resources Specialists Chris** Allen (in the jacket) and David Livingston (in the red shirt.) TOP PHOTO: In the background are Watershed Resources Specialists Jason Morgan and Collette Zemitis.



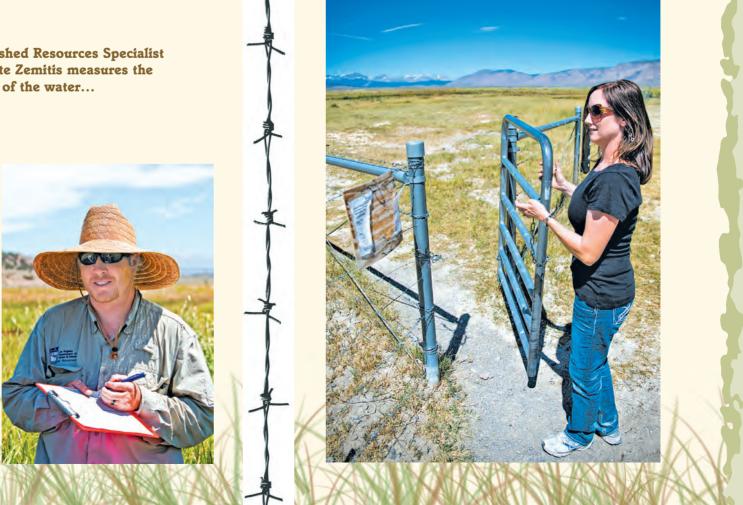
The Fences

Key to better land management has been the construction of fences, which manage how the livestock graze the riparian areas. The DWP leases much of its land in Long Valley to cattle ranchers.

The fences can be opened and closed to better manage the grazing of livestock. Previously, cattle could graze all day on the same land, depleting the vegetation. Now the cattle are encouraged to move on to other pastures, allowing the native vegetation to recover and flourish. The fences also allow recreational access to the river.



Watershed Resources Specialist Collette Zemitis measures the depth of the water...



...while Watershed Resources Specialist Jason Morgan records the measurement.

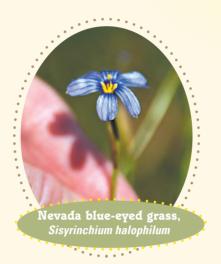
New Growth in the Valley



Lori Dermody with Baltic rush (Juncus balticus), Nebraska sedge (Carex nebraskensis), Kentucky bluegrass (Poa pratensis), saltgrass (Distichlis spicata)

They're Back!

Here are some of the native vegetation species that are flourishing again in Long Valley, thanks in part to the DWP's management.





Indian paintbrush, Castilleja s











Western mountain aster, Aster occidentali * * * * * * * *

ush, Juncus balticus





bluegrass, Poa

THE ALIVE! INTERVIEW

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Success Stories

Is this a success story?

LORI: Absolutely. This is fabulous. And it's precedent-setting. DAVE: It is.

LORI: We've added similar management further down the Owens Valley subsequently, for managing the Middle and Lower Owens River. A lot of those things were based on the principles that had been exercised in the Upper Owens River in Long Valley.

What about other places in California or other places in the United States? Is this a case study?

DAVE: It is now. It is a case study. It was one of the first restoration activities of this magnitude that took place anywhere in the West. We don't tell our story as much as we should, and that's one of the big things that we're trying to do. We're going to work on a manuscript this winter and we hope to submit it for publication to the Journal of Range Management so that people can see our success. There's still a large environmental community out there that sees livestock use of the riparian areas as strictly forbidden, that it should never be allowed. And with our program, you can graze the riparian. We've shown that you can graze the riparian systems and maintain the habitat for threatened and endangered species and for the fishery, and still allow cattlemen to make a livelihood from the landscape.

We saw a lot of the fences, the gates, and the pastures.

LORI: Right, the pastures. It's one of the first projects that actually used the riparian pastures as opposed to riparian exclosures. In this case, pastures are a way to use cattle to help manage the land as opposed to excluding them entirely from the riparian corridor.

That might be tempting to some, to just get rid of all of them and let's keep it unused.

DAVE: It's the easiest way to do it, to fence them out and don't let the livestock enter.

So this is an experiment that worked. DAVE: It is.

LORI: Yes. In that [exclusion] type of situation, you might have a whole lot of thatch buildup, and subsequently may not get the diversity that you had using the cattle as a tool.

Rewarding

Do you like your jobs?

- LORI: Yes.
- DAVE: Most days.

LORI: Most days. It is rewarding. Days like today, absolutely. This is why we work in this field.

What do you love about your job?

DAVE: The diversity of things we get to do. LORI: I would say the same. A lot of variety.

Name a few.

DAVE: Working at Owens Lake one day, working in Mono Basin the next day, working in the Lower Owens River Project the third day, working around Bishop the fourth day, and Long Valley the fifth day. Because of our range, we go from the North Mono Basin all the way down to Rose Valley, which is south of Haiwee Reservoir, something like 150 miles. LORI: Nearly, yes.

DAVE: And we work with desert tortoises, Mohave ground squirrels, and Apache fritillaries, which are an endangered butterfly. LORI: We saw them today.

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DAVE: Apache fritillaries, Southwestern willow flycatchers, yellow billed cuckoos, Owens pupfish, Owens tui chub, sage-grouse...

You guys are extreme — you know everything!

LORI: One day you could be doing stream monitoring, the next you could be doing bird surveys, or vegetation monitoring.

It must be great to see the vegetation and things come back.

DAVE: It really is.

Is there a sense of accomplishment? DAVE: Yes.

I can only imagine that, because the DWP has had a tough time up here recently.

DAVE: And those are the days that make it less fun, the tough times that we have to deal with. We're still dealing with those today, but I love my job! I love my job!

Thank you, Dave. DAVE: Thank you!

Special Thanks

Alive! thanks Dr. Dave Martin, Watershed Resources Supervisor; Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist; and Chris Plakos, Public Relations Manager, Bishop Office, for their welcome and great assistance.



From left: John Hawkins, Club CEO; Dave Martin, Watershed Resources Supervisor; and Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Specialist



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Bolsa Chica State Beach



Hanging loose with Angel Jr. in Huntington Beach. — Huntington Beach, Calif.



Angel Jr. and I by a lifeguard tower along the bike path.

ello again, everybody!

This month, we traveled to Huntington Beach. I'm guessing most of you have been there or at least have heard of it - it's "Surf City USA."

The Bolsa Chica Path in Huntington Beach is about three to four miles long, depending where you start. The asphalt is a bit rough for rollerblades or skateboards with hard wheels. If you aren't using them, you will enjoy this small adventure into our coastal paradise. I have already gone back numerous times, and I see something new each time. This is a wonderful way to exercise and truly enjoy our coastal beaches.

Let's begin!

The Bike Ride

This bike ride is really a beginner route; most of the path is flat except for a short hill up to Dog Beach (a small incline). The actual path or bike route is fairly wide, and you have to be careful of lots of people biking, jogging, and walking their dogs all along the bike route. I love to take my time and cruise the bike path. It's one of the most relaxing and visually satisfying ways to spend your day.

This path is right along the beach; there are lots of bathrooms along the way and a few snack stands, too. Please be aware of the sand (it creeps onto the path), and if you drive over enough sand, you may lose control and find yourself on the ground. My youngest son, Aden, found this out the hard way. He was about to start up the small

hill to Dog Beach when his front wheel went into the sand and *pow*! He took a short fall into the asphalt (ouch!). He scratched and cut his palm and elbow, but he is a tough kid. (Lesson learned: beware of sand!). Of course, I wanted him to keep going, but Mommy took care of her baby, and they started back to the car for bandages and a little bit of Mommy's TLC. That was at about the 3.5-mile mark, so by travelling back they completed let's say about 7 miles. I love you, Aden.

Angel Jr. and I continued up the hill at Dog Beach and finally made it to the Huntington Beach pier area. Our round trip was a total of about 11 miles. We went past the pier for a short time (which added to our travel miles).

So, go by the beach and ride the path. If you don't have a bike rack or a bike, you can always just rent the



Bolsa Chica State Beach

Pacific Coast Highway, between Golden West Street and Warner Avenue, Huntington Beach (714) 846-3460

HIGHLIGHTS: Bike paths, camping, hiking, surfing, skating, rollerblading, dog walking. FACILITIES: Food & drink, lifeguards,

restrooms, showers, picnic areas, and fire pits. There are 50 RV campsites (no tent camping). BIKE PATH DISTANCE: 7.5 to 11 miles (depending where you start) DIFFICULTY RATING: easy HIKE TIME: 1 hour TRAIL CONDITION: asphalt

Angel Jr., Aden, and

I take a short break.

DIRECTIONS: From Interstate 405, take the Valley View Street/Bolsa Chica Road exit and go south to get onto Bolsa Chica Road. Four miles south, turn right at the "T" intersection on Warner Avenue. After 1.25 miles, Warner meets the Pacific Coast Highway (Highway 1). Cross the highway and turn right on Pacific Avenue, then left at Second Street, and park in the tiny free lot. (Get there early, or you will have to drive south down the Pacific Coast Highway and pay \$15 to park at one of the big lots next to the beach.) To park at Huntington Beach, exit Interstate 405 at Highway 39 (Beach Boulevard) and head south. Two and a half miles down at the Ellis/Main Street intersection, turn right onto Main Street, which takes you the remaining three miles down to the coast. Park at the beach near the Huntington Pier. **PARKING:** Metered parking available or \$15 for Bolsa Chica State Beach (all day).Camping fees for RV camping is around \$65-75 per night or \$455 per week. No tent camping is allowed. Book online at reserveamerica.com **OPERATING HOURS:** 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. The entrance gates close at 9 p.m.

> BOLSA CHICA SB MULTI-USE TRAIL

Bolsa Chica multi-use trail sign.



This is a wonderful way to exercise and truly enjoy our coastal beaches.

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Aden at about the three-mile mark and going strong.

bikes and cruise for about an hour. If you really like it, then go buy a bike and bike rack. Lastly, I would encourage you to go early in the morning. Bring water, sunscreen, and change for the metered parking just in case.

Special Note: A speed limit of five mph along the bike path is strictly enforced. Remember that multi-use makes this a premier venue to encounter joggers with dogs, children, enthusiasts on rollerblades, and also leisurely pedestrians who do not necessarily realize that you are coming up behind them. Take your time riding this bike path: The scenery is gorgeous, and you are likely to meet some nice folks along the way. Just being out in the area makes you want to be active; usually the hardest part is getting everyone back into the car!

This trip is usually free but could cost you a max of \$15 for parking. When you finish, you can stay and enjoy a wonderful day at the beach. That's exactly what we did. We packed a small ice chest, filled it with sandwiches, chips and water. It was a fun day at the beach!

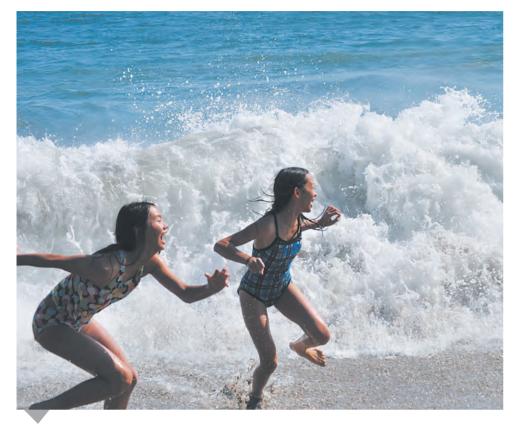
Don't forget to bring your camera and take plenty of photos and send them to me at agomez@cityemployeesclub.com. Bring water, snacks and maybe some sunscreen.

As always, be safe and Be Alive!, Angel





John Hawkins, Club CEO



"We spent an afternoon at Malibu. I captured this moment of the girls screaming while chased by the waves."

- Jimmy Lee, CDD

John's comments: Now that's what summer is all about, especially in Southern California! Thanks Jimmy for sharing!



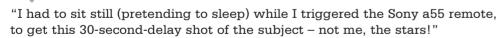
"While overseeing a construction project in Wilmington. I took this picture of a bird feeding her children in their nest."

– Kevin Harbor, Harbor

John's comments: Kevin, you caught this family at just the right moment and how you got so close is beyond me. Nice work!







– Dominique Daito

John's comments: Dominique, once again you have amazed me with the amazing! I love how the stars in the sky are just popping out - nice work as always!

"This is my son, Ryan, 10, paddle-boarding in Coronado Bay, San Diego, for the Fourth of July, with the naval ships in the background."

- Robert Morales LAPD

John's comments: I love it! Your son is paddle-boarding exactly where I used to regularly drive a submarine from the bay out to the sea. Not only did you bring back fond memories, but you captured a super special moment of your son. Nice work, Robert!

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 yo<mark>ur name, address and p</mark>hone 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!
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- · We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: pictureperfect@cityemployeesclub.com
- The contest is all in good fun: The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering Alive!, or for delays in the transmission of responses.



Hyperion's **Employee of** The Month

Congrats to Larry Quanglam, who gets the honors.



Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

arry (LY) Quanglam, an employ-⊿ee at Public Works/ Sanitation's Hyperion Treatment Plant in the Maintenance Dept., was named the

plant's employee of the quarter. Good going, Larry!

The Club donated attendance prizes for the event, which was held Aug. 24 at the plant.

Special thanks go to Mihrain Sarkisian, Asst. Plant Manager, and Ollie Veasey, Wastewater Manager II. for their assistance



From left: John Van Der Gurten, Luis Figueroa, and John Newsome



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From left: Mihran Sarkisian, Asst. Plant Manager, and Ollie Veasey, Wastewater Manager II



Employee of the Month, Larry (LY) Quanglam with Ollie Veasey, Wastewater Manager II.





David Patron

Marc Howard, winner of a Clubdonated See's Candy gift certificate

John Van Der Gurten shows off ted in a Harley shop and ended

PUBLIC WORKS

Beach Party!

Hyperion Association hosts beach party to raise funds for Christmas event.

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

Are You Ready For a Disaster?

This has been a terrible year for natural disasters across the country, and mil-

lions of Americans have been affected. Southern California has been fairly untouched so far, but that doesn't mean that we shouldn't be prepared.

This year has brought us tsunamis in Hawaii, hailstorms in Texas, tornadoes in Missouri and Hurricane Irene that flooded the East Coast. Along with these, we live with the constant concern about a major earthquake in Southern California.

The number one thing that you can do to get ready for any potential disasters is to develop a family emergency plan.

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance. You need to know how you will contact one another, how you will get back together, and what you will do in different situations.

You can get helpful information about how to develop a family emergency plan at www.ready.gov.

Here are a few suggestions:

Identify an out-of-town contact. It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an outof-town contact may be in a better position to communicate among separate family members.

phone. If you are in an accident, emergency personnel sometimes will check your ICE listings to get hold of someone you know. Make sure to tell your family and friends that you've listed them as emergency contacts. (But you can't count on "ICE" alone, as emergency workers might not access your cell phone, for a number of reasons.)

- Teach family members how to use text messaging. Text messages can often get around network disruptions when a phone call might not be able to get through.
- Subscribe to alert services. Many communities now have systems that will send instant text alerts or e-mails to let you know about bad weather, road closings, local emergencies, etc. Sign up by visiting your local Office Emergency Management Website. The City of LA is at: www.emergency.lacity.org

Of course, another thing that you should do to prepare for an earthquake is to review your earthquake insurance. Next month's column will discuss the important things to consider in an earthquake policy.

Feel free to call our agency if you have any questions about earthquake coverage,





his famous Harley-Davidson tattoo. He and his tattoo were spotup as a "Lead Rider" in ongoing Harley-Davidson commerci



Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

Darty on the beach!

One of the many perks of being a Hyperion Employee is that you get to

take a break in the middle of the day to go to the beach. The Hyperion Employees Association presented its "Take It to the Bridge" fundraiser Aug. 24. The bridge refers to the bridge that connects the Hyperion Treatment Plant to the beach. This is one of the many fundraising events that the HEA puts on to fund its annual holiday party and other events. The Hyperion Employees Association committee is Nick Terrell, president; Eric Russell, vice president; Julie Jacobe, treasurer; and Meloni Nelson, secretary.



"Slapping those bones" (playing dominoes) were, from left, Lynetta Johnson, Rhonda Paul, Mark Caradine, and Meloni Nelson



Beach vollevbal



Be sure every member of your family knows the phone number and has a cell phone, coins, or a prepaid phone card to call the emergency contact. If you have a cell phone, program that person(s) as "ICE" (In Case of Emergency) in your

or would like to do a complete insurance review with us. Call us if you would like to get a quote for your home policy through us, or would like a question answered on any type of insurance.

Be safe and have fun!

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Have a question?

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

PERSONNEL

Good Going, Kacy!

Kasondra Evans is Personnel's Employee of the Quarter.

🖊 asondra "Kacy" Evans was named small event held May 12 at the Board of Civil Service Commissioners.

Kacy works in Personnel's Public Safety and Medical Services division. In that capacity, she works with those involved in police hiring, including the LAPD, Medical Services Division, and the Background Investigation Division.

A certificate was presented to Kacy "in recognition of consistently performing her duties above and beyond the call of duty" by Gloria Sosa, Asst. General Manager, Personnel.

