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Anita Hayden-Smith is the first female Captain in LA Port Police history, and a pioneer in maritime law enforcement.

INSIDE: Hear the thoughts of five other female LA Port Police Officers, which are still relatively rare.

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With Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith, 26 years of City service (center) are, from left: Officer II Maria Hernandez, 34 years; Officer II Keli Legaspi Langsdale, 12 years; Officer II Stacey Creech, 11 years; Lt. Rosa Reynoso, 28 years; and Officer III Celia Ixta, 6 years. All six are Club Members.

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Pioneering Club Members

by John Hawkins,
President and CEO, The Club

We get our story ideas in any number of ways – people call us or tell us of cool things that are happening in the City ... or we read about them or hear about them ... or we make old fashioned calls to see what's happening in and around the City.

That's what happened this month – we'd been working with the Port Police for several months to find the right story for us. And then we came upon the story of **Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith**, the first female Captain in LA Port Police history. And there we had it.

It was an honor – and as you'll read, informative – to interview all six, also including **Officer II Maria Hernandez; Officer II Keli Legaspi Langsdale; Lt. Rosa Reynoso; Officer II Stacey Creech; and Officer III Celia Ixta.**

Maybe the most interesting question our editor, **John Burnes**, asked, was whether we would be covering this story in 20 years –whether women in maritime law enforcement would have made enough progress that it would no longer be a big deal. You can read their answer to that question in the feature. But I think we're well on our way now, to be honest.

A couple notes on this month's feature story: First, by all accounts, Anita is the first female Captain at the LA Port Police ... but how about in maritime law enforcement nationwide? That's hard to say; it comes down to definitions.



From left: LA Port Police Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith and *Alive!* editor John Burnes in front of the newish and impressive Port Police Headquarters building in San Pedro.

A female Captain, Kathy Mazza, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, died in the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center Sept. 11, 2001. But the NY/NJ Port Authority is responsible for a *much* bigger jurisdiction, including three major airports, subways, PATH trains and other things.

The Port of Seattle had a female Police Chief, the now Retired Colleen Wilson. But again, that agency has many more responsibilities (including airports) than the LA Port Police and is therefore much larger.

Because of the vast size difference in agencies it's hard to be definitive. But none of that diminishes Capt. Hayden-Smith's achievements here in Los Angeles, and really her national leadership. Our excellent Port Police focuses strictly on maritime activities, and that makes her unique in the history of the City and maybe in the country.

A second note on our cover story: Every person we talked to for this feature – Capt. Hayden-Smith, the five female Officers, and the others under Anita's watch – are Club Members. And so is **Sheila Gonzales**, the Harbor employee who helped us with this feature. *Awesome!* It's you – Club Members – who make us the incredible association that we are. And in this month's feature, you see why we are truly honored.

A final note: Retired Port Police Officer **Patricia Montano**, whom you didn't read about, was one of the very first women to work for the agency; she began her City maritime law enforcement career way back in 1979. That undoubtedly makes her a Port Pilot pioneer. Pat was mentioned at least twice during our interviews as being a role model, by Capt. Hayden-Smith and Lt. Reynoso. We reached out to Pat ... but unfortunately she was unavailable due to a funeral, and we couldn't make the schedules work. We send our condolences, and we pledge to catch up with her again when the timing is a better.

Moving on ... have you noticed our growing social media presence? I have ... and judging from all the likes and follows and shares and comments, many of you have, too! More about this in the coming days ... and *holy cow*, have you checked out our new partnership with Entertainment? Frankly, it's a very big deal. Read all about it on page 8, and take advantage immediately!

That's enough from me ... enjoy our Spring Break Club discounts, and this issue of *Alive!*

—JOHN

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Club Director of Marketing Summy Lam photographs Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith and five other Port Police Officers in front the Port Police headquarters.



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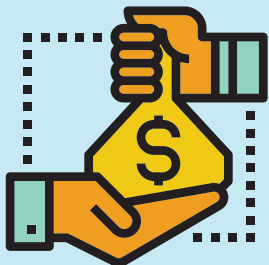
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Neil Guglielmo with Lita Payne, LACERS Interim General Manager, and Michael R. Wilkinson, LACERS Board Vice President.

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The Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System (LACERS) Board of Administration's selection of Neil Guglielmo for the position of General Manager was confirmed by Mayor Garcetti Feb. 7 and the Los Angeles City Council on Feb. 14. His official start date is March 5.

Neil is a Club Board Member of the Los Angeles City Employees Association.

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Fellow Club members answer the Question of the Month

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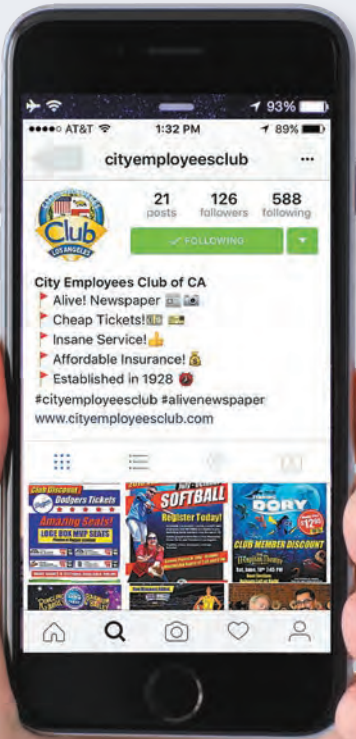
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The City Parties!

A Few More Party Pics!

DWP Lincoln Heights office sends along some more holiday fun.

DWP's Lincoln Heights District held its holiday party Dec. 22 at the District Office on Artesian Street.

We ran some photos last month, but here are some more.

Special thanks go to Linda Ulibarri for her assistance in producing this article.





Mobius Arch Loop Trail – Lone Pine



A gorgeous view of Mt. Whitney from the Mobius Arch Trail.

When you see this sign, stop and turn. Look behind you and there it is.



On top of the world!

Hello again, everyone!

This month, we travel up north about 300 miles from Los Angeles to Lone Pine. (See my Club Mobile Team partner Dylan Noel's excellent write-up elsewhere in this issue.) We visited the northern DWP locations in Mojave, Lone Pine, Bishop, Independence and Keeler, seeing old friends and making new ones on our trip.

I always like to hike and take on outdoor adventures, so when we arrived we discovered this amazing loop only a few miles away off the main road. We drove a few miles off the main road and within 25 minutes had reached the Mobius Arch. I'm usually with my family on these "Be Alive!" adventures, but since we were working in the area Dylan was along and

happy to go on this perfect adventure.

Let's begin.

History: Did you know the Alabama Hills were named after the CSS *Alabama* (a Confederate warship)? When news of the Confederate warship's exploits reached prospectors in California sympathetic to the Civil War Confederates, they named many of the mining claims in honor of the ship, and the name came to be applied to the entire range. Another interesting fact: When the *Alabama* was finally sunk off the coast of Cherbourg, France (no kidding) by the USS *Kearsarge* in 1864, prospector sympathetic to the North named a mining district, a mountain pass, a mountain peak and a town after the *Kearsarge*.

Films: The Alabama Hills are a popular film location for television and movie productions, especially Westerns. Since the 1920s, more than 150 movies and more than a dozen TV shows have been

filmed here in the Alabama Hills. *The Gene Autry Show*, *the Lone Ranger* and *Bonanza*, to name a few of my dad's favorites, were sometimes filmed here. Some classic movies including *Gunga Din*, *the Walking Hills*, *Yellow Sky* and many more were, too. Most recent productions were the movies *Tremors* and *Joshua Tree*. Also, some small sections in recent movies like (one of my favorites) *Gladiator* were shot here; I can still see Russell Crowe riding his horse in front of the Alabamas, with Mount Whitney in the background. I'm sure there are many more movies that that I haven't mentioned that were filmed in this general area.

The Hike: This was one of the easiest hikes I've been on, for sure. You drive off the main road and travel on a dirt road for a short period of time with signs clearly posted. When you park in the designated area, the Arch is only a half-mile away. Be very careful; if you go too fast you will miss the Arch. We did twice.

Once you find the Mobius Arch, sit back enjoy a small snack and look at all gorgeous views surrounding you. Different rock formations offer amazing views; this is a must see!

I recommend this short walk to anyone going by this area. Lone Pine is an amazing town, perfect for all outdoor activities. If you have any photos of yourself or your family at Mobius Arch, please send your photos to uniforms@cityemployeesclub.com. We would love to share them with our readers.

I want to give a special thank you to Dylan, who was brave enough to go on this wonderful adventure.

Remember, always bring water, snacks, and sunscreen. I recommend this to all my readers.

