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Vessel Operations' three Captains – Capt. I Jim Valensi (top); Capt. Anthony Di Tucci (left) and department Manager; and Capt. Michael Barnes, Club Member – aboard the tug *G.F. Nicholson*.

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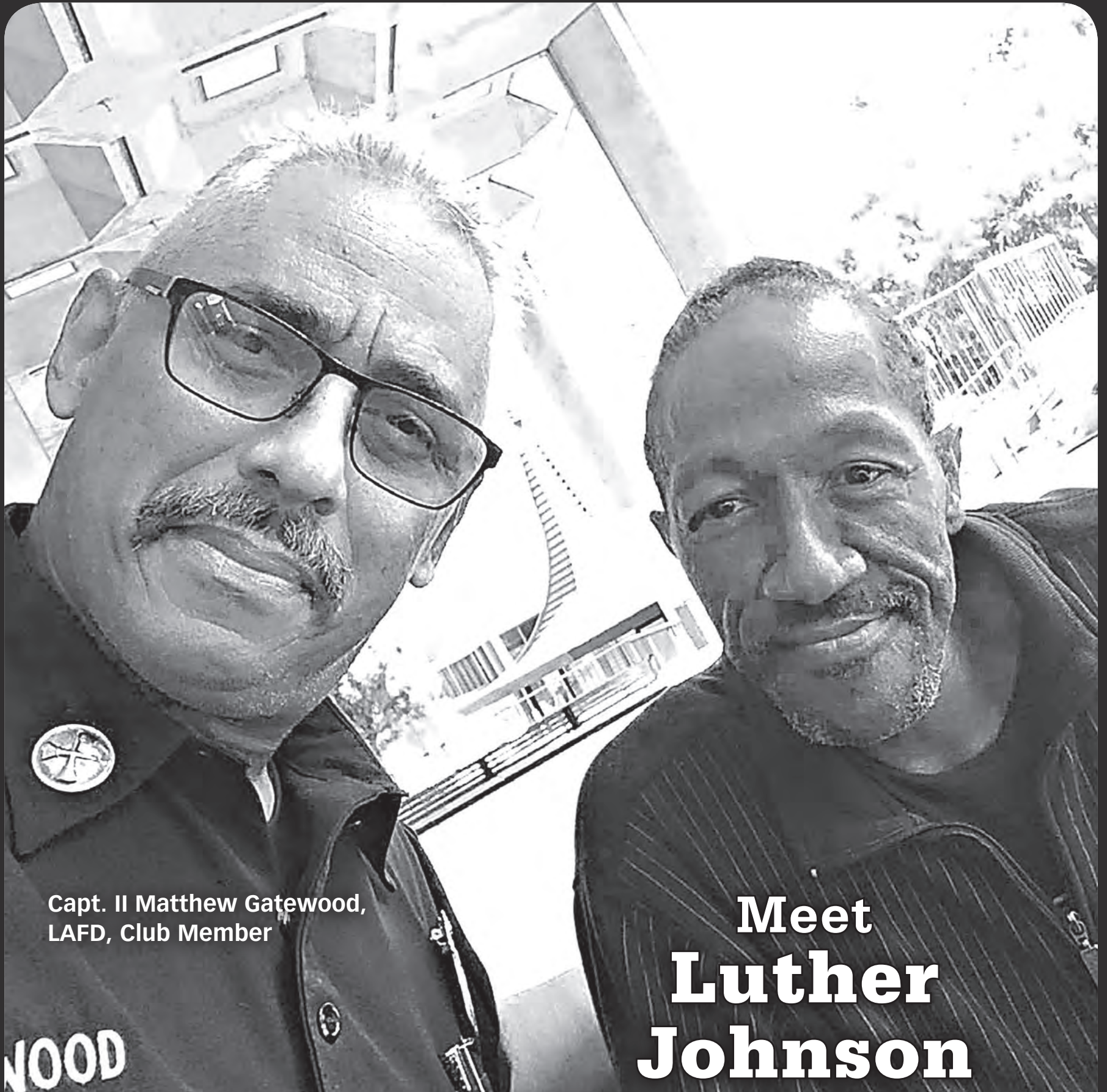
{ Who are the people you see every day? }

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in a series.



People We See

Shelterless in Los Angeles.



**Capt. II Matthew Gatewood,
LAFD, Club Member**

**Meet
Luther
Johnson**

Luther Johnson, 60 was born in Watts and raised on a farm in Perris. He's been married four times and has five children – three girls and two boys. He is a great grandfather. He is sad to say that he has never seen any of his grandchildren.

Luther is a graduate of Pasadena City College with a degree in the arts. His focus was on drawing and sculpting. He served in the United States Army for six years and was the Army's All Army Basketball Center for three years. He still loves to watch basketball on TV and would love to play again, but his age and physical condition have limited his movement. When given the opportunity, Luther likes to make his way over to the La Brea Tar Pits, watch sci-fi movies or the TV show *Criminal Minds*. His favorite actor is Samuel L. Jackson; he really loved him in *Pulp Fiction*. Luther also liked several Bernie Casey movies.

Luther worked as a security guard all over the City and then became an in-home care provider for six years. He says he would like to get back to work as a security guard in the near future.

Luther sleeps close to City Hall with a few friends right now but has a dream of retiring, living in his own home and relaxing all day. When

asked about staying in a shelter, Luther indicated that he would not move into a shelter because, he says, the people who manage them have no compassion and don't care about people.

Luther wanted to send a message to the parents and children of today. Parents, he advised, stay together, love your children, and love God. Children, do what your parents tell you and stay in school. Luther said that if he could change one thing about living on the streets of Los Angeles, it would be get all the drugs out of Skid Row.

During our interview, I noticed that Luther was wearing a pair of cheater glasses that had been taped together several times. Luther was provided \$20 for a new pair of glasses and something to eat. At the close of our conversation, Luther and I prayed for his health and wellbeing.

*This month's "People We See" was conducted by
Capt. II Matthew Gatewood, LAFD, Club Member.*

{ In this feature, the Club introduces 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. }

A Message From the CEO

Sailing Seas To the Future

by John Hawkins,
President and CEO, The Club

Boat Capt. I **Michael Barnes** in the Harbor has long been an active Club Member, sending in his travelogues and commenting on stories we've published in *Alive!* A year or so ago he suggested that his department – Vessel Operations, managed by **Capt. II Anthony Di Tucci** – would be a great visual story to tell.

He was right! We were delighted to spend a day on the water, seeing how this division keeps things moving in the all-important LA Harbor. This is how we develop most of our *Alive!* cover stories, on tips by Club Members. So keep sending them in!

I'd love to go on about this (and the awesome photos by the Club's **Summy Lam**), but there's so much to cover this month!

First is the news breaking just at press time that *Alive!* in print form is continuing on! We heard you! It will be streamlined and smaller, working in perfect tandem with our new *Alive!* on the Web, which will have so many modern touches, that you can do only online, to keep up with the way you live your lives. Serving Club Members has always been what we're about, and that continues. More about this later.

Sadly, we've had a number of notable deaths in the Club family. First is the tenth anniversary of the death of former Club Counselor to hundreds and friend to all, **Howard Pompel**, in the Chatsworth Metrolink train crash. I remember talking to *Alive!* editor John Burnes that Friday afternoon after hearing of the crash and knowing that was Howard's train, telling John that I



Howard Pompel

wasn't able to reach Howard on his cell, and fearing for the worst. It still puts a pain in my gut. Anyway, our story on the Citywide memorial service is on page 11.

Also, Club Rep **Ruben Garcia**, Transportation, sadly lost his battle with cancer in September. We will always be grateful for his service to the Club and City Employees, and



Ruben Garcia

his beloved saying, "I love my Club!" We love you back, Ruben ... and may you rest in peace.



Art Sanchez (second from left) with Brian Sibert, *Alive!* editor John Burnes and Club CEO John Hawkins.

Art Sanchez, Superintendent, West Valley Sanitation Yard, Club Member, also passed away in September. Art believed in West Valley Sanitation Yard's many outreach efforts, including its Christmas toy drive. He helped us tell that story in December 2016. A great many young boys and girls had a happier holiday because of what Art, **Brian Sibert** and the West Valley crew did for them. Our condolences go to Art's friends and family.

Moving on: While we're taking a break from the intensity of our monthly "People We See" feature, a Club Member has stepped in on his own. **Fire Capt. II Matthew Gatewood** missed the feature so much, he decided to hit the streets and create one himself. See it on page 4.

In brief: Congratulations to our **Joannie Mukai** Club Scholarship awardees, and to **Ken Kochakji** for taking third place in the Valley art contest ... I'm still enjoying **Hal Danowitz's** travelogue about his long cruise ... and well done, **Zaki Mustafa**, on another amazing jacket giveaway to the homeless.

As this is a combined October and November issue, I'll say Happy Halloween (don't forget all the amazing Club deals!) and Happy Thanksgiving. I am thankful for my friends, my family ... and all of you, Club Members.

JOHN



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The City tug *G.F. Nicholson* and its three Captains -- Capt. I Jim Valensi, Capt. Anthony Di Tucci and Capt. Michael Barnes, Club Member, are photographed by Summy Lam, Club Director of Marketing (front left) and Club CEO John Hawkins.



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– Angela Battle, June 2017

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– Louan Clark, March 2017

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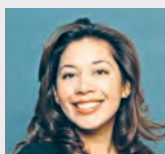
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NORTH DIVISION

Meet North Division's New Commissioner Amanda!



North Commissioner Amanda Cadena.

Hi Club Softball fans!

I'm Amanda Cadena, the newly appointed North Division Commissioner. I started working in ITA as a 311 Customer Information Rep last year, and I'm play second base for It Ain't Over in the North Division. Last year we ended up placing second in playoffs as a newly formed team against the returning champions, Game Time.

I wanted to acclimate quickly within the City, so I sought out City teams where I could network and connect with others. I co-manage It Ain't Over with LAPD Devonshire Lt. Mike McCommas. Our team has a great mix of City Employees. Joining the league was one of the best decisions I have made; I've met so many great City employees from various departments.

Lady Smith did a great job the last couple of seasons as the Commissioner (and she continues for the South Division), so I only hope I can do a follow her legacy and run the North Division smoothly. Come out and watch – it's so much fun.

I'll see you there!

— **Amanda Cadena**
Club Softball Commissioner, North Division

SOUTH DIVISION

North Competition Heating Up

By Lady Y. Smith
South Division Commissioner

As the South Division hasn't started yet, I thought I'd tell you about some of the recent North Division activity. North Division started Aug. 1, and boy was it awesome!

Operaiders and GameTime kicked it off as both teams got to know their new players. Operaiders fall to GameTime 18-10. Both teams look forward to some gelling.

The late game welcomed Blue Dragons and the new Enforcers, a mixture of longtime Enforcer players as well as Guzzler veterans. I affectionately call them the "Enforzlers!" Guzzler Vic is still looking for his walkup music. (Smile.) They also seem like the team to beat, as they are undefeated at the moment, winning most of their games by an average of 15 runs.

It will be very interesting to see if the Enforcers can maintain their great record and which obvious underdog will take them down.



Batter Up!

— **Lady Y Smith**
Club Softball Commissioner, South Division

SOFTBALL 2018



North Division Heading to Playoffs

New Division looking to crown champs Dec. 19.

The Club Softball League's North Division is deep into its first season, with the playoffs set to start Dec. 5, and the championship game Dec. 19.

North Division games are played at Shatto Recreation Center, 3191 W Fourth St., and Yosemite Recreation Center, 1840 Yosemite Dr.

COME AND HAVE FUN!

Cheer on your favorite City teams! Attendance is free, of course, and the friendships and fun you will have are all courtesy the Club Softball League. Get in on the fun!

Games are on Wednesday nights, starting at 7:30 p.m.

SOUTH DIVISION FORMING:

The Club Softball League's **South Division**, which plays its games in Inglewood, is forming and accepting new teams and players. Contact the Sports Dude: sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com

The Club Softball League is open to Members from the City, County and State. It is also open to their family members over 18 years old.

GAME PICTURES ONLINE:

Images of past sporting events can be found on Club social media (see below).

Standings (thru Sept. 12)

Yosemite

Enforcers	5-1
Blue Dragons	4-2
GameTime	3-2
Sluggers	2-3
Operaiders	0-6

Shatto

Kilawatts	4-2
Sewer Rats	3-2
Transformers	3-3
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It Ain't Over	2-3



Robert Larios,
The Sports Dude

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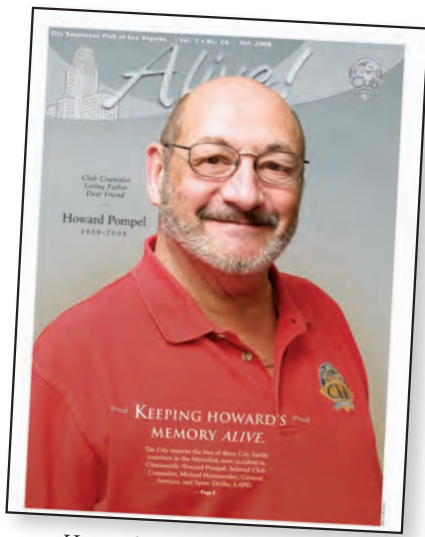
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In Memory of Howard Pompel

I wish to send my thoughts and prayers to the Employees Club, the staff as well as all who knew Howard Pompel – especially to Howard’s family. I remember Howard and had the privilege of meeting him at the Employees Club Store. He was so very unique with his boisterous personality and rare blend of care for everyone who walked in or talked with him by phone. It was nice to see the City honor and remember him and the others who passed from the Chatsworth train tragedy in 2008. I will continue to remember.



Howard Pompel • 1939-2008

– Joe Lopez, General Services

Thanks, Joe, for your kind words. Howard was the spirit of the Club; we all learned a lot from him about customer service, and we miss him. See our tribute to him on page 11. – Ed.

Club’s Retirement Plaque Honors Careers of Service

I recently walked into the Employees Club Store and got a chance to see firsthand an employee getting a retirement award for her years of service. Robert Larios was about to start and asked that I stand for a few moments to be a witness, which I gladly did! I have to say that when I retire in 20 years or so, I want to get one, too. That plaque is nice! High quality! It was also a tender moment for the Retiree, since her family and friends were there, and once Mr. Larios finished up with his speech, she was in tears of joy. I was choked up, too, for her. What a moment, and I was lucky to see it in person.

– Tina Kendall, LAFD

Alive! Move to the Web Is Staying Current With Times

How exciting that the Employees Club is going to have a Web *Alive!* newspaper. It is about time, really. I am always on the go and find it more convenient and easier for me if I can see what is happening with my coworkers and other departments as soon as it happens and not 30 days later. I am looking forward to reading the new versions of “People We See,” “Cooking With the Club” and the classifieds, since those are my favorites. The future is now! Thanks to the Employees Club for staying current with the technology.

– John Davidson, LAPD

*We agree, John – and this just in: We’re going to keep a (smaller) *Alive!* in print, the perfect complement to the exciting new Web *Alive!* More details to come. – Ed.*

Affordable Insurance Plans Are Among Best Benefits

I very much like the discounts and tickets available to my family and me, but it’s the insurance plans that impress me the most. I have insurance plans including disability and auto insurance through the Club, and they have been important in keeping things financially going since I had a disability from an auto collision and couldn’t go to work for a year. The Club has a great team in Cecilia and Monica as well as the staff at the auto insurance office with Suzanne, Rosa and Patty. My family and I thank you for the caring protection and security.

– Gerald Johnson, Transportation

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We love seeing the Employees Club staff come out to our worksite in their field van and stand. It makes it very convenient to buy the City merchandise. They are always so very friendly, organized and bring the best stuff for us. I especially love the hats and bags they bring out. I know from all us from my department, we appreciate that they come out to our location. It makes us like we are all family – the City family!

– Franny Jones, Housing

CORRECTION

In our Retirees list in August, we published an incorrect title for Pedro Sierra Jr. He retired from the DWP as a Machinist Supervisor. We regret the error.

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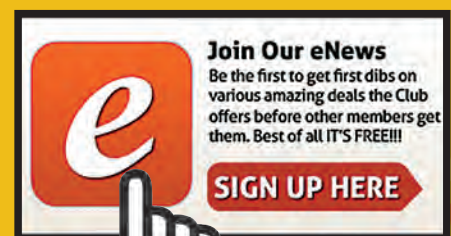
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Robert's Question of the Month

BY ROBERT LARIOS, Chief Operating Officer
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Fellow City Employees answer the Question of the Month

What was one of your most memorable moments at work?



"The first year I got hired at Street Services, the Dodgers went to the World Series. I worked on the cleanup crew for the Dodgers' championship parade."

Marco A. Calderon, Retired

"Getting recognized for my years of service by the Employees Club. Thank you!"

Clyde Ignacio, Retired



"I had many great experiences keeping the City Libraries safe and helping patrons, too, learning from them as well as the employees who worked there."

David C. Calderon, Retired

"Driving up north to Sonoma and Santa Rosa on 12-hour convoy in 2006 to help the utility companies restore service after devastating rainstorms."

Ulysses H. Collins Jr., Retired



"Taking aerial photos on a helicopter of Griffith Park and the San Fernando Valley as part of my assignment."

John Shadle, Retired

"Jumping out of an airplane, parachuting and landing safely."

Gary Boehm, Retired



"Celebrating the retirement of our colleague and dear friend, Cheryl Craig, this year!"

Brenda Rodriguez, Transportation

"It's the grand total of memories during my 31 years of service with coworkers that I will cherish."

Cheryl Craig, Retired



"It was a pleasure to come down to the Club Store and see our friend and colleague, Cheryl Craig, get the Club Retirement plaque from Mr. Larios."

Antonia Arroyo, Transportation

ZOO

Zoo Says BOO!

Annual month of spooky fun set for October.

October

"Boo at the L.A. Zoo" fun takes place every day in October at the Los Angeles Zoo. Jack-o-lantern-carving demonstrations, strolling characters, entertainment and up-close encounters with "crawly" insects and reptiles are just some of the Halloween family adventures for visitors.

A Halloween maze is featured, while weekends include a puppet show, a science show, pumpkin carving, animal feedings, up-close encounters with some of the Zoo's smaller residents and other family adventures. Programming is subject to change.

A special "Boo" Creature Campout is offered Oct. 27-28 with themed activities, ghost stories and family activities (did we mention the Zoo is haunted?); additional fees required. Treat-or-treating is offered on the weekends of Oct. 20-21 and 27-8 only.

Check lazoo.org for daily activities, which are free with paid Zoo admission. Zoo admission is \$21 for general admission (ages 13 to 61); \$18 for seniors (ages 62+); and \$16 for children (ages 2 to 12). No ticket is required for children under two. Admission for Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association members is free.



An animal eating a pumpkin must mean it's time for Boo at the Zoo.

The Los Angeles Zoo is in Griffith Park at the junction of the Ventura (134) and Golden State (5) freeways. 5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90027. Free parking is available. For additional information, contact (323) 644-4200 or visit www.lazoo.org

Story and photo courtesy Capt. Erik Scott, LAFD

LAFD

Drew Honored for Grant

FireStatLA Manager Drew Steinberg honored for obtaining \$15 million grant.



Drew Steinberg with Capt. Erik Scott.

On Aug. 23, the LAFD honored FireStat for being instrumental in generating millions of dollars for the department. FireStatLA Manager Drew Steinberg was recognized for her instrumental involvement in the LAFD obtaining a \$15.4 million federal grant, allowing the LAFD to fortify resources at four busy fire stations.