"Today we are going to recognize an employee from the Public Safety and MSD (Medical Services Division) section. The person is Kasondra Evans," Gloria Sosa continued. "Better known as Kacy, she has been with the Public Safety Bureau for about eight years. She has an extremely well rounded and in-depth knowledge of all the aspects of public safety hiring. She is generous, she is always communicating, always

"And just because I am upbeat and positive, I still want stuff done right and done now! "Thank you so, so, so, so, so much!" she con-

cluded. "We love your enthusiasm," said Anthony de

los Reyes, President of the Los Angeles Board of Civil Service Commissioners. "Thank you and congratulations."

Congratulations, Kacy, from the Club, too!





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Kasondra "Kacy" Evans, Personnel's Employee of the Quarter

educating anyone she encounters. The police hiring process is very complex; we have many sections and divisions from different Departments that have to work together to hire one police officer. Kacy is an integral part of that process. She is willing to help and train anybody whether it is LAPD or MSD or anyone. She is just exceptional and she does it all with a great attitude and a great laugh!"



October 16, 2011

Come and join us for the 2011 Fire Department Car Show located at: 22801 Roscoe Blvd. in West Hills across from L.A. City Fire Station 106

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Gloria then read from the certificate, quoting: "This certificate is presented to Kasondra Evans in recognition of consistently performing her duties above and beyond the call of duty.

"'Kacy effectively works with all those involved in police hiring including the Los Angeles Police Department, Medical Services Division, and the Background Investigation Division of PSB. And she always does she job with an extremely positive attitude plus she has a great laugh!,'" Gloria concluded.

"Thank you so much," Kacy responded. "Everyone who works with me knows me and knows that I love my job. I really do. I look at my job as kind of on the hot side, the demands, everybody needs a job. I see guys on the outside looking in, and I just try my best to make sure that the tests and parts all get done in a fast order so that the person can have a job. And I just love my job, I do!

We will have food, music and beautiful cars and trucks of all years to enjoy along with demonstrations from Cadet Post 106. Trophies awarded in 5 catagories!

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LAFD



Smokey and me after naptime! Well, naptime for Smokey.

More Fun in the Field!

Club Counselor Gedina Bergstrom continues her tour through the City's Fire Stations.

Story and photos by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor

Tith more than 70 Fire Stations under my belt, the phrase "soda pop" has become a regular part of my vocabulary. But until this week I thought that it meant "meet in the kitchen." I was very wrong. It means there is a lady in the

station! Can you believe that? The department has a code word for ladies in their house. I thought it was pretty cool, so I wanted to share that little detail! I can say "thank you" to Station 1 for that bit of information.

Also, I was very honored to meet one of the two dogs in the LAFD. Meet Smokey. He lives in Station 69 and is a rock star!



Meet Smokey from Station 69!

Fireman Cookbook

 $B^{\rm oy,\ did\ I}$ get lucky on Aug. 24! I had planned to be in the Harbor for the day. I made my

appointments, checked in with the Captains and headed down. Once I reached Fire Station 40 with Capt. Marquez, I realized that Fire Stations 111 and 110 weren't going to be able to meet me because they had a dive gear fitting at 112. Capt. Marquez suggested that I reach out to 112 to see if I could come by and talk about the Club, and they kindly accepted my request to stop by.

Capts. Lambert and McElroy were very hospitable, and when I arrived I was stunned. Fire Station 112 is amazing, truly an epic station. In the middle of the station is a lodging place for their boat. This was not just any vessel, but it had all the bells and the whistles: tanks of foam for oil spills, massive pumps, ladders, kitchen, engine rooms, and get this, it can go in either direction! There are



Harbor for the day

two command centers facing both ways so that the boat doesn't have to turn around. Make sure to check out all

> I want to thank Abel Torres, a longtime Club Member, who was happy to show me around the boat and get in to all the details about the vessel! Now, here's where it gets even more interesting: After my tour, guess who showed up? Fire Stations 111, 110, and 49 on the smaller boats! So not only did I get to talk with all the guys and fill them in on the Club, but I was able to see all of the apparatuses that the Department uses in the water! Big

thanks to all the stations for showing me the ropes in the Harbor and for becoming Club Members.

 $O_7^{n\,Aug.\,30,\,I}$ learned two things visiting Fire Stations O_7 and 87.

First, did you know that the LAFD has a chef? Well, at Fire Station 87, I met the ever-talented Firefighter Cruz Macias. Some people call themselves a chef, but he actually has a cookbook! Can you believe it! He shared his favorite recipe, enchilada casserole, which most Fireman find delectable. His cookbook is for the busy Fireman who has very little time to make a lot happen in the kitchen. His recipes are simple to make, fun to eat, and taste amazing! You can get your own copy for \$10 at www.FiremanFavorites.com

Secondly, did you know that back in the 1950s when Fire Stations were being built in Los Angeles that they were created as houses with separate garages so that they would blend in with the surrounding neighborhood homes? Well, it is true, and I found this out when I visited Fire Station 7. The C Platoon explained this to me; I was awestruck when I showed up to find the Engine in a garage rather than in the station. Check out the pic!

Big thanks to all whom I visited in August, and especially to Firefighter Cruz Macias and the C Platoon at FS 7. Fire Fighter/ Chef Cruz









Looking through to the inside of Fire Boat 2



The massive machinery on Fire Boat 2 The three smaller LAFD fire boats have arrived from FS 110, 111 and 49

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Fire Station 7 The only LAFD station with an unattached garage

ENCHILADA CASSEROLE

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An enchilada casserole, one of the favorite dishes of Firefighter/Chef Cruz Macias.

LEFT: Fire Fighter/Chef Cruz Macias' bookbook. Only \$10. What are you waiting for?! Check it out at www.firemanfavorites.com

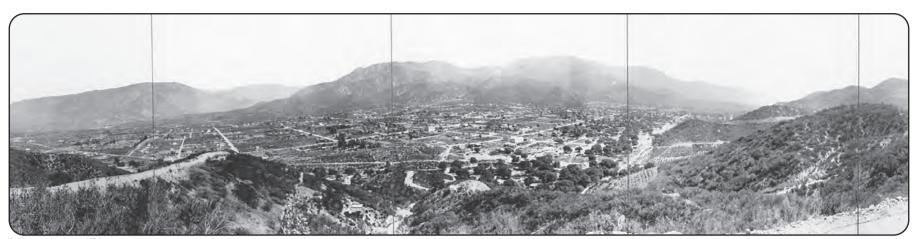


History Comes Alive!



 \sim Tales From the City Archives \sim





A panoramic view of Tujunga in 1923.



One of the first Tujunga homes.

The community of Tujunga, often referred to as Sunland-Tujunga, is one of 11 communities in the City of Los Angeles that originally was its own city. The others were: Barnes (1926-27), Eagle Rock (1911-23), Hollywood (1903-13), Hyde Park (1921-23), Ocean Park/Venice (1906-24), San Pedro (1879-1925), Sawtelle (1901-22), Venice (1900-25), Watts (1912-26), and Wilmington (1852-1913). All these past municipal records are found in the Los Angeles City Archives. I chose Tujunga because it was originally developed because of a utopian concept.

Originally, Sunland and Tujunga were home to the Tongva people. In 1840, this area was part of the Rancho Tujunga Mexican land grant. In years to come, developers designated a plot of this land to become known as Tejunga Park, or the Tujunga Park Tract about 1885. This area is in the northern San Fernando Valley between the Verdugo Hills and San Gabriel Mountains. It is 14 miles from downtown and fresh mountain breezes, 'the most healthy place in the world.' It attracted many asthmatics. Tujunga was incorporated in 1925 but decided to join Los

Angeles [as a community] in 1932, to ensure a supply of water."

As stated above, Tujunga was incorporated in 1925. On May 26, 1925, at 8 p.m., there was a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Tujunga held in the Legion Hall. The meeting was called to order by the clerk, who read "a communication from the Secretary of State, advising that Certificate of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, covering incorporation of the City of Tujunga, had been duly filed in his office, May 1, 1925... as a City of the Sixth Class."

Issues at the meeting dealt with the oath of office for the trustees; election of officers; five ordinances, one of which was to select a common seal for the city; and resolutions were read. The remainder of the evening meeting was business as usual that would continue until early March 1932.

Early Sunland, also an original home to the Tongva people, began its existence in 1885 as Monte Vista. It was also a part of the original Tujunga Park Tract. Lots were divided into areas from five to 40 acres. One of

Tujunga: A Utopian Concept

the largest tracts in the early years was for planting 40 acres of olives; this became the largest olive orchard in Los Angeles County. After much consideration, discussion and elections, on June 2, 1926, West Sunland District became annexed into the city of Tujunga. La Tuna Canyon was annexed into Tujunga in 1927.

From 1926 through 1932, there was consideration to annex the City of Tujunga into the City of Los Angeles. The first election, which was a disaster because of too much rain and not enough voters, occurred Feb. 15, 1927. A second election in 1930 was also defeated by the voters. John Steven McGroarty, described below, was on a committee opposing the annexation. But the third and final election held in January 1932 resulted in a favorable vote to become a community within the city of Los Angeles. By Tujunga giving up its independence, it formally became part of Los Angeles city on March 8, 1932.

A major figure in the history of Tujunga was John Steven McGroarty. He had been a Poet Laureate of California from 1933 until his death in 1944. He was also a playwright and a United States Democratic Congressman from the 11th District. He was also on the editorial staff of the *Los Angeles Times* for 40 years. He was considered a California history booster when he wrote a five-volume collection in 1933



John S. McGroarty

entitled *California of the South*. He lived in a home in Tujunga that he built himself. It was known as Rancho Chupa Rosa, and is now known as the McGroarty Arts Center.

According to the Internet movie reference site IMDB, Tujunga was one of the locations used for the 1984 movie, *E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial*.



Los Angeles.

This idealized utopian community was founded by a socialist M.V. Hartranft in 1907. The concept was based on the principles of a William Ellsworth Smythe, an irrigationist (a supporter of the farming method of irrigation), social philosopher, and believer of a place of ideal perfection especially in laws, government, and social conditions. Even though utopianism was a highly impractical idea, Smythe had been successful in establishing colonies in San Ysidro and in Idaho. The utopianists in the Tujunga area had a slogan, "A Little Land and a Lot of Living." The founders divided their area into 1.5-acre lots, which they referred to as "little lands." In 1913, a community center, Bolton Hall, was built using local river rock. Today, it stands as a historical monument.

As described in an issue of *Coronet* magazine (1936-1971) and repeated by Leonard and Dale Pitt in their volume, *Los Angeles A to Z: An Encyclopedia of the City and County*, Tujunga was described as having a "1,500-foot elevation, [with] intense sunlight,



Tujunga government in 1929

REGIONART MEGroarty Deen to the Public

McGroarty Park



From left: Dave Woods, Equipment Mechanic, 3 years of City service; Travis Messner, Equipment Mechanic, 4 years; Johnny Vam, Equipment Mechanic, 18 years; Jose Huizar, Welder, 2 years; John Krasman, Equipment Mechanic, 5 years; and Sang Ham, Equipment Mechanic, 6 years, Club Member.



From left: Jim Cook, Welder, 9 years of City service; Tim Fehrendacher, Welder, 5 years, Club Member; and Ben Baca, Automotive Painter, 1 year, Club Member.



From left: Harvey Akins, Automotive Supervisor, 19 years of City service; Miguel Perez, Equipment Mechanic, 3 years; and James Galante, Equipment Mechanic, 3 years.



Mechanic, 8 years, Club Member.

From left: Derrick Pride, Sr. Equipment Mechanic, 16 years of City service, Club Member; Sean Horace, Equipment Mechanic/Garage Attendant, 5 years; and Carlos Loera, Equipment Mechanic, 5 years.



From left: Angela Sherick-Bright, Acting Asst. General Manager, 26 years of City service, Club Member; John Ferris, Sr. Automotive Supervisor, 22 years, Club Member; Jacque Lorraine, Sr. Automotive Supervisor, 30 years, Club Member; and Jung Ho, General Automotive Supervisor, 24 years, Club Member.



From left: Lance Davenport, Auto Body Builder Repairer, 5 years of City service; Dale Booth, Equipment Mechanic, 26 years; and Joseph Palumbo, Auto Body Supervisor, 26 years.



From left: Tony Cain, Active Supervisor, 11 years of City service; Paul Biegansky, Equipment Mechanic, 11 years; and Eddie Villasenor, Equipment Mechanic, 3 years



GENERAL SERVICES Perfect Attendance

Fleet Services hosts luncheon for those who proved their commitment.

Story by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor; Photos by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor

n Aug. 31, General Services/Fleet Services held a perfect attendance luncheon at the Wilshire Grand Hotel. Recognition certificates will go into the personnel files of each recipient, which is

a great tribute to their career. The event took place at the City Grill in the Wilshire Grand Hotel.

Attendees enjoyed a buffet lunch, which gave them the opportunity to interact prior to the awards and recognition. Supervisors told the winners, "It's good we can depend on you, day in and day out."





From left: Oscar Szucs, Equipment Mechanic, 16 years of City service; and Gordon Fong, Equipment Mechanic, 9 years



From left: Paul Leung, Automotive Supervisor, 29 years of City service; and Michael Chan, Equipment Mechanic, 25 years, Club Member.

Special thanks to Jung Ho for assisting us in the production of this article.

Jung Ho, General Automotive Supervisor, Club Member, thanks Eddie Villasenor, Equipment Manager, for his perfect attendance record.

From left: Rene Burgos, Equipment Mechanic, 8 years of City service, Club Member; and Glenn Robertson, Automotive Supervisor, 22 years, Club Member.



From left: Thon Tiet, Equipment Mechanic, 6 years of City service; Thoi Hoang, Equipment Mechanic, 9 years; Denys Avalo, Equipment Mechanic, 6 years; Tony Quach, Equipment Mechanic, 3 years; and Grandin Truong, Equipment Mechanic, 6 years.



From left: Phil Cachon, Equipment Mechanic, 2 years of City service; Alvaro Favela, Equipment Mechanic, 3 years; Guillermo Deleon, Equipment Mechanic, 12 years; Rene Burgos, Equipment Mechanic, 21 years, Club Member; George Ferrer, Equipment Mechanic, 8 years; Jose Flores, Equipment Mechanic, 2 years; and Carlos Vasquez, Welder, 6 years.

...at the



Hula-hoop contest winner Latina Smith, Accounting Clerk II, 10 years



Hippie Relay Race Winners: Justin Villorante, Clerk Typist, 1 year of City service; Tom Drew, Communications Electrician, 30 years; and Vincent Orme, Communications Electrician, 10 years

Nice Job!

Convention Center hosted a luncheon to recognize outstanding employees.

Story by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

n Aug. 24, the Convention Center hosted an employee recognition luncheon. The event was held in the West Hall.

This annual event recognizes outstanding employee service in each department. Each manager shared a brief highlight of accomplishment for the employee and awarded a Certificate of Recognition.

The theme was disco. Decorations included a mirror ball, 1970s album covers on each table, Saturday Night Fever playing on the big screen, and employees dressed accordingly - flowers, peace signs, platform shoes, and headbands. A luncheon buffet and fabulous desserts were served. Activities included a relay race, a hulahoop contest and a word scramble, followed by dancing.

Special thanks go to Club Member extraordinaire Luis Aguilar, Secretary, Facility Division, for his information and invitation.



Pouria Abbassi, General Manager and Chief Executive Officer



Manager and Chief

Operating Officer.



Mary Jane Aquino, Acting Asst. General Manager and Chief Financial Officer.



From left: Alex Garcia, M&C Helper; Maria Campbell, Parking Attendant; Pam Hirneisen, Vice President, Sales and Marketing; Latina Smith, Accounting Clerk II; Rose Watson, Sales Representative; Vince Orme, Communications Electrician; Annett Anderson, Payroll Supervisor; Tom Turner, Plumber; Britanni Sheehan, Marketing Liaison for the Business Center; Felipe Hernandez, Customer Service Rep; Lara Tashjian, Clerk Typist; Bill Lopez, Sr. Painter; Kevin Rodriguez, Sr. Plumber; and Rosetta McKenzie, Management Information Systems.



From left: Mario Sanchez, Sr. Carpenter, 4 years of City service, Club Member; Art Rios, Lead Light Equipment Operator, 24 years, Club Member; Donnell Sanders, Maintenance & Construction, 5 years; and Alick Poon Carpenter, 19 years



Rachel Griffin, Executive Administrative Assistant III; and Ed Smith, Sr. Parking Attendant, 30 years of City service



From left: Alex Briceno, Maintenance and Construction, 1 year of City service; Adriana Valles, Sr. Clerk Typist, 19 years, Club Member; Savndra Fassam, Principal Clerk, 25 years; and Brad Atwell, Architectural Associate I, 15 years.











Presenter: Mary Jane Aquina, Acting Asst. General Manager and Chief Financial Officer Awardee: Dawit Gabemeskel, Accountant II.

Awardee: Emily Clarida, Clerk Typist. Presenter: Rosetta McKenzie, Management Information Systems, Club Member.

Awardee: Alexis McSweyn, Administrative Assistant. Presenter: Reza Samadi, General Manager, Food Services Division.



Presenter: Pam Hirneisen, Vice President of Sales and Marketing. Awardee: Rose Watson, Sr. Sales Representative I.

Awardee: Eleazar Martinez. Presenter: Adrian Juarez, Operations Manager



Awardee: Officer Ramadine Joseph. Presenter: Chief Wallace Holcolm, Security Services Division.



Presenter: Steve Potik, Building Superintendent I, Facility Maintenance, Club Member. Awardee: Alick Poon, Carpenter.

Presenter: Rachel Griffin, Executive Administrative Assistant III. Awardee Mariela Vivar, Club Member.



Presenter: Greg Rosicky, Director of Events. Awardee: Emilio Soto, Senior Event Attendant, Club Member (not present).