See you next month. Be safe, Be well, and *Be Alive!*

Angel

INFO

Mobius Arch Loop Trail

Whitney Portal Road, Lone Pine, CA 93545

Walking distance: 0.6 mile loop
Elevation gain: 42 feet
Difficulty: easy to moderate

Time: 1 hr. (depending on your speed)
Parking: Follow the signs, and there is an area to park and begin the trail.

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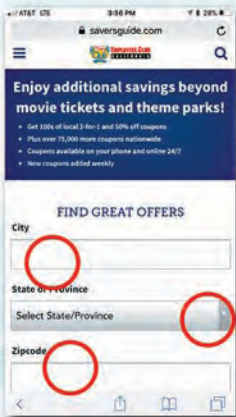
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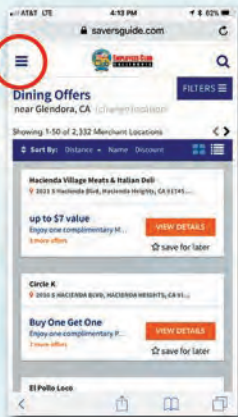
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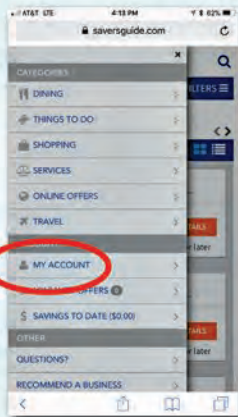
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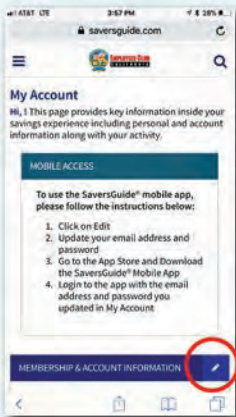
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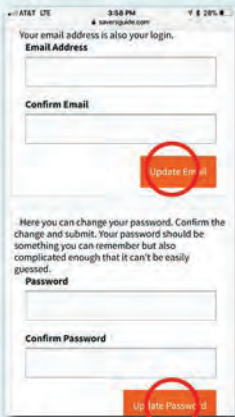
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JUNE: RLACEI annual golf tournament; date to be announced.

JUNE 6: LARFPA annual barbecue and board meeting, Grace E. Simons Lodge.

AUG. 9: RLACEI corporate meeting and picnic, 11:30 a.m., Grace E. Simons

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

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One New Director, One New LACERS GM

2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



Ed Harding

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

In my previous messages I mentioned that we were in the need of three new RLACEI Directors, made available when Helen Salgado, Americo Garza and Phil Orland left the Board. After our Feb. 12 meeting, I am glad to announce that Dennis Harding was nominated, elected and was sworn in as one new Director. *Welcome, Dennis!*

We are still short two Directors. If you are an active member of the Los Angeles City Retirement System (LACERS), you are eligible to apply. Please contact Neil Ricci, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, at (310) 650-2745 for additional information.

Also at our meeting, the Board agreed to endorse and support Tom Moutes, Retired GM of LACERS, for a position left open on the Deferred Compensation Board.

Speaking of LACERS and GMs, Neil Guglielmo, formerly the Chief Financial Officer at the DWP and a Member of the Employees Club of Los Angeles, has been confirmed as the new LACERS General Manager. He succeeds Tom Moutes. Neil's official start date is March 5. Congratulations, Neil!

On another happy note, the cost of living adjustment (COLA) for 2018 has been confirmed at 2.8 percent, effective July 1.

The next RLACEI event is the annual golf tournament, scheduled for June 7 at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course, 630 S. Almansor St.. Starting time is 7:30 a.m. ■

LACERS Board Proposes Spousal Continuation Option



Michael R. Wilkinson

LACERS Board Update, By Michael R. Wilkinson

The LACERS Board has proposed a new option that would allow a Retired member to provide for a continuing survivor's pension for a spouse married after the member Retires.

Currently, a member may provide a continuance (continuing pension) for a spouse or domestic partner only if the member has been married for at least one year before he or she retires.

This proposed option should not be considered a new benefit since it will be provided at no cost to the City or LACERS, and the member will pay for it by accepting a reduced pension for life to pay for what would have been the additional cost for the spouse's pension.

The staff report noted that this same option is provided to many federal government retirees, California state retirees (CalPERS) and California teachers (CalSTRS).

RLACEI strongly supports this option. RLACEI Director Michael Perez spoke at the LACERS Board

of Administration meeting and noted that the sworn Fire and Police Pension members and the LACERS members who are Airport Peace Officers have this benefit now.

Perez noted that there are many demanding jobs performed by LACERS members, including other public safety officers and civilians in dangerous occupations, including criminalists with the LAPD. He argued that it was a matter of basic fairness that this option be provided to all LACERS Retirees.

RLACEI has been backing this change in the law for some time, and fellow RLACEI Director Michael Karsch recently asked members for their interest in this option in an article here in *Alive!*

I strongly agree with this change. The Benefits Administration Committee that I chair and the full LACERS Board passed the matter unanimously. The proposed law change has now been forwarded to the mayor, City Council and City Administrative Officer, since the change requires an amendment to the City Administrative Code.

RLACEI will be pushing so that City officials can eliminate this inequity in the treatment of LACERS Retired members. ■

Appeals on Pension Reductions Headed to State Supreme Court?



Michael Karsch

Legislative Report: Pension Law and Policy, By Michael Karsch

In mid-January, the Los Angeles *Daily Journal* headlined an article on pensions by two lawyers in employment and education law, Jorge Luna and Joshua Morrison, as "nothing less than the future of public pensions at stake." They summarize the pending clash at the State Supreme Court among several competing lawsuits and appellate court rulings that I have noted before – the Marin Association of Public Employees, the Alameda County Deputy Sheriff's Association, and Cal Fire Local 2881.

Each case mentioned is by the employees/

retirees who have sued their retirement associations, which in the last case is the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS). In each case, the employees or retirees are objecting to steps taken by their employers to reduce in some manner various pension benefits. These cases refer to the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013, which was Gov. Brown's reform effort on pensions as passed by the State Legislature. The pension benefits involved were items that are, generally speaking, excluded from an employee's final compensation before retiring, instead of including them, which results in a higher income that would trigger a higher pension. Another item in one case is the purchase of "airtime," which also increases

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Appeals on Pension Reductions Headed to State Supreme Court? (continued)

the pension. The bottom line is allowing a government agency to exclude extra income from that final compensation without giving the pensioner an offsetting comparable benefit. The pension itself is probably not subject to reduction, but just how do you define what a pension consists of?

These issues come from the 2013 pension reform law, which is criticized for chipping away at the “California Rule,” which generally means no change in a pension program unless there is a comparable offset. So, remember that sustaining the California Rule keeps all benefits sacred, but tinkering with the add-on extras like airline is one area that could be cut out. There is no expected time for the State Supreme Court to address these appeals, but their consideration could be some time in 2018.

What’s up in Santa Monica? The *Lookout* reports on Jan. 29 that the pension costs in Santa Monica City Hall will climb 75 percent by the 2024-25 fiscal year. In the current fiscal year, Santa Monica is paying \$54 million towards its pensions, but by the 2024-25 fiscal

year, the amount will be \$94 million. What’s up in Illinois? According to the Chief Investment Officer on Jan. 30, Illinois is considering a pension bond issue for \$107 billion, which would be the “largest municipal debt sale in history.”

Illinois resorted to a \$10 billion bond issue in 2003 to sustain its pensions. The bond would be feasible if the investments backing the pensions produce more yield than the interest payments. The article noted that New Jersey and Detroit had resorted to pension bonds, which led Detroit to its bankruptcy.

And Connecticut? The Chief Investment Officer also reported that Connecticut is facing budgetary and pension cost issues in March. The Hartford *Courant* newspaper reports that the Yankee Institute and the Connecticut Business and Industry Association want the pension system to increase state worker contributions to 6 percent, eliminate overtime from their benefits calculations (leaving a maximum \$100,000 salary), and cap annual cost of living increases at 2 percent. ■

Did You Receive Your 1099-R?

LACERS



Mary Beetz

LACERS Update By Mary Beetz

LACERS was scheduled to mail the 2017 IRS Form 1099-R (Distribution from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement, etc.) to Retired Members by Feb. 15. Beneficiaries who did not receive their 1099-Rs should

contact LACERS to request a new one. Regenerating a 1099-R may require a few working days to process.

Retirees who recently moved should contact LACERS to update their address information by using a change of address request form, which is available at www.LACERS.org. ■

Life after Retirement



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The Best Years

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Dubai to Cape Town

Hal and Evelyn embark on a five-week cruise. Part 1



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.