In 2011, due to budgetary constraints, 11 Engine Companies and 7 Light Forces were cut. That's a total of

270 firefighters positions removed! However, it has been the mission of Fire Chief Ralph Terrazas, Mayor Eric Garcetti and UFLAC to restore the department's critically diminished personnel. To do so, the LAFD has applied more than a dozen times for FEMA's "Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response" (SAFER) grant, to no avail. That is until the department unleashed Drew Steinberg. She spearheaded this effort, utilized resources available through FireStat, collaborated with IAFF, along with compiling an accurate statistical analysis of the department's needs to submit a superior grant.

The awarded \$15.4 million grant allowed the LAFD to hire a critically needed additional recruit class in early 2018. This recruit class created the additional personnel necessary to staff the four new engines that went into service in July – in Echo Park (Fire Station 20), Lincoln Heights (Fire Station 1), Reseda (Fire Station 73) and Mission Hills (Fire Station 75).

The LAFD thanked Drew for jumping in with both feet when asked to write this important grant, and because of her initiative, the LAFD received the largest SAFER grant in the nation in 2017.

Congrats, Drew!



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THE CLUB

Metrolink Tragedy Sept. 12, 2008



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REMEMBERING HOWARD POMPEL

1939 - 2008

Ten years ago, the Club mourned the death of Counselor Howard Pompel. We remember again.

In the Club offices, on Club social media and in greater L.A., the victims of the Metrolink crash in Chatsworth Sept. 12, 2008 were mourned on the crash's 10th anniversary. And that included Howard Pompel, former Club Counselor and insurance expert, who died in that accident.

"Howard was the embodiment of the City Employees Club," said Club CEO John Hawkins. "Everybody knew him because he treated everyone as a friend. We mourn his life and everything he

meant to us as an association, and as just people."

Among the 25 people who died in that disaster were two other City employees, LAPD Officer Spree DeSha and Michael Hammersley, Public Works.

A 10th anniversary memorial service, organized out of the office of Councilman Mitch Englander, was held Sept. 12 in Chatsworth adjacent to the site of the crash. Metrolink trains passing in the near distance sounded their horns. At the ceremony, brief biographies were read before a bell was rung for each of those who died. Howard's bio was read by Bryan McQueeney, Chief Executive Officer of Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship, the ranch where the service was held.

Howard began working for the Club in June 2001 as the Association's in-house Insurance Counselor and specialist in Long-Term Care, Life Insurance and Disability Insurance.

As John Hawkins said 10 years ago, "I can't think of a better representative the Club could have ever had. The happiness, safety and peace of mind of all Club Members were very important to Howard. He was everything we are, wrapped up in one person. He was special, one of a kind. It's a great loss for everyone who knew him, and for the City."

Pauline Murano, daughter of a Club Member who had died just before Howard did, received some paperwork and a sympathy card from Howard. Signed on Sept. 12, the day Howard died, it might have been Howard's last piece of correspondence. "I want his family to know," Pauline wrote to the Club, "that Mr. Pompel spent his last day and probably every day helping people.

"He was so helpful and sympathetic."

The Club's sympathies continue to reach out to Howard's surviving family. Rest in peace, good friend. ■

10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL SERVICE
Sept. 12, 2018, Chatsworth



Bryan McQueeney, Chief Executive Officer of Ride On Therapeutic Horsemanship, the ranch where the service was held, read Howard's biography before a bell was rung in Howard's memory.



Councilman Mitch Englander hosted the memorial service.



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LARFPA events: (888) 288-5063

DEC. 6: RLACEI annual holiday party, 11:30 a.m., Grace E. Simons Lodge.

DEC. 8: LARFPA annual holiday party, Sportsmen's Lodge.

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 the LA City Employees' Retirement System

The Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System is at 202 W. First Street, Suite 500, (LA Times Building), Los Angeles, CA 90012. Hours: 8AM-5PM. 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. www.lacers.org

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Meetings Mean Friends, Food, But Also Pension Update News

2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



Ed Harding

President's Report By Edward J. Harding President, RLACEI

It was so great seeing all those who attended the general meeting and picnic Aug. 9 at the Grace E. Simons Lodge. We all enjoyed the hamburgers and hot dogs.

Dennis Harding, RLACEI Director and Chairperson of the entertainment committee, went from caterer to caterer to find a meal that our Retirees would enjoy. The menu consisted of hamburgers, hot dogs and side dishes.

As you all know, the holiday party is coming up in December. Let us know if you have any ideas or preference of what you would like to eat. Please call Dennis at (800) 678-4145, ext. 710, or myself

at ext. 703. *It is important to us that our members enjoy being at our functions as we enjoy seeing you there!*

What is more important is that when you do not attend, you miss out on updates of the current pension status or changes that affect our pension or our benefits, as provided by LACERS' Lita Payne, Assistant General Manager, and Alex Rabrenovich, Chief Health Benefits Administrator.

The holiday party is scheduled for Dec. 1 at the Grace E. Simons Lodge. Please make your reservations by calling our toll-free number (800) 678-4145, ext. 701.

Thank you for being an RLACEI member, and if you have any concerns or questions, please let us know we are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling and leaving a message at (800) 678-4645. ■

State Supreme Court Rejects San Diego Pension Initiative



Michael Karsch

Legislative Report: Pension Law and Policy, By Michael Karsch

I offer a double report this month.

The big news in public pensions is the decision by the State Supreme Court at the beginning of August that San Diego's pension cut from a 2012 ballot initiative was illegally placed on the city's ballot. This pension cut was from the typical public pension based on defined benefits (like ours) would no longer be given to new employees, except for new police officers. Instead, the city would offer a savings plan, akin to a 401(k).

The initiative was promoted by the then-mayor Jerry Sanders. The initiative was approved by more than 65 percent of the electorate. The court reasoned that the mayor had failed to negotiate with labor leaders. The labor law of the state requires such negotiation. In this case, the mayor's name appeared as a private citizen. The court did not rule on the initiative itself, just that it was placed on the ballot illegally due to no labor negotiations between city officials and the employees. The city reportedly avoided millions of dollars in costs that were saved by not giving the new hired employees set-asides for an eventual pension. The new hires numbered 4,000. The court stressed that it was not taking a stand on pension cuts, that they "...express no opinion on the merits of pension reform or any particular pension reform policy."

The State Labor Board several years ago had ruled that the city must make the new hires whole by compensating them for the loss of pensions, plus interest penalties of seven percent. In the court system, the initial trial court had ruled against the city; the next appellate level court reversed and ruled that the initiative was legally done. That appellate court ruling was appealed to the State Supreme Court, where it was reversed. This stands as a possible indication of the Supreme Court's cautious view towards other pending cases, such as the Marin County Employees Association and the CalFire litigation. These latter cases address the pressing issue of particular pension reform policies. We do not know when these more expansive cases will be adjudicated by the high court.

Pension funds are doing well in their invest-

ments, mostly in stocks. Although heavy reliance on equities hurt investors in the 2008-09 recession, the major funds are now still invested in stocks hoping to restore their portfolios. Many such funds used to favor fixed-income investments, but now many of the largest funds, like CalPERS and CalSTRS, are looking into alternative investments, such as private equity and hedge funds. ("Pension Funds Boost Bull-Market Bets," *Wall Street Journal*, Aug. 8).

On a less promising note, the *Wall Street Journal* reports that bankruptcy is "surging for older Americans." (Aug. 8). The rate at which Americans age 65 and older are filing for bankruptcy has more than tripled since 1991 (3.6 out of every 1,000 individuals). This is due to lack of pensions for a large number of Americans, leaving them only Social Security plus what little they have saved. This is time to be thankful for your pension with the City of Los Angeles. We are well protected by good pensions and other retirement benefits such as medical care.

In early September, the New York City Chief Actuary Sherry S. Chan wrote a letter to the *Wall Street Journal* in response to an August letter bemoaning the high unfunded liability in the New Jersey pension systems. All of us have surely read other stories of severe funding situations in one or another government-funded pensions, whether in California or across the country. She says that demanding that there be full funding of all government pensions each year is "not the correct answer." Her full answer is so good that I will reprint the rest here:

"It's unfair to taxpayers. This is mixing apples and oranges and using one pension-funding situation to spoil the conversation on the health of all public pensions. I agree that pensions should be fully funded but not all at once. From bull markets to bear markets, the stock market fluctuates. Is it fair to one group of taxpayers to pay more than another into the public-pension fund because the market didn't do particularly well that year? I don't believe it is, and that's why I've made a concerted effort to educate the public about intergenerational equity, which makes sure the government's contributions to its pensions are level over time and therefore fair to all generations of taxpayers. To keep pensions in good health, governments need

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State Supreme Court Rejects San Diego Pension Initiative

to do what most public workers already do for their pensions – make consistent contributions. The employee contributions, coupled with using the market to fuel the pensions and governments making regular and actuarially determined contributions to the pension funds, is the right formula. It's the formula that gets governments able to deliver on their pension promises. There are many states and cities already doing it right, like New York City."

A reader has to also realize that governments rarely go bankrupt; they always continue to exist. Hence there is opportunity to make up for bad financial

circumstances. Detroit, Vallejo and San Bernardino continue to function, but with serious impacts on their budgets and sometimes their retirees. The ups and downs of funding liabilities are addressed by the smoothing out of predictable costs and predictable incomes over several years, like 15 or 20 years. LACERS performs this level of cost analysis, which is available to rating agencies and usually satisfies those who rate the pensions, as well as the governments that fund them. I think it is helpful to we Retirees to read this explanation by the largest American city's Chief Actuary. ■

LACERS

LACERS Update By Mary Beetz



Mary Beetz

In Memoriam: Gary A. Wilson

It is with great sadness that the family of Gary W. Wilson announces his passing after a brief illness Aug. 4.

Gary was born Oct. 20, 1937 in Detroit. He moved to Los Angeles during his childhood and remained. He found his calling as an Electrical Inspector for the City, working his way up to Chief Electrical Inspector before retiring in 1998 and moving to Oregon, where he became Chief Electrical Inspector for the State of Oregon. He later became Council Member for Underwriters Laboratories as a consultant on National Electrical Code. He last job was working as a Field Evaluation Manager for QPS and Safe Techno until the end of 2017, when he finally retired and hung his hard hat.

He was an active member of the Pahrump Community Church in Nevada, where he made close friends, who will remember him as a wonderful, smart, loving, funny, generous and spiritual man.

Gary leaves behind his wife of 51 years, Linda Wilson; sons Eddie and Keith, daughter Cynthia (John), and six grandchildren: Shanna, Krista, Ryan, Kristopher, Kassie and Josiah. A celebration of life was held Aug. 25 at Pahnump Community Church in Nevada.

The family requests that donations be made to the Kid's Foundation at Sunrise Hospital in Gary's name. Gary has received the most excellent care from the medical staff and was honored by Sunrise as a participant in the 2017 groundbreaking ceremony for the hospital expansion.

Check Donations may be made in memory of Gary, made payable to:

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Open Enrollment Meetings Set

LACERS has scheduled its annual meetings in anticipation of the open enrollment period for choosing insurance.

This year, LACERS' 2019 Open Enrollment period will be from Oct. 16 through Nov. 14. During this time, those in the LACERS system may attend an Open Enrollment meeting and learn about any changes to LACERS health plans for the 2019 plan year. The meetings will provide attendees an opportunity to talk to health plan representatives. Also, LACERS staff will be available to answer any health plan questions and assist with the enrollment process. Meeting dates, times, and locations are listed below.

Los Angeles
Tuesday, Oct. 16, at 10 a.m.
The California Endowment
1000 N. Alameda St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Van Nuys
Thursday, Oct. 25, at 10 a.m.
Airtel Plaza Hotel
7277 Valjean Ave.
Van Nuys, CA 91406

Las Vegas
Thursday, Nov. 8, at 10 a.m.
The Orleans Hotel
4500 W. Tropicana Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89103

Oxnard
Thursday, Oct. 18, at 10 a.m.
Courtyard by Marriott
600 E. Esplanade Dr.
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Ontario
Tuesday, Oct. 30, at 10 a.m.
DoubleTree Hotel
222 N. Vineyard Ave.
Ontario, CA 91764

Lakewood
Wednesday, Nov. 14, at 10 a.m.
Sycamore Plaza
5000 Clark Ave.
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You can make reservations to attend an Open Enrollment meeting now by reserving online at www.LACERS.org/retired or calling LACERS at (800) 779-8328, TTY (888) 349-3996, Monday – Friday, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Voicemail or email messages will not be accepted as reservations. Reservations are required and space is limited, so sign up today! Reservations will be accepted for one Retiree and one guest.

Think Green and Opt Out

To reduce the use of resources, LACERS members can opt out of receiving a printed copy of LACERS Health Benefits Guide and Open Enrollment Overview each year. Instead, here are two choices:

- Have links to the Open Enrollment Overview and Health Benefits Guide sent directly to an email address; or
- Opt out of receiving the Open Enrollment Overview and Health Benefits Guide altogether and just view/download them from the LACERS website (www.LACERS.org).

If you choose to opt out of receiving printed copies of these Open Enrollment materials, simply complete an online LACERS Opt-Out Form. The form is located in the "I Want To" section of the LACERS Retired Member home page (www.LACERS.org/retired), or you can contact LACERS at (800) 779-8328, TDD (888) 349-3996, for assistance.

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The Best Years

For Retired Club Members

Thanksgiving at Sea

Hal and Evelyn continue their five-week cruise. Part 7.



2013 Club Excellence Award Recipient



By Hal Danowitz, Secretary, RLACEI

From Nov. 2 to Dec. 10, Hal and his wife, Evelyn, enjoyed a six-week cruise from Dubai, United Arab Emirates, to Cape Town, South Africa. They began by flying to Dubai via New York City and London. They spent three nights in Dubai before boarding Oceana's Nautica for a 30-day cruise to Cape Town, where they spent three nights before

flying home.

As the trip continued Nov. 22, we made the short trip (25 miles) from Mahé to today's port, Praslin, Seychelles, an island of about 5,000 inhabitants that was first settled in 1744. The Seychelles is an archipelago of 115 islands in the Indian Ocean, off East Africa. It's home to numerous beaches, coral reefs and nature reserves, as well as rare animals, including the giant Aldabra tortoises. This port is very much a nature stop, with virgin forest and great beaches and destination resorts.

We were scheduled for the La Digue highlights tour, which included a ferry ride of 30 minutes to La Digue Island, an ox cart ride to a coconut farm and then time at the beach. We got up early ready to go, and then it started to pour. We decided to just skip our tour, as it was mostly the beach, and wait to see if it clears and then take the tender to the dock.

We were not researching the ports correctly. We had talked to a lot of the passengers who had used local transport and had seen as much as we had for a lot less money. Our biggest worry had been safety, but on these islands, it didn't seem to be a problem. Our next cruise was to the Amazon River, and I intend to do a better job researching what sights are in each port and the best way to see them.

The weather did clear, and we left the ship by tender around 9:30 a.m. It was a little cloudy, but the rain had stopped and the sun was peeking through the clouds. The "town" was a little more than a mile away, and we decided to walk. There were lots of taxis at \$10 to town, but I wanted to see if I could do the walk without a problem. The road was two lanes wide, and the traffic drives on the left, so we had to be aware of which way to look. There were no sidewalks to speak of, so we walked toward the oncoming traffic. The road followed the shoreline, and we passed several small boat harbors and beaches. We weren't the only people from the ship doing the walk, so we had lots of company. The road was both hilly and flat but overall an easy hike. Not much to see -- small shops that were for locals more than tourists. I was feeling good, so we did the walk back to the pier. The sun did come out and both of us were covered in sweat. With looking around and a few fruitless shopping stops, it took us about two-and-a-half hours round trip. Before we boarded the tender, we ran into a couple we knew and agreed to meet for dinner together.

Evelyn and I had lunch, and then I laid out by the pool and Evelyn hung out in the Horizon Lounge. She did needlepoint and the lounge had the best light.

We had dinner with the couple from Oregon who we met on one of our tours. They lived in Hawaii for 40 years and then retired to Oregon; go figure.

We had a new group of entertainers on board and that night's show was Carl Kay, a pianist from New Zealand. He put on a varied program and even had some nice banter to go along with his playing.

We moved the clock back that night, so the time difference was 11 hours later then home.

The next day: Happy Thanksgiving, Nov. 23! It was the first time in almost 20 years that we didn't have everyone for dinner at our house.

We were sailing due west toward the east coast of Africa. We had two days at sea. Our next port was Mombasa, Kenya. We gained an hour back last night, so we woke up early. After breakfast I laid by the pool. I even took a dip in the saltwater pool. The weather was not too warm, and it looked like rain. As I was writing this after lunch it had started to rain, and the sea was getting a little choppy. Evelyn spent part of the morning at the needlepoint get-together called "coffee and needlepoint" and then played Mahjong until we met for lunch. We planned on playing bridge that afternoon.

As it was Thanksgiving, all the dining rooms served turkey. We had reservations in the Polo Grill, which is a steak restaurant, but I was torn between a traditional turkey dinner or

The waterfront.



Evelyn on our walk in Praslin.



Evelyn having lunch in the buffet.



Local art on our walk.

a big ribeye. Time would tell. I didn't think about it being Thanksgiving when I made the reservation, only that it was a sea day.

Bridge was okay; there were eight tables, and we played two boards each table with a skip. We were in the middle for east/west. They play in the Polo Grill at 2 p.m., and we had to get out by 4 p.m. so the venue could be set for dinner. That night, the comedian was back, so I expected it to be a fun show.

We had a shared table in the Polo Grill with a couple from Hermosa Beach. She was a retired district superintendent for LA Schools, and he was in finance. He was 88 but seemed to be in good shape. She was younger and seemed to make most of his decisions. He looked at the menu and then she ordered the same for him that she ordered. The grill was busy, maybe because of Thanksgiving, and it took a while to get our food. We all passed on the turkey. I had a shrimp cocktail, French onion soup and the ribeye. The steak was good, but not extraordinary. We had a pleasant dinner.

Kevin Devine the comedian was funny, but we both nodded off a couple of times.

The next morning, Nov. 24, the seas were calm and the skies were mostly clear and sunny. The temperature was in the mis-80s with 90 percent humidity. Evelyn was exercising and I had breakfast. That day was the gala brunch in the main dining room, so I ate light and waited by the pool for the 10 a.m. lecture. Most longer cruises bring on guest lecturer to talk



Hal on the walk.

about the history of the countries and ports where the ship traveled. So far, we had only had port lecturer to tell us about the next port of call. That day's lecture was about World War I secrets of Africa. Finally, there was something to get my attention.

The lecture was very well attended. The lecturer, Tira Shubart, talked about the war

in east Africa, specifically about the land and sea wars around Kenya, a British colony, and mainland Tanzania, a Germany colony. Most of those battles were won by Germany. The fighting continued until the armistice in November 1918. The lecture was a little disjointed, but I think everyone enjoyed the presentation.

Evelyn continued her needlepoint and then played Mahjong. After the lecture I walked around the deck, and I noticed staff stationed on the rail on pirate watch.

I planned to meet Evelyn at noon and then eat at the gala brunch. Bridge was at 2 p.m.

I was not that impressed with the brunch -- the selection of food was great, they even had Parma ham, but the service was not up to what we had been used too. If there would be a next time, we planned to skip it. Evelyn didn't care for the food, either.

We ended in the middle of the pack in bridge. I didn't play well and missed some signals. We had two days ashore until we would play again.

We had been going to the Martini Bar before dinner for a drink and had met very interesting people. That day it was a couple from Idaho who grew up in Pismo Beach. We had a nice talk. It was interesting that politics was not a topic that anyone wants to discuss. Mostly we talked about travel and family. It was safer that way.

We had a light dinner in the buffet and then sat in the Horizon Lounge, but we both got tired and went to bed early because we had gotten up early for our tour of Mombasa, Kenya.

More next month. ■



Show Us Your Grandkids!



Maxine Williams, Retired, is proud of two of her grandchildren who have just graduated. Congratulations!