Presenter: Tom Fields, Building Superintendent I, Show Operations Electrical. Awardee: Nick Chrondropoulos, Senior Electrician (not present).

Convention Center

Happy 40th Anniversary!

Story courtesy Luis Aguilar, Secretary, Convention Center, Club Member; Photos by Roya Eftekari

 $O_{its}^{n July 1}$, the Convention Center celebrated Dits 40th anniversary. On Aug. 3, the Convention Center family hosted an open-house exhibit and reception for current and former employees, partners and stakeholders, and clients.

Pouria Abbassi, Convention Center General Manager and CEO, thanked everyone in attendance for their contribution to the many successes the Convention Center has had in four decades in its capacity as a regional economic engine, through the sup-

port of thousands of jobs and generating billions of dollars in economic activity throughout the years.

Councilmembers Jan Perry, Club Member,

and Tony Cardenas congratulated the Convention Center family of employees for their achievements and contributions. They also highlighted the anticipated Event Center and Convention Center Modernization Development Project as an important milestone for the City. Additionally, Andy Fuzesi of the Auto Show and Judy Gray of the Ski Dazzle Show shared some of their experiences at the Convention Center with the audience.

Los Angeles Convention and Exhibition Center Authority Vice-President Kanchan Mattoo welcomed the attendees. Authority Commissioners Robert A. Mallicoat and Sylvia Robledo were also present.

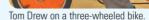
The event was coordinated by Adria Ybarra. The Club congratulates the Convention Center and thanks Luis Aguilar, Club Member, for his contributions to this article.



The Convention Center celebration with employees included (behind cake) Jan Perry, Councilwoman, Club Member, and Pouria Abbassi, General Manager, Convention Center, Club Member.



Chef Bretty Lewis with the anniversary cake.







Councilman Tony Cardenas.





Mary Jane Aguino, Acting Asst. General Manager and Chief Financial Officer





From left: Stephanie Leyva, Clerk Typist, 1 year of City service; Lara Tashjian, Clerk Typist, 2 years; and Amber Leslie, Secretary, 10 years.



From left: Ripsime Nikogosyan, Clerk Typist, 15 years of City service, Club Member; Drena Hills, Executive Administrative Asst. II, 30 years, Club Member; Christine Villorante, Executive Administrative Asst. II 21 years, Club Member; and Henry De La Rosa, Information Technology, 13 years.

Alex Briceno, Maintenance & Construction, 1 year of City service: and Linda Timbol, Accountant, 4 years.

Club Member Denise Bell, Event Service Coordinator II, 30 years; and Thomas Turner, Plumber, 11 years.



Front, from left: Bill Lopez, Sr. Painter, 21 years of City service, Tim Stratton, Building Repair Supervisor, 25 years; and Ken Nalgas, Carpenter, 5 years.



From left: Robbie Bridges, Information Technology, 14 years of City service; and Tom Fields, Building Superintendent I, Facility Maintenance, 27 years.



Front, from left: Alejandro Garcia, 16 years of City service, Mechanical Helper, Club Member; Andy Norton, 8 years, Painter; and Raul Villanueva, 12 years, Maintenance and Construction. Back: Dario Salazar, 20 years, Maintenance and Construction; and Frank Ramos, 8 years, Custodial, Club Member.

Recycling Toys

Sanitation collects toys for toy 'loan' program.



Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

On July 21, representatives from Public Works/Sanitation's Solid Resources Citywide Recycling unit collected toys as part of the County's

collected toys as part of the County's ongoing Toy Loan Program.

The collection took place at City Hall Farmer's Market.

The program collects toys and acts like a library by loaning them out to families in need.

The County Toy Loan Program serves more



Toy Loan program's bin was filled by donors.



Michelle Mikesell, Management Analyst I, Public Works/Sanitation, explains the toy loan program.



PUBLIC WORKS

A donor brings brand-new toys

than 30,000 children annually, targeting lowincome communities where children often lack access to basic skill-building toys, an essential part of a child's development. And the refurbishment and reuse of toys diverts them from landfills and helps the City move toward Zero Waste.

While the City's participation was limited, those wishing to donate toys can do so through the County's Dept. of Public Services, (213) 744-4344. *Thanks go to Michelle Mikesell, Management*

Analyst I, Public Works/Sanitation, for her assistance in producing this article.



Michelle Mikesell, Management Analyst I, Public Works/Sanitation, shows off one of the little toys, Hakuna Matata, ("no worries" in Disney-ese).

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Clothing Drive for Second Chances

Public Works is collecting business attire for the less fortunate. Help this great cause!

Public Works/Sanitation's Solid Resources Citywide Recycling Division, City Facilities Recycling Program, has set second annual Professional Clothing Drive Oct. 24-28.

The drive is part of Second Chance Week, a grassroots public awareness campaign held each October to promote reuse, resale, and donation opportunities throughout California. Local governments, community groups, reuse businesses and other groups work together to hold activities geared toward promoting the use of reusable items that may otherwise be thrown away and instead are given a "second chance."

The goal of the event is to educate City employees about the City's reuse, recycling, and Zero Waste goals while helping the homeless community of Los Angeles. This year's objective is to surpass the half-ton of used professional clothing collected during last year's Second Chance Week event.

Sanitation will collect (for reuse) donated preowned men's and women's business attire. The clothing will then be distributed to homeless men and women seeking and/or maintaining employment in the Los Angeles area through the area's homeless assistance providers Clothes the Deal, Dress for Success, and the Weingart Center. A kickoff event is planned between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20 at the Farmers Market on the City Hall South Lawn. "Bring Your Bag" reusable bags will be given away to add to the festivities.

So Club Members, dig through your closets and donate your old – or even current – business attire to this great cause!



At last year's inaugural clothing drive.

CITY EMPLOYEES AT WORK

Karen Higgins, Acting Section

Program, accepts a donation

Manager, Public Works/Sanitation's

Solid Resources Citywide Recycling

Do you have a photo of City Employees on the job? Send it in and we might print it! talkback@cityemployeesclub.com









Thomas Brewer, RCTO Bulky Item Collection, 5 years of City service is fueling his truck in the West Los Angeles Yard at the end of his shift so he can be ready for his duties the following day!

SANITATION



From left: **Traffic** Officers LaMyka Wilkerson, 8 years of City service, and Kinshasa Davis, 5 years. They work in **Transportation**.

The Glenn Allen plaque.



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Engine 97, in remembrance of Firefighter/Paramedic Glenn Allen



The late Firefighter/Paramedic Glenn Allen, Fire Station 97. "A" Platoon, 36 years of City Service.



Susan Mullins, Upper Nichols Canyon Homeowners Assoc. President, presenting a Tree People plaque to Glenn's widow, Melanie Allen. Five trees were planted in Glenn's honor by Tree People.



Glenn Allen's family, in front of Glenn Allen's Line of Duty Death plaque, from left: Tom, Heather and Debbie Abrams; Nathaniel, Brandon and Rebecca McPhie, daughter; and Glenn's widow, Melanie Allen.

Remembering

Glenn

The LAFD hosts a fundraiser for the family of Firefighter Paramedic Glenn Allen, who recently passed away.

In Memory of Glenn L. Allen Firefighter/Paramedic Los Angeles Fire Department Died in the Line of Duty February 18, 2011 Plaque Donated by The Los Angeles Firemen's Relief Association

LAFD



Engineer Rick Najera receives a "big thanks" for getting sponsors for the pancake breakfast.



Community and Fire Department memb



Lori Calderon presents a \$1,000 check to wid



First Alarm Assignment to Viewsite Fire: Engine 41, LA County Engine 7, Light Force 78 and Engine 97.



vehill, FS 97; Chief Benesch, Battalion



Story and photos by Gedina Bergstrom,

n Aug. 13, the LAFD hosted a

pancake breakfast and shadow-

box dedication in memory of

Firefighter/Paramedic Glenn Allen,

The breakfast was held at Fire Station 97.

February while fighting a structure fire on

caring paramedics. His coworkers state that Glenn

devoted 36 years of service to the citizens of Los

Angeles and always had a special bond with those

whom he worked with. But mostly, Glenn is

remembered for his great faith in God and as a

man who was deeply devoted to his family.

N. Viewsite Drive in the Hollywood Hills.

Firefighter/Paramedic Glenn Allen died in

Organizers say that Glenn Allen is remembered as one of the hardest working and most deeply

Club Counselor

who recently passed away.

From left: Jan Graf and Val Lawrence, both LAFD widows, present an LAFD Badge necklace to Melanie Allen,

"Glenn died just a few short months before he was set to retire from active duty," according to the Los Angeles Firefighter. "He lived a life filled with service, dedication, goodness, and kindness. He is missed by his coworkers, his friends, and his loving family. Lastly, he will be missed by the citizens of Los Angeles, who have lost one of the finest, most long-serving firefighter/paramedics to ever don the LAFD uniform. Glenn Allen lived, worked, and served his fellow man in ways that inspired us all and will never be forgotten," wrote Capt. Kevin Mulvehill.

Donations can be mailed to the:

- Los Angeles Firemen's Credit Union 815 Colorado Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90041.
- Checks can be made out to the Nathaniel McPhie College Fund. Nathaniel is Glenn's



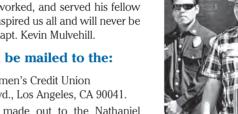
Engineer Kevin Lillenberg, and Community Liaison Officer, Battalion Chief Miyagishima.

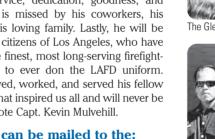


LAFD widow Jan Graf gives a gift to Nathaniel, Glenn's grandson: an LAFD turnout coat and helmet in

grandson.

Glenn's co-workers, from left: Firefighter Jerry Updegraft,







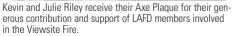
14, and Capt. Hamel, FS 78.

Glenn's widow.

honor of Glenn

Allen from the "Guns and Hoses" marathon in honor of Glenn.







Los Angeles Firemen's Relief Association Trustee Juan Albarran with United Firefighters of Los Angeles City Second Vice President Frank Lima (in background).



Los Angeles County Fire, Engine 7, receives its Helmet Plaque for the generous contribution and support of LAFD members involved in the Viewsite Fire.

All the engines lined up in honor of fallen Firefighter

Glenn Allen.



Rebecca McPhie, daughter of the late Firefighter, Glenn Allen, and Glenn's widow, Melanie Allen, in front of Glenn's Line of Duty Death plaque.



Dee, Fire Station 97's "station mom



Glenn's immediate family, from left: Niece Heather; brother-in-law Tom; sister Debbie Abrams; son-in-law Brandon, with Nathaniel on lap; daughter Rebecca; and widow Melanie Allen.

LAFD Give 'Em a Hand!

LAFD hosts 12th annual handball tournament.



Story and photos by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor

■he 12th annual LAFD 3-Wall **I** Tournament was held at Venice Beach Sept. 10th. Nineteen teams

started in four groups, playing a round-robin format. Once top teams were established, a single elimination bracket format was used to determine champions.

Participants in this tournament were LAFD Firefighters and Southern California Handball Association Players by invitation only. Jim Vandenbos, Tom Gilbert and Fire Chief Brian Cummings were present. Winners received embroidered duffel bags.

Congratulations to all who participated, and thanks to Capt. Roy Harvey for his assistance.

The man that makes it all possible - Capt. Roy Harvey, Fire Station 92.





Champions, C Division, from left: Joe Soto and Ruben Lopez, who defeated Ethan Fields and Chris Tavera.



Champions, Open Division, from left: Freddie Reyes and Colin Smith, who defeated Juan and Eddie Marez





From left: Firefighter Chris Yokoyama, Club Member; and Firefighter Ryan Carlos, Club Member, Station 92.



Tournament participants (from left) Ryon Jones, Club Member, and Jeffrey Escalante, Club Member.









Fire Chief Brian Cummings and Firefighters on duty.



Champions, A Division, from left: Steve Carbajal and Dave Ramsey, who defeated Chris Yokoyama and Ryan Carlos.



Capt. Cooper, FS 5, Platoon A, and the BBQ crew.

Healing Children Bienvenidos is a compassionate community of care dedicated to healing children and their families.

Strengthening Families



Champions, B Division, from left: Charlie Magdaleno and Jimmy Ramirez, defeated Christian Luna and Johnathan Stevens



FS 92 participants.



Transforming



From left: Firefighter Habersham, Color Guard: Tony Gamboa, Director, Fire Station 38, Platoon C; Fire Chief Brian Cummings; Firefighter Mackey, Color Guard; Firefighter Dak, Color Guard; and Firefighter Santa Maria, Color Guard

The opening ceremony

Cummings welcomes the crowd and remembers 9/11.

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RLACEI:

Bills for Comprehensive Pension Reform in 2012?

President, Ed Harding reports:



Michael Karsch

"I wish to congratulate LACERS' Commissioner Jerry Bardwell for being appointed by the mayor in July for a second term as Commissioner for a five-year term. The City Council confirmed his appointment in August. Prior to Jerry's appointment, he was RLA-CEI Treasurer and financial adviser. Jerry and I worked closely together for approximately 15 years. He

helped me immensely and made my job as president a lot easier.

"On Oct. 6, we will have a joint meeting with LACERS on its Open Enrollment meeting. A light breakfast and lunch will be served. After lunch we will have our annual corporation meeting and election of our officers. Neil Ricci IRA and his nominating

committee have recommended that Hal Danowitz, Tom Stemnock, Michael Karsch, Americo Garza, Michael Wilkinson, and Neil be

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Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI)



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

Change of Address?

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

"Gov. Jerry Brown vetoed a Senate bill allowing CalPERS (only applicable to those government agencies using CalPERS) to combine survivor benefit levels with the highest benefit and to suspend employee premiums for certain local government members. In his veto message, the governor said he did not want pension changes in a piecemeal solution but to be part of

Legislative Report by Michael Karsch:

nance, limiting post-retirement public employment, and offering a hybrid pension option.

"Another initiative has been submitted to the attorney general for review prior to circulating for signatures. This one is by Larry Click and is titled, 'The Fair and Proportional Retirement For Public Officials Act of 2012.' This 15-page proposal basically aims to limit any person serving in an elected position from receiving a pension that is not based on the general pension plan available to all employees in the agency over which he or she is serving. The

reelected."

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Have News About Yourself?

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

RLACEI Upcoming Events:

Here's a listing of all the RLACEI events, dates and locations for 2011:

- Annual corporation meeting and elections, Oct. 6: Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles. 11:30 a.m., meeting 1 p.m.
- Dec. 1: Holiday party, Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles, Noon.

Call (800) 678-4145 ext. 701 for reservations comprehensive pension reform. There are nine other pension reform bills heading to his desk, which may meet the same fate. The message in this is that the governor is intending to propose a multi-point pension reform package in January, probably based on his 12-Point Pension Reform Plan proposals from last April. According to the league of California cities, the governor will likely propose a pension benefit cap, improving retirement gover-



politician's pension shall follow the most restrictive rules, which apply to union members, or non-union hourly workers at a lower level in the same organization."

RLACEI Website

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

Contact LACERS

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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.

<u>The</u> Best Years

Retiree Hotlines

Who to call? Call the Helpline and reach the officers of the Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. If you move or change your address, contact Helen Salgado. Also notify LAC-ERS, ACEBSA, and LAFCU.

City Employees Retirement System:	(213) 473-7200
RLACEI Retirement Counselors and Retiree Helplines	(800) 678-4145
Mary Beetz	Ext. 711
Hal Danowitz	Ext. 707
• Americo Garza	Ext. 710
Edward Harding	Ext. 703
Michael Karsch	Ext. 704
Gary Mattingly	Ext. 702
Neil Ricci	Ext. 714
• Helen Salgado (membershi	p) Ext. 713
Phil Skarin	Ext. 709
• Ken Spiker	Ext. 705
Tom Stemnock	Ext. 708
Questions:	Ext. 0
RSVP:	Ext. 701
DWP Retirement Plan Office	(213) 367-1722

RLACEI:

Officers

Mary Beetz: Publicity Chair Hal Danowitz: Secretary/Treasurer Edward Harding: President



By Hal Danowitz, Secretary, RLACEI

My wife, Evelyn, has a very good friend, Nancy, who lives in New York City. We visit her whenever we are there. She visits us at least once a year when she comes to Los Angeles on business. She lives in Manhattan in the west Seventies, a block off of Central Park in a rent-controlled apartment too small for guests. About 10 years ago, she bought a house in East Hampton, NY.

"The Hamptons" refers to several villages and hamlets in the towns of Southampton and East Hampton on the far east end of Suffolk County in Long Island, New York, about 100 miles from New York City. These townships occupy the South Fork of Long Island, stretching into the Atlantic Ocean. The Hamptons form a popular seaside resort, one of the historical Summer Colonies of the American Northeast. They have some of the most expensive residential properties in the United States.

A few years ago on one of our visits, we stayed with her for a couple of days. Since then, she has done a complete remodel, and when she stayed with us in March she asked us to visit this summer so we could see what she had done. Now, if you ask me, I thought the house was very nice already. It has three bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths, a usable kitchen and a large great room. It sits on a half-acre and has a pool. It is about a mile to the beach.

Hal Heads to The Hamptons

LO HALSEY HOUSE BUILT BY THOMAS HALSEY

ABOUT 1648 THE OLDEST HOUSE IN THE VILLAGE OF SOUTHAMPTON

Hal and Co. go fancy for Independence Day.

tions from Google. I do both because Google maps are updated regularly, while the software in my GPS unit is at least a year old. The cost of updating the GPS software is more than buying a new one. Anyway, Evelyn says that bringing both is like wearing a belt and suspenders.