We began our next adventure Nov. 2. We took a car service to LAX, and check-in was very quick. Our bags were checked through to Dubai; I hoped we would all meet again in Dubai. We were in the Admirals Club waiting for our 10:30 a.m. flight. We had a two-hour layover in NYC and a five-hour wait in London. That's what happens when you fly on miles. We arrived in Dubai around midnight Nov. 3.

The American Airlines flight to JFK was no problem, except AA lost its caterer and we got a bag lunch – ham and cheese on white bread. I haven't seen that since I was a kid. After landing at JFK we had to go from Terminal 8 to Terminal 7 for British Air. We had time to go to the BA Lounge, where we had the pre-flight dinner. Our flight left at 9:10 p.m., so eating earlier seemed smart, but we missed out on lamp chops on the flight. The flying time to London was just more than seven hours, and we decided to sleep on this flight. I thought the business class seats were much better on American than British Air, although both laid flat for sleeping.

The landing in London was very interesting. We were ahead of schedule, but because of fog at Heathrow we had to circle the airport for about a half-hour before landing. I was looking out the window looking for the ground when the plane hit the tarmac. I never saw the ground; I couldn't even see the tip of the wing. I've never done that before.

The flight to Dubai was only about 10 minutes late leaving, and we arrived almost on time, midnight – 11 hours ahead of LA (the next day, the end of Daylight Savings Time in LA, it will be 12 hours ahead, as Dubai does not observe DST). At immigration we just presented our passports and walked in – no paperwork. I picked up a porter to help with our bags, and by the time we got to the baggage claim the three bags we checked were there. There was no problem with customs.

Our hotel was the Doubletree by Hilton. A good friend made the arrangements, which included a two-room suite and transportation from the plane and to the ship. (More on the hotel later.) We didn't see our name on any sign, but we did see a Doubletree sign with a name, not ours, and asked for help. Turns out he was our driver; he just had the wrong name, but the correct reservation number. The porter took our bags to the car. I think I over-tipped him, but he was very helpful.

The next day, Nov. 4, we arrived at the hotel around 1 a.m. We got to bed around 2 a.m. and woke up at 8 a.m. – not too bad. Breakfast was included in our room rate. It was very good; I hoped it didn't spoil us for the cruise. Hotel staff was exceptionally friendly and helpful. I was still not sure about tipping. Our friend Zainab and her husband were to pick us up at 11 a.m. for a look at the city. We had been here once in 2011 for the day on a cruise. It's a big, modern city with much construction going on. Our hotel was

in the Marina and had a sand beach (sand is easy to come by here). We had a nice view of the Marina, and a very large wheel (like the London Eye) was being constructed across the way.

The friend of ours who made the reservation at the hotel said we would get VIP service, and so far he was right. When we got to the room at one in the morning, there were sandwiches and cut fruit, which we did not eat. And beautiful fresh flowers in all three bathrooms. When we returned the next day there was a selection of small bite plates, two cold fruit drinks and more cut fruit from the morning delivery. I can't wait to see what would show up the next day.



Hosts Zainab and Menaf, with Evelyn in the middle.



A view of the beach.



Global Village.

Zainab and her husband, Menaf, picked us up around 11 a.m. They were both born in Iraq and have lived in the United States and in other Middle Eastern countries. Zainab and Evelyn worked for the same company for several years, and her cousin is a friend of ours in Los Angeles. They have two children and now make their home in Dubai.

On our drive to Palm Island they gave me a gift of beautiful prayer beads, and said they had an oil painting for Evelyn. In addition to their jobs they have an online art gallery (www.soukbaghdad.com).

The Palm Islands are three artificial islands – Palm Jumeirah, Deira Island and Palm Jebel Ali. The area has lots of resort hotels and upscale residential property. The Atlantis is the largest of the many resorts, but by far not the nicest. We stopped at one of the resorts for drinks and to enjoy the grounds and view of the beach and water; it had a Turkish motif. It seemed that most of the guests were tourists or expatriates working here on a staycation, rather than business travel or Emiratis. Dubai has a population of 3.8 million, most of whom are not citizens of the UAE. This is a very unique place.

Around 2 p.m. we drove to a very upscale mall, with many small shops and restaurants, anchored at either end by large luxury hotels. We walked through the Souk (market) and picked a Persian (Iran) restaurant for lunch.

The kids played in the play area. The weather was very nice – mid-70s and a nice breeze. This was a very pleasant way to spend time here not doing the tourist sites (which we have seen most), but getting the local feel. Our friends made us feel very welcome.

The next day we were on our own. We decided to take a walk along the JBR (Jumeirah Beach Resort) waterfront, which has lots of shops, hotels and restaurants. It stretches from our hotel along the waterfront for a mile or two and ends at Palm Island. It is one of the major tourist attractions. Evelyn wanted to go to the Global Village, which was open only half of the year and was now open until the summer. It was like a night market with imports from all over the world.

Back at the hotel, the doorbell rang. I told Evelyn to check the peephole before opening the door. It was my laundry. I said, what laundry? She said, "The clothes you wore yesterday." I said they were in a laundry bag on the floor, and she said they were now clean, and they ironed my underwear and it cost only \$30, but with our discount it was \$12. I guess I could complain, but it was just too funny. I guessed I had to be careful what I do with today's clothes; maybe that's what VIP service is!

On Nov. 5 we slept until after 8 a.m. I hoped that took care of the jet lag. When we got to the breakfast buffet the hostess knew



Hal at the hotel.

I was no way hungry, but we managed to put away a lot of very good food. We then drove to our friend's home in a large planned community and met their children. With the kids and the nanny, we went to a local golf club and driving range, which reminded me of families at a beach club. We had more drinks while

fresh fruit. No one could eat all of it.

After breakfast we walked along the street that ran parallel to Jumeirah Beach. There were lots of restaurants, shops and American fast-food places ... and at least two Starbucks. We walked until it stopped being touristy, and we cut through to the beach walkway. This area had very well maintained public beaches, like an upscale Venice Beach boardwalk. There was lots of activity and a beautiful beach. Generally, prices in Dubai were high; we stopped and had a \$6 bottle of Fiji water. The weather was warm but not too oppressive. Later that afternoon we were going to the Global Village, which seemed to be a cross between Disneyland and a large shopping mall.

About 3:30, we went to the lobby to change money so we could take a taxi to the Global Village. It was difficult to get a taxi because the shift changed about that time, and Global Village was in the opposite direction for the taxi drivers. We finally got a taxi and it was a \$15 ride and took about 30 minutes. Global Village was open from November to February (because of the weather), from 4 p.m. until 1 or 2 a.m., depending on the day of the week. It had three parts: many country pavilions selling "local" country products, an amusement park and many food stands and restaurants. There were also numerous stages among the different country pavilions that had entertainment related to that country. Evelyn said it reminded her of Epcot mixed with a county fair. We had a good walk but didn't buy or eat anything. Overall it was worth the trip and we got in free, being over 65 years old. The regular entrance fee is 15 DR or \$4. We got back to the hotel around 7 p.m. and had dinner in the hotel.

The next day we were scheduled to board the ship for the start of our cruise. ■

RETIREES AROUND THE WORLD



Costa Rica



"I fulfilled a promise to take my wonderful girlfriend, Maria, to Costa Rica. We went from Jan. 22 - 30. Costa Rica had many exciting venues to visit. We took a ride on the Rain Forest Aerial Tram; we walked on one of the six hanging bridges at Lake Arenal, and we took a walk on the Guanacastle Beach Resort."

– **Ralph Esparza**, Retired, Assistant General Manager, Housing



Oceania



"I traveled to Sydney, Australia for a 34-day cruise (Dec. 17 - Jan. 23). My wife and I traveled completely around Australia, stopping in every major port, and we also made stops in Alotau, Papua, New Guinea, Komodo and Bali Indonesia."

– **Robert Myers**, Harbor/Port Police

Minneapolis



John and Gail Staugaard, Retired PSR, LAPD, and Sharyn Gunter, Retired Management Analyst II, LAPD, visited an ice sculpture at Super Bowl 52 in Minneapolis, Minn.



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The

Best Years

For Retired Club Members



Monthly Griffith Park Hike:
With Commissioner Cynthia Ruiz and **LACERS Well**

- First Friday of every month
- 8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- Contact: Tara Miller, LACERSWell@LACERS.org



Seniors: Get Active in 2018!