"At the far right of the photo is (grandson) Nicholas A. Oesterling, who graduated from Bellingham High School, magna cum laude, and placed number one in the state championship javelin competition! He's currently enrolled at the United States Air Force Academy."



"Meet Chloé J. Riggs, who graduated from Metropolitan State University in Denver, with a Bachelor's degree in industrial design and a minor in anthropology." Chloé is pictured here next to her grandmother, Maxine, with (from left) Chris, Jimmy, Kim and Nick.



Julia Crowder, Retired, Rec and Parks, 26 years of City service, showed off her grandchildren.

From left: "Aaliyah Hale will be entering ninth grade. She is an honor roll student. Taniya Bolden enters ninth grade and is a very studious student. Julia Crowder, granny to them. De Andre Shaw graduated from Chico University; Candace Stallwoth graduated from Westchester High School and will be attending Tuskegee University. Kayla Stallwoth is going into the 11th grade. She works very hard in school and maintains a 3.8 GPA. We love attending church together, bowling, skating, and taking field trips. I am so proud of each one of them. They are very helpful and polite. I could not have asked for better than the best grandbabies. I support each one's education and goals."

Medicare Seminar

Story and photos courtesy Nathan Herkelrath, LACERS

On Aug. 15, Retired LACERS Members attended a Medicare seminar at the California Endowment where they learned how to enroll in Medicare, better understand their available medical plan options and more.

Information on all upcoming events for Retirees is available at www.lacers.org



At the LACERS Medicare seminar.



Life after Retirement



Stay Connected

- If you have news about yourself, family or other retirees that you would like to share with our readers, send it and we will publish it.
- If you would like to contact a former City Employee that you met or worked with, send your contact information and we will publish it so they can contact you.

If you are a Retiree and have interesting news or updates about yourself, your family or other retirees, or would like to connect with coworkers, send information to mbeetz@4841@aol.com, or mail to **Mary Beetz**: 137 Westmont Drive, Alhambra, CA 91801
NOTE: Due to our confidentiality policy, we do not give out any information without authorization.

Retiree Holiday Parties in December

Don't forget to attend a retiree party this holiday season!

RLACEI: The RLACEI's annual Christmas Party and Installation of Officers event is scheduled for noon Thursday, Dec. 6 at the Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park Dr., Los Angeles. Lunch will be served, and there will be entertainment and valuable door prizes. Please make reservations at least a week ahead: (800) 678-4145, x701. Guests welcome. Call one of the officers on the Retirees Helplines.

LARFPA: For Retired Fire and Police, your Christmas party is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 8, at Sportsmen's Lodge, 12833 Ventura Blvd., Studio City. Contact LARFPA for more information.

RETIREES: *Alive!* wants to show off your grandkids! So send in those photos!

Here's how:

1. **Make sure to have the permission from their parents.** If you send in a photo, *Alive!* assumes you have already received that permission.
2. Photos with you in them are better, but

if not, that's okay, too.

3. Make sure you list the names of your grandkids.
4. Tell us, in a sentence or two, a little bit about them – their school, their accomplishments, what they love to do, how proud you are of them, etc.
5. Digital photos are best! Send them to:

talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Send Prints To: Grandkids
Employees Club of California
120 W. 2nd St., Los Angeles, CA 90012
(800) 464-0452

If you want the print photo returned, make sure you write your name and phone number on the back.

The Best Years For Retired Club Members



Monthly Bike Ride in Griffith Park

- 3rd Saturday or Sunday of the month
- 10 a.m.
- Contact Ron Skarin at ronskarin@sbcglobal.net



Monthly Griffith Park Hike:

Note: The monthly Griffith Park Hike has been suspended for the time being. We'll let you know when it's up and running again. Meanwhile - there are plenty of opportunities to take your own walk. Stay active!



Seniors: Stay Active!

The LACERS *Well* program sponsors walking/social events that are perfect for helping you keep in shape and take care of your health. And they're open to all fitness levels.

For outside walks and events, make sure to bring comfortable shoes, sunblock, sunglasses and water.

Questions? Contact LACERS at (800) 779-8328 or lacers.services@lacers.org

Kaiser Permanente Baldwin Hills/Crenshaw Medical Facility Walk and Fitness

- Every Thursday
- 11 a.m.
- Contact Avis Ridley-Thomas, avisridleythomas@me.com

West Covina Mall Walk

- Every Wednesday
- 8:30-10 a.m.
- Contact Pablo and Vivian Cortez at pabcrt6@aol.com

Lakewood Center Mall Walk

- Every Monday
- 6 a.m.
- Contact Beverly Anderson at the.andersons@verizon.net

Madrugada Trail Hike, Chino Hills

- Every Sunday
- 4-5:30 p.m.
- Contact Eugene Mandelcorn at firstfeatures@mail.com

Buddy Walk for Life

- Kaiser Permanente Baldwin Park
- 1st Friday of the month
- 8-10 a.m.
- Contact Mariam Galang at mariamgalang@gmail.com

Playa del Rey Beach Walk

- Every Friday
- 8:30 a.m.
- Contact Frankie Gallagher at Frankiequeenofhearts@yahoo.com

Van Nuys Sherman Oaks Park Walk

- 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month
- 9 a.m.
- Contact Debby Rolland at debbylr22@gmail.com

El Cariso Park Walk, Sylmar

- Every Monday
- 8:00 a.m.
- Contact Irene Galvan at ronnie20dav@gmail.com



New LACERS Business Hours

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday

Starting **September 1, 2018**, LACERS will have new office and phone hours.

Please plan accordingly when visiting the LACERS offices and when calling the Member Service Center.

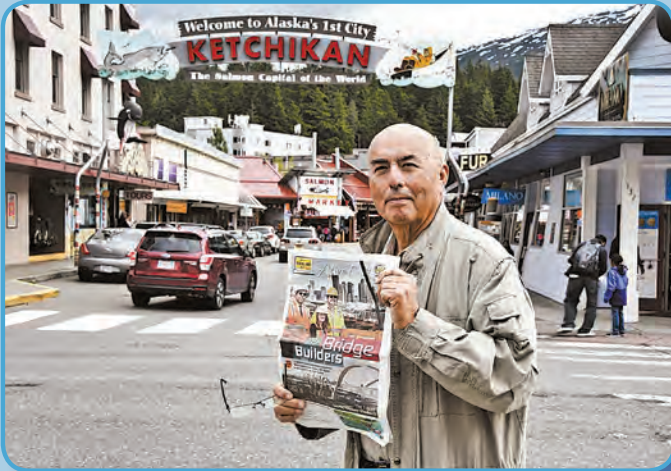
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RETIREES AROUND THE WORLD

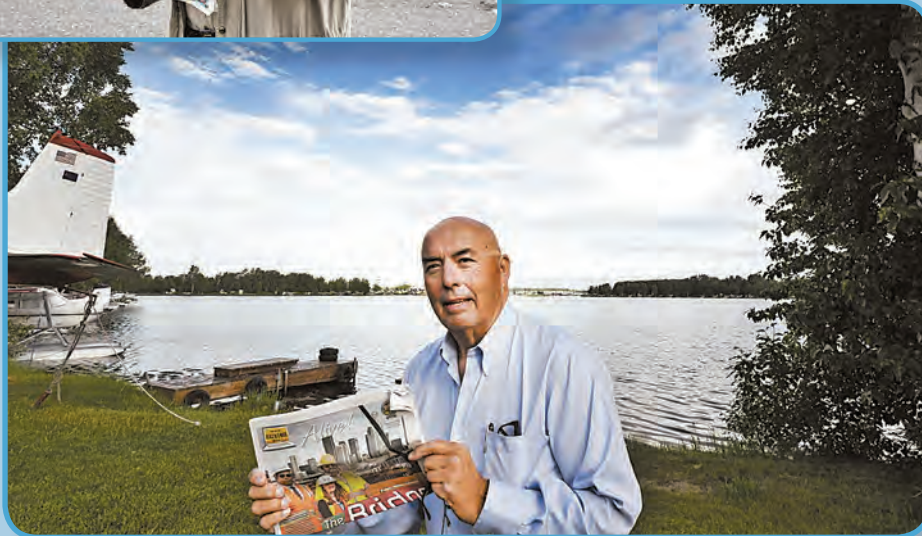
Alaska



George Cormany, Retired, LAPD photographer, visited Alaska in May and June.

(Left) "At the Lake Hood Seaplane Base in Anchorage, which is the busiest and largest seaplane base in the world."

(Below) "Ketchikan Alaska, the salmon capital of the world."



Moscow



Here are **Jim Roberts, Retired, DWP** and wife **Magda** in front of Saint Basil's Cathedral in Red Square in Moscow, Russia. "We took a river cruise on the Volga, Neva, and Moscow Rivers from St. Petersburg to Moscow and had a very nice time."

Midwest via Rail and Road



The Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Mich.

Jeff Owen, Retired, DWP, and Lourdes Owen, Retired, General Services, ventured to the Midwest this summer starting at the Newhall Metrolink station to LA Union Station, then onto Amtrak's Southwest Chief Train to Chicago. Then they took a roadtrip to Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona on Route 66 before returning to California. They report seeing historical sites, state capitols, lighthouses and other sites along the way.

Sounds like a great trip, Jeff and Lourdes!



The USS LST 393, Muskegon, Mich.



The Lincoln Presidential Museum, Springfield, Ill.

White River Lighthouse, Ludington, Mich.



Spam store, Austin Minn. (headquarters of Hormel, the company that makes Spam.)



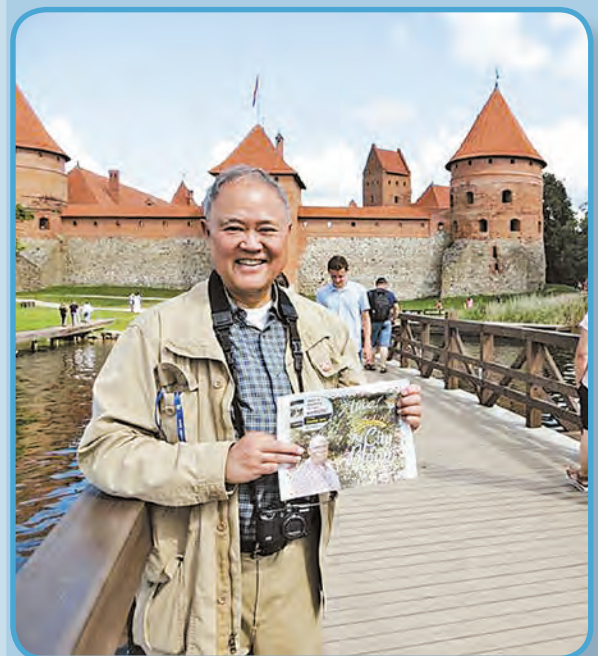
The Michigan State Capitol, Lansing, Mich.



Phillips 66, Hydro, Okla.



The Baltics



Woody Harano, Retired, City Attorney's Office, recently toured Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Russia. "This is Trakai Castle. It was once the capital of Lithuania."



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The Best Years

For Retired Club Members



Picnic Time!

Retirees Association hosts annual summer picnic.

The Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI) held its annual summer picnic Aug. 9 at the Grace E. Simons Lodge. More than 125 RLACEI members and their guests enjoyed food, music and fellowship. The Club provided door prizes. Special thanks go to RLACEI President Ed Harding and Hal Danowitz, Ruth Perry and Beverly Clark for their assistance.

At the RLACEI picnic.



From left: Tony Jones, guest, and Jim Acosta, General Services, 34 years of City service.



George Schaad Jr., LAPD and General Services, 36 years of City service.



From left: RLACEI Directors Beverly Clark and Ruth Perry.



John Hyde, 32 years of City service; and Nancy Hyde, Library, 11 years.



Daphne Howard, 34 years of City service; and Rachael Smith, LAPD, 37 years.



Gary Boehm, LAPD and City Clerk, 10 years of City service.



Shirley and Lorenzo Porter, 35 years of City service.



From left: Glenda Mack, Education, 11 years of City service; Carol Warsaw, 5 years; and Sylvester Warsaw Sr., 29 years. Carol and Sylvester have been married for 40 years.



From left: RLACEI Directors Tom Stemnock and Hal Danowitz conduct the meeting.



Greg Perkins, Rec and Parks, 30 years of City service.



William Flowers, Airports, 33 years of City service.



Marguerite and John Shadle, Club Member and retired from Building and Safety. John and Marguerite have been married of 71 years!

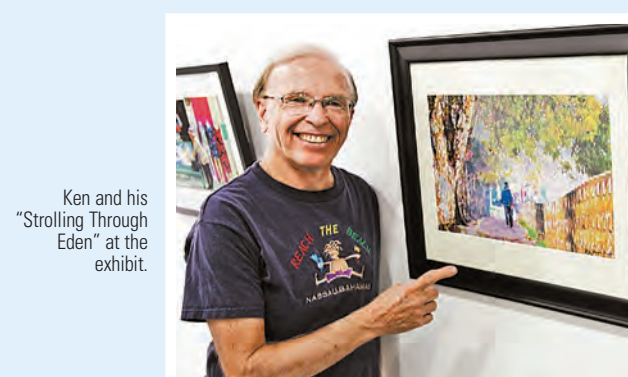


Theresa Piña, General Services, 16 years of City service; and Ed Piña, General Services/Construction, 38 years.