As you can guess it was rush hour, and it took us one hour to go the first 20 miles, 45 minutes to go the next 50 miles, and then another hour to go the last 25 miles.

When we arrived, we were surprised to see a house still under remodel. It had no working kitchen, no great room, and a halffinished new sunroom; the house was just a general mess. The bathrooms had no mirrors, and I couldn't find a hair dryer. Still, the back porch and pool were fine. We found out there was no hot water only when we got ready for bed. Neither Evelyn nor Nancy could figure out how to fire up the water heater, which was oil-fueled. I didn't care to try and went to sleep. In fact, both Evelyn and I slept very well and awoke about 8 a.m.

There was still no hot water, but we made do. Nancy brought hot doughnuts that were very good. While she worked on getting someone out to fix the water heater, Evelyn and I drove to East Hampton to the Starbucks for coffee and to use the Internet. Parking is a real problem during the summer; you can park on the street for one hour or in a city parking lot for two hours. The parking is free, but the rules are enforced with a \$65 fine. We sat at Starbucks for about the two-hour limit, talking to other patrons, mostly tourists. We drove to Sag Harbor for lunch. Last time we were here we ate at Dockside Bar & Grill restaurant, run by the America Legion. We decided to try it again. The food and service were very good, and Nancy joined us after the water heater was fixed (it seems a switch was off). Evelyn and I drove over to the Pollack-Karsen House, the last home and studio of Jackson Pollack and his wife, Lee Karsen. Jackson Pollock (1912-56) is regarded as the undisputed leader of the Abstract Expressionist movement. In 1945, he married fellow artist Lee Krasner (1908-84) and moved from New York City to Long Island's East End. With a loan from art dealer Peggy Guggenheim, they purchased a small homestead on one-and-a-quarter acres overlooking Accabonac Creek in the Springs, near



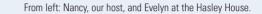
East Hampton. The house and studio are well preserved and provide a good look and understanding of both artists.

We drove back to our friend's house, and I swam in the pool. As I was sunning myself, the private jets started to land at the East Hampton airport. It was one after another flying over the house.

We had dinner at a restaurant called the Living Room in the Maidstone Luxury Boutique Hotel. It was a very nice two-anda-half-hour meal. The food and service were excellent.

We awoke the next morning still without a mirror in the bathroom. I used one of Evelyn's compacts to comb my hair. It reminded me of the old movie, *Mr. Hobbs Takes a Vacation*.

I drove over to Starbucks for coffee, a



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Evelyn and I agreed to visit over the Fourth of July. We booked to fly from LAX June 30 and return home July 5.

We left LAX at 8 a.m. and landed at JFK early at 4:30 p.m. Normally when we fly to New York City, we use Newark Airport because it is closer to Manhattan and easier to get around. This time, we flew into JFK because it is closer to the Hamptons, about 95 miles away.

The last time we flew into JFK was in February 2002, and it was in the process of expansion. JFK now has eight terminals connected by a train system. I did not know this. I had reserved a rental car from Hertz. After we got our luggage (\$25 each for checking), I saw that we had to take the train to Station C to pick up our rental car. It took us a while to find the train, and when we got on we found we were going in the wrong direction, which cost us only a little time. It seems that Station C is Federal Circle, where all the rental car lots are. It took one hour from the time the plane landed to when we left the rental car lot.

I had with us our GPS unit and also direc-

newspaper and to download our e-mails. You can always count on Starbucks to have a wireless connect.

We couldn't go to the beach because Nancy couldn't find her car registration, which was required to get a beach parking pass. We couldn't get our own because they won't give one to a rental car, which means that, if you own a house but take the train up or rent a car to drive from New York City, you can't park at the beach. It doesn't make very good sense. The beach was too far to walk, but there was a shuttle somewhere. We planned to go after 4 p.m.

Her pool was nice but is full of leaves. We didn't have a skimmer; we were waiting for the pool service to bring one over.

We had breakfast the next morning at Babette's in the Village. The prices were very high; the food was good but not great. We ate there the last time, and I wasn't impressed.

Evelyn and Nancy spent part of the morning opening boxes. I was hoping they would find a mirror or at least Jimmy Hoffa. Our host asked if we would go with her to pick out two fans before driving around

For Retired Club Members



the area. We ended up in Southampton and then drove home. The roads were very crowned there. Most have just two lanes and a few stoplights. The main road is Route 27, which cuts through the middle of the area. We finally made it back to the house. The pool people had come and skimmed the pool. The weather was great, with lots of sun and temperatures in the high 70s and low 80s. At night it dropped to the low 60s. We anticipated some rain showers for the next day, but it was expected to clear up for the Fourth.

That night we went to a charity cocktail party in Southampton. The party was for the Halsey House, one of the oldest (1650) structures in the area. The cost was \$125 per person, but with the food and drink provided it was well worth it. It lasted only two hours, and afterwards a miracle occurred -- a mirror was found at K-Mart. After the miracle, we stopped in the village for ice cream.

I must admit that I ate and drank too much and had a very uncomfortable night.

I'll finish up our adventure next month.



"Changes to LACERS Health Plans Open Enrollment packet was mailed to you early this month. The 2012 Health Benefits Guide included in your packet will help you understand LACERS' health plan changes, premiums, and subsidies for the upcoming year. The guide is also available online at www.LACERS.org.

Please review your 2012 Health Benefits Guide and Open Enrollment Overview. Some changes that may impact you include:

- MetLife Dental PPO There will be increased coinsurance amounts for some out-of-network services. Subscribers will see a payroll deduction because the dental PPO premium will be higher than the maximum allowable dental subsidy.
- Vision Service Plan (VSP) Subscribers will see a slightly reduced network of providers and reduced discounts on non-covered items.
- Anthem Blue Cross Medicare Supplement Plan - This plan will be replaced by the Anthem Blue Cross Medicare Advantage LPPO Plan.

more to follow in our next issue - keeping track on Hal and Evelyn's adventures.

By Mary Beetz, RLACEI Publicity Chair

- Anthem Blue Cross HMO Subscribers will experience a significant payroll deduction increase because the medical premium will be higher than the maximum allowable medical subsidy (however, as long as ERRP funds are available, LACERS will temporarily defray medical plan premium payroll deduction increases)
- *Evercare Solutions for Caregivers* Program ends Dec. 31. Take advantage of the *Evercare – Solutions for Caregivers* program before the end of the year. Starting Jan. 1, only LACERS Members enrolled in UnitedHealthcare Group Medicare Advantage HMO (formerly SecureHorizons) will have continued use of the program. *Evercare – Solutions for Caregivers* provides services like preparation of a Durable Power of Attorney, a simple will or living will, and geriatric case management.

"Call 866-896-1895 or visit www.liveandworkwell.com (access code: Evercare) for more information.

Member News

RLACEI DIRECTOR HAL DANOWITZ AND HIS WIFE, EVELYN, will be traveling from Oct. 11 to Nov. 13, covering countries including Italy, Greece, Turkey, Egypt, Jordan, Dubai, India, and Singapore. Follow their adventures at www.halandevelyn.blogspot.com. There will be

IF YOU ARE A RETIREE AND HAVE NEWS OF INTERESTING UPDATES ABOUT YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY OR OTHER RETIREES, send them to mbeetz4841@aol.com. I am sure your coworkers or friends you made during your employment with the City will enjoy reading about

"Open Enrollment ends Nov. 15. If you have questions about your health plan options, the following Open Enrollment meetings are still available:

Orange County

Thurs., Nov. 3; 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Atrium Hotel 18700 MacArthur Blvd. Irvine

South Bay

Thurs., Nov. 10; 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Doubetree Hotel San Pedro 1800 Via Cabrillo Marina, San Pedro

"There will be presentations by your health plan representatives, health screenings, opportunity drawings, and LACERS staff members available to assist you with the enrollment process. Attendance is by reservation. Reservations will be accepted for you and only one guest. RSVP by calling LACERS at (800) 779-8328 or (888) 349-3996 TDD, Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Voicemail or e-mail messages will not be accepted as reservations. Free parking is available.



Evelyn at Nancy's house in East Hampton.

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

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Dedicated To Safety

DWP's Field Training Unit honors employees without lost-time iniuries.

Story and photo courtesy Debbie Winger, DWP, Club Member

The Field Training and Projects Unit of the Customer Service Division of the DWP celebrated a milestone in July. Every member of the unit has worked at least 2,074 days without a lost-time injury. The supervisor of the unit. Earl Rodgers, treated his unit to a luncheon at the Odyssev in Granada Hills to celebrate. where he presented each employee with a certificate of appreciation.

Mr. Rodgers expressed his appreciation to the unit for not only working safely, but for their excellent example of promoting safety to the hundreds of field employees that they have trained. The unit consists of Earl Rodgers, Supervisor; Trainers Shirlene Mills, David Calderon and Mitchell Martinez; Route Design Specialists Roger Cummins and Gerald "Joe" Reynolds; Meter Installers Raymond Thornton and Lance Holcombe; and Sr. Clerk Typist Debbie Winger. Congratulations to all and keep up the safe work habits!

DWP

to inaugurate a new bike lane that will increase safety and provide better access

Story courtesy the office of Councilman Ed Reyes; Photos courtesy Transportation

n Sept. 8, Transportation painted the final Obicycle marking to complete the first phase of bike lanes on Seventh Street downtown. The 2.2 mile bike lane is striped from Catalina Avenue to Figueroa Street through downtown, Koreatown and Westlake, three of the City's most densely populated neighborhoods.

Councilmember Ed Reves joined other bicyclists in celebrating the bike lane.

As detailed in *Alive!* three months ago, the Seventh Street bike lanes are part of the City's Bicycle Master Plan, spearheaded by Councilmember Reyes. The next phase involves extending the Seventh Street bike lanes an additional 2.9 miles through downtown to Soto Street in Boyle Heights. The plan lays out 1,680 miles of interconnected bikeways and calls for more than 200 miles of new bicycle routes every five years Citywide, including along the Los Angeles River. The plan will be implemented in part using funds from Measure R, a half-cent sales tax increase approved by voters in 2008 to fund transportation projects. The plan was developed to encourage



Transportation-prepared bike lane at Seventh and Alvarado Streets, the first for downtown LA, as part of the Mayor and City Council's Master Bike Plan, approved in February.

alternative transportation options and promote safe and healthy living, especially in Los Angeles' urban neighborhoods.



The Field Training and Projects Unit, clockwise, from left: Earl Rodgers, Jay Gourneau (former trainer in the FTP Unit), Roger Cummins, Joe Reynolds, Lance Holcombe, Raymond Thornton, David Calderon, Shirlene Mills, and Debbie Winger. Not pic-tured: Mitchell Martinez.

SAFETY OFFICERS

Great Showing In Nevada

LAPD, Airport Police and Fire participate in Nevada **Police and Fire Games.**



Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager, and Sgt. Belinda Nettles, Airport Police, Club Member

Members of the LAPD, Airport Police and LAFD participated in the recent 35th annual Nevada Police and Fire Games in Las Vegas Aug. 2-6.

The Airport Police Shooting Team -- Officers Sergio Barot, Carlos Gonzales, and Daniel Yu -collectively brought home 16 medals from various events (Barot: 1 gold, 2 silver, 3 bronze; Gonzales: 2 bronze, 3 silver; and Yu: 1 gold, 1 silver, 3 bronze).

In the bowling tournament: Officer Josefino Laguilles, Patrol, Van Nuys Airport, placed first in the doubles category (gold medal) and silver in the team category.

The Airport Police women's basketball threeon-three team brought home the gold. The Airport Police men's softball team "Bravo Tango" was awarded the bronze.

The LAPD women's doubles bowling team



Airport Police Officer Carlos Gonzalez, 5 years of City serve ice, Club Member, with Club Product Manager Arlene Herrero. Officer Gonzalez won 1 bronze and 2 silver medals as part of the Airport Police Marksmanship Team



Airport Officer Mike Romero, Club Member, pitches the ball At shortstop is Airport Officer Tom Nurre, Club Member



took home bronze.

Events ranged from bowling, fishing, softball, a 5K road race, baseball, basketball, bass fishing, billiards, bench press, pistol and paintball, to name a few. Events were individual and team. The entry fees for these teams were sponsored by the Club for Club Members who participated.

The games were established in 1976 "to provide various sports to help law enforcement and firefighter personnel to participate on a state level within their respective communities through the development of physical and mental fitness, to promote good will and camaraderie among the players, to develop friendships through the years that will serve them in both their professional and personal lives," according to the event Website.

Special thanks go to PSR III Sylvia E. Robinson, LAPD; Officer Mark Corral, Airport Police; Officer Shane Young, Airport Police; Officer Tom Nurre, Airport Police; Officer Carlos Gonzalez, Airport Police; and Sgt. Belinda Nettles, Airport Police.



K-9 Officer Tom Nurre, Club Member, with his wife Sammie, and son, Garrett.



Anthony Ortiz, Warehouse Tool Worker, 10 years of City service





Team Fried Bacon, standing, from left: Officer Brent McClure, second base, 10 years of City service, Club Member; Sheriff's Det. Al Salazar, left field; Officer Mike Romero, pitcher, Club Member; Officer Burt Davis, catcher, 20 years, Club Member; K-9 Officer Tom Nurre, shortstop, 18 years, Club Member; and Officer Greg Iwamiya, right center, 9 years, Club Member. Front: LAPD K-9 Officer Tom Davoren, right field, 23 years, Club Member; Officer Caj Scott, outfield, 11 years, Club Member; Officer George Chen, third base, Club Member; Officer Brent McClure, second base, 10 years, Club Member; and LAPD Detective Barry Blocker, 22 years.



Airport Police Team Bravo Tango, standing, from left: Officer Andrei Soto, right field, 7 years of City service, Club Member; Officer Frank Cortinas, shortstop, 4 years, Club Member; and Officer Robert Gallegos, third base, 5 years, Club Member. Middle: Officer Rodney Markovich, second base, 10 years, Club Member; Anthony Ortiz, Warehouse Tool Worker, left field, 10 years; Officer Santiago Sanchez, catcher, 4 years, Club Member; and Officer Chuck Bejines, second base, 12 years, Club Member. Front: Officer Shane Young, center field, 6 years, Club Member; and Airport Safety Officer Mike Rasmussen, pitcher, Club Membe



Power hitter Airport Officer Shane Young, 6 years of City service, Club Member



Member



Looking for his perfect pitch!

Airport Police Officer Andrei Soto, 7 years of City service, Club Member.



Airport Police Officer Robert Gallegos, Club Member, on first base as Officer Cipriano Montes, Club Member, looks on



Quick decisions are made



From left: Airport Police Officer Gregg Iwamiya, 9 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Maria.



At bat for the Fried Bacon team was Airport Police Officer George Chen, Club Member



Nice catch!



Team Bravo Tango takes bronze medal.



Airport Police Officer Caj Scott, Club Member, takes a swing.



Third baseman Officer Robert Gallegos, Club Member.



Pitching for the Fried Bacon team was Airport Police Officer Mike Romero, Club Member.



LAX Officer Burt Davis, Club Member, prepares to hit.

Officer Frank Cortinas, Club Member, with Tiffany.



Officer Jon Leffert on first base.



From left: Capt. 1 Dan Curry, Risk Management Section, 24 years of City service; and Retired Capt. I Delano Roberts, OCD, 31 years.



From left: Marilyn Moore, Retired MA II, 29 years of City service, Club Member; Retired Det. II Fred Dyle, 28 years, Major Crimes Div.; and Property Officer Michael Carter, 16 years, Club Member.



The perfect form.



From left: Marilyn Moore, Retired MA II, 29 years of City service, Club Member; and Det. II Carolyn Jones, Risk Management Div., 17 years.



The team won gold on B Division and bronze for doubles for bowling. From left: Siena Cawelti, LAPD Specialist Reserve, 6 years of City service; and Shannon Renee, Clerk Typist, 6 years.



From left: Jacob Culpepper, DWP Equipment Mechanic, 17 years of City service (Jacob has been playing at the Nevada Police and Fire Games for 6 years); Property Officer Michael Carter, 16 years, Club Member; and Retired Darnell Carter, CSI, 20 years (with 12 years at the Nevada games).



At the Orleans bowling lanes, from left: Yul Johnson, Sr. PSR1, 22 years of City service, Club Member; Sylvia Robinson, PSR III, 17 years, Club Member; and Chance Chavez, PSR II, 5 years, Club Member.

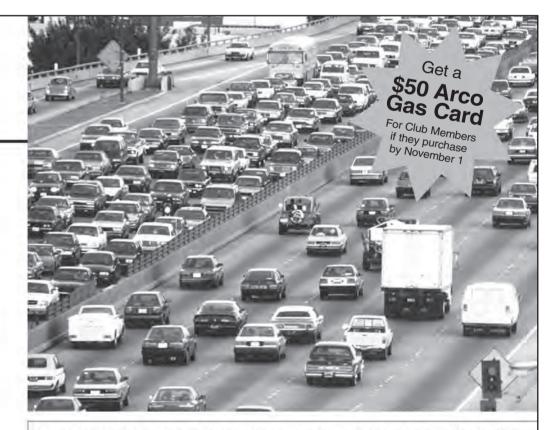


From left: Detention Officer N. Carr, 21 years of City service; and Detention Officer Sam Meade, 4 years, Club Member.



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AIRPORTS

Fun at Knott's

Airport Employees Association hosts picnic at Knott's Berry Farm.