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 pab-crt6@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@gmail.com

Buddy Walk for Life

- Kaiser Permanente Baldwin Park
- 1st Friday of the month
- 8-10 a.m.
- Contact Mariam Galang at mariam-galang@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 Tuesday of the month
- 9 a.m.
- Contact Debby Rolland at debbylr22@gmail.com

El Cariso Park Walk, Sylmar

- Every Monday
- 8:30 a.m.
- Contact Irene Galvan at ronnie20dav@gmail.com



40th Annual Retirees Invitational Golf Tournament

Thursday, June 7, 2018

The 40th Annual Retired Los Angeles City Employees Invitational Golf Tournament will be held on **Thursday, June 7, 2018** at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course with "Shotgun Start" at 7:30 a.m. The course is located at 630 South Almansor Street, Alhambra, CA 91801. Check in is at 7:00 a.m. **SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!**

- The tournament is open to retired and active employees and friends. The cost is \$70.00 for R.L.A.C.E.I. & City Club members. All others are \$80.00 which includes green fees, carts, prizes and lunch at the Alhambra Court restaurant. Lunch only is \$25.00.
- Those interested in participating must complete the reservation form and mail it with your check made payable to: **"R.L.A.C.E.I."** by **June 1st**, to Tom Stemnock, Chairman, 4040 Vineland Avenue, Suite 108, Studio City, CA 91604. For any questions, call Chairman Tom Stemnock at (818) 487-6789.

2018 Golf Tournament Reservation Form

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

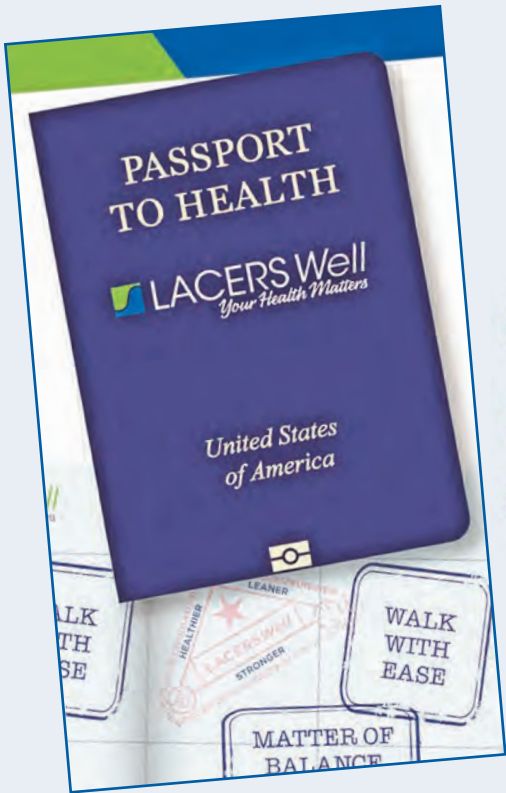
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Luncheon Only: \$25

Make checks payable to R.L.A.C.E.I. NOTICE: SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!

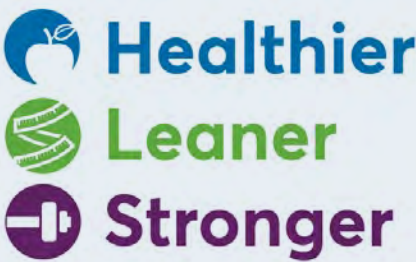
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Reservation deadline: Friday, June 1, 2018. Mail completed reservation form and check to: **Tom Stemnock, Chairman**
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Do You Have Your Passport?

Passport to health, that is!



The LACERS Well Passport to Health is your ticket to a healthier retirement! As part of the LACERS Well “Healthier Leaner Stronger!” campaign, the Passport to Health program is designed to let you earn points just for being healthy. Throughout the year, LACERS Well Members are encouraged to utilize their Passport to log their participation in approved wellness activities and be entered to win opportunity prizes. Activities include attending Champion-led events and LACERS Well workshops, inviting new Members to join the program, completing a featured monthly self-challenge, and more.

Featured monthly “Healthier Leaner Stronger!” wellness challenges will be available on the LACERS Well Website, through Champion-led events, and in the monthly e-blasts. Members complete the wellness challenges on their own, and have their participation validated by a Wellness Champion, Wellness Program Manager, LACERS staff member, or other designated event leader at any LACERS or LACERS Well Champion event.

Submit your Passport to LACERS Well after earning 10 points for a chance to win opportunity prizes. Additional Passports may be downloaded and submitted each time 10 additional points have been earned.

For more details on the program and to download your “Passport to Health” and the monthly challenge, go to: www.lacers.org/health-webpage/passport-to-health. ■

Passport Points Guide

_____	Complete a disease management program, such as the Healthier Living with Chronic Diseases workshop or Diabetes Prevention Program	5 points
_____	Submit confirmation of a Dental/Vision screening	5 points
_____	Attend a Wellness Extravaganza	3 points
_____	Attend a Silver & Fit/Silver Sneakers Open House	3 points
_____	Attend a LACERS-sponsored Technology Workshop	3 points
_____	Complete the Diabetes Prevention Program Quiz	2 points
_____	Participate in a Health Plan Carrier Webinar	2 points
_____	Bring a new LACERS Member to a Well event	2 points
_____	Attend a Champion-led event, such as walk, hike, bike ride, etc.	1 point
_____	Attend a LACERS-sponsored or approved event	1 point

Want more points? Become a Champion! New Champions earn five points (a full Passport) just for signing up. Also, Champions earn points for attending quarterly planning meetings.

Can't attend our events? Contact LACERS Well to find out other ways you can earn points.