Retirements

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

NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS
Abraham, Tony Wade	Sr. Management Analyst	Dept. on Disability	23	Hara, Gayle Shigeno	Deputy City Attorney	City Attorney	33	Nunez, Maria	Specil Program Assistant	Rec and Parks	7
Adams, Terry Hugh	Electrician	ITA	20	Hardin, Glenn H.	Ref. Collection Truck Op.	Public Works	37	Ochoa, Graciela	Admin. Clerk	Building and Safety	18
Aguado, Charles	Dep. City Attorney	City Attorney	36	Harrison, Gretchen	Sustainability	DWP	Not Disclosed	Oh, Sojung Chong	Sr. Administrative Clerk	LAPD	27
Aker, Ronald Charles	Sr. Automotive Supervisor	LAPD	33	Harris-Armstrong, Saletheil	Accounting Clerk	Public Works	37	Ortiz, Armando J.	Vocational Worker	Public Works	24
Alaniz, Filiberto S.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	31	Hempel, Roger T.	Supt.	Airports	10	Packer, Bradford	Power/Fuel Purchase	DWP	Not Disclosed
Albers, Mary G.	Exec. Assistant	Airports	33	Henderson, Diana	Management Analyst	Harbor	40	Painter, Elaine E.	Management Analyst	LAPD	32
Alecxi, Donald	Power/New Business	DWP	Not Disclosed	Henry, Marlene Elaine	Correctional Nurse	Personnel	14	Palacios, Rosaelia S.	Secretary	LAPD	12
Alipio, Antonio S.	Maintenance Laborer	Public Works	17	Hernandez, Cecilia L.	Geo Info Systems Supervisor	Planning	25	Pandy, Carolyn Cheriema	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Personnel	33
Alipio, Javier C.	Sr. Building Mech. Inspector	Building and Safety	40	Hernandez, Louis	Integrated Support	DWP	Not Disclosed	Pangilinan, Gil	Construction Inspector	Public Works	13
Alvarado, Gregory R.	Plumber	Public Works	16	Hernandez, Raul Cabrera	Supervisor	Public Works	30	Pastorcich, Ann M.	Legal Secretary	City Attorney	20
Angeles, Marianne R.	Management Analyst	Housing	32	Herrera, Alex	Integrated Support	DWP	Not Disclosed	Patterson, Herbert	Power Transmission	DWP	Not Disclosed
Artian, Susan Renee	Traffic Officer	Transportation	30	Hirahara, Kerry	Sr. Systems Analyst	Building and Safety	32	Perea, William Charles	Auto Body Builder/Repairer	General Services	28
Asberry, Bruce	Sr. Window Cleaner	Public Works	32	Hou, Mike S.	Land Surveying Assistant	Public Works	30	Perkins, Dennis Kaye	Wastewater Treatment Mech.	Public Works	31
Awagah, Michelle Diane	Administrative Clerk	Personnel	26	Hovanesian, Armen D.	Sr. Transport Engineer	Transportation	31	Perlstein, Daren C.	Investment Officer	Fire/Police Pensions	30
Ballard, Bruce R.	Construction Inspector	Public Works	30	Ilgan, Ching A.	Dept. Chief Accountant	Public Works	32	Pfister, Gayland Duane	Wastewater Treatment Operator	Public Works	30
Banning, George	Structural Engineer Associate	Building and Safety	33	Imlay, Thezin	Legal Assistant	City Attorney	11	Phipps, John	Bulk Power	DWP	Not Disclosed
Barbato, Domenico	Building Mech. Engineer	Building and Safety	33	Ivcevic, Jurica	Civil Eng. Draft Tech	Harbor	35	Phu, Jennhyong Tieu	Accounting Clerk	Finance	23
Barker, Dagmar	Sustainability	DWP	Not Disclosed	Iwanaga, Yoshitaka	Auto Body Builder/Repairer	LAPD	21	Polikolsky, John George	Housing Inspector	Housing	10
Barnes, Scott	Power Transmission	DWP	Not Disclosed	Jackson, Mildred	Administrative Clerk	LAPD	17	Potik, Steven J.	Building Superintendent	Convention Center	10
Bassett, Mark	Sustainability	DWP	Not Disclosed	Jackson, Robert E.	Traffic Paint Sign Post	Transportation	31	Pradia, Russell Norman	Maintenance Laborer	Public Works	30
Beasley, David A.	Accounting Clerk	Airports	16	Joel, Jeffrey Eric	Sr. Construction Inspector	Public Works	30	Pulsifer, Robert	Power Supply	DWP	Not Disclosed
Boedeker, Michael L.	Refuse Collection Truck Operator	Public Works	30	Johnson, David	Water Operations	DWP	Not Disclosed	Quan, Irene S.	Accounting Clerk	City Attorney	16
Bognot, Carmencita	Architectural Associate	Harbor	40	Johnson, Laymon	Sr. C&I Analyst	LAPD	31	Ray, Douglas	Equipment Mechanic	LAPD	15
Bolden, Shanti	Metering Services	DWP	Not Disclosed	Johnson, Robert I.	Chief Build. Operating Engr.	Airports	31	Reyes, Jimmy	Sr. Transportation Investigator	Transportation	32
Bonner, Anthony D.	Sr. Window Cleaner	Public Works	31	Jones, Bryant	Wastewater Manager	Public Works	32	Reynoso, Jose S.	Irrigation Specialist	Rec and Parks	34
Bono, Larry M.	Instrument Mech.	Public Works	35	Jones, Neil	Accounting Clerk	Housing	18	Rhea, David B.	Sheet Metal Worker	Rec and Parks	27
Bornhauser, Christopher	Power Supply	DWP	Not Disclosed	Jones, Ronald B.	Security Officer	LAPD	18	Richter, John S.	Sr. Construction Inspector	Public Works	29
Brown, Angelia Annette	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Public Works	36	Kaplan, Sharon	Water Supply	DWP	Not Disclosed	Riley, Sean	Customer Service	DWP	Not Disclosed
Brown, Brenda L.	Custodian	Airports	11	Kaur, Gurmit	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Public Works	27	Ritchie, Richard D.	Equipment Mechanic	General Services	21
Brown, Dave Allen	Video Technician	ITA	22	Kepford, Juanita	Detention Officer	LAPD	38	Rodriguez, Pablo	Special Program Assistant	Rec and Parks	4
Brown, Maureen A.	Management Analyst	Economic/Workforce Dev.	28	Kevorkian, Arthur	Traffic Officer	Transportation	13	Rostamian, Herair A.	Real Estate Officer	Airports	24
Bruce, Sharon Renee	Sr. Administrative Clerk	Personnel	23	Keys, Valerie L.	Sr. Admin Clerk	LAPD	16	Rotunno, Lawrence	Librarian	Library	22
Brunner, Roy	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	26	Keyston, Dale	Power Supply	DWP	Not Disclosed	Roy, Verna D.	Sr. Administrative Clerk	LAPD	20
Bruton, Michele	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	38	Kiefer, Stephan A.	Sr. Building Inspector	Building and Safety	9	Rozas, Clark D.	Construction Inspector	Public Works	13
Butler, Steven	Water Operations	DWP	Not Disclosed	Kimble, Batreace N.	Fin. Development Officer	Housing	35	Rubio, Salvador	Power Transmission	DWP	Not Disclosed
Cain, Debra D.	Recreation Assitant	Rec and Parks	4	Kleszcz, Paul J.	Plumber	Rec and Parks	31	Saidi, Gholam R.	Civil Engineering Associate	Public Works	35
Calderon, Marco A.	Truck Operator/One Man	Public Works	30	Knouse, Gordon R.	Constr. and Maintenance Supv.	Airports	32	Saldana Ainsworth, Catherine	Exec. Admin. Assistant	Building and Safety	41
Caraveo, Rosemary	Secretary	Public Works	30	Lacuesta, Alfred L.	Land Surveying Assistant	Public Works	34	Salgado, Domingo J.	Admin. Clerk	Public Works	22
Carlson, Kent J.	Wastewater Manager	Public Works	30	Lai, Wing C.	Maintenance Laborer	Airports	23	Schwartz, Michael D.	Dep. City Attorney	City Attorney	25
Carter, La Genia Gail	Police Service Rep	LAPD	32	Lam, Daisy	ITS	DWP	Not Disclosed	Scott, Terry	Water Operations	DWP	Not Disclosed
Casas, Otoniel A.	Gardener Caretaker	Public Works	24	Lambert, Mark A.	Deputy City Attorney	City Attorney	31	Segarra, Frank A.	Equip. Operator	Airports	33
Castro, Reynaldo	Ch. Building Operating Engr.	General Services	29	Lansangan, Rosario C.	Sr. Accountant	Controller's Office	18	See, David R.	Motor Sweeper Operator	Public Works	32
Chan, Henry H.	Sr. Tax Auditor	Finance	32	Lara, Yolande M.	Secretary	Airports	30	Sena, Francine	Sr. Property Officer	LAPD	30
Chan, Kei W.	ITS	DWP	Not Disclosed	Lee, Hugh S.	Pr. Civil Engineer	Public Works	38	Session, Tyrone	Custodian Supervisor	Airports	34
Chang, Huang Shih	Civil Eng. Associate	Public Works	30	Lee, Joanne Carol	Crime and Intel Analyst	LAPD	11	Shannon, Angelo	Housing Inspector	Housing	28
Chang, Thomas T.	Supervising Trans. Planner	Transportation	30	Lee, Peter	ITS	DWP	Not Disclosed	Shoop, Gregory	City Planner	Planning	33
Chavez, Fred	Customer Service	DWP	Not Disclosed	Lehr, Jaroslav	Bulk Power	DWP	Not Disclosed	Shutan, Peter H.	Deputy City Attorney	City Attorney	31
Cheeseboro, Beverly	General Manager's Office	DWP	Not Disclosed	Leigh, Matt	Fleet Services	DWP	Not Disclosed	Siacunco, Maria	Water Engineering	DWP	Not Disclosed
Chisolm, Cheryl	PR Inspector	Building and Safety	15	Lemos, James Andrew	Pr. Detention Officer	LAPD	30	Silverston, Donald	Power Supply	DWP	Not Disclosed
Christie, John	Water Quality	DWP	Not Disclosed	Leon, Daniel M.	Street Services Supt.	Public Works	32	Simmons, James	Fleet Services	DWP	Not Disclosed
Cleaver, Rolf	Sr. Civil Engr. Draft Tech	Public Works	38	Lewis, Kenneth	Power Transmission	DWP	Not Disclosed	Smith, Christine Senora	Tax Compliance Officer	Finance	40
Cohen, Alan Robert	Traffic Officer	Transportation	30	Lievanos, Elvira	Dup. Mach. Operator	General Services	17	Smith, Edna L.	Crossing Guard	Transportation	14
Coleman, Otis Lavellos	Admin. Clerk	Public Works	14	Lopez, Antonio	Sr. Gardener	Rec and Parks	28	Smith, Lee C.	PR Inspector	Housing	18
Craig, Cheryl Renee	Traffic Officer	Transportation	29	Lovell, Domingo	Traffic Officer	Transportation	31	Sneed, Dwight R.	Sr. Detention Officer	LAPD	22
Cruise, Michael	Power Transmission	DWP	Not Disclosed	Lukehart, Bill S.	Supt. Planning	Rec and Parks	15	Snyder, Daniel E.	PR Inspector	Housing	33
Daly, Brian	Tree Surgeon	Rec and Parks	16	Lum, Robert	Lead	DWP	Not Disclosed	Soliman, Arthur Manalang	Accounting Clerk	Rec and Parks	17
Daigau, Malcolm Joseph	Sr. Civil Engr. Draft Tech.	Public Works	26	Luque, Gustavo	Heavy Duty Equip. Mech.	General Services	33	Soto, Ramon A.	Sr. Admin. Analyst	CAO	27
Davis, Glenn Edward	Communications Electrician	ITA	11	Lynn, Timothy M.	Building Inspector	Building and Safety	12	Stiegelmar, Paul	Integrated Support	DWP	Not Disclosed
De Jonge, Henley	Facilities Management	DWP	Not Disclosed	Madrid, Jose S.	Painter	Airports	28	Stofila, George J.	Pr. Construction Inspector	Public Works	26
DeLoera, Jose L.	Airports Maintenance Supt.	Airports	29	Maganis, Felito Pinzon	Land Surveying Assitant	Public Works	15	Stone, Barbara Lee	Management Aide	LAPD	16
Dennis, Mary K.	Deputy City Attorney	City Attorney	24	Maldonado, Jose	Traffic Manager	Harbor	37	Strickland, Cheryl L.	Recreation Assistant	Rec and Parks	5
Diorio, Gene Thomas	Sr. Build. Inspector	Building and Safety	13	Manosa, Mary Ann V.	Sr. Tax Auditor	Finance	27	Sullivan, Darrell Kent	Wastewater Treatment Elec.	Public Works	15
Dugan, Richard Dennis	Construction Inspector	Public Works	25	Manzanares, Thomas	Signal Systems Electrician	Transportation	45	Symons, Deirdre	Sr. Administrative Clerk	Rec and Parks	17
Duke, Anthony Levi	Traffic Paint. Sign Post	Transportation	31	Martinez, Antonio	Energy Generation	DWP	Not Disclosed	Tang, Lillian	ITS	DWP	Not Disclosed
Dumo, Cynthia S.	Sr. Rec. Director	Rec and Parks	21	Martinez, Maurice C.	Sr. Building Inspector	Building and Safety	20	Torres, Clifford A.	Detention Officer	LAPD	30
Durup, Elvin R.	Investigator	City Attorney	15	Masoud, Hassan M.	Civil Engineering Associate	Public Works	30	Torres, Gregory	Building Const. Mt. Supt.	General Services	30
Espinosa, George	Motor Sweeper Operator	Public Works	32	Masters, Cheryl Ruth	Sr. Management Analyst	LAPD	19	Torres, Rosa A.	Secretary	LAPD	15
Esqueda, Rodolfo A.	Carpenter Supervisor	General Services	29	Mattison, Richard	Port Electrical Mechanic	Harbor	17	Torrez, Epifanio	Warehouse Worker	General Services	32
Eubank, Ingrid Bauch	Construction Inspector	Public Works	13	Mcallister, Juliette M.	Admin. Clerk	Rec and Parks	14	Toszegi, Katalin	Airport Guide	Airports	8
Everett, Clayton W.	Civil Eng. Associate	Public Works	31	McCaskill, Gary Hugh	Assistant Inspector General	LAPD	5	Tran, Sylvia Huong	Sr. Administrative Clerk	Public Works	30
Faddis, Johnny R.	Refuse Coll. Truck Operator	Public Works	28	McConnell, Jon S.	Background Investigator	Personnel	7	Tsakamoto, Fae Tomiko	Geo. Info. Systems Supv.	Planning	37
Faust, Langdon L.	Sr. Librarian	Library	12	Meighan, Stephen Ronald	Storekeeper	General Services	31	Tucker, Thomasina	Custodian	General Services	13
Ferguson, Ronald	Sr. Systems Analyst	Public Works	36	Mendez, Teresa G.	Exec. Admin. Assitant	Public Works	33	Van Buren, Herman D.	City Planner	Planning	30
Fierro, Frank	Business Support	DWP	Not Disclosed	Mendoza, Rockie B.	Fiscal Systems Spec.	CAO	33	Vasquez, Yvette Christine	Pr. Detention Officer	LAPD	26
Fitting, Robert	Power Supply	DWP	Not Disclosed	Menjivar, Herminio	Special Program Assistant	Rec and Parks	7	Verdun, Simone Angele	Workers Comp. Analyst	Personnel	21
Fleming, Leslie G.	Geo Info. Systems Supv.	Public Works	32	Merkovskiy, Joseph M.	Risk Manager	Airports	30	Vernon, Michael L.	Sr. Communication Operator	Transportation	30
Foster, Roger	Parking Meter Tech.	Transportation	15	Merkovskiy, Kathryn A.	Risk Manager	Harbor	30	Vicknair, Colette Cecile	Traffic Officer	Transportation	31
Fukuda, Douglas A.	Carpenter	General Services	32	Meyers, Bonnie L.	Messenger Clerk	Library	9	Villanueva, Oscar	Storekeeper	General Services	27
Garcia, Alicia R.	Gardener Caretaker	Airports	20	Miller, David John	Maintenance Supv.	Airports	17	Villasenor, Beverly	Administrative Clerk	Rec and Parks	5
Garcia, Arturo	Gardener Caretaker	Harbor	15	Miller, Sandra J.	Commission Exec. Assistant	Airports	39	Villasenor, Leopoldo L.	Equipment Mechanic	General Services	33
Garcia, Lydia Marie	Exec. Admin. Assistant	LACERS	26	Miller, Sonja	Traffic Officer	Transportation	27	Wai, Wingpark G.	Programmer Analyst	Airports	10
Garcia, Rafael	Equip. Mechanic	General Services	26	Miller, Treva W.	Public Relations Specialist	Airports	28	Walters, Brian Eugene	Ch. Management Analyst	City Clerk	28
Garcia, Rosaly Y.	Sr. Forensic Print Spec.	LAPD	34	Miranda, Sandra	Communications Info. Rep.	Airports	31	Way, Eric B.	Carpenter Supv.	General Services	16
Gibson, June Wong	Fire Administrator	LAPD	47	Miura, Paula	Management Analyst	Airports	26	Whisnant, Mary Susan	City Planner	Planning	22
Gierman, Kenneth W.	Construction Inspector	Public Works	11	Mizuhara, Richard K.	Land Surveying Assistant	Harbor	26	White, Cynthia Lenette	Sr. Personnel Analyst	LAPD	32
Godfrey, Marvin R.	Building Mech. Inspector	Building and Safety	31	Molina, Michael David	Deputy General Manager	Airports	11	Wigginton, James Robert	Heavy Duty Equip. Mech.	General Services	26
Gonzalez, Julio M.	Procurement Analyst	Airports	32	Monette, William C.	Land Surveying Assistant	Public Works	30	Willey, Dawn M.	Sr. Librarian	Library	15
Gray, Francis A.	Air Conditioning Mech.	Airports	10	Moon, Regina Eun Jun	Accounting Clerk	LAPD	30	Williams, Darrell H.	Systems Analyst	Public Works	30
Greeb, Kurt William	Civil Engineer	Public Works	19	Moore, Timothy A.	Sr. Electrical Inspector	Building and Safety	18	Williams, Larry	Power Transmission	DWP	Not Disclosed
Gresham, Michael J.	Gardener Caretaker	Airports	29	Morman, Mark Matthew	Mech. Repairer	General Services	21	Williamson, Jeanette M.	Recreation Assistant	Rec and Parks	7
Grohs, Ralf Olaf	Security Officer	LAPD	12	Mounce, Kimberly S.	Background Investigator	Personnel	21	Wilson, Robin Jeanette	Personnel Analyst	LAPD	36
Grover, Edwin G.	Sr. Admin. Clerk	City Clerk	27	Myers, David W.	Fire Protection Engineer	LAPD	26	Wingo, Donald Lyn	Ref. Collection Truck Op.	Public Works	36
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That's a Winner

In a post-retirement pursuit, Ken Kochakji awarded at Valley art show.

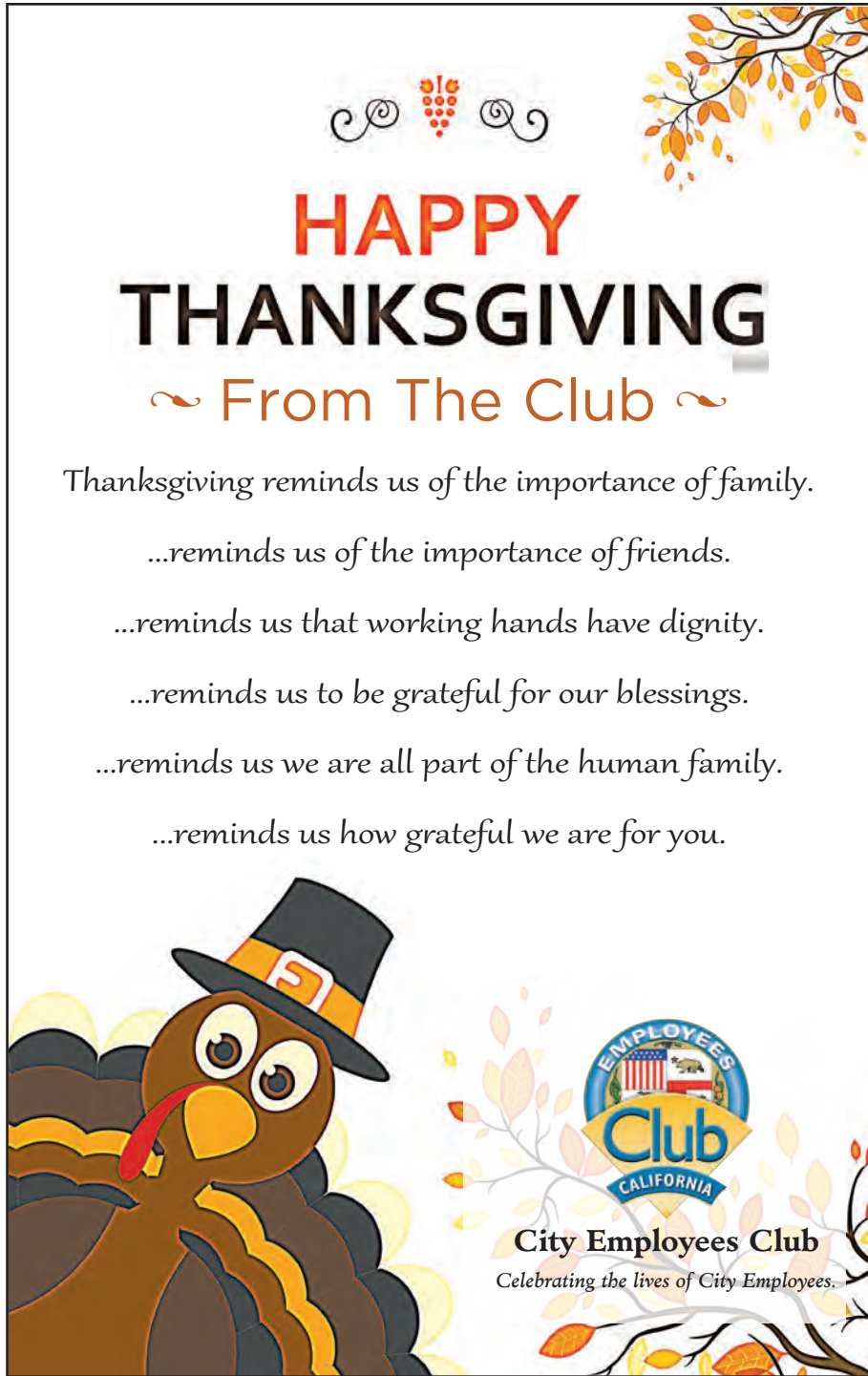
Ken Kochakji, Retired, Transportation, Club Member, has always been interested in art. But he's taken it more seriously in his retirement, and that's paid off with a recent third-place finish at a juried art show at the San Fernando Valley Arts and Cultural Center.


The show, which featured four of his works overall, was on display through September.

"I love the grand masters – Renoir, Gauguin, Picasso," Ken says overlooking his art at the exhibition. "I really try to get that look; that's what appeals to me."

He accomplishes that by taking the photos himself, and then digitally alters them on his computer. "I'm not really computer literate," he says. "But it's so much better than doing it in a darkroom. Here, if you're in doubt, you can throw it out and start again."


Self taught, Ken's had his work part of exhibits in London, Paris, Moscow and New York, but this was his first win in a juried exhibit. "My wife has a restriction on how much I can display at home,"





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AIRPORTS



Federico Sandoval, Sign Painter (third from left), was celebrated for reaching 30 years with the City. From left: Sydaris Smith, Maintenance Laborer; Ernest Garcia, Sign Painter; Federico Sandoval; Sign Painter; Ruben Diaz, Sign Painter; and Russell Lewis, Maintenance Director. Front: Chanel Knight, Event Committee Member.

Thanks for the Service!

Airports employees honored for years of service.

On April 12, Airports held its bi-annual Milestone Service Years event, which honors employees who achieve 30, 35, and 40 years of service with the City. The event was held at the Samuel Greenberg Boardroom and recognized 25 employees with anniversary dates in July and December 2017. An event honoring employees whose anniversary dates fall between January through June 2018 is currently being planned.

Mario Ibarra, Custodian Supervisor, was honored for achieving 40 years of service with the City of Los Angeles; Michelle Beasley, Airport Police Officer, Glynnis Cash, Sr. Personnel Analyst I, and Carolyn Smith, Airport Police Captain were honored for achieving 35 years of service with the City of Los Angeles; and 21 additional employees throughout varying division were also honored.

Those awarded for 30, 35 and 40 years of service included:

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| Jose Alonzo | Jennifer Howard |
| Keith Arnold | Mario Ibarra |
| Michelle Beasley | Norman Ino |
| Glynnis Cash | Micaela Le Blanc |
| Fernando Castro | Joseph Merkovsky |
| Eugene Clarkson | Taiji Nakamoto |
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Alive! AROUND THE WORLD



Mexico

Chris Taylor enjoyed a cruise to Ensenada, Baja Mexico, in February.



Utah

"In July, I presented a program at the annual American Rock Art Research Association meeting, which this year convened in Grand Junction, Colo. While traveling, I included a number of prehistoric sites in Colorado and Utah on the short itinerary -- some I'd seen before, and some were new."

– Dr. Ed Krupp, Director, Griffith Observatory, Rec and Parks



"The Alien Beef Jerky operation at Crescent Junction, Utah, on I-70, is fresh jerky, where Alive! and I are about to be abducted."

"Petroglyphs are almost everywhere in the area around Moab, Utah. This boulder, on Kane Creek Boulevard, is enhanced with prehistoric rock art on all sides and is known as the Birthing Scene. The petroglyphs were probably carved by Fremont Culture people sometime between 450 A.D. and 1250 A.D."



Catalina Island

James Case, DWP, and his wife, Renu, visited Catalina.