Pavilion.

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

n Aug. 13, the Association of Airport Employees held its annual picnic at Knott's Berry Farm's Park

It was a beautiful and sunny Saturday afternoon, perfect for a picnic! More than 600 airport employees and their guests attended the event. Knott's Berry Farm provided a buffet lunch, which included yummy hot dogs, hamburgers, various sides, unlimited fountain drinks, and their famous boysenberry pie! The picnic's entertainment was phenomenal and provided something fun for everyone. There was a DJ playing the latest tunes, slot car racing, airbrush tattooing, and numerous games that the children and adults could participate in. At the end of the picnic, prizes such as a Wii, X-box, numerous bikes, a Tony Hawk skateboard, Sony PlayStation 3, and a Razor scooter were given out to those who had the winning tickets. The 2011 Airports picnic was a huge success!

Special thanks to Jimmy Sparks for inviting the Club to the event!



Meighan Langlois, Sr. Management Analyst II, 21 years of City service, Club Member , with her husband, Tad, and son, Kaden



Mike Dear, Airport Police Officer, 12 years of City service, Club Member, with his daughters, AnnaMaria and Emma.



With his family is Lonnie Hayes, Window Cleaner, 12 years of City service, Club Member.



With her family is Karen Daniels, Custodian, 11 years of City service, Club Member.



21 years of City service, Club Member



Club Rep Linda Brown. Accounting Clerk, 22 years of City service; and Donna Erie, Secretary, 19 years of City service, Club Member



With her family is Yuri Zaich, Personell Analyst, 5 years of City service





From left: Ricardo Jimenez, Carpenter, 10 years of City service, Club Member; and Club Rep Linda Brown, Accounting Clerk, 22 years of City service





From left: Becky Navarro, LAPD Patrol Secretary, 20 years of City service, Club Member; Nicholas Enriquez, Warehouse and Tool Room Worker II, 5 years of City service, Club Member; and Irene Navarro, DWP Senior Clerk Typist, 35 years of City service, Club Member





Tina Beverly won the X-Box Connect Special Edition, donated by the Club.





Wearing the hat is Fred Sandoval, Maintenance and Construction Helper, 24 years of City service.



With his family is Mark Carzan, Warehouse Worker, 4 years of City service.

Angelique Smith, Secretary, 12 years of City service, with her granddaughter, Emani



With his family is Chris Sparks, Construction Supervisor, 26 years of City service.



Kelly Arthurs, Sr. Clerk, 8 years of City service, with her kids, Carter and Quin.



Jimmy Sparks, Mechanical Helper, 21 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Regence.



With her family is Carmela Espiritu, Chief Accountant, 23 years of City service, Club Member.



Clifford Wade, Warehouse, 6 years of City service, with his friend, Sherai.



With her family is Alex Hernandez, Garage Attendant, 4 years of City service, Club Member.



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With his family is Trinidad Reyes, Maintenance and Construction Helper, 22 years of City service, Club Member



From left: Tyrone Jessamy, AC Supervisor, 11 years of City service, Club Member; and Rodney Jessamy, AC Mechanic, 4 years of City service, Club Member, with his son, Jayden.



With his family is Somvang Meksavanh, Environmental Specialist, 20 years of City service.



With her family is Carmela Espiritu, Chief Accountant, 23 years of City service, Club Member.



Donna Erie, Secretary, 19 years of City service, Club Member, with her son, Garrett



Jacquelyn McMahon, Management Aide, 25 years of City service, Club Member, with her daughters, Ndia and Koby.



The water balloon toss!



With her family is Yolanda Mancilla, Project Engineer, 17 years of City service, Club Member



With her family is Elaine Williams, Management Analyst, 27 years of City service.



Inez Wade, Real estate Assistant II, 14 years of City service, with her friend, Mignon.

Warehouse and Tool Room Worker II, 13 years of City service, Club Member.



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ZOO

Say Boo At the Zoo!

Annual Halloween weekend spook-tacular makes its return.

Have a safe and spooky Halloween at the Zoo! Eucalyptus Grove will become a giant pumpkin patch with jack-o-lantern carving, photo opportunities, and eerie crafts. The Creepy Creature Encounter at the Winnick Family Children's Zoo will feature trick-or-tre

chance to get up close with creepy creatures, and Halloween entertainment. All activities are free with paid Zoo admission.

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A hippo prepares for Halloween goings-or



Fallen Firefighters Memorial.



Firefighters and the crowd watch the raising of the flag.



From left: Councilman Tom LaBonge, Club Member; Fire Chief Brian Cummings; Mike Feuer, State Assemblyman in the 42nd District; and Frank Borden, Director of Operations, LAFD Historical Society

Remembering 9/11

Sept. 11 event is recalled at LAFD Historical Museum ceremony.

Story and photos by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor On Sept. 11, exactly ten years to the hour of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center in New York, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania, the Fire Dept.'s Historical Society, Old Fire Station 29 in Hollywood and Fallen Firefighters Memorial held a service.

I awoke before the sun. I gathered my things, put my emotions on my sleeve and headed to the LAFD Historical Society Museum. We met just before 7 a.m., the exact time when the South World Trade Center Tower collapsed. People were solemn, but there was an air of comfort in unity by being together on this 10th anniversary of the attacks. Frank Borden, Director of Operations for the Historical Society, took to the podium and reflected on those events that took place ten years before. He spoke of not just the WTC victims but the losses of Flight 93 and at the Pentagon, and of the other departments

that were effected by this tragic event. He read a poem that brought tears to the eyes of many present. Bells were rung, the flag was brought to half-staff, heads were bowed, and a prayer was said.

Brian Cummings, our new Fire Chief, approached and began to speak. He was followed by Councilman Tom LaBonge, Club Member, who said he visits the Fallen Firefighters Memorial every year on this day to remember and reflect. Last to speak was Mike Feuer, State Assemblyman in the 42nd District, who gave a very moving speech about the need for our nation to stay together and find the positive in one another. At 7:28 a.m., bells again rung, silence was observed, and the flag was brought to half-staff to mark the collapse of the second tower. Sometimes, you just know, you're in the right place at the right time. I was honored to be there for this event.



Watching over the ceremony.



Captain says a prayer.



The ringing of the bells.





The Fallen Firefighters Memorial.



The LAFD's Fallen

Memorial.



LAFD





Councilman Tom LaBonge, Club Member



Fire Chief Brian Cummings.





LAFD Historical Society.

Frank Borden, Director of Operations,







Mike Feuer, State Assemblyman in the 42nd District.

LAFD

Day of Tragedy Recalled at Hotchin

A second LAFD ceremony remembering 9/11 took place at the Frank Hotchkin Training Academy.



Story and photos by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor n Sept. 11, hundreds of firefight-

Oers and other first responders gathered at the Los Angeles Fire Department's Frank Hotchkin

Memorial Training Center to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Battalion Chief Stephen Ruda led the ceremony, which was followed by the National Anthem, sung by Carmen Roberts, wife of LAFD Engineer Michael Roberts.

As tribute to those killed in the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Flight 93, wreaths of red, white, and blue flowers decorated the base of a 20-foot steel relic from the World Trade Center. Helicopters flew by mid-ceremony in a 3-4-3 formation to symbolize the number of firefighters killed at the World Trade Center. Close to the end, the event featured a bell-ringing ceremony, in which the bell was rung 10 times marking the 10 years since the tragedy.



From left: Officer Nestor Altamirano, 4 years of City service; Officer Miguel Salcedo-Mata, 10 years; and Officer Kevin Austin, 4 years.



From left: Firefighter III Eric Johnson, 26 years of service; and Capt. John Garnica, 23 years of service, Club Member.





At the ceremony.



The reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.



From the L.A. County Sheriff's Dept.



The 20-feet-tall rusted steel that remained standing after the rest of the World Trade Center's South Tower collapsed is now part of the memorial at the Frank Hotchkin Memorial



The wreath ceremony



At the ceremony.



Capt. John Garnica, Club Member, rings the bell during the ceremony.





Firefighter Reuben Chan, 11 years of City service; and Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor.



Carmen Roberts, who sang the National Anthem, and her husband, Engineer Michael Roberts.



Capt. Brian Jones, Club Member, with daughters,

LAFD Engineer Michael Roberts with his two sons, Cyrus, 11, and Mekhi, 8, watch from the crowd as their wife/mother, Carmen, sings the National Anthem.



is now part of the memorial at the Frank Hotchkin Memorial Training Center.

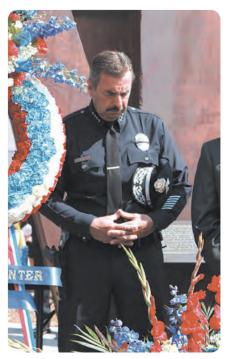
Presentation of Colors by a multi-agency Color Guard.

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asey, 8, and Bridgett, 4.



LAPD Chief Charlie Beck bows his head during the wreath ceremony for a moment of silence.

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in downtown Los Angeles.

Meet Gloria Mack.

AGE: "I'm 38." BIRTHPLACE: "Atlanta." MARITAL STATUS: "Engaged a few times." FAMILY: "I have three brothers and two sisters." She also has a son, Chris. MILITARY SERVICE: "I signed up for the Army in Atlanta

up for the Army in Atlanta, however I went to community college instead." WHEN DID YOU MOVE TO LOS

ANGELES? "In 2008. I came to help with my daughter's court case. I was going to fight for her rights because she was falsely accused. The famous Johnny Cochran was going to represent her however, but before the case went to trial, he became ill and passed away. While she was waiting for the trial to begin, my belongings were stolen. I contacted another attorney, but unfortunately that did not work out. My daughter is still fighting and she has not giving up hope." **EDUCATION:** "High school and some junior college."

DID YOU PLAY ANY SPORTS? "Basketball, volleyball, and tennis."

TROPHIES OR AWARDS:

"Gold and silver ribbons for cooking in junior high." FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: "Being in the band honor guard and the 4H Club." RELIGION: "Church of God in Christ."

FRIENDS: "My son, Chris, is always there to help."

WHERE DO YOU LIVE? "Different hotels. I'm in Long Beach three weeks of the month, then one week at Midnight Mission." WHAT WAS THE LAST JOB YOU HAD? "Selling perfumes and DVD movies." No. 42 in a series.



[near USC]." **FAVORITE ACTOR:** "Denzel Washington." **FAVORITE ACTRESS:** "Lucille Ball." **FAVORITE MOVIE:** "Gospel movies." **FAVORITE CANDY:** "Snickers with almonds." **FAVORITE FOOD:** "Southern food." FAVORITE MUSIC: "Gospel." LAST BOOK READ: "Stephen King mystery novels." **ADVICE FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE:** "Don't judge. We are not all on drugs." LAST THING EATEN: "Oatmeal, eggs, and O.J. at the Hippie Kitchen" [Catholic Worker soup kitchen downtown.] **ON MEDICATION?** "No." WHAT DO YOU CARRY **AROUND WITH YOU? "A per**sonal hygiene kit – shampoo, toothbrush, and soap." WHO OR WHAT ORGANIZA-TION HAS BEEN THE BIGGEST HELP TO YOU? "None." **IF YOU WERE MAYOR, HOW** WOULD YOU HELP THE HOME-**LESS?** "I would get people into shelters and help people." IF YOU COULD WISH FOR ANY-THING, WHAT WOULD IT BE? "I would wish for everyone to have God in their lives, and for people to get off drugs. The world would be a better place." WHERE DO YOU SEE YOUR-**SELF FIVE YEARS FROM NOW?** "Hopefully, as a millionaire and out of this mess." IF YOU HAD \$1 MILLION, WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH **IT?** "Open two hotels, one for the homeless and the other for

MOST PRIZED POSSESSION: "God with me, by my side."

God with file, by fily side

business."



FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY:

"St. Mark [Lutheran] church

The Club gave Gloria a toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, two pairs of socks, shampoo, band wipes, some food, \$20 and bottled water.

The interview took place Aug. 31 across from City Hall. Photos by John Hawkins, Club CEO.



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



The Airport Police Retirees, with friends and family



Retired Sgt. Al Turner, Founder of the Dinosaurs, 44 years of City service, Club Member; and Officer Phyllis Massey, 33 years, Club Member.



From left: Sgt. Mattie Thompson, 30 years of City service; Officer Sandy Smith, 39 years; and Rodney Pullins, Department of Corrections.

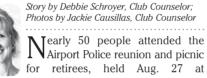


Officer Cliff Kennish, 30 years of City service, with his son, Bobby, and wife, Dodie

An Airport **Police Reunion**

Airport Police hosts reunion and picnic for retirees.

From left: Officer Shawn Smith, Crime Scene Investigations, 11 years of City service; and Officer Veresther Edgenton, 33 vears



Westchester Park. Families and friends joined in on the fun. A buffet lunch, included fruit, salad, corn on the cob, sausages, and chicken, was served. Attendees enjoyed being able to get together for

no other reason other than to enjoy each other's company and good food. Special thanks go to Al Turner, founder, and

Rose Crutchfield, chair of the event.



AIRPORTS

From left: Marshall McClain, President of the Police Officer's Union, 11 years of City service, Club Member; Officer Rose Crutchfield, 32 years, Club Member; Officer Shawn Smith, Crime Scene Investigations, 11 years, Club Member; and Julius Levy, Vice President of the Police Officer's Union, 21 years, Club Member.



From left: Officer Leonard Watts, 35 years of City service, Club Member; Lt. Tyrone Tarvin, 38 years; Capt. LaPonda Fitchpatrick, 33 years, Club Member; and Officer Vincent Shepherd, 38 years, Club Member.

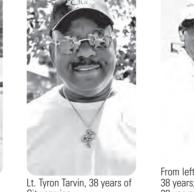






Paul Ward, Airport Maintenance Superintendent, 35 years of City service, with his granddaughter, Lisa.





City service.



Officer Rose Crutchfield, 32 years of City service, Club Member; Officer Vincent Shepherd, 38 years, Club Member; and Aila Feinstein, Translator, 17 years.



Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor, with Chuck Gleason, Firearms Instructor, 33 years of City service.

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Sgt. Bettye Bailey, 22 years of City service.

Officer Randolph Caldwell, 32 years of City service.

Officer Kelly Washington, 23 years of City service, Club Member; and Sgt. Belinda Nettles, 23 years, Club Member.



Church of the Living God, and his wife, Barbara

Capt. Gary Green, 31 years of City service;

and Lt. Kathy Green, 30 years, Club Member

Capt. LaPonda Fitchpatrick,

Memher



Ret. Sgt. Al Turner, Founder of the Dinosaurs, 44 years of City service; and Pam Towner, Secretary LAPD, 20 years.



Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor, with Officer Terry Coleman, 33 years of City service.

33 years of City service, Club



Michael Zepeda, RCTO, West LA 15 years of City service, and Lisa Zepeda with Anthony "DJ Sweat" Hatten, RCTO, 22 years of City service and his wife, Patrina



Danny Chavira, RCTO II, South Central Yard, 20 years of City service.



Jonathan Cobb, WLA RCTO 33 years holds *Alive!* paper in which he was pictured as the chef for WLA Sanitation Open House



From left: Marcus Horace, "Mooc," South Central Yard, RCTO, 6 years of City service, and Jerome Johnson, RCTO, 7 years, whipping up a pot of baked beans, with Terrence "Spoon" Barber, So. Central Yard, RCTO, 14 years.



Sean "Bumpy" Horace, Grill Master. During the week, he's a Garage Attendant, Harbor Yard, five years of City service.



Brian Story, North Central RCTO and Union Steward, 24 years of City service, with daughter Brianna, 16 months old.

South Sanitation Grillin' Heaven!

South District comes together for a summer barbecue.

a summer barbecue. The event happened at Santa Fe Dam in

Irwindale Thanks for the invite and the great chow!



Event Coordinators, from left: Andy Morales, RCTO, North Central; Jerome Johnson; Moniquea McKee, Clerk Typist, Harbor Yard; Chef "Bumpy" (Sean Horace), Garage Attendant, Harbor Yard, five years of City service; and Terrence



Terrence and Carlos Frias, RCTO, South Central Yard, 5 years of Cit



senor, South Central Equipment M 26 years of City service, with Gloria Jean.

Carlos Martinez, RCTO Retired, South Central Yard, 30 years of

City service



newest member of the Club rescued from LA Animal Shelter by Member Services Counselor Tanya Edwards, enjoys the

Marcus Horace, South Central Yard, RCTO, 6 years of City service, shows off this rib masterpiece.



Sanitation friends, from left: Diana Phillips, Claudette Davis and Yolanda People

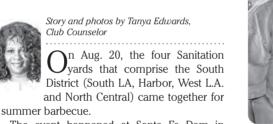
NOTICE TO CLUB MEMBERS

September 27, 2011

- TO: City Employees Club of Los Angeles Members
- Re: The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York policy - Home office address change

Dear Valued Policy Holder:

You are a valued client of The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York and we appreciate your business. We are writing to inform you that as of December 31, 2010, the home office address for The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York has changed to:





PUBLIC WORKS

barbecue.

service, with friends and family.





Elaina Brown, daughter of Club Counselor Tanya Edwards, cutting ribs.





several prizes donated - a See's gift certificate, won by Gloria Jean!



Nakesha Parker, cook's helper



Front: Desiree Rojas and Jesse Valdes, RCTO, North Central Yard, 15 years of City service. Back: Nancy and Basillo Llamas, RCTO North Central, 11 years, with son, Sergio



William Grant, grandson of Sean "Bumpy Horace, gets rib lessons.