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
Alderete, Stephen E.	Mech. Repairer	Gen. Services	34	Glass, Richard D.	Water Operations	DWP	N/D	Perez, Cynthia	Exec. Admin. Assist.	Public Works	31
Aldous, Gilbert L.	Power/Fuel Purchase	DWP	N/D	Glendinning, Kenneth	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Petty, James M.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D
Amezquita, Amalia	Transp. Planning Assoc.	Transportation	28	Glover, Daryl Ray	Signal Sys. Elec.	Transportation	31	Plourde, Richard	Safety Officer	Airports	25
Anderbery Jr., Thomas C.	Fleet Services	DWP	N/D	Goldman, Bonnie H.	Billing	DWP	N/D	Preciado, Rodolfo V.	Geo. Info. Sys. Supv.	Public Works	32
Anderson, Jae J.	Labor Relations	DWP	N/D	Green, Katherine	Crossing Guard	Transportation	14	Puklavetz, Jay	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D
Arnold, Helene	Sr. Transportation Inv.	Transportation	37	Griego, Orlando	Equipment Operator	Public Works	17	Purdy, David Walter	Criminalist	LAPD	21
Badger Alston, Patricia	Sr. Personnel Analyst	Airports	28	Guirguis, Victor L.	Police Officer	Airports	31	Quezada, Rudolph	Vehicle Maint. Coord.	Gen. Services	30
Bailey-Fischer, Gina	Police Service Rep.	LAPD	34	Haley, Charlene	Management Analyst	Airports	27	Quijote, Rowena	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Animal Svcs.	17
Banks, Denise	Admin. Clerk	Airports	22	Hill, Robert J.	ITS	DWP	N/D	Quintos, Fernando F.	Sr. Airport Safety Off.	Airports	33
Benjamin, Ninoos Y.	Grants Administrator	Econ./Wrkfce. Dev.	6	Hirata, Kathie E.	Water Operations	DWP	N/D	Ramirez, Linda Lee	Chief Clerk	LAPD	32
Black, Ronald	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	31	Hollingquest, Rhoda J.	Admin. Clerk	Airports	28	Ramos, Emiliano	Custodian	Gen. Services	12
Boddie, Pamela R.	Graphics Supervisor	Public Works	28	Horner, Cree T.	Water Distribution	DWP	N/D	Randazzo, Corinne G.	Water Engineering	DWP	N/D
Brown, Steve R.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Irula, Teresa	Admin. Clerk	Housing	11	Reich, John J.	Cement Finisher Super.	Rec and Parks	35
Campbell, Malcolm	Street Ser. Worker	Public Works	22	Iwanyshyn, William	Power Supply Ops.	DWP	N/D	Richardson, Robert W.	Police Sergeant	Airports	34
Castillo, Freddie	Water Engin./Tech.	DWP	N/D	Jackson Moore, Barbara	Admin. Clerk	LAPD	37	Rodriguez, Estela	Accountant	Transportation	31
Catalano, John D.	Fleet Services	DWP	N/D	Juniel, Elton U.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Rodriguez, Jose L.	Maintenance Laborer	Public Works	17
Chan, Vicky Laiming	Accounting Clerk	Gen. Services	17	Kay, Maria E.	Water Executive	DWP	N/D	Rogers, Helen H.	Deputy City Attorney	City Attorney	20
Chavez, Gloria M.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Kissingner, Bernard E.	Fleet Services	DWP	N/D	Ronge, David	Str. Services Super.	Public Works	33
Cheng, Manuel	Director of Maint.	Airports	37	Lau, Fee Lian	Sr. Admin. Clerk	LAPD	37	Sadler, Bennie Louis	Background Invest.	Personnel	15
Clarke, James Byrne	Mayoral Aide	Mayor's Office	5	Lavin, Maria	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Personnel	19	Salazar, Michael A.	Finance/Risk Control	DWP	N/D
Colleran, Gwen J.	Electrical Craft Helper	Convention Ctr.	35	Lillard, Dolores B.	Metering Services	DWP	N/D	Sandoval, Jose	Gardener Caretaker	Public Works	17
Cooper, Forster	Acctg./Fin. Reporting	DWP	N/D	Lopez, Vincent	Human Resources	DWP	N/D	Saucedo, Luis R.	Supply Chain Services	DWP	N/D
Croymans, Richard M.	St. Services Super.	Public Works	31	Loya, Eloy	Metering Services	DWP	N/D	Schaadt, Michael S.	Dir. Cabrillo Mar. Aquarium	Rec and Parks	28
Curry, David	Comm. Electrician	ITA	20	Madariaga, Felix	Civil Eng. Associate	Public Works	26	Schwartz, Dale B.	Building Inspector	Bldg. & Safety	11
Daniel, Antonio	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	28	Markotic, Uputo	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Harbor	38	Staron, Dean J.	Sr. Bldg. Mech. Insp.	Bldg. & Safety	34
Dario, Michael S.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Martinez, Cuauthemoc V.	Water Distribution	DWP	N/D	Thomas, Melvin	Painter	Rec and Parks	30
Daughtry, Michael A.	Fleet Services	DWP	N/D	McLeod, Silvia	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Public Works	20	Tortorice, Michael K.	Fleet Services	DWP	N/D
Davis, Glenn J.	Parking Attendant	Gen. Services	13	McPherson, James L.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Tran, Nam	ITS	DWP	N/D
Davis, Selena A.	Billing	DWP	N/D	McFarlane, Gail M.	Fleet Services	DWP	N/D	Tye, Ondrea J.	Planning Associate	Planning	25
Downing, Wayne A.	Refuse Coll. Super.	Public Works	34	Meyer, George P.	PR Inspector	Bldg. & Safety	40	Underwood, Harry D.	Water Executive	DWP	N/D
Eng, Edward F.	Public Affairs	DWP	N/D	Monsivais, Jose	Traffic Painter Sign Post	Transportation	31	Villanueva, Ursula T.	Chief Acct., Purchasing	Gen. Services	33
Escobar, John E.	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	14	Morales, Angel	Metering Services	DWP	N/D	Viggiano, Gregory J.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D
Espinosa, Ignacio	Building Repairer	Airports	28	Moore, Rhoma L.	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Transportation	32	Watkins, Valencia	Traffic Officer	Transportation	36
Evangelista, Nestor C.	Elevator Mech. Helper	Airports	10	Morgan, Jo Ann G.	Sr. Librarian	Library	23	Weber, Clayton P.	Water Distribution	DWP	N/D
Finley, William D.	Water Distribution	DWP	N/D	Moutes, Thomas P.	General Manager	LACERS	31	Yan, Choi L.	Metering Svcs./Field Ops.	DWP	N/D
Ford, Ricci A.	Customer Services	DWP	N/D	Mouzone, Gerold L.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D	Yee, Maryanne E.	Secretary	Public Works	36
Freeman, Barbara C.	Mayoral Aide	Mayor's Office	16	Ng, Jack Wing Ching	Management Analyst	LAPD	32	Zabatta, Michael A.	Energy Dist.	DWP	N/D
Frimel, Richard A.	ITS Division	DWP	N/D	O'Donnell, Daniel P.	City Planner	Planning	37	Zepeda, David P.	Equipment Operator	Public Works	18
Gastelum, Albert G.	Water Quality	DWP	N/D	Ozen, Deborah J.	Customer Services	DWP	N/D	Zovak, Anthony S.	Power Trans./Dist.	DWP	N/D
Gilmore, Deonna	Sr. Admin. Clerk	Public Works	36	Palacios, Richard G.	Polygraph Examiner	LAPD	10				
Givens, Lisa R.	Customer Services	DWP	N/D	Peltola, Jeffrey	CFO	DWP	N/D				

*N/D - Not disclosed

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Get Close to the Whales

March 6 - 14

Club Members are invited to join Cabrillo Marine Aquarium (CMA), March 6 - 14, for an annual trip that truly is the journey of a lifetime! During this nine-day ocean voyage we spend three exciting days anchored in San Ignacio Lagoon where friendly gray whales and their curious calves swim within arm's length of the skiffs.


The trip also visits Todos Santos Island and land on San Benito, Cedros and San Martin Islands, where travelers will enjoy naturalist-led hikes on these remote, offshore islands that are home to elephant seals, Guadalupe fur seals, a multitude of birds, diverse geological formations and a wide range of native vegetation.

CMA's experienced naturalists, including experts on gray whales and other marine mammals, birds, native island plants, and

marine biology, will lead hikes and give ship-board presentations to add to the educational aspect of the trip. Each passenger will receive an illustrated natural history guide containing information about animals sighted and locations visited.

The 113-foot Royal Polaris out of San Diego will provide comfortable accommodations, a roomy galley/lounge and a friendly crew that furnishes hardy, flavorful meals. To reserve your spot today, call (310) 548-7562 x223.

- Fee: \$2,890 includes food and lodging, plus \$150 crew gratuity.
- Interested in more information about the CMA Baja Adventure? Go to: <https://sites.google.com/site/cmabajaadventure/>



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Mc Kenzie Mortuary Services Long Beach, CA	Riverside-Akes Family Funeral Home Riverside, CA	Ingold Chapel Fontana, CA	Chapel of the Valley Motuary Riverside, CA	Akes Family Funeral Homes Corona & Riverside, CA	

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Tiffany Sy
Club Member Services Counselor
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Elise Hope Taylor, 4

BIRTHDAY: August 14 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: “Barbie” • FAVORITE SNACK: Dried Fruit • BEST FRIEND: Beckham • WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC? Since I was a kid I always wanted a dolphin in real life. • PARENT: Mike and Melody Taylor, Senior Building and Safety Inspector(Retired)



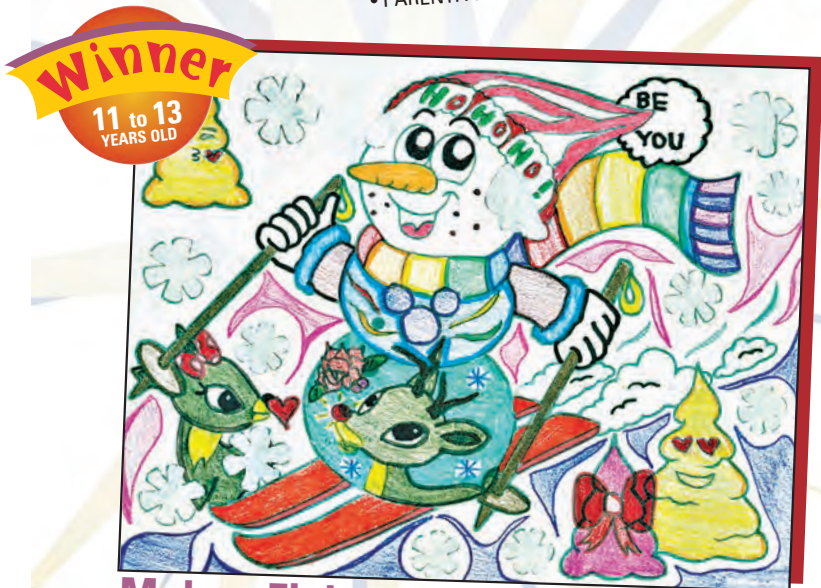
Saylor Rowley, 7

BIRTHDAY: July 8 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: “Miraculous” FAVORITE SNACK: Cheese Crackers • BEST FRIEND: Sophi T. WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC? Because I love Fish! PARENT: Jaren Rowley, Journeyman Lineman



Ava Martinez, 10

BIRTHDAY: August 14 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: “Andie Mack” FAVORITE SNACK: Strawberries • BEST FRIEND: Stephanie WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC? • Long Beach is my favorite city because it is near the beach. • PARENT: Alfonso Martinez, WWI Sanitation



Malory Fink, 13

BIRTHDAY: Feb. 10 • FAVORITE TV SHOW: “Spongebob Squarepants” FAVORITE SNACK: Brownies • BEST FRIEND: Mike WHY DO YOU WANT TO GO TO AQUARIUM OF THE PACIFIC? I haven’t travelled anywhere and my parents don’t have a lot of money. I want to do something nice for my family and my siblings. • PARENT: Ross A. Fink, Electric Service Rep, DWP.