"Catalina Island is a quick and easy getaway destination. It has a beautiful beach. We got to explore part of Catalina Island with a private tour," Renu reports. "We saw bald eagles, golden eagles and bison up close. My husband loves eagles."

"We are building more memories together. We are blessed, thank you Lord Jesus."



The Club offers great discounts on Catalina Express passenger ferry trips. Get 'em at the Club Store or online at www.cityemployeesclub.com



Jeff and Vanessa Francis.



Keyonna Kidd-Goins, Public Works, and her husband, Darrow Goins.

The Bahamas

Jeff and Vanessa Francis, Mayor's Office of Sustainability, led a group that included other City employees Timothy Mingo, DWP; Kimberly Garrett, Library; and Keyonna Kidd-Goins, Public Works, on a trip to the Bahamas in July and had "the time of our lives! It is always fun to travel with a group, and this group thoroughly enjoyed it!"



"We're out snorkeling" – Darrow Goins, Keyonna Kidd-Goins, Vanessa Francis and Kimberly Garrett, with Capt. Tony.



Kimberly Garrett, Library, and Mike Mingo, DWP.

Seattle

Oscar Berumen, LAPD, and his daughter, Camila, recently visited Seattle.



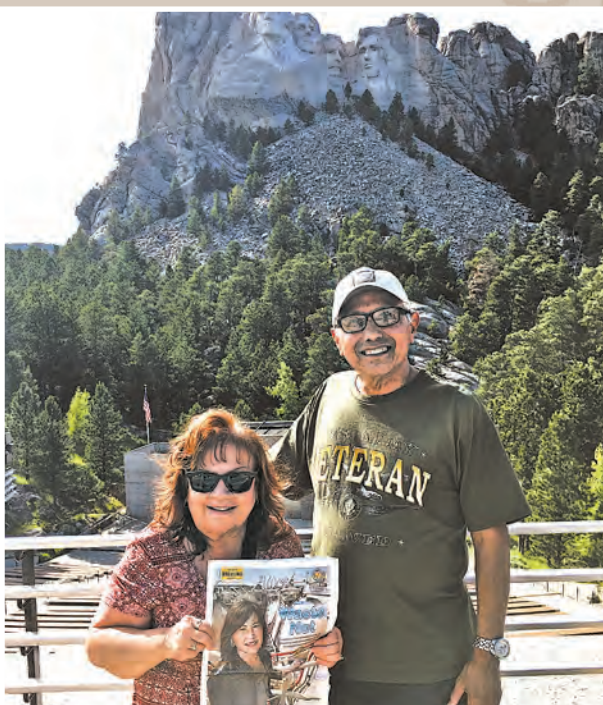
Dominican Republic

Rhonda Brown, LAPD/Newton, and Kenny Brown, LAPD/Jail Div., spent their 31st anniversary on vacation in the Dominican Republic.



South Dakota

Dolores Corona, DWP, and her husband, Philip, visited Mt. Rushmore in July. "It was truly a dream come true for us," Dolores reports. "America, our great country, has so much to offer and so much to see."



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HARBOR: VESSEL OPERATIONS

SHIP



SHAPE

Vessel Operations keeps things clean and on the move in the all-important Port of Los Angeles.



One of the world's largest ports needs a lot of services to keep it running smoothly – police, fire, construction, engineering, security ... and sometimes simply moving things from A to B.

That's what Vessel Operations is all about. Vessel Operations, formed in 2010 as part of Construction and Maintenance, uses its two tugs, barges, platforms, cranes and other equipment to move things as needed, and to keep things tidy.

The department does a lot of work transporting the piles that get driven into the ground to form docks. It also works with the Equipment Operations Division to maintain the Harbor's numerous safety ladders.

In this month's feature, read about all that they do, and the pride they take in helping keep the critically important Port running smoothly. ■

Photos by Summy Lam, Director of Marketing, and John Burnes, Alive! editor.

The Vessel Operations crew, early morning in the Harbor, from left: Daniel Case, Deckhand, 12 years of City service; Capt. I Jim Valensi, Boat Captain I, 16 years; Capt. II Anthony Di Tucci, Boat Captain II, Manager of Vessel Operations, 28 years; Rodolfo Gonzalez, Deckhand, 12 years; Tuan Le, Deckhand, 8 years; Capt. I Michael Barnes, Boat Captain I, 21 years, Club Member; and Dwayne Boyd, Maintenance and Construction Helper, 8 years, Club Member.



ALIVE! FEATURE



Vessel Operations' three Captains – Jim Valensi (top), Anthony Di Tucci (left) and Michael Barnes – aboard the City's G.F. Nicholson.

SHIP SHAPE

Jim Valensi (left) and Tuan Le making plans to move the derrick barge for today's job.

MISSION:

Move the Piles

On Sept. 19, the *Alive!* crew – Club CEO John Hawkins, Club Director of Marketing Summy Lam, and *Alive!* editor John Burnes – were invited to tag along as Vessel Operations took on a normal, everyday mission: move the department's un-motored derrick (tall crane) barge and a shipment of tall wooden piles (like telephone poles) from the Construction and Maintenance dock to another dock 30 minutes away in another part of

the Port. The Harbor Dept. was driving piles into the ground to build a dock, and the piles needed to go from point A to point B. That's exactly the reason Vessel Ops exists – to execute move things like this.

The delivery ride took about 30 minutes (each way) because the Port is a no-wake zone, and speeds couldn't top 5 knots. ■



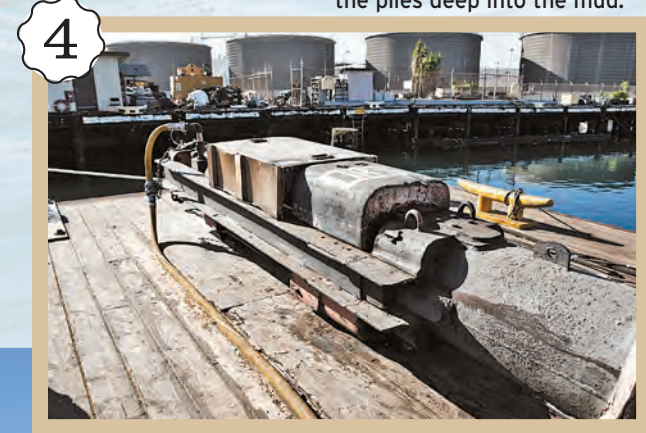
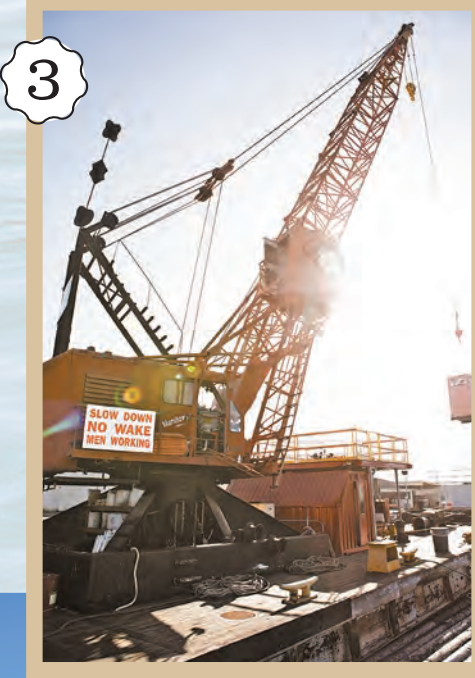
On the home dock, Anthony Di Tucci (left), Manager of Vessel Operations, explains to Club CEO John Hawkins what's going to happen – the derrick barge (in back) carrying the piles (just above the water) will be tugged by the City tug *Yankee* to the dock where they're needed. The derrick barge does not move under its own power.



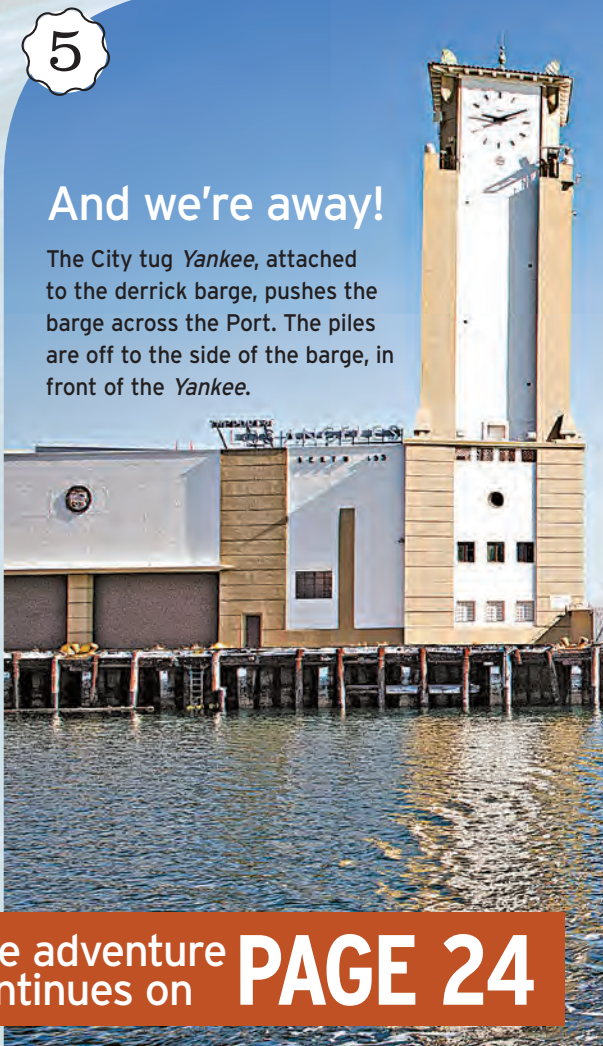
The derrick barge with its shipment of piles (lower right), ready to be moved across the port and into place.



Deckhand Tuan Le on the *Yankee* is ready to go.



The pneumatic driver aboard the derrick barge that will set the piles deep into the mud.



And we're away!

The City tug *Yankee*, attached to the derrick barge, pushes the barge across the Port. The piles are off to the side of the barge, in front of the *Yankee*.

The adventure continues on **PAGE 24**

The *Alive!* Interview

Moving Things at the Port



On Sept. 18, Club CEO John Hawkins and *Alive!* editor John Burnes interviewed Anthony Di Tucci, Manager of Vessel Operations for the Harbor's Construction and Maintenance Division. Anthony, 28 years of City service, and his wife, Julie, Wharfinger II, Port, are Club Members. Their daughter, Megan, won a Mukai Club Scholarship in 2011.

Anthony, thank you very much for taking us along on a couple of jobs your crew did today on the water. Fantastic! Anyway, tell us your City history.

Anthony Di Tucci: Sure. In 1989, I was hired as a Deckhand, the third person aboard the vessel *Angelena II*, which was the port's VIP boat. It was used for marketing and public relations. Somewhere around 1992 or so, I became the second operator of that vessel, and by 1994 I was the Captain of the *Angelina II* for 16 years; I had a total of 20 years on that vessel.

Then in 2010 I came to work here in the C and M Yard as the Manager of Vessel Operations.



Anthony Di Tucci, Manager of Vessel Operations, Harbor Construction and Maintenance Division

To give you a broad overview, we are responsible for transporting crewmembers, passengers and equipment safely and efficiently anywhere in the Port. Our primary customers are the pile drivers, as they depend on us to move their barge.

Vessel Operations moves, maintains and repairs fender camels throughout the Port. These are basically bumpers against the wharves, to prevent damage when vessels dock.

The Division is called upon by the Port's Real Estate, Wharfinger, Engineering and Port Police Divisions, to name a few, to assist in times of emergency, wharf inspections, vessel impounds, derelict vessels and the like. We were recently recognized for assisting Port Police in lifting an ultra-light helicopter from the harbor's floor

during salvage operations.

Outside of that, it's almost anything. Over the years, we've been the floating platform for fireworks shows at the Port with our material barge. It is also used for demolition of buildings and structures that are close to the dock and in emergency situations.

Anything waterborne we're involved in. Vessel Operations tows punt boats to wherever they're needed. They are small boats that were specially designed by the Port in the 1930s to get under the docks and maneuver around the pilings that hold up the dock. We are often called upon by Port inspectors, engineers, plumbers, welders and machinists who need to go under the dock.

You mentioned you clean the harbor every day?

We try to put a crew out almost daily. If we have other responsibilities, we will maybe miss a day here and there, but we try to get an RC (refuse collection) boat out once a day. We'll pull stuff out of the water, and we'll also go to areas we know where the companies will leave debris to be picked up.

Also, we'll get requests. "There's a 20-foot pile in the middle of the channel. Can you send somebody out to go get it?" Why do we go get it? Because it's a hazard to navigation. We don't want that pile to get in the screw of a ship or a ferry. We've got Catalina Express running all the time. We're a multi-billion-dollar operation. It's foolish not to go out and take care of that stuff.

We also maintain the navigation buoys that I mentioned. So that's what we do. We are busy almost every day.

You're the Uber of the Port.

Exactly. That's what we do. Usually we're more equipment than people, but we do that, too. And we move it safely, efficiently, and professionally.

Innovation and the Future

What's the future? Are you growing?

I think right now we're right where we need to be. Of course, every division, every supervisor's going to tell you, "We need more manpower, we need more equipment." For us, I would like to see

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Vessel Operations

Give us an inventory of the department.

Vessel Operations has about 17 floating pieces of equipment that we move. In addition to that, we have two tugs and three refuse collection (RC) vessels. One of our RC vessels is specially designed to do buoy work and marine construction and has a lifting capacity of three tons. We also maintain approximately 35 private buoys owned by the Port of Los Angeles.

Okay. And then you have the derrick barge.

Yes, the Port has a derrick barge that Vessel Operations moves. It is operated by the Pile Driving Division and is used to drive pile, make heavy lifts, demolish structures from the waterside and repair our docks.

Talk about the two tugboats we rode on today.

Sure. We have two workboats. One of them is a traditional modern-bow, single-propeller tugboat, the *Yankee*, built in 1943.

The *G.F. Nicholson* is our newest asset, purchased brand new in 2011. It's a unique boat; very small (less than 26 feet) but very capable of moving any of the Port's floating equipment, which is a plus for the department. In addition to its daily work of moving equipment on the water, we use it as a training platform for developing and mentoring upcoming Boat Captains.

Anthony, give us an overview of what Vessel Operations does and its history.

In 2010, Capt. Jim Morgan, then Director of Port Construction and Maintenance, and a retired ARCO tanker captain and executive, realized a need to create a division dedicated to marine operations responsible for manning, training and crewing all Construction and Maintenance marine equipment. Later that year, I was hired as the Manager of Vessel Operations.

So, basically, when I arrived we had the *Yankee* and *Angelena II*. The RC boats were under the responsibility of the Labor Division. Once we started talking to one another, it was clear the RC boats should be moved to Vessel Operations. We clean the Port pretty much every day.



From left: Anthony Di Tucci, Manager of Vessel Operations; Club CEO John Hawkins; and *Alive!* editor John Burnes.

SHIP SHAPE

MISSION: CONTINUED FROM PAGE 22

Capt. I Jim Valensi pilots the *Yankee* across the Port.



Aboard the derrick barge, Robert Barrientos, Pile Driver, hire hall (center), explains to Club CEO John Hawkins (left) and Alive! editor John Burnes how the piles are driven down, and then leveled off.

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The derrick barge, being driven by the tug *Yankee* (not shown), makes its way across the beautiful Port of Los Angeles to the dock for the unloading of its shipment - the piles.

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Arrival!

The derrick barge crew and ground crew tie up the barge to the dock.



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Deckhand Tuan Le (left) and Capt. I Jim Valensi wait aboard the *Yankee* while the piles are unloaded from the derrick ship.

RETURN VOYAGE

The City tug *G.F. Nicholson* comes to pick up the *Alive!* crew and bring it back to the Vessel Operations dock so the crew can conduct the *Alive!* interview with Manager Anthony Di Tucci.

Capt. I Michael Barnes (left) pilots the *G.F. Nicholson* and answers questions from Club CEO John Hawkins in the boat's pilot house.



Deckhand Daniel Case aboard the *G.F. Nicholson*.



The *G.F. Nicholson*.

The *G.F. Nicholson* retires at the end of another busy day at the Port of Los Angeles. Photo by Capt. I Michael Barnes



ALIVE! FEATURE



The *Alive!* Interview, continued

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more equipment. Right now, we are moving a 1939 barge with a 1943 single-screw tug. In our industry, the single-screw tugs are a kind of coming back in that some of these smaller companies are using them for long tows, because of fuel consumption. That means one motor instead of two, plus a generator. However, for the most part, the Coast Guard prefers that you move petroleum products and everything with more modern technology. We don't move petroleum, but we should be moving into that arena. And I believe we are. I believe the department as a whole has realized that a 1939 barge, a 1965 or '69 crane, and a 1943 single-screw tug need to be upgraded. We're looking at that.

Does your operation differ from Long Beach next door?

I've had an opportunity to work with some of the people in Long Beach. They have a vessel called the *Big Dipper*.

I have a division dedicated to vessel operations. Long Beach does not. The guys who operate the *Big Dipper* are also part of the crew that does some of the dock work. They wear multiple hats, while this division has one hat and that's maritime. Our focus is on marine transportation, full stop. We are a dedicated maritime-oriented division.

When you started in 2010 were you innovative in any way?

I took my background and applied it. Even though I have spent 28 years with the City, I have had a second job my whole career. I would run tugs in my off-time. We were towing freight barges to Catalina, and with another company we would do everything and anything – marine construction, fireworks shows, ship work. When I arrived here to create Vessel Operations, I took all of that outside knowledge and experience working with other companies, and I basically made what you're seeing, because this was a blank canvas. My first priority is to train my staff. That, to me, is worth more than anything. My philosophy for training Deckhands almost from the very beginning was, "You need to know how to run this boat, you need to know how to tie it up, because if I have a heart attack while piloting it, I want you to get me on the beach." But it's more than that. It's "How are you going to bring a staff up?" How are you going to take an M and C helper or a laborer, like I had, and make them a Deckhand if you don't train them? Training is always the most important thing for my staff.

I'm a firm believer in mentoring and developing staff to become the future Boat Captains of the City of Los Angeles.

Why It Matters

How is Vessel Operations integral in what the Port does?

There's not a day that doesn't go by where you don't eat, wear or use something that has been brought from abroad from a container ship. Our primary business is to move cargo. The City generates revenue by tariffs. Every time a piece of cargo comes on and off the dock, we collect some money. We collect money by the ship staying alongside the dock; we charge them a parking fee. We also have leases on our terminals. These are long-term leases, 20- or 30-year leases. So, we have long-term customers. So, when they call and say, "Hey, we've got a problem," we're going to try to take care of it as fast as we can. We take care of our customers to the best of our ability. What we do is vital.

'Have It Within You'

What do people in general not know about what you do? What would you like to tell people about what you do?

Well, it's like any other job. For us, we thoroughly enjoy it. Quite often what can frustrate me is when people say, "I could run that

boat." As if it's no big deal. The reality is, we don't look at operating the vessel like a recreational person does. This is a profession for us. We've spent time offshore, we've spent time away from our family. We have learned certain things in trade. We've learned the trade, and quite often people don't respect that as a profession. You have to have it within you. You just don't run a boat. There's one thing about getting on a boat and moving it. There's another thing of operating the boat. And there's the difference. Even though people have pleasure boats, it doesn't mean you really understand what's going on in our head.

As a Manager, do you miss driving a boat and getting out there?

The way this division was set up, the Manager of Vessel Operations is a working Captain and will operate a vessel when need be.

How do you do a fireworks show? How does that work?

Pyrotechnic companies are scheduled to load and setup the fireworks show. Vessel Operations is given a location and time to transport the barge and hold it on station for the show.

You mean, stay in one place?