The United States Life Insurance Company in the City of New York 1 World Financial Center 200 Liberty Street New York, NY 10281

Please note that this home office address change does not impact the addresses or phone numbers that you currently use to contact us, or have any effect on the terms or benefits contained in your contract.

Thank you for letting us continue to serve your insurance needs.

Regards,

Customer Service Department United States Life Insurance Company



At the Movies

In the cinema



The Change-UpRated RMy Score: 4 (out of 5)

For some people this is probably an old story, but I really enjoy these types of light-hearted comedies. Ryan Reynolds stars as a wild immature single guy who magically switches places with his

best friend, co-star Jason Bateman, who is a responsible lawyer and faithfully married man with two children. Both actors do a great job.

There was a lot of bad language and crude humor, but the movie has plenty of laughs and I would see it again. As I said, it's not for everyone and especially not for young children and teens. – Gail Settzer, DWP



The Help Rated PG-13

My Score: 4 (out of 5) It is Mississippi in the 1960s, and society girl Skeeter (Emma Stone) comes home from college determined to become a writer. She decides to go against convention (and the law) to interview the

black women who work as maids to the wealthy Southern families. This surprisingly controversial film is actually a mild and witty fictional telling of the changing times in the South, in the era of Martin Luther King Jr. and his fight for civil rights. Excellent acting by Stone and two of the women maids interviewed by Skeeter (Viola Davis and Octavia Spencer) make this a very watchable film.

– Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

The Help My Score: 5 (out of 5)

Watching a good movie like this brought me to the '60s and the issue of segregation, and it came out as very informative and educational one for me. The story itself is very inspirational as it revolves around black American women working as maids and caring for Southern white families' children. I realize how race (segregation) hurt and how women at that time fought for equality. A white columnist (Skeeter) interviews them and helps bring out a good and harmonious relationship for all.

The Help is an enjoyable movie, and very touching as well. I recommend it as a must-see.

A RAUCOUS COMEDY!" The Guard Rated R My Score: 3 (out of 5)

An Irish cop (Brendan Gleeson) with a "difficult" personality is teamed up with a by-the-book FBI agent (Don Cheadle) to investigate an international drug-smuggling ring. *The Guard* is a com-

edy/thriller that has many moments of dark humor and lots of nice twists, but its noir-style of photography and the hard-to-understand Irish brogue of most of the cast make this an overall mess. Despite being shot in English and filmed in Ireland, I could have followed this story much better with subtitles. Both Gleeson and Cheadle have good chemistry together, and deserve another film to prove their teamworthness.

THE GUARD

- Lou Loomis, Rec and Parks

Rise of the Planet of the Apes Rated PG-13

My Score: 4 (out of 5)

If you're looking for a good movie for the whole family to enjoy, look no more. This movie has enough action and drama to keep you glued to the screen. I found myself

rooting for the apes all throughout the movie. But the real star of the movie is Caesar; he stole the show right from the get-go. I just did not like the ending, which explained how the world got to the conditions found in *Planet of the Apes*. Other than that, we totally enjoyed the movie.

– Marilou Romney, LAPD



My Score: 5 (out of 5) This movie's story begins in 1997, backtracking to three agents

tracking to three agents who were on a mission to track down Nazi war criminal Vogel. This was a brave and daring mission, which they amaz-

ingly accomplished... or did they? Helen Mirren is incredible in her role, as are Tom Wilkinson and Ciarán Hinds. This two-hour movie will keep you on the edge of your seat, holding your breath at the most dramatic moments! Jesper Christensen is also impressive as the criminal Vogel. If you're looking for an exciting movie to escape to, this is the one! – Jean Sarfaty, LAPD

DEBT.

Book Reviews



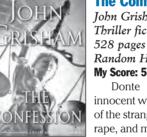
My Life in France Julia Child with Alex Prud'Homme Biography,

414 pages Anchor Books My Score: 5 (out of 5) I picked up My Life in

France at the last minute, with not really a thought to what was inside. Such

a gentle and sweet story ensued of Julia and Paul Childs' life together that I want to read more. She is of course a force of nature in her own right, but the story of her life is honest, intelligent, and telling. She speaks of their union with such dedication and devotion to one another it comes across as a beautiful love story. The common thread throughout is their enduring support of each other and total immersion in the success of the other. Food is dominant, as is wine, artistic pursuits, and the life and travels they shared, with an emphasis on France and her adoration for all things French. If you knew her from her cookbooks, or television shows, the movie Julie & Julia, or know nothing about the lady, fix yourself for a treat and relax with a very good read.

– Barbara Johnson, DWP



The Confession John Grisham Thriller fiction,

Random House My Score: 5 (out of 5) Donte Drumm is an innocent wrongly accused of the strangulation, brutal rape, and murder of Texas high school cheerleader

Nicole Yarber. Travis Boyette, a man suffering from inoperable cancer, confesses to the crime and tries to convince the legal system that Donte is innocent and should not be executed for the crime that he committed.

This novel takes the reader for a ride with the police, lawyers, and politicians who wrongly accuse an innocent man of a crime he didn't commit, which proves that the legal system has flaws. It's an exciting book that will keep the reader amused to the end.

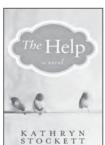
- Linda Rorex, Personnel



The Kingdom Clive Cussler with Grant Blackwood Thriller fiction, 400 pages father of a Texas oil baron and investigator who originally tried to track down the father. They discover a lost ancient Tibetan kingdom, which leads them to uncover more buried secrets and journeys to far-off lands.

This riveting novel takes the reader on a journey across many continents to uncover buried treasures never discovered before.

– Linda Rorex, Personnel



The Help Kathryn Stockett Adult fiction, 544 pages Berkley Trade My Score: 5 (out of 5)

Both the book and movie of the same name are wonderful. Differences appear between the written word and the actors

on the screen, but the changes do not diminish or intrinsically alter the original story. Read the book before or after, and you will add layers of laughter and shock and sadness to the lives of the white and black females at the heart of this novel set in the racially divided 1960s Mississippi. Women are central to the story, with alliances and friendships developing in unusual places. Real life may not have been as easy as sometimes depicted, but the strength of women shines brightly upon a subject that left a horrible scar upon the history of the United States.

- Barbara Johnson, DWP

Theatre Reviews



Bakersfield Mist Adult Comedy Fountain Theatre, extended to Oct. 16 My Score: 5 (out of 5)

A kitschy trailer home is the stage for an award winning two-hander on the nature of art and its transformative powers. Maude Gutman (Jenny

O'Hara) is in the "I know what I like" camp when art expert (Nick Ullett) makes a house visit to judge whether Maude's thrift-store find is a genuine Jackson Pollack painting. Appearances can be deceptive, however, and writer/director Stephen Sachs gives each character an intense and affecting background to evoke over the course of the play. Funny, moving, and thought provoking, *Bakersfield Mist* has been extended at Fountain Theatre. Catch it while you can.



– Leticia G. Yapana, DWP

My Score: 5 (out of 5) Sam and Remi Fargo team up again for another treasure-hunting adventure across the

world. This time, instead of hunting for buried treasure, they are on a mission to search for the

- Dearbhla McNulty, Club fiancé



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

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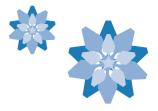
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- Make sure you give us your name and City department (or retired).
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Life's Important Moments



New Members

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Dennis Hong Brandon Ibrahim Roderic Jackson Wayne Johnson Eliott Jones Antonio Jones Rvon Jones Jabari Jumaane Armando Jurado Tim Kent Darren King Brent Kneisler Robert Kobrin Alfred Kuzichev Thomas Lambert Jonathan Lang Derek Leduff Robert Lefebvre Selwyn Lloyd Lonnie Lopez Gabriel Lopez Antonino Lovato Brian Lowe Matt Lowenstein Albert Lozano Grover Lumas Dimitrius Lynch Derek Machen Scott Macleod **Gregory Madrigal** Fred Magalona **Gregory Malais** Dexter McDaniel Michael McGrady Mark McLean Eric Miller Michael Miller Jose Morales Josh Morehouse Joe Moreno Myron Moss Donald Nash Julian Nguyen Craig Nielsen Thomas Oberto John Oberto Henry Olvera John Ornelas Cesar Ortega Anthony Pacheco Michael Padilla Gerald Paiz Patrick Patterson

Jose Paz Rvan Penrod Kyle Rasmussen **Ricardo Reyes** Dario Reyes Louis Richard Blake Robbins Justino Rodrigues Jeff Rodriguez Isaac Rodriguez Ray Rodriguez Jose Rodriguez Neil Romine Aaron Roupoli John Ruedy John Scherer Chris Sebourn Anthony Senior Anthony Sheen Branden Silverman Scott Steffes Jonathan Stevens Jamie Stewart Jeffrey Swegles Joe Szabados Cory Taillon Art Tarango Jedidiah Teter Johnathon Theodore David Thomas Carl Thurston John Torres Anthony Trejo Anthony Tubbs Fernando Vasquez Michael Vavrin Pedro Vega James Walters Nicholas Watkins Tom Wells Charles Wessler Matt Westmoreland Erik Williams **Bennie Williams** Brian Williams Kenneth Wilson Johnathan Wilson Peter Xenios Finance Imelda Huitron **General Services** Debbie Estrada India Griffin

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Jacquelyn Lewis Alina Quevedo Stephannie Ramirez Marcia Reina Mario Reyes Juan Rodriguez Norma Serna Nina Thomas Nancy Williams

Aaron

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Margaret Murphy Stephen Newcomer Mayor's Office

Charles Rubinoff

Nancy Perez Planning Yi-Wen Sun LAPD

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Alfred Garcia **PW-Engineering** Armenia Aguilar

PW-Sanitation

Welcome New Members!

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

Sal Aguilar George Alarcon Ricardo Amaya Stacey Brown Milton Bush Manuel Camacho-Cazares Alfred Cereceres Derrick Cleveland Keith Curl **Deborah Deets** Ali Haidary Jesus Jaramillo **Rich Joyal** Gregory Lowe Shad Martinez William Medina Gerald Patton Damon Rowe Lalinda Smith Adrian Tornero Marisela Vaca Faustino Velasco Dexter Virgil Ariel Zalameda **PW-Street Lighting** Eduardo Chavez Jaime Mabini Jr. **Rec & Parks**

Sylvia Alvarado Edward Bonilla Erika Bowman Charlene Douesnard Anna Garcia Susanna Garcia Nikisha Glenn Jason Lew Shawn Lew Damon Martin Shaka McNeal Tom Nassraway Adriel Navarro Daniel Nunez

Transportation

Kismet Ahmed Aldo Andrade Charles Black Dorothy Boyd Dwight Brown Luisito Calaguine Cynthia Hatch Richard Hendrickson Claudia Jones Elin Martinez Tania Martinez Leroy McClinton Sedrick Moore Lateefa Mosley Guillermo Ortiz Sarai Rodriguez Zakiya Sheaffers Dwayne Taylor Miriam Theus Sharon White **Richard Young** Retired Lily Aduato DWP Albert Ross Other Jeobany Acosta Gabriel Arrizar Bettye Bailey Pedro Cerda Javier Delgado Christopher Diaz Orlando Diaz **Gabriel Flores Robert Grigus** Kirk Hanson Lathaniel Harding Irma Hinojosa-Barraza William Johnson Katherine Laskowsky Brian Markey Flora Miller Gerald Moreno, Jr. Lourdes Owen Nathaniel Poland III Joseph Rocca Edith Salazar Paul Seidenstucker **Russell Smith** Cecil Tidalgo Julie Wang Betty Willis

Peace of Mind

by Tiffany Sy The Club's Peace of Mind Expert



Club Benefit Helps Safeguard Your Identity

The City Employees Club is at it again with yet another new benefit! Our product manager, Arlene Herrero, is constantly researching new ways to improve and enrich benefits for our Club Members. This month, we are launching Arlene's latest discovery on identification (ID) theft protection and service – InfoArmor.

Brett Heron

If you have been a victim of ID theft, or know someone who had their wallet stolen and received an outrageous bill from the local library for 200 DVDs and 80 books, you'd know it's a living nightmare trying to prove that it wasn't you who signed off for the entire collection of the *Harry Potter* series. InfoArmor is more than just monitoring your credit. It is a sound and secure company that has demonstrated that the combination of high tech database instruments, wide network of industry resources, and full remediation service can deliver you the protection of eagle eyes in monitoring and restoring your identification.

Most credit monitoring companies monitor your credit report in the extension of a credit card or loan. InfoArmor doesn't stop here. They will alert you if they find records of an address change, opening a utility line, library card, telephone and wireless services, DMV records, check reorders, and anything else with your personal information.

InfoArmor will do more than provide you with a list of bureau contacts if you need to appeal a false claim. They will assist in full restoration of your identity by making the calls and sending the letters for you (with your authorization). They will also cover pre-existing security conditions, so if you have been a victim of ID theft within the past three years or are currently dealing with cleaning up your records, don't fight the system alone! InfoArmor will resolve your past and present history. They will also continue to work with you to prevent future incidents by constantly monitoring your identity.

Give yourself peace of mind and protect your quality of life. Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor, has had her own experience with ID theft and how it had affected her daughter's life.

As Tanya tells it: "My daughter had not only her ID stolen but her lifestyle as well. A few days after a night out, she discovered her driver's license was missing. When she went to the DMV to get a duplicate license, she was told that she had an outstanding speeding ticket for a violation in another state, where she had never been. The police in that state told her that a warrant had been issued for her arrest because she did not show to traffic court. Her license was suspended, and it took more than a year to resolve the issue and get her license restored."

ID theft can happen to any of us. Be protected!

Open Enrollment for our InfoArmor product starts now at \$8/month for your entire family (rates are locked in during Open Enrollment)! This rate will increase when Open Enrollment is over. Here's another example of our group rating for Club Members and how it benefits your pocketbook: If you go directly to InfoArmor, they regularly charge \$14.95/month per individual coverage (and that doesn't include family members). Call your Club Counselor for more information or to receive your enrollment form.

You may also view InfoArmor's Website for more details at www.infoarmor.com. I've also included a couple of links that will help identify the scope of their operation.

 www.accountingweb.com/topic/credit-cardfraud-versus-true-identity-theft-differencenight-and-day



www.ketv.com/news/18492335/detail.html

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In Memoriam

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Retired

Alvarez, Rudy, DWP, 27 Austin, June, Public Works, 25 Barlow, Emil. DWP. 40 Bracy, Milton, DWP, 18 Brooks, Rudolph, General Services, 35 Buhbe, Robert, DWP, 9 Cagle, William, Public Works, 13 Callaway, Joseph, DWP, 23 Coleman, Fred, Transportation, 13 Cook, Lorraine, City Council, 12 Dauenhauer, George, Public Works, 31 Devereaux, Isom, Rec and Parks, 25 Edwards, Martha, Public Works, 0 Elam, Leroy, Public Works, 34

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Births

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

Roza, Robert, Harbor, 33 Sands, Ernest, DWP, 31 Seiden, Herbert, City Attorney, 27 Slagill, John, DWP, 30 Spear, Roger, Airports, 34 Thorpe, Robert, Airports, 29 Valdez, Frank Jr., DWP, 37 Vallelunga, Vincent, LAPD, 17 Voris, Walter, DWP, 32 Walker, Corinne, DWP, 29 Ward, Charles Jr., DWP, 21 Wood, Miriam, ITA, 31 Yamane, Amy, Library, 37 Zelkowitz, Minnie, DWP, 17

Military

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



Christopher Rofinot is in the U.S. Air Force deployed in Afghanistan. He is an aerial gunner on a Pave Hawk helicopter (the Pave Hawk's primary mission is insertion and recovery of special operations personnel and recovery of personnel under stressful conditions, including search and rescue). They fly in and out of military areas, picking up the wounded and flying them back to the base. "He is due home soon, thanks to God." He is the grandnephew of Joseph J. Aki, DWP Retired.



Graduations

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



Kelsey Kalei Bateman graduated from Stanford University. She is continuing on to the USC Medical School. Kelsey is the granddaughter of Joseph Aki, DWP, Retired.



Monica Lahela Stauber graduated from Mater Dei High School and is heading to the University of Hawaii with scholarships to play volleyball. Monica is the granddaughter of Joseph Aki, DWP, Retired.



Charley D. Stauber graduated suma cum laude from Loyola Marymount University with a degree in communications and film. Charley is the grandson of Joseph Aki, DWP Retired.



Jennifer Lauren Owen graduated from West Ranch High School in Santa Clarita. She will attend UCLA this fall and will compete for the Bruins' cross country and track teams. She is the daughter of Lourdes P. Owen, General Services/Asset Management Division, and Jeff Owen, DWP/Geology and Soils. Both parents are



Isabella Mia Montano, born July 20 to Norma Montano, Police Service Representative, LAPD/Communications Div.



retired. "Congratulations and good luck, Jen, on a job well done!'