Look for our next contest in the April edition of Alive!

Coloring with The Clubs

Compiled by Club Customer Service Associates:

Guadalupe Lira Mia Victoria Garcia Karina Lopez Cristina Ramos



Congratulations to the WINNERS!

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Everyone who turned in a design is a winner in our opinion! But our top four participants win

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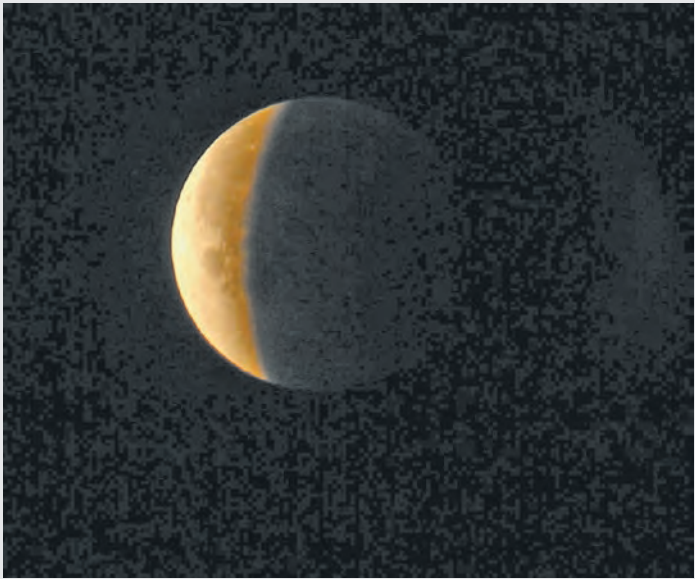
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Allison Tiet	3	Than Tiet	DWP
Janelle Parra	3	Armando Parra	General Services
Londen Langford	3	Winona Perkins	Airports
Sofia Criron	3	Claudia Benigno	Public Works/Sanitation
Dylan Soto	4	Juan Soto	LAPD
Elise Taylor	4	Melody Taylor	Retiree
Mattie Calderon	4	Blair Calderon	LAPD
Milana Mehalek	4	Gary Kenton	Retiree
Autumn Lira	5	Fred Lira	DWP
Eloise Alejandro	5	Luis Alejandro	Airports
Emma Tiet	5	Than Tiet	DWP
Jasmine Parra	5	Janelle Parra	Economic/Workforce Dev.
Morgan Rowley	5	Jaren Rowley	DWP
Noah Machuca	5	Ricardo Machuca	City Attorney
Paige Anne	5	David Hadley	Retiree
Sophia Andrade	5	Richard Andrade	Airports
Sophia Toles	5	Ryan Toles	Public Works
Victoria Viado	5	Leticia Lopez	Rec and Parks
Hazel Hinton	6	Albert Hinton	Retiree
Madelyn Mattar	6	Santiago Monge	Retiree
Marlowe Rathbun	6	Edwin Rathbun	City Attorney
Oliver Martinez	6	Stephen Martinez	Airports
Ryan Jensen	6	James Jensen	Building and Safety
Xavier Jaimez	6	Veronica Jaimez	Retiree
Angie Lindsey	7	Rita Lindsey	Public Works
Chrissy Martinez	7	Bernie Martinez	Retiree
Lorenzo Alvarado	7	Jasmine Alvarado	LAFD
Madison Kuzichev	7	Brian Monge	DWP
Saraya Monge	7	Jaren Rowley	DWP
Saylor Rowley	7	Chad Derby	LACERS
Whitney Derby	8	Apisit Kaisiri	DWP
Abigail Kaisiri	8	Joseph Hsiao	DWP
Aidan Hsiao	8	Melody Taylor	Retiree
Colin Taylor	8	Diego Bracamontes	LAPD
Diego Bracamontes	8	Valerie Valdez	City Attorney
Gabriel Pinchas	8	Vicente Hernandez	Rec and Parks
Iliana Hernandez	8	James Jensen	Building and Safety
Josh Jensen	8	Gail Staugaard	Retiree
Luci Pemble	8	Vicky Chan	City Attorney
Malia Murga	8	Lisa Ricchiazzi	LAPD
Natalia Ricchiazzi	8	Marv Williams	Retiree
Skylar Williams	9	Jasmine Alvarado	LAFD
Ethan Alvarado	9	Jamie Koons	DWP
Harley Koons	9	Luis Alejandro	Airports
Isabelle Alejandro	9	Kyle Remolino	LAPD
Kelsey Remolino	9	Jorge Estrada	DWP
Leila Estrada	9	Beverly Tidwell	Retiree
Sariya Tidwell	10	Alfonso Martinez	Public Works/Sanitation
Ava Martinez	10	Shu Lee	Rec and Parks
Mina Lee	10	Anna Kruchinina	DWP
Polly Kruchinina	10	Amber England	DWP
Sierra Barry	11	Mario Duarte	General Services
Joel Duarte	11	Melody Taylor	Retiree
Julia Taylor	11	Jose Cabrera	Public Works/Sanitation
Julissa Cabrera	11	Joseph Hsiao	DWP
Leilani Hsiao	11	Mark Glenchor	LAFD
Rossalyn Glenchor	12	Satoru Tanaka	Retiree
Arianna Roberts	12	Albert Hinton	Retiree
Ashlee Hinton	12	Joanne Hobson	Animal Services
Darianne Hobson	13	Ross Fink	DWP
Mallory Fink	13	Than Tiet	DWP



John's Picture Perfect Contest

John Hawkins, Club CEO

WIN A
\$25 AMAZON
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"Super Blue Blood Moon Lunar Eclipse – here is an image taken in Cheney, Wash. of the spectacular solar event last night and this morning! It was fabulous!"

– **Jill Weismann, widow of the late Robert Weismann**

John's comment: Wow, Jill, you must have been using an incredible telescopic lens! The sky contains such awesome beauty, and yet we hardly ever look up to see it. Well done!



"A snapshot of the kids at the Aulani Resort in Hawaii with the beach, palm trees and sunset as a backdrop. The combination of a flash, a tripod and my subjects posing was something I rarely encourage. Here it was worth the compromise."

– **Dominique Daito, LAPD**

John's comment: Dominique, your stunning shots are almost always based on capturing natural but incredible moments. This one is different, and I agree – worth the compromise. I wish I could figure out the flash as well as you have. Thanks!



"This is our Christmas softball tournament: East Valley vs. West Valley, 2017."

– **Adrian Ortega, DWP/West Valley Water**

John's comment: Yo Adrian, I started counting the smiles in this photo, and stopped after about a dozen. That says it all! Except to say that the Club's Sports Dude reminds you that the Club Softball League would love to have your teams join!



"A boy and his best friend. Two-year-old Austin and his BFF Lolly-Pop. A match made in heaven."

– **Sally Lopez, Retired**

John's comment: Sally, I love the role reversal here – you'd expect Austin to be looking at you, and Lolly-Pop to be looking somewhere else. This is just the opposite! Ah, the eternal struggle to get kids to pull their eyes out of their devices. Thanks for the laugh!



"Solitude."

– **John Nance, Retired, DWP**

John's comment:

I'm not sure how many of the gazillions of colors will show up in print, John, but the richness of the hues – and the sailboat small in the corner – give me the same feeling as the title you gave the photo. Perfect!



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.



Annuities: An Investment Option You Can't Outlive

Nervous investors who are fearful about outliving their savings may have another investment option to consider in their workplace retirement plans. Annuities are attractive to some investors because they offer the ability to build tax-deferred savings, can help to protect the money that you've already saved, and generate a steady stream of income in retirement.

"Life expectancies are getting longer. With that comes an increased risk of outliving one's retirement savings," says Denise Appleby, founder of Atlanta-based Appleby Retirement Consulting. "Annuities can help to prevent that from happening by providing lifetime income for retirees."

An annuity is basically an insurance contract in which you pay a financial institution a specific amount of money—either in a lump sum or a series of payments—and the company then invests your money and promises to pay you a regular income right away or in the future.

With an "immediate" annuity, you can generally start receiving payments in about 30 days. A "deferred" annuity enables you to receive payments at some point down the road. You put in a lump sum or build up funds over time (by contributing a monthly amount) then you convert that amount, or "annuitize" it, into an income stream.