Yes. Our shows last anywhere between 12 and 17 minutes. We just did one at Fleet Week for the closing of the new *Jack Ryan* TV show. That was a 17-minute show. So, I had to hold it as best I could, because we don't have brakes. You know, we're floating on station for the whole show.

There are fireworks jobs – I haven't done them here, but there are jobs that I have done where we will actually anchor the barge.

What do you love about what you do?

Moving equipment. When I'm on the sticks and moving equipment, I really feel good. That's the reward of the job. It keeps bringing me back. In everybody's professions, there's something. And that's for me: maneuvering equipment.

Well, you're in the right job then.

Yes! When you enjoy what you're doing, it really is not a job. I come from a long line of mariners. My earliest and fondest memories were looking over the bulwarks, watching the tugs throw up lines to the ship getting ready to sail, as my father would say goodbye to our relatives before disembarking the vessel ourselves.

Talk about your crew.

We have an excellent crew. We all work collectively to achieving our goals and tasks at hand. From the M&C Helpers and Deckhands operating the RC boats to the Captains having the endorsement "Master of Tow" – our goal has always been to take care of the divisions that call upon us, and for that I thank them.

There can't be that many opportunities in the City to be on boats.

To the best of my knowledge, the City of Los Angeles has approximately 19 individuals who do this type of work. And here I have three Captains, three Deckhands.

These jobs are few and far between. The crew is very dedicated. They enjoy what they're doing.

We have a great staff – well trained, well educated and well versed.

Thank you for an amazing tour. We learned a lot! It was good that we could hop onto an actual operation that you were doing.

Yes, it was our pleasure. Glad you were able to experience a day in the life of Vessel Operations first hand. Please feel free to call upon us anytime. ■



The Vessel Operations crew getting ready to start its day, from left: Capt. I Jim Valensi; Capt. II Anthony Di Tucci; Rodolfo Gonzalez, Deckhand; Tuan Le, Deckhand; Dwayne Boyd, Maintenance and Construction Helper, Club Member; and Alive! editor John Burnes.

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Wednesday,
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The Observatory offers a sunset walk led by a Park Ranger and a museum guide. The easy walk starts on the Observatory's West Terrace, proceeds up the Charlie Turner trail to the Berlin Forest on the hill just north of the Observatory, and then returns to the West Terrace. The distance covered is about half a mile over the course of an hour at a very moderate pace with stops along the way to discuss the highlights and history of Griffith Park, and objects visible in the evening sky.

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THE CLUB

We Have a Winner!

The Club announces the winner in its September social media raffle contest, in which Club Members were asked to like and share our contest posts.

Our third contest, for two tickets to Six Flags Magic Mountain, was won by **Rachelle Williamson**.
Congratulations, Rachelle!

Our next contest should be under way soon.



The Club's Chief Operating Officer, Robert Larios, and Club Store Manager Guadalupe Lira (off camera), select the random winner in the Club's September social media contest. The winner: Rachelle Williamson.

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 Photos by Guadalupe Lira, Club Store Manager



LACERS

Guiding Principles Awards

LACERS honors its best employees.

On July 26, LACERS held its fifth annual Guiding Principles event to award employees who best represent the principle categories of character, professionalism, respect, kindness and teamwork.

The event was held at the California Endowment Center and carried a luau theme. LACERS staff came dressed up in Hawaiian attire and enjoyed a lunch of Greek salad, lemon rosemary chicken, short ribs, potatoes and vegetables. In addition to the handing out of awards – the reason for the event -- there was also a photo booth, a Hawaii trivia game and hula dancing lessons.

Congratulations to all the winners, and all employees who uphold LACERS' highest ideals.

The Club thanks Neil Guglielmo, General Manager and Club Board Member; and LACERS staff, including Nathan Herkelrath, for their assistance.



From left: Veronica Sanchez, Club Member; Jamie Roberts, Club Member; and Angela Peyton.



From left: Linda Aparicio, Club Member; and Nancy Mirano.



From left: Chhintana Kurimoto and Karen Freire.



From left: Wilkin Ly and Ronald Aubert II.



Julie Guan.



Jason Kitahara and Barbara Sandoval.



Rozine Kalaidjian, Club Member.



Cynthia Ruiz, LACERS Board President; and Neil Guglielmo, Club Board Member.



From left: Delma Cutidioc, Club Member, and Ally Tang.



From left: Ursula Ruiz, Club Member; and Lauren McCall.



Club Members Beverly Anderson and Michael Wilkinson.



From left: Gabriel Bautista and Arthur Mok.



From left: Lijuan Fu; Fon Leidig, Club Member; and Juan Jimenez, Club Member.

Guiding Principles Awards

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 Brian Cha
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 Denise Malosh
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 Ursula Ruiz

Kindness:
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 Kimmy Kwan
 Virginia Lopez
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 Veronica Flores



From left: Cliff Lim and Ed Leh.



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The Smart Move

BY PATRICK MILLER, CBLIFE,
The Club's Insurance Partner

CBLife is The Club's partner for four areas – life insurance, critical illness insurance, retirement income and accident medical expense insurance. Currently the Club offers three CBLife products: the Security Builder Plan, the Timber Ridge Critical Illness Plan and the Accident Medical Expense Plan. Ask your Club Counselor for details.

You can contact CBLife at (888) 443-8829.

Is Life Insurance an Asset?

Many folks look at life insurance as a necessary expense that we incur to provide financial protection for our family. We often look at life insurance like we do our automobile insurance, homeowners insurance or health insurance. If we are talking term insurance that would fit the description of an expense that buys a product that provides protection for specific assets. However, if we consider some form of permanent life insurance, we add the element of an asset to the equation.

What Counts as an Asset?

An asset adds value to a person or business (puts money into your pocket). It is considered a tangible asset. Tangible assets are those that can be touched.

Some examples of tangible assets:

- Real estate (such as buildings and land)
- Precious metals (such as gold, silver, copper and platinum)
- Mutual funds, stocks, bonds
- Money market accounts
- Certificates of deposit, or CDs
- Annuities
- Cash value life insurance

Different Types of Life Insurance

There are two primary types of life insurance: term vs. permanent life insurance.

Term Life: Term life is a contract between the insured and insurer for a specified period of time, i.e. the "term" of the policy. Term life is similar to renting an apartment or home. You pay rent in exchange for the right to live in the home.

However, you don't get your rent back when you are done renting. And you landlord will eventually raise your rent. Term life insurance is not an asset.

Permanent Life: Permanent life insurance includes ordinary life, also called whole life insurance, and universal life insurance. Each type of permanent coverage has its benefits and unique features. You can choose whole life, universal life, indexed universal life and variable universal life. Each type of permanent coverage has its benefits and unique position as an asset. Determining the best life insurance policy for you comes down to your personal goals and objectives.

Whether or not we define life insurance as an asset will depend on what type of policy we are referring to. Term life is not an asset. Term life insurance would be defined as a "pure" insurance policy that pays out a death benefit, but has no cash value accumulation.

However, permanent life insurance is an asset. A cash value life insurance policy is an asset that can be designed to increase in value, both cash value and death benefit, over time. Permanent life insurance typically builds cash value. Many permanent policies have a sizeable amount of cash value accumulation.

CBLife adds an additional option to a permanent life policy, a tax deferred annuity option that pays a handsome rate of return, is guaranteed to never go down in value and can be set up as a tax-free ROTH IRA.



Be a Part of a Club Holiday Tradition

It's Party Pix Time




Is your office having a holiday party? Here are two ways to get your holiday office party pictures into the January Alive!:

Take the photos yourself:

Take the photos yourself, and send them in as soon as you can. Digital photos are always best. And make sure you give us a description of the party: when it was, where it was, and if something significant happened, let us know that, too.

Email the photos to:
talkback@cityemployeesclub.com.

If there are a lot, it's best to send them in on a thumb drive; put 'em up on Dropbox, Box, or some other cloud service; or deliver (or mail) a CD or DVD to the Club. The address is on the inside front cover. Make sure the photos are as high resolution as you can make them.



We'll take your holiday photos for you:

Let us know when your holiday party is, and we'll try to send a Club Counselor. Please note: There are more City holiday parties than we can cover, but we will try. That's why it's best to send in your own photos. If you want us to cover your party, talk to your Club Rep (Arlene Herrero, Gedina Bergstrom, Dalila Vielma, Jeanette Gadut, Tiffany Sy, MaryAnn Urdiales, Cheryl Martin or Noelle Kauffman) or email Robert Larios, Club Vice President of Operations, at rlarios@cityemployeesclub.com. We'll do our best to get to as many parties as we can, but we can't guarantee it. Let us know.



See you at the party!



Scholarship Recipients

- Louis Armstead**, son of Camille Armstead, LAPD.
- Dah-Vee Baker**, daughter of Mel Baker III, California Highway Patrol.
- Jimmy Davenport**, son of Susie Davenport, California Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing.
- Aimee Dennis**, daughter of Natalie Valenzuela, Harbor.
- April Durazo**, related to Guadalupe Durazo, Personnel.
- Shamar Humphries**, son of Aswad Humphries, DWP.
- Oman Lopez**, son of Jessica Davila, California Dept. of Social Services.
- Eli Lopez Ortez**, son of Cesar Valdez, Transportation.
- Isabella Martinez**, daughter of Lena Mokdad, LAPD.
- Erica Molio'o**, daughter of Eric Hoff, DWP.
- Ebonee O'Bryant**, daughter of Gina O'Bryant, California Dept. of Education.
- Katelyn Ogas**, who works for the California Dept. of Corrections.
- Chelsea Ostrout**, daughter of Lisa Ostrout, California Dept. of Motor Vehicles.
- Raul Perez**, son of Desiree Nunez, LA County.
- Rio Jose Ramiscal**, son of Maria Theresa Ramiscal, California Dept. of Health.
- Kwamesha Ross**, daughter of Alexis Jones, Public Works.
- Ja-Nia' Veal**, granddaughter of Zeno Veal, Retired, Rec and Parks.
- Kao Xiong**, related to Tou Lia Xiong, California Dept. of Water Resources.
- Karen Yip**, daughter of Daisy Cheung, DWP.
- Angelica Zapata-Monge**, intern for City Employees Club of Los Angeles.

Congratulations to the awardees, and the Club wishes the best success to all those who applied.

The Club

Club Honors 20 with Mukai Scholarships

The Club's Joannie Mukai Scholarship Program for 2018 awards \$500 to 20 members of the Club family.

The Club is pleased to announce the winners of the Club's annual Joannie Mukai Scholarship Program for 2018. 20 Club Members and those related to Club Members have been awarded stipends.

The Club's Scholarship program was named for the late Joannie Mukai, the former Club Board Member who passed away in 2010.

"We are honored to award these incredible young people," said John Hawkins, Club CEO. "Reading about all their achievements has reminded me again of how truly special our Club Members and their families are. I wish all the success in the world to these awesome people, and to all those who applied.

"Keep working hard, keep achieving ... the world depends on you."

Those eligible included Club Members, their spouses and their children who are in college or will be attending an accredited college or university in Fall 2018.



Joannie Mukai.

Here are brief profiles of the awardees:

Louis Armstead

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Louis plans to attend Cal State, Los Angeles this fall.

Louis is a music lover and is most often found wearing headphones. He got his first turntable at 14 and did some DJ-ing at his school dances. In 2016, Louis got his first software license and MIDI (Musical Instrument Digital Interface) and has been on a music journey ever since, spending nearly all his free time perfecting his craft.

He writes: "I always thought the creation of music was magical. I have participated as a counselor in training at Ojai Valley School for the past three years as well as volunteering at my local YMCA. Working and leading kids and teenagers, I have made connections with all of the people through music and the effect it has on people."

Louis is the son of Camille Armstead, LAPD.

Aimee Dennis

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Aimee's dream was to work with animals, and her college program allows her to do just that while also studying. She attends Moorpark College and is on the EATM program - Exotic Animal Training and Management. While she studies there, she also gains hands-on experience attending to the animals at the teaching zoo on campus.

Aimee gained experience in this field with an internship at Wildlife Safari in Winton, Ore., last summer. "My role was to educate guests about the animals, as well as provide animal husbandry and conduct training behaviors.

"My community service and passion to work with animals have pushed me to pursue my dream of becoming a zookeeper and working within the education department as an animal ambassador."

Aimee is the daughter of Natalie Valenzuela, Harbor.

Dah-Vee Baker

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Dominique is studying nursing at Arizona Western College, a community college, and taking classes at Northern Arizona University concurrently. She has been on the Dean's list and a member of the Arizona Western College Honors Program and Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society.

Being accepted into the Northern Arizona University nursing program "is a huge step forward in my career," she writes.

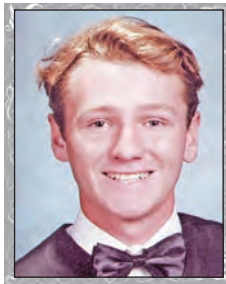
"One day I hope to earn my Master's degree and become a neonatal nurse practitioner.

"Any position in the medical field will be difficult, but I plan to pursue this career and my education."

Dah-Vee is the daughter of Mel Baker III, CHP.

Jimmy Davenport

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Jimmy plans to attend the University of Hawaii at Manoa this fall. His major is undecided.

Jimmy was a serious baseball player in high school, only to change his view of the future due to an injury.

"I accepted that my dreams of pitching and continuing to be a part of the brotherhood of baseball had ended," he wrote. "Last summer, I traveled with my mom for her job to Washington, D.C. Visiting the monuments of Martin Luther King Jr., Abraham Lincoln and Franklin Roosevelt was inspiring, and I realized that the leaders of our country overcame adversity to make changes to better the nation. While I cannot compare my injury to what they encountered, I can relate to the feelings of disappointment and the sense that obstacles can bring positive changes. I do not know what career path I will take as of yet, but I know that I want to make a difference."

Jimmy is the son of Susie Davenport, California Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing.

April Durazo

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



A keen sportswoman, April credits her student athlete basketball career with many positive learning experiences. She was part of the Bishop Amat High School girls basketball team for four years. "It's almost impossible not to be a team player on a basketball team, but it wasn't always easy," she writes.

April completed volunteer work at her Catholic elementary school and parish of St. Martha's. "I enjoyed helping out, but the most rewarding part was the relationships I was able to keep with my old teachers and the new friendships I made with the students.

"As I plan to attend Azusa Pacific University, I am determined to keep up and even improve my academic excellence."

April plans to major in biology and attending medical school after completing her Bachelor's degree.

April is related to Guadalupe Durazo, Personnel.

Shamar Humphries

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Shamar attends Grand Canyon University in Phoenix.

Shamar had dreams of being a great running back like his heroes Emmitt Smith, Ezekiel Elliot, Bo Jackson and Latavius Murray. However, the last game of the pre-season in Horace Mann Middle School quashed that particular dream.

"I was two yards from scoring when an opposing player came and hit me," writes Shamar. "I thought my knee was badly sprained."

However, at LA Harbor Hospital he was told it was an ACL injury. There followed months of recovery, in physical therapy, learning to walk again. Now he can participate in sports, but Shamar has switched his goal. As he was recovering he learned he was good at studying and is now majoring in exercise science with an emphasis on sports performance.

Shamar is the son of Aswad Humphries, DWP.

Oman Lopez

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Oman plans to attend Cal State, Dominguez Hills this fall.

Oman has always had a passion for video games and writing, and he was able to combine both at "Hackathon," an event which gave high school students the chance to try out coding and experience state of the art technology.

"While I was there, I learned a lot about the mechanics that came along with coding, and I was able to create my own

game," he writes. "'Hackathon' was amazing and it helped me in joining robotics and even taking part in Academic Decathlon." His game won a couple of prizes: a trip to SpaceX and a tablet, which he uses for coding. Winners also had to write their own story to go with the game and that has meant writing is also in Oman's future.

Oman is the son of Jessica Davila, California Dept. of Social Services.

Eli Lopez Ortez

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Eli attends the University of California, Davis, pursuing a degree in medicine. He hopes to become a surgeon.

"I aim to help people, because I believe we can create a positive chain reaction that will help this world become more peaceful," he writes. "I hope to help anyone around the world who cannot afford surgery. Low-income families are the ones that cannot afford surgery and not have accessible healthcare. I would

love to be there and assist them in any way possible.

"I am going to continue to dream big."

Eli is the son of Cesar Valdez, Transportation.

Isabella Martinez

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Isabella plans on studying criminal justice at Cal State Dominguez Hills this fall.

"People always ask in today's day and age why I want to be a police officer," she writes. "My answer is because it has always been my dream job. My whole life I have been a leader to others, and I want to protect and serve my community." She has practiced her leadership skills in high school and as part of the Torrance PD's Police Explorers

programs. "I really feel I came out of the program as a different person. It was hands down the hardest thing I have ever done in my life." She was nominated as program class president.

"In the long run, I just want to make my family proud."

Isabella is the daughter of Lena Mokdad, LAPD.

Erica Molio'o

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Erica attends Cal State, Dominguez Hills with an interest in pursuing psychology or social work as her major.

With more than 460 hours of community service, Erica has found herself doing a plethora of things: cooking, collecting books, making jewelry, simply being there for the less fortunate. It has all shaped her personality. She writes: "I have learned many valuable life lessons, which I would never trade. I've lived by the say-

ing: 'service above self.'"

Her most exciting service project was when she was on the District Board, where different schools' community service groups all came together to make WAPIs (water pasteurization indicators) to send to Migori, Kenya. "We ended up making over 100 WAPIs."

Erica is the daughter of Eric Hoff, DWP.

Ebonee O'Bryant

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Ebonee is a junior, studying creative writing with a minor in cinema at San Francisco State University.

By winning speech tournaments in high school, she learned to have confidence in her abilities. "I want to share my stories with people," she writes. "It does not matter to me which medium I do that through. There are many ways that I could share my vision with the world. I want to write a collection of short stories, a novel,

a play, or a script for a movie. I believe that I have limitless possibilities. College is helping me create a path that leads to my success."

Ebonee is the daughter of Gina O'Bryant, California Dept. of Education.

Katelyn Ogas

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Katelyn is a psychiatric technician, working for the California Dept. of Corrections. She plans to move to part-time work and pursue her registered nurse degree at San Joaquin Delta College in Stockton this fall. "While working as a psych tech, I've worked alongside many registered nurses, and I've loved what they did," she writes.

"I want to be able to physically help out those who need it and be able to say I made a difference

in someone else's life, even if it was a small one. I like the feeling you get when you help someone out."

Katelyn works for the California Dept. of Corrections.

Chelsea Ostrout

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Chelsea is a registered nurse at Ventura County Medical Center. She plans to continue her education toward a Bachelor's degree in nursing at Cal State, Channel Islands this fall.

"I am currently orienting to be a part of rebuilding the new pediatric intensive care unit (PICU) at the Ventura County Medical Center," she writes. "I have a lot to learn as a new nurse, but am grateful for the opportunity to be part of Ventura County's on PICU.

"And on top of all the new adventures in my life, I am engaged to my boyfriend. My hopes for the future are to complete my Bachelor's program, succeed in my new career, and live out my fairy tale with our wedding June 29."

Chelsea is the daughter of Lisa Ostrout, California Dept. of Motor Vehicles.

Raul Perez

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Raul is studying for his Bachelor's degree in environmental science at Cali State, Channel Islands, and he expects to graduate in this spring.

In the past three years, he has kept his 3.7 GPA while gaining research opportunities, internships and participating in student leadership roles. His proudest achievement has been in becoming the vice president of the campus Governing Student Body. "I am the liaison between the fac-

ulty, staff and administration and ensure student voices and concerns are being heard and met," he writes.

Raul plans to attend law school after he graduates, to pursue a law degree in environmental policy. "I would like to work in a law firm dealing in environmental injustice and restoration working to better the environment for future generations."