Quinceañera

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Special Achievements

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NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT YE	ARS
Beckford, Carlton	Wstwtr Treat. Oper. III	Public Works	29	Fiderio, Peggy	Forensic Print Spec. III	LAPD	31	Pape, Patricia	Criminalist III	LAPD	21
Brown, Reginald	Wstwtr Treat. Oper. III	Public Works	30	Galluzo, Charles	Helicopter Mech.	General Servic	es 14	Phillips, Charles	Water Biologist III	Public Works	31
Brunnenkant, Neil	Finance Coll. Invest. III	Finance	24	Gan, Joseph	Sr. Tax Auditor	Finance	24	Quirola, Diana	Sr. Clerk Typist	General Services	18
Cagan, Leigh	Mgmt. Analyst II	Airports	25	Gutierrez, Martha	Recreation Asst.	Rec and Parks	6	Rojas, David	Mgmt. Analyst II	LAPD	19
Castillo, Carlos	Survey Party Chief II	Public Works	19	Iranfar, Antonia	Police Service Rep.	LAPD	13	Scrivner, Nancy	City Planner	Planning	38
Castillo, Jose A.	Ref. Coll. Truck Op. II	Public Works	30	Jacobson, Carol	Administrative Asst.	Planning	5	Sipes, Marcy	Delivery Driver II	Rec and Parks	12
Colorado, Almer	Sr. Accountant II	LAFD	12	Jones, Patricia	Sr. Clerk Typist	Personnel	33	Wang, Ti Mai	Envir. Engineer	Public Works	31
De Leon, Myrna	Fiscal Sys. Spec. II	CDD	31	Lawani, Tim	Tax Comp. III	Finance	25	Washington, Lena	Sr. Clerk Typist	Planning	16
Disimulacion, King	Sr. Auditor	Airports	21	Lew, Steven	Library Asst.	Library	40	Wong, Frankie	Sr. Systems Analyst II	Public Works	31
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Dovetko, Alexander	Special Investigator II	LAPD	10	Morales, Francisco	Traffic Officer II	Transportation	28	Yost, Shirley	Personnel Director III	Planning	32

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Team Standings

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(as of September 19, 2011)

	GAMES Played	WINS	LOSSES	TIES	FORFEIT	TOTAL
LAX JETS	7	7	0	_	0	14
I'd Hit It	7	6	1	—	0	12
Sluggers	8	6	2	_	0	12
Guzzlers	8	6	2	_	0	12
Enforcers	7	4	3	_	0	8
Unstrikeoutibles	7	3	4	—	0	6
Dot-gers	7	3	4	—	0	6
Hitmen	8	3	5	_	0	6
Transformers	7	2	5	_	0	4
Blue Dragons	7	0	7	_	1	0
Warriors	7	0	7	_	0	-1

Game Scores

August 10,	2011	August 31,	2011
Yosemite	SCORE	Yosemite	SCORE
I'd Hit It	17	Enforcers	14
Enforcer	8	DOT-gers	0
Shatto	SCORE	Shatto	SCORE
Blue Dragons	2	Warriors	2
Transformers	11	Hitmen	17
Shatto	SCORE	Shatto	SCORE
Hitmen	1	Sluggers	19
Guzzlers	13	Blue Dragons	5
Downey	SCORE	Downey	SCORE
LAX Jets	15	I'd Hit It	11
Sluggers	8	LAX Jets	16
Downey	SCORE	Downey	SCORE
DOT-gers	1	Guzzlers	20
Unstrikoutibles	8	Transformers	4
BYE - Warriors		BYE - Unstrikeou	utibles

August 17,	2011
Yosemite	SCORE
I'd Hit It	17
Enforcer	8
Shatto	SCORE
Blue Dragons	2
Transformers	11
Shatto	SCORE
Hitmen	1
Guzzlers	13
Downey	SCORE
LAX Jets	15
Sluggers	8

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Roaring to the Playoffs

Four teams in a race to the softball playoffs. Basketball getting ready to go.

Story by the Club Sports Dude; Photos by Summy Lam, Club Director of Marketing

News from Sports Leagues sponsored by the City Employees Club of Los Angeles

he Club's softball season is nearing the end, and the playoffs are scheduled to begin. The top seven teams will proceed into the playoffs, and several teams are making a strong push. LAX Jets, I'd Hit It, Sluggers and Guzzlers are staying at the top of the standings.

"We have made some big improvements in our team, and we hope this year is our year!" says Jordan Price of I'd Hit It.

Club Basketball

The Club has secured the Expo Center for the league games for the upcoming season. Games will be played on Thursday nights. Some spots on team rosters may still be available. Check with the Sports Dude to get the latest details on free agents.

Visit the Club Website to download forms, or for more information, contact the Sports Dude at (800) 464-0452 or sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com.

Running Club

It's history in the making as the Club sponsors the first of many Club Member-attended races. The first one was Aug. 20 - it was the Spirit of LA 5K Run. Art Ledezma, Transportation, finished first overall from our Club Runners. Congratulations to him and to all the Club runners as they all received medals!

At press time, the next competition is the YMCA StairClimb event at the Stuart M. Ketchum Dowtown YMCA Sept. 23. Fourteen Club Runners will have participated, included the Ticket Gal, Rachel Brecher, and the SportsDude, Robert Larios.



SOFTBALL

Oct. 2011









Downey
DOT-gers
Unstrikoutibles
BYE - Warriors

SCORE Downey Transformers Sluggers BYE - LAX Jets

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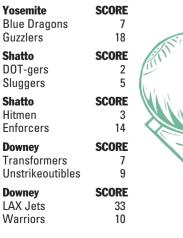
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Downey

Enforcers

Blue Dragons

August 24, 2011



BYE - I'd Hit It



Sign Up Mondays!

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

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

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

- sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com
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THE **PET CLUB**

Your friend is waiting for you!

The City Employees Club partners with Animal Services each month to showcase some of the pets that are available for adoption.

This Month's Pets for Adoption:

Stretch

Stretch definitely resembles his name! This oneyear-old neutered, brindled, Boston terrier mix is a very sweet boy. He is a little shy around strangers, but he is good with other dogs.

> ID# A1239855: West LA Animal Care Shelter





Winston

Winston will make you laugh! He is a spunky, neutered, one-year-old dachshund/ cocker spaniel mix. This very social boy likes to play with other dogs and is ready to make your home his today.

ID# A1240121: West LA Animal Care Shelter

Tootsie

Tootsie is a beautiful two-year-old spayed Chihuahua. Despite being abandoned in her home when her original owners moved, she holds no grudges and is a very sweet girl. She has already appeared on TV a couple of times and is ready to be the star of your home!

> ID# A1207063: West LA Animal Care Shelter





Tiger

Tiger is sweet senior gentleman. This large orange, neutered, 14-year-old tabby instantly charms visitors to the Community Cat Room. He is very social, is great with other cats and is the perfect companion.

ID# A1241495: West LA Animal Care Shelter one Pcean

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Whiskev

Whiskey is a gorgeous, spayed, two-year-old brown short-haired rabbit. She was rescued from a hoarder and now she needs her own home. Whiskey is very social and friendly and loves to play. She also gets along well with other rabbits.

> ID# A1122037: West LA Animal Care Shelter





All of the following animals are available for adoption at the West LA Animal Care Shelter, 11361 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90064.

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For more animals and information, go to: www.laanimalservices.com

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- FAVORITE TV SHOW: Disney
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- FAVORITE SNACK: Carmel Rice Cakes
- BEST FRIEND: Viven
- WHY AMUSEMENT PARK DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AND WHY: Disneyland, I want to see all the characters... Cinderella, Snow White and ride all the rides.
- PARENT: Lujeena Ennis, Crossing Guard.





Congratulations to the WINNERS! of our Club Coloring Contest!

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

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

Cameron Chen, 12

FAVORITE TV SHOW:
"Hawaii 5-0"
FAVORITE SNACK:

Mango • BEST FRIEND: Kayla • WHY AMUSEMENT PARK DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AND WHY: I would like to go to Disneyland because I have four people in my family and they really want to go so I would like to take them and make them happy. • PARENT: James Hsu, Retired.





PUBLIC WORKS

Going Beyond Excellence

Two Street Services employees honored by LAPD, Board of Public Works.

Story by Jackie David, Public Information Director, Board of Public Works, Club Member; Photos courtesy Public Works

Two Bureau of Street Services employees who received a letter of commendation from the LAPD will soon also be honored with a Going Beyond Excellence Award from the Board of Public Works. They are Salvador Torres and John two guys were beating him up. Street Services employees immediately called police and 9-1-1 emergency services. As





Madrid.

The commendation letter from Los Angeles Police Chief Charlie Beck and Devonshire Commanding Officer Sean Kane, states:

"On March 24, 2011, the LAPD dispatched Devonshire Area officers to a robbery in progress call in which the victim was being assaulted by several suspects. Your employees, Mr. Salvador Torres and Mr. John Madrid, took action as witnesses and followed the perpetrators of this crime to an apartment building. Mr. Torres and Mr. Madrid greatly assisted the officers with identifying the suspects involved, ultimately leading to their arrest. The LAPD would like to thank your personnel for being vigilant to their surroundings thus allowing them to identify and report a crime in progress without jeopardizing their own safety."

For employees Salvador Torres and John Madrid, it was, to put is simply, "All in a day's work." In his own words, Salvador Torres narrated how he and his crew were on Zelzah Avenue en route to take care of some downed trees, when he noticed a young man on the sidewalk holding his head. The man was bleeding profusely and looked weak, Torres says. People were standing around the man. According to witnesses, they had just happened upon the victim as

Salvador Torres.

the rest of the Bureau of Street Services crew pulled up, two men who were hanging around suddenly left. According to Torres, a witness confided to him that the two men who left were actually the guys who beat the victim

up.

Torres immediately took off after the two men, following them at a safe distance and watching their movements. John Madrid stayed

John Madrid

ne Street Services crew, from left: Miguel Barajas, Bernard Spears, John Madrid, Salvador Torres, and Diego Valencia

behind and made sure everything would be okay until the police and emergency services arrived.

Once the LAPD arrived, Torres led them to the apartment building where the two men had gone. Torres had also noticed that one of the men had thrown a backpack over the rail. The LAPD asked Torres to retrieve the backpack while they went into the apartment building to get the suspects. Later, Torres handed the backpack over to the LAPD and identified the suspects. LAPD found drug paraphernalia in the backpack, according to the LAPD.

In an e-mail to Jackie David, Public Information Director for Public Works, Det. David Keating of the Devonshire Division shared that the group of suspects who are suspected of assaulting and robbing the young man are well known to the Devonshire division. "No doubt your employees' observations and mere presence changed the outcome of this evolving case," Keaton wrote. "They are responsible for a multitude of street and school campus assaults, thefts and robberies."

Salvador Torres says this isn't the first time he's run into such a situation. More recently, while on the job, he helped a lady recover a bike that had just been stolen. He once also helped the FBI handcuff a suspect. When asked why he would get so involved, Torres shrugged he shoulders, smiled and said, "Because it's the right thing and I need tickets to heaven."

Salvador Torres is an Equipment Operator who has worked for the Bureau of Street Services for 31 years. John Madrid is a Tree Surgeon Assistant who has worked for Street Services for some 5 years.

Great job, Salvador and John!

Thank you, to The Honorable **Janice Hahn** Congresswoman

36th Congressional District



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September 11, 2011

The Honorable Janice Kay Hahn Congresswoman 36th Congressional District 2400 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Congresswoman Hahn:

The Police Officers and Sergeants of the Los Angeles Port Police Association hereby recognize you for your many years of public service as Councilwoman of the 15th Council District, City of Los Angeles.

As the council representative of the Port of Los Angeles and our local communities of San Pedro and Wilmington, you have exercised uncompromising leadership towards the continuing development of our maritime community with dedication to fairness, impartiality, and equality.

Throughout your years of service, you have provided unwavering concern and support for the men and women of the Port Police and our brothers and sisters of the ILWU.

As our esteemed colleague and friend, we thank you for your selfless devotion to duty and protecting and maintaining the interests of the public good.





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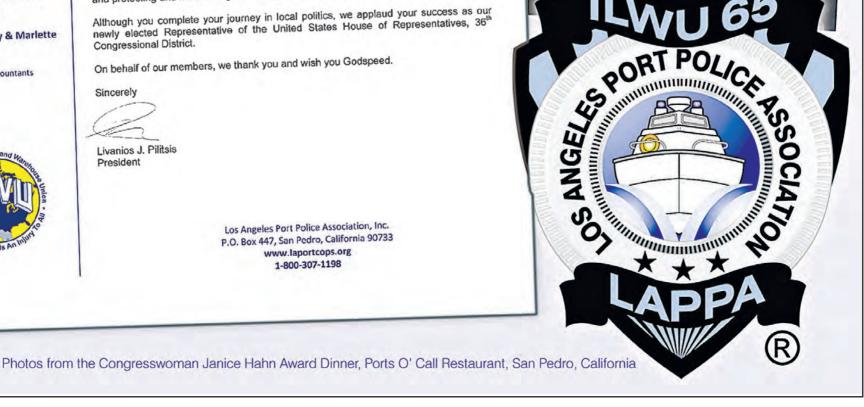
Although you complete your journey in local politics, we applaud your success as newly elected Representative of the United States House of Representatives, 36th Congressional District.

On behalf of our members, we thank you and wish you Godspeed.

Sincerely

Livanios J. Pilitsis President

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with Chef Robert Larios

CHILE VERDE DE ANAHEIM

A few weeks ago, a Club member threw down the gauntlet. Yes, indeed! He said that I should share more Mexican recipes. I aim to please, and so the search for a classic chile verde recipe. Chile verde is a spicy Mexican stew or sauce made usually from chunks of pork that's been slow cooked in chicken broth, chili peppers, garlic, and tomatillos.

In this recipe, I incorporated several chili peppers instead of one and included an Anaheim chili pepper. Thus, I'm calling it the Chile Verde de Anaheim.

There are many variations to making chile verde. Some recipes substitute ingredients such as replacing the pork to chicken and sausage, or using vegetable oil instead of olive oil. These variations are valid, and I encourage experimentation. There are some amazing recipes for this dish. This one is, too, so give it a try – the sauce, or "chile verde," is mouth-watering.

Chile Verde de Anaheim

Makes 4 Servings

INGREDIENTS:

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- 1 1/2 pounds pork, cubed
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1/2 large yellow onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon sea salt
- Freshly ground pepper, to taste
- 1 tablespoon cumin
- 4 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 fresh poblano chili pepper
- 1 fresh jalapeño pepper
- 1/2 Anaheim pepper
- 1/2 yellow bell pepper
- 1 pound fresh tomatillos, with removed husks and cut into fours
- 1 cup chopped cilantro



If it is too spicy hot for your taste buds, add brown sugar or little

DIRECTIONS:



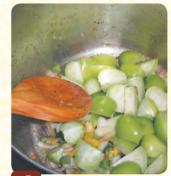
Place a large pot over medium heat on a stovetop oven. Add the olive oil and the cubed pork and then season it with a pinch of salt and pepper. Let brown for about 10 minutes. While browning, move onto preparing the other ingredients



2 Dice the onion, Anaheim chile, poblano chili pepper, jalapeño pepper, yellow bell pepper, green tomatillos and minced



browned, remove from the pot and place on a separate plate.



Add the prepared ingredients and place them in the same pot used

for browning the pork. Leave the heat at medium. Add the rest of the salt and pepper as well as cumin and cilantro. Stir lightly until ingredients are tender, and then add the chicken stock.





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honey. And if the sauce is too thin and you want to thicken it up a little, just a add a pinch of flour or cornstarch to the simmering ingredients.

It is now time to use the hand blender to blend the ingredients. Remove all chunks of the tomatillo. Then add the browned pork to the simmering chile verde sauce. Let simmer for one hour.

[A Cook's Dictionary] Anaheim Chile:

Named after the California city, the generally mild Anaheim is one of the most commonly available chiles in the United States. It is usually medium green in color and has a long, narrow shape. The red strain is called the chile Colorado. Anaheim chiles cane be purchased fresh or canned and have a sweet, simple taste with just a hint of bite. Anaheims are frequently stuffed and commonly used in salsas. The dried red variety is used for the decorative ristra, a long strong (or wreath) of chiles.

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Fun Food Quote:

"My advice is not to wait around asking why... just enjoy your ice cream while it's frozen. It may melt."



– Thornton Wilder

Alive! AROUND THE WORLD



Denmark

"I am in Copenhagen, on the start of a tour of Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Finland. Behind me is Hans Christian Andersen's 'Little Mermaid.'"



Take the Club with you, wherever you go!

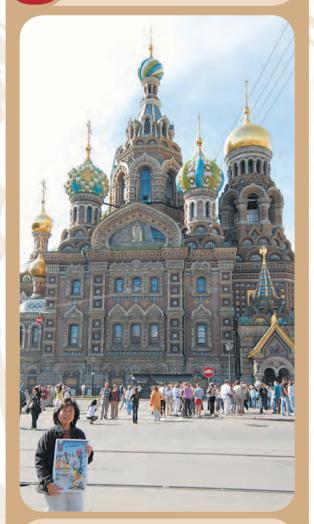
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Russia







"In June we went on a Baltic Sea cruise. Among the many ports we visited was St. Petersburg, Russia. In a city of spectacular sights, the one that really surprised us was the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood. The official name is actually the Cathedral of the Resurrection of Christ. The more popular 'Spilled Blood' is in reference to the fact that Tsar Alexander II was mortally wounded at that location in 1881. He actually survived the attack but died later at the Winter Palace. It has never functioned as a public place of worship, although there have been memorial services held there."

- Pin Kamikubo, Airports

"Here are two photos from my recent adventure in Machu Picchu, and the Galapagos Islands. The first photo is of my wife, Alicia, and I in Peru. The second is on the Isla Fernandina, where there are hundreds of iguanas basking in the sun."

- Leo Flores, Public Works

Here's **Maria Villarreal, Library**, standing in front of Madrid's Catedral de la Almudena. "I would have loved to explore this stately cathedral more, but it was barricaded off to the public that day because Pope Benedict was in town. All the same, it was easy to admire from a distance."