Despite the benefits, investors need to weigh the pros and cons to make sure annuities are the right option for their retirement portfolio. "If they want more in guaranteed income, then an annuity may make sense," said Jeanne Thompson, a vice president at Fidelity Investments, adding that investors should also evaluate how much they want to come in monthly in guaranteed income versus what they want to keep invested.

It's also important to keep in mind that annuities can have varying degrees of risk. A "fixed" annuity offers a fixed, guaranteed rate of return for a certain number of years.

If you haven't already maxed out your savings contributions in other tax-advantaged plans, it may not make sense to purchase an annuity. But if you're retired or near retirement and you want a guaranteed income stream for a portion of your retirement portfolio, some financial advisers say you should consider buying an annuity. Still, Cortazzo recommends putting no more than 25 to 30 percent of your portfolio into an annuity. "You want to make sure you leave some room for growth," he said.

The Treasury Department's new guidance for annuities could help investors allocate their money more effectively, Appleby said. "To the average employee, choosing suitable investments might as well be learning rocket science. As a result, many either do not choose any investments or make blind and uneducated choices. With these annuities as investment options, making suitable choices can be easier."

The Treasury Department explains that "instead of having to devote all of their account balance to annuities, employees can use a portion of their savings to purchase guaranteed income for life while retaining other savings in other investments."

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CORRECTION

In last month's Valentine section, we incorrectly listed the first name of Lucy Reinhardt-Ulatowski. We apologize; we know Lucy well, and we regret the mistake.

Here's the corrected Valentine:



"I wish my hubby, Josh Ulatowski, Happy Valentine's Day for our 29th Valentine's Day together."

— Lucy Reinhardt-Ulatowski, Retired

Valentines

Rest Insured

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



CLASSIC
FROM FEB 2016

'Can I Borrow Your Car?'

Tossing someone your keys and letting them borrow your car should never be as casual as it sounds. When you let someone borrow your car, in most cases you are also letting them borrow your car insurance as well! This is not only defined by your policy coverage but also is the state law. That being said, you don't need insurance when you borrow a car because in most states, insurance coverage follows the vehicle. While this does provide you with car insurance for a borrowed car, it does so under the terms of the other person's policy and not yours.



Lending Your Vehicle to Someone

Letting someone borrow your vehicle should never be taken lightly. You need to be able to trust that person, because any damage they cause will affect your car insurance rates. Make sure the person who borrows your car is responsible, and they are not using it for illegal or dangerous reasons.

Never let someone drive your car who has a suspended license or has been drinking! If they are in an accident, it is your insurance that has to pay for the damages caused, and your premiums that will increase dramatically. If your insurance liability limits are insufficient to pay for the damages and injuries caused by this driver and it was found that you allowed them to use your car, you could be held legally liable for additional money needed to make the other party whole. Further, you could face criminal charges for allowing a dangerous driver to use your car.

TIP: Never let someone drive your car when you have knowledge that he or she has a suspended license or has been drinking. If they are involved in an accident, you could be sued, be forced to pay for the cost of the accident, or face criminal charges. If someone who is borrowing your car gets in an accident and you are sued, contact an experienced auto accident attorney to help understand your liability.

Frequent Borrowers

It is important to realize that your insurance company bases your premium not only on your car, but on the primary driver of that car. If someone else starts driving your car on a regular basis (more than just occasionally), contact your insurance company and have them added to your policy. Be aware that adding someone to your insurance policy can change your rates.

If your insurer finds out that you are no

longer the primary driver, or that you are insuring a car for someone else to drive, they may deny your car insurance claim based on you providing false information at the time of your application.

Can You Drive Someone Else's Car?

Likewise, when you borrow a car, you will borrow their car insurance as well. While this means you have car insurance when borrowing a car, it does not mean that you are fully protected. You need to know the insurance coverage of the other person before making a decision to drive a borrowed car.

TIP: Beware of driving someone's car if he or she has little or no insurance, as *your* policy could be triggered once their limits are exhausted.

If you get in an accident in a borrowed car, you are covered only to the extent the person's policy protects the vehicle. The borrowed car insurance may be insufficient to settle all the damages and injuries that resulted from the accident, and any additional amount of money can fall on your shoulders. Relying on the car insurance for a borrowed car can have serious consequences, and you need to think twice about borrowing a vehicle as an accident can prove costly.

Never assume that you're covered. It is always best to contact our office if you have doubts about your coverage or the rules of your policy pertaining to people that borrow your car.

Remember, everyone in your household must be listed on your insurance policy if they have a license. For example, if a girlfriend you live with uses your car, she may not be covered if you did not list her on your insurance policy. On the other hand, if you live separately, she could use your car with your permission and be covered.

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AIRPORTS

Airport Police Retirements

Four retire in first week of February

Recently the Airport Police wished farewell to several long-time colleagues who proudly served the Airport Police Division for many decades. Stepping away from the ranks was 32-year veteran Patrol Officer Stevenson Agdeppa; Sgts. Blair Lindsay and Elliot Wade; and Sgt. Robert Richardson.

Sgts. Lindsay and Wade said goodbye to an overflowing roll call room of partners and friends as the two true gentlemen worked their last day like they did their first, going out with class after a combined 69 years of service between them.

In the Dept.'s final retirement of the week, Sgt. Robert Richardson celebrated his retirement with a function held at the car museum in El Segundo. Sgt. Richardson celebrated his 34 years of service with former academy classmates, friends, family and partners who all wished him the best as he prepares for his new life in Tennessee. Godspeed to all of our former employees we thank you for your contributions to our organization.



Sgts. Blair Lindsay and Elliot Wade say goodbye.



Patrol Officer Stevenson Agdeppa (center) with Capt. Tyrone Stallings (left) and Chief David Maggard.



Sgt. Robert Richardson (left) with Chief David Maggard.

Goodbye

REC AND PARKS



Mike Schaadt, retired Director, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium.

Mike Sails On

Cabrillo Aquarium Director Mike Schaadt retires after 27 years of City service.

A retirement party and fundraiser were held Jan. 22 for Mike Schaadt, retiring Director of Rec and Parks' Cabrillo Marine Aquarium in San Pedro. Mike retired with 27 years of City service. (An internal retirement lunch and cake ceremony was held on his last day, Jan. 19.)

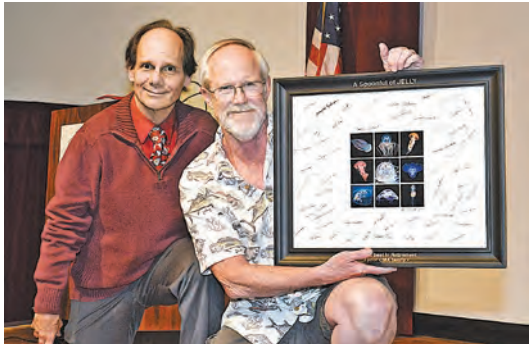
The party was held at the aquarium.

An auditorium presentation was held from 3 to 5 p.m., followed by a dinner that raised funds for the Mike Schaadt Conservation Fund.

The dinner fare, provided by the San Pedro Brewing Company, included smoked beef brisket au jus, BBQ chicken breasts, mac and cheese, BBQ beans, Caesar salad, King's Hawaiian rolls with butter, and rocky road brownies.

Ed Mastro has become CMA's the new Director. Ed has a long history with CMA. He first started working at the Aquarium in 1983 and went on to become the Exhibit Curator and oversaw the development of many exhibits in the Susanne Miller Habitat Hall and served as project manager for interpretative development during the 2004 CMA Facility Expansion. In 2007, Mastro was promoted to Exhibits Director, overseeing all of CMA's collections and facilities.

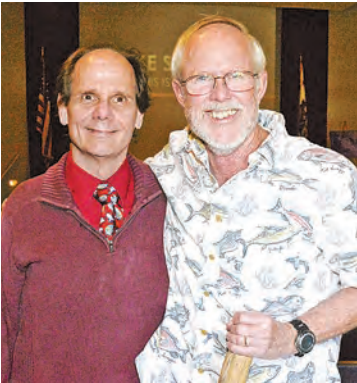
Mike, the Club thanks you for all your assistance, and wishes you a great retirement.



New Cabrillo Director Ed Mastro (left) gives a remembrance from the Cabrillo crew to Mike Schaadt.



From left: Larry Fukuhara, retired, Cabrillo Programs Director, and Mike Schaadt, retired, Cabrillo Director.



From left: New Cabrillo Marine Aquarium Director Ed Mastro with the retiring Director Mike Schaadt.



Rarefied air, from left: Dr. Ed Krupp, Director, Griffith Observatory; Dr. Susanne Lawrenz-Miller, retired Director, Cabrillo Marine Aquarium; and Ed Mastro, new Director of the Aquarium.