Raul is the son of Desiree Nunez, LA County.

Rio Jose Ramiscal

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Rio Jose graduated from Stockton Early College Academy and plans to attend San Joaquin Delta College in the fall, pursuing a degree in technology or medicine.

Rio Jose immigrated to the United States from the Philippines and is the first in his family to go to college. "After graduating high school, I believed I was finished with education, but I was wrong," he writes. "Now, instead of just finding a job, I am devoted to

finishing my studies in community college with the hope of getting either an advanced knowledge of engineering, or a doctorate, to prove that I can do good and that there is still sanity left in the world. My future is still obscure and has not been set in stone."

Rio Jose is the son of Maria Theresa Ramiscal, California Dept. of Health.

Kwamesha Ross

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Kwamesha is the first of her family to attend college. She writes: "I wanted to prove to myself and my family that I can and I will do this." She graduated with an Associate's degree from Los Angeles Southwest Community College in June 2017 and then transferred to Cal State, Long Beach. She works as a security officer.

"I am really enjoying classes that pertain to my major (criminal justice). I have always known that

I wanted to do something in the criminal justice field." Upon completion of her Bachelor's degree, Kwamesha wants to start her career as a forensic specialist.

"I look forward to helping victims and their families get closure by providing evidence."

Kwamesha is the daughter of Alexis Jones, Public Works/ Street Services.

Ja-Nia' Veal

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



In 2017, Ja-Nia' had the honor of achieving the highest GPA for all African American female students in her high school in Carson, so it was not surprising when she was accepted to study at UCLA this fall. Her summers were filled with activities in L.A.'s City parks where Ja-Nia' played basketball, softball and attended the summer camps in the parks.

Ja-Nia' attends UCLA this fall and hopes to pursue a Bachelor of science degree in business

economics. "In time I desire to also start my own business of natural skincare and cosmetics products, especially designed for the African-American woman," she writes.

"Through the application of scholarships, I hope to lessen the financial burden that stands between me and my degree at the UCLA."

Ja-Nia' is the granddaughter of Zeno Veal, Retired, Rec and Parks.

Kao Xiong

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Kao is a senior studying English at the University California, Davis and hopes to continue her education after graduation and perhaps teach. "It would be a thrill to inspire young minds," she writes.

Her parents immigrated to the United States from Vietnam with just their clothes and a shoebox of spoiled milk and pictures. She did not think much about pursuing her dreams in school until she "happened upon Mary

Wollstonecraft's A Vindication of the Rights of Women. What jumped out at me was that she had an opinion, and she unapologetically proclaimed it. I fell in love with the written language.

"I am the youngest of seven children, and am the first in my family to pursue a college degree. My parents did the best they could. As I do the best I can. I wish I could go back and tell my younger self to have an opinion, work hard, and unapologetically reach for my goals in this great nation; that I may have a small piece of the American dream and give back to my community."

Kao is related to Tou Lia Xiong, California Dept. of Water Resources. Tou Lia was awarded a Club Scholarship last year.

Karen Yip

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Karen plans to attend the University of California, Irvine this fall.

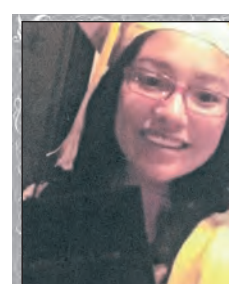
Karen took AP courses in environmental science, and it proved to be a fascinating introduction to the subject, and one she wants to study further. She writes: "I want to become an engineer, so I can research more renewable energies and design facilities that have environmentally sustainable strategies."

Her interest has had an affect on her personally as she now uses reusable water bottles. She even helped her family install drought-resistant landscaping in their backyard and insisted they upgrade to a more energy efficient air-conditioning unit. "My personal research has taught me it is impossible to create change overnight; it must happen little by little," she adds.

Karen is the daughter of Daisy Cheung, DWP.

Angelica Zapata-Monge

Recipient of a \$500 Joannie Mukai Scholarship



Angelica attends Cal State, Northridge, studying toward her Bachelor's degree in biology, with a minor in chemistry. She earned three Associate's degrees in biology, mathematics and science, and physics from Antelope Valley College, where she was on the President's List.

"I will begin the credentials program to become a biology teacher for high school," she writes. "My goal is to teach in a way that keeps students from

hating the subject, to loving it, and having fun while learning. After that, I hope to go back to school, either to complete a Master's degree or take the classes remaining to apply to medical school. Another goal is to open my own business and give jobs to those who don't get the opportunity. I also want to open a scholarship to help students like me continue their schooling and have the chance to be successful one day."

Angelica is an intern for the City Employees Club.





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Larios In the City

BY ROBERT LARIOS, Chief Operating Officer
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Marco A. Calderon
 Retired from Public Works/Street Services, 30 years of City service.



Cheryl Craig
 Retired from Transportation, 31 years of City service.



Clyde R. Ignacio
 Retired from DWP, 26 years of City service.



David C. Aguirre
 Retired from LAPD, 36 years of City service.



Ulysses H. Collins Jr
 Retired from DWP, 36 years of City service.

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

Coloring with The Clubs

Compiled by Club Customer Service Associates:



Guadalupe Lira



Cristina Ramos



DeAngelo Thompson

Congratulations to the WINNERS! of our Club Coloring Contest!

Everyone who turned in a design is a winner in our opinion! But our top four participants win **4 Free Tickets to Knotts Berry Farm!**

Honorable Mention

CHILD	AGE	PARENT/GUARDIAN	DEPT.
Allison Tiet	3	Than Tiet	DWP
Catalina Abarca	3	Samantha Townsend	LAPD
Brooklyn Karkenny	4	Carol Karkenny	Retiree
Janelle Parra	4	Armando Parra	General Services
Lottie McKay	4	Jeanne McKay	Retiree
Marissa Jimenez	4	Adrian Jimenez	Rec and Parks
Emma Tiet	5	Than Tiet	DWP
Jc'ion Perkins	5	Passion Perkins	Retiree
Kennedy Abarca	5	Samantha Townsend	LAPD
Melody Valencia	5	Hugo Valencia	Public Works/St. Svcs.
Milana Mihalek	5	Gary Kenton	Retiree
Rylee Flores	5	Guadalupe Mendoza	Retiree
Autumn Lira	6	Fred Lira	DWP
Christian Adame	6	Kara Adame	LAPD
Hazel Hinton	6	Albert Hinton	Retiree
Leila Hernandez	6	Manuel Hernandez	General Services
Valentina Jimenez	6	Adrian Jimenez	Rec and Parks
Gavin Karkenny	7	Carol Karkenny	Retiree
Juliana Reviczky	7	Timothy Reviczky	Airports
Mia Duenas	7	Oscar Duenas	LAPD
Sophia Gonzalez	7	Frank Gonzalez	Retiree
Tyce Yoshida	7	Eric Yoshida	DWP
Angie Lindsey	8	Rita Lindsey	Public Works
Emma Christopher	8	James Christopher	DWP
Henry Girard	8	Susan Girard	LAFD
Lorenzo Alvarado	8	Carlos Alvarado-Chavez	DWP
Melody Gaddi	8	Moses Gaddi	DWP
Natalia Montes	8	Pablo Montes	DWP
Natalia Romero	8	Eloy Mendoza	Retiree
Samuel Girard	8	Susan Girard	LAFD
Scarlett Esparza	8	Trinidad Carlos Quiroz	LAPD
Aaniyah Currie	9	Louise Currie	Public Works
Michael Watrin	9	Blake Watrin	Public Works
Kelsey Remolino	9	Kyle Remolino	LAPD
Leyla Yoshida	9	Eric Yoshida	DWP
Mia Hernandez	9	Steve Hernandez	Public Works
Sappira Earl	9	James Noltensmeier	DWP
Zeke McKay	9	Jeanne McKay	Retiree
Allison Hernandez	10	Richard Hernandez	LAFD
Ava Martinez	10	Alfonso Martinez	Public Works
Belle Hernandez	10	Mark Hernandez	DWP
Hailyn Topete	10	Gloria Alvarado	Library
Jack Christopher	10	James Christopher	DWP
Kingston Jenkins	10	Diane Jenkins	Retiree
Lily McKay	10	Jeanne McKay	Retiree
Rebecca Wamsley	10	Steve Wamsley	Rec and Parks
Sierra Hernandez	10	Manuel Hernandez	General Services
Addison Sousa	11	John Sousa	Airport Police
Jane Girard	11	Susan Girard	LAFD
Kiara Yoshida	11	Eric Yoshida	DWP
Anthony Amie	12	Lawrence Amie	Public Works
Dillon Gatfield	12	Jason Gatfield	DWP
Sydney Hernandez	12	Eduardo Hernandez	Rec and Parks
Arianna Roberts	13	Satoru Tanaka	Retiree
Ashlee Hinton	13	Albert Hinton	Retiree
Carla Dukes	13	Albert Hinton	Retiree
Madison Fink	13	Ross Fink	DWP



Winner
5 & under
YEARS OLD

Melody Valencia, 5

BIRTHDAY: May • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Bubble Guppies" • FAVORITE SNACK: Ice Cream • BEST FRIEND: Emma & Jenna • WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO KNOTTS? Because I've Never been there and I love snoopy. • PARENT: Hugo R. Valencia, General Superintendant



Winner
6 to 7
YEARS OLD

Julianna Reviczky, 7

BIRTHDAY: May 19 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Nick Jr" • FAVORITE SNACK: Fruits and GoldFish • BEST FRIEND: Katherine • WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO KNOTTS? To have fun Family time • PARENT: Timothy Reviczky, Electrician - Airports



Winner
8 to 10
YEARS OLD

Belle Hernandez, 10

BIRTHDAY: Feb 15 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Amazing world of Gumball" • FAVORITE SNACK: Cheese and Crackers • BEST FRIEND: Paisly • WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO KNOTTS? I think It would be very interesting! I'm very interested in like underwater. • PARENT: Mark Hernandez,



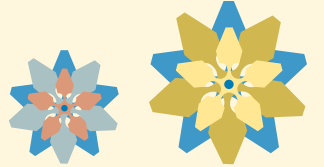
Winner
11 to 13
YEARS OLD

Kiara Yoshida, 11

BIRTHDAY: Feb. 19 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: "AGT" • FAVORITE SNACK: Raisins & Peanut butter on Celery • BEST FRIEND: Annette • WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO KNOTTS? Because It was a long time since we visited and I want for us to go again. • PARENT: Eric Yoshida, Civil Engineer Associate, LADWP



Life's Important Moments



New Members

Welcome New Members!

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

Airports

Felix Abel
Cedric Anderson
Shayquan Arrington
Darryl Beck
Miguel Deras
Renato Detassis
Sergio Fernandez Arroyo
Nickolas Flores
Alicia Garcia
Jose Gonzalez
William Gramlick
Bryan Grove
Imelda Gutierrez
Ashley Heard
Ferrell Hill
Veronica Jackman
Edgar Limbaring
Paul Man
Bryan Martinez
Donaldo Orellana
Carla Robinson
Jorge Sanchez
Lisa Sprinkles
Christopher Thoman
Ivan Tomic
Art Torres
Victoria Vitalich
Lorren Walker

Animal Services

LaTonya Dean
Victoria Montoya
Jorge Pena

Building and Safety

Emil Alexandrian
Aris Allahverdian
David Castillo
Jennifer Encinas
Michael Faunce
John Francia
Jose Hernandez
Roman Martinez
Anthony McDowall
Robert Minassians
Cindy Ohara
George Ramos
Anthony Robinson
Sara Velez

City Attorney

Alvan Arzu
Bonnie Boone
Alaina Cabunoc
Ramona Duran
Wendy Genz
Liseth Gomez
Annette Lopez
Stephanie Maldonado
Christen Sproule

LAFD

Taylor Ahuero
Alexis Cameron
Zachary Christlieb
Ed Chua
Brian Cooney
Inguar Corona
Jazmyrn Davis
Falyynn Martinez
David Nuno-Ordóñez
Jeffrey Orantes
Ken Oredina
Austin Riddle
Daniel Torres
Tyler Troya
Miguel Zavala

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Christopher Beverly
Francisco Biedra
Francisco Biedra
David Cobcan
John Drisdorn
Arthur Dulin
Giovanno Dunn
Steven Egar
Ronald Foster
Rene Fuentes

Joshua Galvez
Ryan Holder
Miles Larini
Cesar Lopez Salazar
Rodolfo Maya
Lonnie Mitchell
Darrell Mouw
Zoe Mucogllava
Roscoe Nix
Donald Oatley
Stephen Ornelas
Jesse Rincon
Steven Rodriguez
Eric Romero
Paul Stiegelmar
Jose Tadeo
Allen Toran
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Tony Washington
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Wiliam Guardado
Retha Walker
Logan Villareal
Housing
Heber Jurado
Jaimes Sanchez
Lucia Villalobos
ITA
Noe Cervantes
Jaime Garcia
Lina Mach-Leung
Oscar Rivas
Adelle Zepeda

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Doreen Barnes
Guadalupe Canales

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Riki Esquer
Alejandra Hernandez
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Laura Ascencion
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Vanessa Avila
Patrick Baghdasarian
Beatriz Barrett
Robert Benford
Jordan Bodell
Jorge Bonilla
Stephanie Bronson
Ranai Browne
Cynthia Bugarin-Martinez
Sarah Bustamante
Paul Calderon
Ricardo Cardona
Vanessa Carrasco
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Ana Cruz
Karen Cruz
Andrew Cullen
Javier De La Torre
Cynthia Deinstein
Glorycella DeLaSierra

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Jose Gomez
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Roque Guzman
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Brian Hegemier
Kevin Hernandez
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In Memoriam

Who was Eugene (Gene) Greene? He was my friend for almost 50 years. We met in the Planning Dept. as he worked on his landscape architect degree from Cal Poly, Pomona.

For those who knew him, you may or may not know that in addition to being a husband, father and brother, he was a master of many trades:

- He was caretaker of the Japanese Gardens often referred to as "Gene's" gardens.
- A skillful auto mechanic.
- A backflow specialist.
- A wine connoisseur.
- A good friend.
- And, yes, a workaholic.

Goodbye dear friend.

— Sandy (Minjarez) Grange



Eugene Greene

Died July 5, 2018
Public Works/Sanitation
Was Active City Employee
51 years of City service



Graduations



Ashley Watrin graduated from St. John Eudes elementary school in Chatsworth, and served as valedictorian. She plans to graduate from Chaminade High School and to pursue medicine in college. She's the **daughter of Michael Watrin, Public Works.**



Darryl A. Malano graduated *magna cum laude* from Los Angeles City College, majoring in accounting. He's working for a private firm and hopes to work eventually for the City. He's the **son of Wilson A. Malano, Housing.**



Isaiah Smith graduated from Dartmouth College in New Hampshire with a degree in linguistics and a minor in engineering. He plans to pursue a graduate degree in engineering. He's the **son of Airport Police Sgt. II Nigel Smith, Retired.**



Collin Hiramoto graduated from South High School in Torrance and is now attending San Francisco State University, majoring in business administration. He's the **son of Frances Shimono, Controller's Office.**



Weddings

Յնորհարություն Shnorhavorutjun Congratulations



From left: Brian Trent, Club CFO; John Hawkins, Club CEO; Petros Khachatryan, Club IT Developer; and Robert Larios, Club COO.

Congratulations to Petros and Lucina Khachatryan, married Sept. 8 at St. Mary's Armenian Church in Glendale. Petros is the Club's IT Developer.



Petros and Lucina Khachatryan.



Special Achievements

Congratulations to **Therese Wesdy** for her retirement from the City and being recognized by the Board of Public Works for her 33 years of City service. Her family, friends and colleagues came out to see the presentation at City Hall Aug. 2.



Retired Club Member **Gary Boehm** completed his second tandem skydive at the Perris Valley Airport and received his certificate of achievement Aug. 8.



In Memoriam

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

DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE	DEPARTMENT	YEARS OF SERVICE
Active							
Amparo, Jimenez	DWP 32	Craig, Thomas	Rec and Parks 21	Laurich, Joseph	Airports 12	Raduziner, Frank	DWP 20
Greene, Eugene	Public Works 51	Dantzler, Alex	Public Works 25	Lavery, Beatrice	Mayor's Office 19	Rains, Turner	DWP 35
Insong, Oscar	Harbor 34	Dell, Thomas	DWP 7	Lenahan, Thomas	Transportation 20	Ranslem, Dean	DWP 31
Lantion, Martin	Finance 19	Dowe, Hanlon	General Services 27	Lennon, Robert	Library 21	Raphael, Howard	Council 15
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Story courtesy Officer Rob Pedregon, Airport Police
Photo by CSI Officer Darius Lewis, Airport Police

AIRPORTS



From left: Airport Police Assistant Chief John Wallace, Officer Osman Mendez, Chief of Airport Police David L. Maggard Jr., Officer Jonathan Maldonado, Airport Police Assistant Chief Dan Llorens, and Capt. Imer Chavez.

Meet the New Officers

Airport Police welcomes two new Officers.

In a graduation ceremony held at the LAPD Academy in Elysian Park, 36 members of LAPD Class 3-18 took their oath as Police Officers, including two Los Angeles Airport Police Officers.

Officer Jonathan Maldonado, a nine year Air Force veteran, proudly represented the Airport Police as a member of the color guard for class 3-18. Officer Osman Mendez a native of Los Angeles, graduated from Sterling College with a Bachelor of arts degree in exercise science. Officer Maldonado and Officer Mendez were surrounded by family and friends as Chief of Airport Police David L.

Maggard Jr. swore them in as Airport Police officers.

"This is a proud day for you and your families, but it's not the end of your journey. It's the first step in a proud tradition of a rewarding career in public service, and I congratulate you," Chief Maggard said.

The two new Airport Police Officers will now begin a six-month field training program specific to aviation law enforcement under the guidance of a field-training officer.

Congratulations, Officers Maldonado and Mendez!

THIS MONTH AT THE Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

A REC AND PARKS FACILITY

Beach Cleanup

Sat., Oct. 6
8 - 10 a.m.

On the first Saturday of each month, join Cabrillo educators and volunteers in a beach cleanup, clearing the shore of marine debris. Meet at the steps in front of the auditorium.

Groups are required to make reservations by the Thursday before the event.

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Story and photos courtesy Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

REC & PARKS

Thrills, Chills and Gills

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium to host Halloween family frightfest.

Oct. 27

The 13th annual Sea Scare, San Pedro's frighteningly fun family Halloween party, is set for Saturday, Oct. 27, from 7 to 10 p.m.

See Cabrillo Marine Aquarium in a different light as it is transformed into an underwater world of chills, thrills and gills. Come in costume and join in the masquerade of ghouls and goblins, trick-or-treat

throughout the aquarium, enjoy spooky entertainment and oceans of fun. Come in costume!

Visit the Aquarium's Aquatic Nursery for a special treasure hunt, scary sea creature feedings, make your own slime and learn what ocean animals use slime to survive. Stop by the Exploration Center for some treats, participate in bioluminescent crafts and learn about deep-sea creatures that lurk in our oceans. Enter the Marine Research Library for some creepy creations and spooky stories. Don't forget to enter the costume contest for your chance to win some spook-tacular prizes. (Costume guidelines apply.)

Sea Scare brings back favorite attractions, including "Trick-or-Treat Trail," where guests can enjoy some sweet treats; try their luck at some carnival-style games at "Seaside Boardwalk;" visit "Skull Alley," an exhibit created by the Aquarium's Collections Department, where you'll get a close look at some real skulls of the ocean world and some.... not of this world; enjoy some exciting crafts in "Craft Corner;" or dance the night away at the "Zombie Beach Party."

Pre-sale admission: \$7 adults, \$3 children, free for Friends of Cabrillo Members. Date of event: \$10 adults, \$5 children. Note: This event usually sells out. Tickets are available at the aquarium's gift shop or online at the Website below.



Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, a Rec and Parks facility, is at 3720 Stephen M. White Dr. in San Pedro on the shores of Cabrillo Beach. Information: (310) 548-7562, or www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org

The *Alive!* Children's Coloring Contest

Coloring with The Clubs

Compiled by
Club Customer Service Associates:



Guadalupe
Lira



Cristina
Ramos



DeAngelo
Thompson

Deadline for submission:

November 9, 2018

Submit to:

Club Coloring Contest
City Employees Club of Los Angeles
120 West 2nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012



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

Good luck and have fun!



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

Your name _____ How old are you? _____

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

What is your favorite snack? _____

What is your favorite television show? _____

Why do you want to go to this park? _____

For parents/guardian to complete:

Name of parent/guardian: _____

Job title and department with the City: _____

Parent/guardian phone number: _____

Child's address/city/zip: _____

Club Membership number: _____



Story and photo courtesy Lupe Durazo, Personnel

LACECA

New Board Named

Chicano employees association installs new leadership.

LACECA – the Los Angeles City Employees Chicano Association – is excited to announce its new Executive Board elected to serve the term July 2018 through July 2020.

The new officers are President Alan Figueroa, DWP; Second Vice President Jose Del Rio, Personnel; Treasurer Angela Vasquez, Personnel; and Executive Secretary Alva Chavez-Rios.



Each of these individuals has very strong leadership skills and many years of dedicated City service. Visit the LACECA Website, LACECA.org, for the biography of each board member.

Many thanks to outgoing Board members President Lupe Durazo; First Vice President Charles Rogers; Second Vice President Anthony Garcia; Executive Secretary Jackie Roberts-Zarate; Recording Secretary Angie Roman; and Treasurer Gloria Ortiz. Their support and dedication to the goals of LACECA are much appreciated.

The new board looks forward to serving the membership, new recruits and the City as well as the community. Congratulations to the 2018-20 LACECA Executive Board of Officers!

From left: Alan Figueroa, Alva Chavez-Rios, Angela Vasquez and Jose Del Rio.

ITA

Congrats, Ted!

Ted Ross, ITA General Manager, honored by City Council.



From left: Ted Ross with Jim Slater of the Los Angeles Business Journal.

Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez and the Los Angeles City Council honored Ted Ross, General Manager, ITA, on June 6 for being selected as the Los Angeles Business Journal's 2018 CIO of the Year.

The Chief Technology Officer Awards honor chief technology and information officers and others who are in the top information technology positions within their organizations. These important individuals and teams play vital roles in making Los Angeles a hub for innovation, and in making its businesses, institutions, and nonprofits successful.

Congratulations, Ted!

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Cooking with the Club

with Chef Robert Larios



CHORIZO PAELLA WITH CAULIFLOWER 'RICE' AND BELL PEPPER

This month I'm bringing you a full flavored paella recipe that uses cauliflower as a delicious alternative to rice. The recipe calls for organic ingredients and I am a supporter of their use, but don't let it stop you from making this wonderful dish – regular ingredients work just fine. Aside from regular chorizo, there are other alternatives that can be used, including soy-rizo and quinoa-rizo. They all impart great flavor.

¡Buen provecho!

Chef Larios

Photography by Patricia M. Larios

INGREDIENTS:

Cilantro and Lime Rice

- ½-pound fresh loose chorizo (pork and spices); you may use soy-rizo or quinoa-rizo
- 1 organic red bell pepper
- 1 head organic cauliflower (substitute for rice).
- 4 or 5 sprigs organic fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 2 ounces baby arugula or other leafy greens
- 2 to 4 shreds of saffron shreds
- Sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste

Paella sauce base:

- 1 small can diced tomatoes
- 1 small can tomato paste
- 1 tablespoon granulated garlic
- 2 tablespoons sweet smoked paprika
- 1-2 anchovies (or more to your taste)
- 1 teaspoon ground turmeric
- Pinch of sea salt and fresh ground pepper

Cooking TIDBIT

If you can't find saffron, it is okay to omit it from the recipe. I would, however, encourage you to use chorizo or a flavorful alternative since it imparts much flavor.

DIRECTIONS:

Makes 2 Servings

1 Make the paella sauce base: In a large mixing bowl, add all ingredients and mix. You may use a food processor as well. Set aside the paella sauce.

2 Cook the chorizo: In a large frying pan over medium-high heat, warm one teaspoon extra virgin oil until hot but not smoking. Add the chorizo and cook, stirring to break up the meat, until lightly browned but not yet cooked through, three to four minutes. Using a slotted spoon, transfer the chorizo to a paper-towel-lined plate to drain. Do not clean the pan. While the chorizo cooks, start preparing the remaining ingredients.



3 Prep the remaining ingredients and make sure to wash produce before use.

Remove the stem, ribs and seeds from the bell pepper; cut the pepper into quarter-inch-wide strips. Cut the cauliflower lengthwise into quarters, discarding any leaves or thick stalks. Using a food processor fitted with the grater attachment, or the coarse holes of a box grater, coarsely grate the cauliflower. Alternatively, using a knife, cut the florets and tender stems into quarter-inch pieces. Strip the parsley leaves from the stems; coarsely chop the leaves for garnish.



4 Cook the paella: In the same pan used for the chorizo, add the bell pepper and cook over medium-high heat, stirring occasionally, until starting to soften, two to three minutes. Transfer to a medium bowl.

In the same pan over medium-high heat, warm two to three teaspoons oil until hot, but not smoking. Add the cauliflower "rice" and paella sauce base, season with salt and pepper, and cook, stirring occasionally, until the cauliflower starts to soften and the sauce is fragrant, two to three minutes. Add the arugula, chorizo and bell pepper, season with salt and pepper, and cook, stirring occasionally, until the arugula is wilted and the chorizo is cooked through, two to three minutes.



5 Transfer the paella to individual bowls and garnish with the parsley.



Fun Food Quote:

"Life seemed extraordinarily harsh, before I cooked with chorizo in my kitchen."

– Robert Larios



[Food Lover's Dictionary]

Chorizo [chor-EE-zoh]:

A highly seasoned, coarsely ground pork sausage flavored with garlic, chili powder and other spices. It's widely used in both Mexican and Spanish cookery. Mexican chorizo is made with fresh pork, while the Spanish version uses smoked pork. The casing should be removed and the sausage crumbled before cooking. Chorizo adds flavor to many preparations from soups to enchiladas.

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John's Picture Perfect Contest

John Hawkins, Club CEO

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"Fall River, Ore. At dawn."

– **Firefighter/Paramedic John Hicks, LAFD**

John's comment: John, I love the impressionistic feel of this. Creating what a dawn on a lake feels like, not just what it looks like, is what impressionism is all about. Thanks!



"Cheney's glorious sunrise this morning!"

– **Jill Weiszmann, Retired**

John's comment: Jill, your continuing series on Washington State returns one winner after another. The sky, set off by the pines, is truly bigger in the Pacific Northwest than anywhere else I've been ... and you've captured that. Nice!



"A fun summer afternoon on the rides!"

– **William Zhang, DWP**

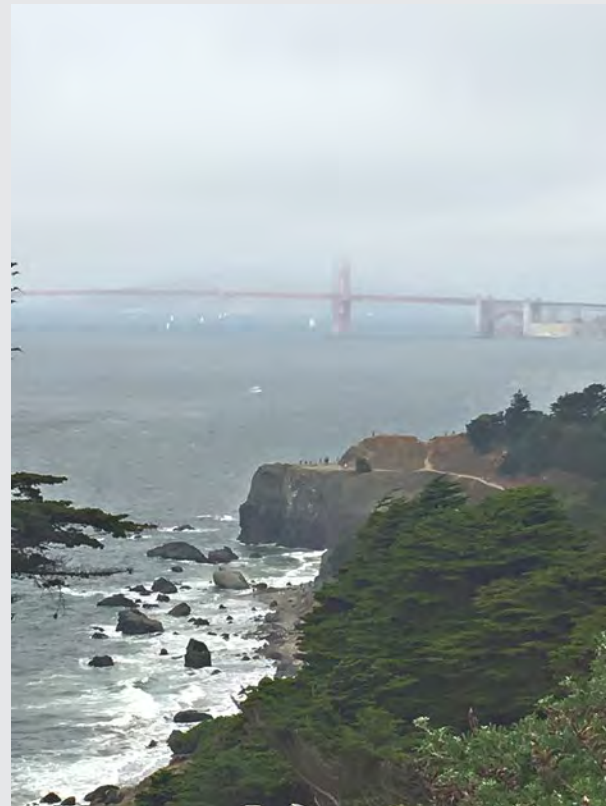
John's comment: William, this is one of the most graceful and elegant captures of the motion at Pacific Park in Santa Monica I've ever seen. Its simplicity and angle add up to gentle, endless summer fun. Thanks for the composition and the reminder!



"Twilight: Wondering what to do next after missing the chance for a sunset group shot, I realized the best shot would be during their moment of uncertainty. I'll take what I can get."

– **Dominique Daito, LAPD**

John's comment: And we will, too, Dominique! Your mastery of lighting continues to get even stronger ... and I love how you know when to capture young people; it's not always when you think it's perfect. Between this and the horror movie moment you sent in previously, I really like the style I see developing. Excellent!



"This picture was taken on a slightly cold day in San Francisco. Taken on my iPhone."

– **Renee Ramirez, LAFD**

John's comment: Here at the Club, we like to say we love experiencing California life and work, together, and this photo of San Francisco with rocky shores, the Golden Gate Bridge, sailboats and hikers on the Cliffside trail shows that exactly. Nice job capturing all of it!



"Unfortunately, a home below us caught fire. The cause was possibly from a lightning strike earlier in the day. I took this at 3 a.m. I smelled smoke, but my husband, retired from the DWP, had checked our house the previous day. The firefighters did a very impressive job. No one was home at the time."

– **Karin Luedke, Retired, Prescott, Ariz.**

John's comment: Incredibly dramatic, Karin ... and I'm glad no one was hurt. During fire season, which seems to be all the time now, danger lurks close and all around, and you captured that. We are all so grateful for the Fire and Police who work hard to protect us and our property.

RULES:

- The contest is open to all Club members in good standing. Non-members are welcome to submit, but only Club members are eligible to win the monthly prize.
- If your photograph does not win, you are welcome to re-submit.
- Winners are chosen by Club staff. All decisions will be final.
- You must certify (if asked) that you indeed took the picture. No ringers!
- Photos can be submitted either on paper or digitally. Please don't send both.
- If you want your print photo returned, please write your name, address and phone number on the back of your photo.
- Photos can be of any subject matter: vacation, portraits, families, landscapes, still lifes, pets, etc. Subject matter must be appropriate for *Alive!*
- Paper prints can be mailed to: Picture Perfect Contest, *Alive!*, Employees Club of California, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
- When you send digital photos through the Internet, please send the full, original digital file yourself, rather than using digital photo software like Kodak EasyShare, Kodak Gallery, Flickr, etc. These programs send very low-resolution images, and they don't look good in print.
- We want you to look your best, so send us the original digital file, please! Thanks!
- Digital photos optimally should be between 100K and 2 megabytes in size and may be e-mailed to: pictureperfect@cityemployees-club.com
- The contest is all in good fun: The Club cannot be responsible for delays in delivering *Alive!*, or for delays in the transmission of responses.



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Small Drink	\$5.50	\$4.00
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CINEMARK THEATERS 		
Concessions (Good for one junior popcorn and one small fountain drink)	\$15.25	\$8.25
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Premium Theaters	\$15.25	\$10.00
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	\$12.75	\$8.00
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Restricted	\$13.00	\$7.00
Good Any Time	\$13.00	\$8.00
Small Popcorn	\$5.60	\$4.60
Small Drink	\$5.00	\$4.00
Harkins Movie Pack (Contains 2 Unrestricted tickets, 2 Small Soda Vouchers and 1 Small Popcorn Voucher)	\$41.60	\$28.50
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	\$11.00	\$7.50
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Unrestricted Tickets	\$13.00	\$8.00
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	Child \$34.00	\$25.21
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	Adult \$44.90	\$31.92
	Child (4 - 11) \$25.90	\$17.95
RACERS EDGE INDOOR KARTING		
Adult: 16-Lap Adult Race	\$23.00	\$18.00
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SANTA CRUZ BOARDWALK SEASONAL		
Unlimited Ride Wristband	\$59.95	\$44.95

SPORTING EVENTS

LOS ANGELES DODGERS		Games available online
LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS		Games available online
LOS ANGELES KINGS		Games available online
LOS ANGELES RAMS		Games available online
SACRAMENTO KINGS		Games available online
OAKLAND A'S		Games available online
SAN JOSE SHARKS		Games available online
SAN JOSE BARRACUDAS		Games available online

GIFT CERTIFICATES

	RETAIL	CLUB
HONEYBAKED HAM		
\$25 Gift Card	\$25.00	\$22.50
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Good for 1lb of chocolate	\$20.50	\$16.50
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	RETAIL	CLUB
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Unlimited Ride Wristband	\$32.95	\$20.00
Family 4 Pack (Includes 4 All Day Unlimited Ride Wristbands, 4 Meal Cards)	\$172.80	\$119.00
SKYSPACE LOS ANGELES		
	Adult \$25.00	\$17.00
	Child (5-12) \$19.00	\$15.00
Slide Combo	Adult \$33.00	\$23.00
	Child (5-12) \$27.00	\$21.00
SPEEDZONE 		
3 Hour Unlimited Pass on Rides and Mini-Golf	\$49.99	\$28.00
TEATRO MARTINI 		
Buena Park, California	\$75.75	\$36.00 to \$42.00
USS IOWA 		
SAN PEDRO	Adult \$19.95	\$13.50
	Child (6 - 11) \$11.95	\$7.50
	Senior (62+) or Military (with ID) \$16.95	\$10.50
USS MIDWAY 		
SAN DIEGO	Adult \$23.00	\$15.00
	Child (6 - 11) \$10.00	\$7.00
	Senior (62+) \$20.00	\$14.00
WINCHESTER MYSTERY HOUSE		
	Adult \$37.00	\$25.00
	Child (6 - 12) \$20.00	\$15.00

THEME PARKS

ADVENTURE CITY 		
	Adult/ Child	\$19.95 \$15.50
CALIFORNIA'S GREAT AMERICA SEASONAL		
	General Admission (Age 3+)	\$71.00 \$39.99
CASTLE PARK 		
	General Admission (over 36")	\$24.99 \$12.99
GILROY GARDENS SEASONAL		
	General Admission	\$58.00 \$30.00
KNOTT'S BERRY FARM - SEASON 2 (Tickets Valid 3/17 - 9/03)		
	General Admission (Age 3+) eTickets	\$79.00 \$42.00
	General Admission (Age 3+) Paper Tickets	\$79.00 \$43.00
LOS ANGELES ZOO 		
	Adult \$21.00	\$17.00
	Child (2-12) \$16.00	\$13.00
Zoo Membership Discount starting at \$35 for Club Members (\$55 Retail)		
LEGOLAND 		
1 - Day , 1 - Park	Adult \$99.00	\$79.00
	Child (3 - 11) \$93.00	\$74.00
Legoland Resort Hopper (Valid to Legoland, Water Park, and Sea Life Aquarium)	Adult \$123.00	\$84.00
	Child (3 - 11) \$117.00	\$80.00
Includes 2nd Day FREE (expire 12/30/18)		
SAN DIEGO ZOO / SAFARI PARK 		
	Adult \$54.00	\$44.28
	Child (3 - 11) \$44.00	\$36.08

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WATER PARKS

	RETAIL	CLUB
AQUATICA (Chula Vista) 		
Valid through 10/28	Adult \$47.99	\$36.05
	Child (3 - 9) \$42.99	\$30.80
	Season Splash Pass \$46.00	\$42.25
HURRICANE HARBOR 		
Valid through 9/30	Adult/Child	\$47.99 \$28.99
RAGING WATERS San Dimas 		
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ENTERTAINMENT DISCOUNTS	See Club website for more info
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The Club provide members with the cheapest tickets in California. However, there are times when such efforts are unavailable as our partners and vendors may increase (decrease) their prices at their discretion without notifying the Club. The Club is committed to providing insane service to our members and continually searching for the best deals without charging any processing and handling fees!

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

TICKET PRICES VARY DEPENDING ON DATE

		RETAIL	CLUB
KNOTT'S SCARY FARM	Discount available online		
KNOTT'S SPOOKY FARM	Discount available online		
MAGIC MOUNTAIN FRIGHT FEST	Discount available online		
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BOO AT THE LA ZOO	Discount available online		
CASTLE DARK	Discount available online		
CA GREAT AMERICA HALLOWEEN HAUNT	Discount available online		
LEGOLAND BRICK OR TREAT	Discount available online		
GILROY GARDENS HALLOWEEN NIGHT		\$45.00	\$22.00
FEAR OVERLOAD SCREAM PARK SAN FRANCISCO	Prices starting at	\$23.50	
ULTIMATE TERROR SCREAM PARK SACRAMENTO	Prices starting at	\$23.50	
SEAWORLD SAN DIEGO HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR	Discount available online		



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Los Angeles Public Library
Library's
TOP
10

Here's what LA was reading, watching and listening to in July.

Lists are courtesy Los Angeles Public Library, Central library downtown and 73 branches combined.

Top 10 Books

1. *A Higher Loyalty: Truth, Lies and Leadership*, James Comey
2. *The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas
3. *The 17th Suspect*, James Patterson
4. *Born a Crime*, Trevor Noah
5. *The Outsider*, Stephen King
6. *I'll Be Gone in the Dark*, Michelle McNamara
7. *The Hidden Oracle*, Rick Riordan
8. *The Late Show*, Michael Connelly
9. *Twisted Prey*, John Sanford
10. *The Burning Maze*, Rick Riordan

Top 10 DVDs

1. *Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle*
2. *The Shape of Water*
3. *Justice League*
4. *Thor: Ragnarok*
5. *Black Panther*
6. *Game Night*
7. *Downsizing*
8. *Annihilation*
9. *Blade Runner 2049*
10. *I, Tonya*

Top 10 E-Books

1. *Little Fires Everywhere*, Celeste Ng
2. *Cowboy Pride: Wild Wyoming Hearts Series, Book 3*, Lacy Williams
3. *The Handmaid's Tale*, Margaret Atwood
4. *I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer*, Michelle McNamara
5. *Origin: A Novel*, Dan Brown
6. *Manhattan Beach: A Novel*, Jennifer Egan
7. *Crazy Rich Asians: Rich Series, Book 1*, Kevin Kwan
8. *The President Is Missing: A Novel*, James Patterson
9. *Artemis: A Novel*, Andy Weir
10. *The Woman in the Window: A Novel*, A. J. Finn

Top 10 Songs Downloaded via Freegal*

1. "Havana," Camila Cabello feat. Young Thug
2. "Never Be the Same," Camila Cabello
3. "No Excuses," Meghan Trainor
4. "Love Lies," Khalid & Normani
5. "Say Something," Justin Timberlake feat. Chris Stapleton
6. "Zombie," Bad Wolves
7. "This Is It," Scotty McCreery
8. "Wild Hearts Can't Be Broken," P!nk
9. "Lights Down Low," MAX
10. "Heaven," Kane Brown

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- Final payment date: 8/07/19
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 - All spots are first come first serve.
 - TRIP TOTAL STARTING AT \$4,164 INCLUDING AIRFARE, HOTEL AND TOUR BASED UPON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

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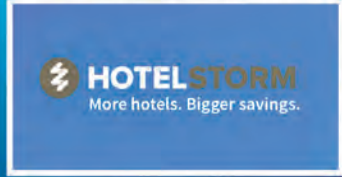
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