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Engineer, 25 years

PUBLIC WORKS

Exploring Opportunities To Work With Sanitation Dept.

Sanitation hosts an 'Exploring Business Opportunities' networking program for contractors.

Story by Shari Kuroki, Public Works; Photos by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor

On Aug. 17, Public Works/Sanitation held a business networking event in the Tom Bradley Room of City Hall. The event was titled "Exploring Business Opportunities with the PW/ Bureau of Sanitation."

Many businesses throughout the City shared in the Bureau's excitement and were able to learn of the various contracting opportunities throughout the Bureau, the City contracting process and how to become certified as a minority, women, small, emerging, or disabled veteran business enterprise, as well as network with other businesses in the region.

More than 100 representatives were in atten-

dance from various industries, including environmental consulting, construction, hauling, and public relations. Presentations by the Bureau of Sanitation, the Mayor's Office of Economic and Business Policy, the Bureau of Contract Administration, and Merriwether and Williams Insurance Services were just a few of the highlights of the evening. Representatives from currently contracted firms were also present to share of their own experiences working with the City. Not only did the Bureau receive an overwhelmingly positive response and an increase in registration with the LA Business Assistance Virtual Network, a request has already been made for future business networking events with the Bureau of Sanitation.



From left: Felicia U. Truong, Accounting Clerk II, 24 years of City service, Club Member; and Bryan Cowitz, Management Analyst, 20 years of City service.





Manager



Vanessa Quijada, Sr. Clerk Typist, 11 years of City service, Club Member; and Derrick Lee, Environmental Engineering Associate, 5 years of City service



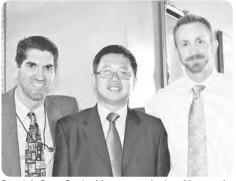
From left: Michelle Leonard, VP, HDR Engineering; and Lisa Carlson, Environmental Specialist III, 8 years of City service.



From left: Paul Cobian, Environmental Engineer, 3 years of City service; and Anita Fernandez, Senior Systems Analyst, 26 years of City service, Club Member.

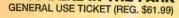


From left: Kim Huynh, Management Analyst II, 22 years of City service, Club Member; and Robert Haskin, Management Analyst I, 15 years of City service, Club Member.



From left: Bryan Cowitz, Management Analyst, 20 years of City service; Michael Yu, Management Analyst, 5 years of City service; and T.J. Knight, Management Analyst, 11 years of City service.





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

Wanted: 2 BD/1BA or 2BD/2BA pet friendly apt/home/condo in Long Beach/ Lakewood/ Bellflower area. Can pay \$900-1000 per month. Call @ (562)989-7968 & leave a message. 10/11

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

Autos / Motorcycles / Boats



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used, sold truck before 0.000.000 I could use them, \$25. John @ (626)757-

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Harley

Davidson: Like new,

1200 Custom Sportster,

black cherry, 617 miles.

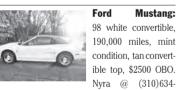
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Snugtop Camper Shell: Black, was on 6' Toyota Tacoma Bed, carpet kit included, Good condition, \$350 OBO. Info @ (661) 992-4664.



\$2100 OBO. Greg @ (818) 771-6777.



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owner, garage stored. Vance & Hines Pipes, lowered struts & clip-on windshield: original parts (pipes and struts) included. Asking \$9,500 OBO, more photos on request. Info @ (562) 884-0675, divebunie@hotmail.com

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Tire Chains: Alpine sport SUV & light truck, fits var-

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

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

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



age cng prices \$2.05/gge. Riverside price \$1.38/gge. Marcus @ (626) 232-7794.

Monaco



drver, good cond., well equip., 4 new tires. Asking \$50,000. Info @ (909) 229-6540. 4/11

Mazda 626 LX: 1999, 4 door, clean interior, green color, 140,000 miles (salvage). No major accident reported, runs great, moving out of town. \$1,700. Shaq @ (404) 209-2492. (2-8pm) 2/11



what they are & offer a negotiable price, call Marieta @ (626) 912-6195. 1/11

Cemetery Plots

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

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

Cemetery Plot: Valhalla Memorial Park, Sec 2530. Lot C -Track 6618, 10621 Victory Park, N. Hollywood, 91601. \$3500 or OBO. Call (661) 251-0362

Electronics/Computers

Apple Macbook Pro: Core Duo Laptop computer. 1.83 ghz, 1.5GB RAM, 80GB HD, 15" 128VRAM 10.5.8 OSX. Great condition, will sell for \$1,000. Orig price was \$2,500 w/upgrades. Larry @ (818) 521-3517 or trueblue22@sbcglobal.net. 12/10



Bed Frame: w/ headboard, all wood, 2 side cubby shelves w/doors & mirror, in great condition. \$200 OBO. Frankie @ 7/11

Exercise Machine: Elliptical Pro-Form 15-5S, good condition, asking \$250 but will take a reasonable offer. Jaime @ (310) 955-8871. 1/11



Wheelchair: Mobile Excellent condition collapsible for easy transportation. \$800 O.B.O. Call Mark @ (909)322-5140 or tspgtr@msn.com. 12/10

Curio Cabinet: Excellent condition oak 2-piece curio cabinet w/glass doors, decorative w/curved legs. Has original key for locking. Great for displaying collectibles! 48" W x 18" D x 6' H. \$350 OBO. Frances @ (805) 583-5321. 10/10

Weslo Cadence C42 treadmill: 2 years old. Great condition. \$65. Judy @ (909) 800-0414. 9/10

Hammond Organ: dual-key board, antique. FREE to good home. Mickey Miner @ (310) 833-9997 or David Miner @ (310) 519-8113.

Homes/Rentals/Land

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



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

For Rent: West



scaped Palmdale home. Large backyard w/ spectacular mountain view. Won't last at 7/11

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

For Rent: Townhouse located in Ontario. 3 BD/2.5BA. Large enclosed patio, laundry hookups, 2 parking spaces & no pets. \$1350 monthly plus security deposit. Info @ (562) 322-6972. 7/11

For Rent: Inglewood house. Lg BD in a 3 BD/2.75BA home. Excellent location, responsible person. Avail-6/15/11. 3 months or more lease. Full house priveleges; gated community, wifi, laundry, own bath. \$850/mo, \$400 deposit. Supri @ (310) 674-3536.

For Rent: 2BD house in nice part of N. Long Beach. Recent upgrades include granite countertops, new carpet, tile, laminate floors, private yard & garage. Near schools & freeways. W/D hook-up. No pets. \$1500/mo. Call for appt. (562)537-5972.

For Rent: 2 BD house. Near Long Beach, sharp, clean, near school & freeway. \$1,450/mo. Call for appt @ (562) 537-5972. Sec 8 ok.

For Rent: House in La Crescenta, 3 BD/1.75A in nice & quiet neighbrhd, upper Glendale. Good schools, walk to Crescenta Valley HS. \$2,100/mo. Call (818) 621-7758.

Household Items

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

Portable Pet Crate: Never used, 3'D x 2'H x 2'W. Has removable pan. Paid \$125, asking \$75. Call Richard @ (818) 399-9730. 3/11

Mavtag Washer & Drver: Top of the line, in excellent condition, \$245. Larry @ (818) 883-5870 2/11

Kenmore Dryer: Super capacity, like new, hardly used \$150. Info @ (562) 301-2940. 10/10

Miscellaneous



new) Margaret @ (909) 450-1636

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

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French Mastif Pups: Mona @ (661) 724-1335. 8/11

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

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

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

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

Ballroom Dancing: Beginners, intermediate & advanced. Wednesdav's- 7:00pm - 9:00pm The



on our annual trip to Oakland. Information contact: Joe @ (909) 519-8683 or raiderjo@roadrunner.com 6/11



@ (909) 606-5633.

rental in Big Bear Lake: 3 BD/2 BA house located in the village of Big Bear Lake, CA, near the lake.

8347. 2/11 Mountain Lake campground membership: 2 life time. Paid \$9,000 asking \$4,500 OBO. Details

Monterey Bay Timeshare: \$875, 2 BD/2 BA, kitchen, fp, bbq, pools, etc. Dates: 7/25/11 - 8/1/11 (Monday to Monday, 7 nights). Sleeps 6 max, however 4 adults is comfortable. Terry @ (818) 769-3382. 3/11

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

Escondido Timeshare for sale. Studio suite 1 Bdrm; sleeps 4 w/ full kitchen; overlooks 18 hole golf course. \$3,000. Brad @ (626) 297- 2924. 11/09

Collectibles

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

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



Wanted: 35mm slide projector, Kodak Carousel 850 Auto-Focus. Harold @ (818) 892-9328. 7/1

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

Vintage stereo/Radio equipment, Receivers. Marantz, Yamaha, etc. 1975 and older. Call (805) 300-2147

Wanted: Your Childhood Barbie Dolls and Clothes. I collect dolls from 1959 - 1966 and pay top dollar! I will buy 1 - 1,000 dolls. Clothing, struc tures, cases. Anything vintage Barbie! Chervl @ (208) 855-2430 or (818) 822-5369.

Wanted: YOUR TOY TRAINS, any age, any size. Mike @ (818)-831-0846.





For Sale: Lake Elizabeth, 2 buildable view lots.

ious stock truck rims & tire sizes, easy insta Used once \$50. Dwain @ (323) 754-8382. 6/11

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

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

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



1969 Dodge Dart GTS with Scat-Pak, 340, 4 Barrel, 355 gear, eady for the street or track. This car is a Turn Key ready to GO!

\$30,000 invested & looking for \$23,000. Harry @ (714)222-2210, (714) 997-7471 or harryhunold@sbcglobal.net 4/11

Polaroid 7" LCD TV widescreen, under cabinet w/ DVD-CD player AM/FM radio & remote. \$125. Regina @ (323) 754-8382. 2/10

Bedroom Furniture Set: light wood finish, good condition: 2 nightstands, 6-drawer dresser w/mirror, sleigh style bed, \$200. Pictures available. Art @ (626) 991-9054. 9/11

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



For Rent: 1BD/ 1BA apt. in Highland Park. 10-15 min. from PAB, and 5-10 from

Academy. Courtyard, hardwood floors, new windows, walls, ceiling fan, blinds, paint. Walk-in closet. No pets. 1 year lease. Street parking. \$700 month. (323) 919-1163. 6/11

For Rent: Lake Tahoe Cabin, 3BD/2BA, quiet forest setting, large deck, bbq, satelliteTV. Completely furnished. Close to beach, bike path, stables, casinos. Jess @ (626) 797-5992. 6/11

For Rent: 2BD/1BA apartment near Sunset Bl./Alvarado, 10 min from downtown. \$950/mo. Ben @ (213) 484-2682. 5/11

For Sale: Acton land, 10 acres, 360 view, Graded 1 acre level pad, ready to build! \$220K, OBO. Owner will carry w/ 50% down. Bill @ (661) 400-9893.

For Rent: Inglewood, single family dwelling, 2BD/1BA, living room, dining room, back yard & detached garage. Recent upgrades. Quiet community. Call Char @ (323) 600-4615 after 7:00pm. 3/11

Gallery, 122 N. Market Street, Inglewood 90301. Group workshops too! Contact: Dance instructor/coordinator Erick Weaver @ (310) 351-5303.

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Travel / Timeshare

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

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Theatre Tickets				
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Restricted Tickets	\$13.50	\$6.00	X =\$	
Good Any Time	\$13.50	\$7.50	X =\$ X =\$ X =\$ X =\$ X =\$ X =\$	
Small Popcorn	\$5.50	\$3.00	X =\$	
Small Drink	\$4.50	\$3.00	X =\$	
Movie Pack	\$35.00	\$24.00	X =\$	
Includes 2 unrestricted movie passes, 2 small drink concession and 1 small p	opcorn concession.			
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Restricted Formerly "The Bridge"	\$14.00	\$6.00	X =\$ X =\$	
Good Any Time	\$14.00	\$7.50	X =\$	
Cinemark Theatres				
Good Any Time	\$10.75	\$7.25	x =\$	
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Laemmle Theatres – Good Any Time	\$11.00	\$6.00	x =\$	
Mann Theatres – Good Any Time	\$11.00	\$7.50	x =\$	
Pacific Theatres				
Restricted	\$12.50	\$6.00	x =\$	
\$2 surcharge for use at Grove, not valid at Arclight.				
Gift Book	\$40.00	\$27.00	x =\$	
2 unrestricted admissions, 2 medium drinks, 1 medium popcorn.				
Regal/Edwards Cinema/United Artists				
Restricted	\$12.50	\$6.50	X =\$ X =\$	
Good Any Time	\$12.50	\$7.50	x =\$	
Regency Theatres – Good Any Time	\$11.50	\$7.00	x =\$	
UltraStar Cinemas Good Any Time Tickets can be upgraded for 3-D, IMAX, or ETX.	\$10.00	\$6.00	x =\$	

Attraction Tickets

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Adventure City Adult/Child Expires 12/31/2011.		\$14.95	\$10.50	x	=\$
Aquarium of the Pacific					•
Adult Child (3-11)		\$24.95 \$12.95	\$17.00 \$9.95	X X	=\$ =\$
Expires 11/30/2011.		+	+		· ·
Boomer's Family Fun Centers All Day Pass		\$24.99	\$15.50	x	=\$
Catalina Island Express – Round Trip	Adult	\$66.50	\$55.50	x	=\$
Expires 12/31/2011. Not valid 5/28-30, 7/2-4, 9/3-5.	Child	\$51.00	\$46.00	X	=\$
Davey's Locker					
Whale Watching Buy 1, Get 1	Adult Child	\$30.00	\$21.00	X	=\$
Sportfishing – 1/2 Day	Adult	\$25.00 \$40.00	\$17.00 \$30.00	X X	=\$ =\$
Sportfiching Full Day	Child	\$29.00 \$60.00	\$25.50	X X	=\$ _\$
Sportfishing – Full Day	Adult Child	\$69.00 \$55.00	\$56.00 \$47.50	x	=\$ =\$
Disneyland/California Adventure					
1-Day 1-Park	Adult	\$80.00	\$75.00	X X	=\$
Expires 12/31/2011. Blackout dates apply. 1-Day Park Hopper	Child (3-9) Adult	\$74.00 \$105.00	\$70.00 \$95.00	x x	=\$ =\$ =\$ =\$ =\$ =\$ =\$
Expires 12/31/2011.	Child (3-9)	\$99.00	\$90.00		=\$
2-Day 1-Park Expires 12/31/2011.	Adult Child (3-9)	\$158.00 \$146.00	\$139.00 \$129.00	X X	=5 =\$
2-Day Park Hopper Expires 12/31/2011.	Adult Child (3-9)	\$173.00 \$161.00	\$154.00 \$144.00	X X	=\$ _\$
Annual Passport (SoCal Select)	Child (3-3)	\$199.00	\$189.05	x	 =\$
Valid 1 year from date of activation. Must be activated Annual Passport (SoCal)	nted before 12/31/2011. Valid 170 da	^{ays.} \$269.00	\$255.55	x	=\$
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3 Hour Unlimited Wristband: Norwa	lk location	\$30.00	\$16.00	X	=\$ =\$
All Park Pass: Ventura location		\$20.00	\$15.00	X	=\$
Haunted Hayride	Adult/Child	¢25.00	\$22.00	v	_¢
General Admission/Hayride only Double Attraction Pass	Adult/Child Adult/Child	\$25.00 \$35.00	\$32.00	X X	=\$ =\$
Limited quantities available.s					
K1 Speed Racing Admit one	New Lower Price	\$25.95	\$15.00	x	=\$
This pass entitles the owner to one 14 Lap race an Minimum height requirement 410".	nd a annual license for the day.	ψ20.00	010.00	~	-•
Knott's Berry Farm					
1-Day Ticket	Adult	\$56.99	\$29.99 \$20.99	X X	=\$
Expires 12/31/2011.	Child (3-11)	\$24.99	\$20.99	X	=\$
Season Pass	Adult/Child	\$69.99	\$59.99	X	=\$
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Adult		\$69.00	\$52.00	х	=\$
Child (3-11) Expires 12/31/2011.		\$59.00	\$52.00	X	=\$
Sea Life Resort Hopper	Adult	\$89.00	\$62.00	X	=\$
Expires 12/31/2011. Pass includes admission to Leg	Child (3-11) coland. Sea Life Aquarium and the	\$79.00 new waterpark. Ticke	\$62.00 et comes with a se	X econd day	rfree to all 3 attractions.
Los Angeles Zoo	,,				
Adult		\$14.00	\$11.00	X	=\$ =\$
Child (2-12)		\$9.00	\$8.00	X	=\$
Madame Tussauds Wax Attraction Adult		\$25.00	\$12.00	x	-\$
Child (4-12)	New Lower Price	\$18.00	\$10.00	x	
Expires 12/31/2011.					
Magic Mountain Adult		\$59.99	\$25.99	х	=\$
Child (under 48")		\$34.99	\$17.50	X	=\$ =\$
Expires 12/31/2011.					
Magic Mountain: Private Party – No Admission	ov. 1201, opin-12801	\$59.99	\$24.99	х	=\$
Admission and Buffet		\$79.99	\$34.99	X	=\$
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Mulligan's Family Fun Center	Adult/Child	¢99.00	\$16 FO	v	=\$
All Day Pass Restrictions: Pass gives 1 Adult or Child unlimited u					et is valid Friday, Saturday, and Sunday,
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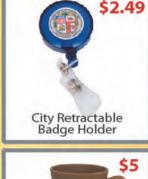








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