Story courtesy Cabrillo Marine Aquarium
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Pioneering Officers, from left: Officer II Maria Hernandez, 34 years of City service; Officer II Keli Legaspi Langsdale, 12 years; Lt. Rosa Reynoso, 28 years; Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith, 26 years; Officer II Stacey Creech, 11 years; and Officer III Celia Ixta, 6 years. All six are Club Members.

ALIVE! FEATURE

HARBOR: Port Police

Port
Pioneer



Anita Hayden-Smith is the first female Captain in LA Port Police history. Read her story, and the stories of other women officers keeping the Harbor area safe.

Photos by Summy Lam, Club Director of Marketing

Being a law enforcement officer is challenging, no matter who you are. Long hours ... grueling calls ... seeing people at their worst moments: It's all in a day (and a career) for the brave men and women who are sworn to keep us safe.

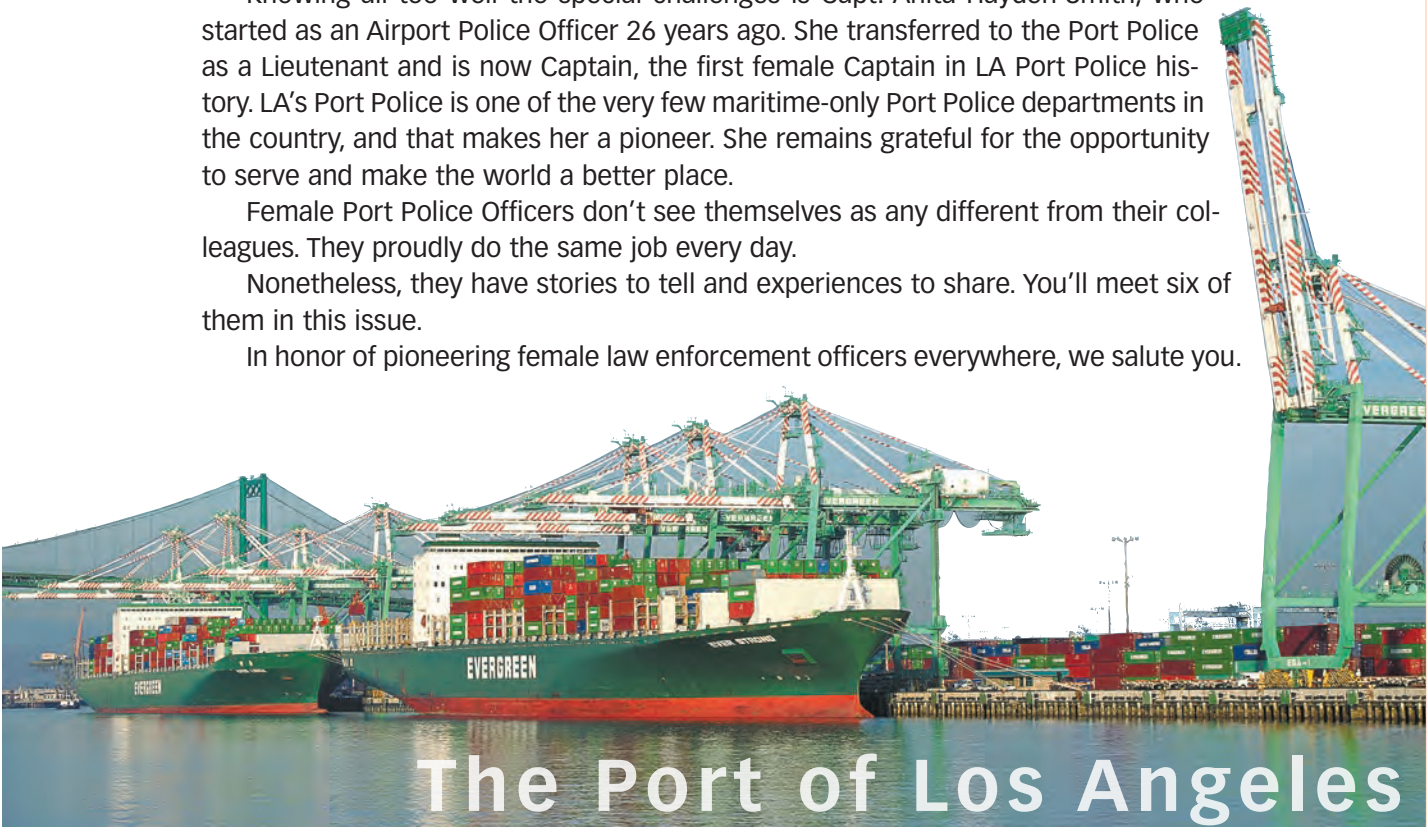
Being a female law enforcement officer is all that, and then some – add raising a family and sometimes a lack of support to that formula, and the challenge is daunting.

Knowing all too well the special challenges is Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith, who started as an Airport Police Officer 26 years ago. She transferred to the Port Police as a Lieutenant and is now Captain, the first female Captain in LA Port Police history. LA's Port Police is one of the very few maritime-only Port Police departments in the country, and that makes her a pioneer. She remains grateful for the opportunity to serve and make the world a better place.

Female Port Police Officers don't see themselves as any different from their colleagues. They proudly do the same job every day.

Nonetheless, they have stories to tell and experiences to share. You'll meet six of them in this issue.

In honor of pioneering female law enforcement officers everywhere, we salute you.



The Port of Los Angeles



**ABOUT
Capt. Hayden-Smith**

Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith is currently employed with the Los Angeles Port Police. She oversees the Special Services Division: Criminal Investigations Section (CIS) Port and Task Force Detectives, Court Liaison, Labor Relations, Communications, HazMat, Tactical Planning, and Fleet and Flight Services. She formerly served at the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) Police Department at LAX, for approximately 17 years.

Anita began her career in private industry and worked for Northrop Grumman as a quality assurance inspector. Anita received her Master's degree in executive leadership from the University of Southern California (USC), as well as a certificate in public administration management. She obtained her Bachelor's degree in professional studies and emergency management from Cal State Long Beach. She is also a graduate of the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP).

In addition, she volunteers with her daughter's Girl Scout Troop, Charles R. Drew University Saturday Science Academy for children, and serves on the Parent Association Executive Committee at her daughters' school. Outside the workplace, the Southern California native enjoys relaxing, jazz and traveling with her daughter and husband.

HARBOR
Port Pioneer



Alive! Interview **#1** with Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith

A Passion to Serve

On Feb. 8, Alive! editor John Burnes interviewed Port Police Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith, 26 years of City service, about her City career, current Homeland Security challenges to keeping the Port safe, and her path to becoming the first female Port Police Captain in Los Angeles and a pioneer nationally at water port-only agencies.

A longtime Officer in the Airport Police, she came to the Port Police in 2009 and became Captain last July. She's a longtime Club Member.

The interview took place in the Port Police Operations Center in San Pedro.

Thanks for talking with us today, Capt. Hayden-Smith. You've had a long career in law enforcement. What made you go into law enforcement?

Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith: I knew I had a passion to be some type of servant. In what capacity, I didn't know at the time. It was either going to be law or medicine. I knew I was going to be in some type of service capacity, serving the community in a positive manner.

Thanks for talking with us today, Capt. Hayden-Smith. You've had a long career in law enforcement. What made you go into law enforcement?

I knew I had a passion to be some type of servant. In what capacity, I didn't know at the time. It was either going to be law or medicine. I knew I was going to be in some type of service capacity, serving the community in a positive manner.

What is it about law enforcement that attracted you? How did you feel you could serve through law enforcement?

I had a passion just to serve, period, whether it was something as simple as a life-saving situation, or reuniting family members, or helping someone elderly find their way, or things of that nature.

Give us a broad overview of your responsibilities here with the Port Police.

I oversee the Special Services Division, which encompasses the criminal investigation section, which consists of the Port crimes and all of our taskforce directives – the court liaison, labor relations, our communications unit, hazmat, our tactical planning, and



Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith, LA Port Police.

our fleet and flight services.

One of the other units that I supervise is very crucial. I look at it as the vital artery to the Port Police, and any law enforcement agency – the Communications Unit, the dispatchers.

That's the Dispatch Unit, not Public Communications.

Correct. These are the women and men who dispatch officers to the calls for service or to crimes. These are the women and the men who make sure that these calls are being dispatched in a timely manner, and making sure the officers go home safe at night to their families.

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About the
LA Port Police



"Sworn to protect, dedicated to serve."

The mission of the Los Angeles Port Police is to protect the Port of Los Angeles against all hazards through identification and elimination, to ensure free flow and protection of commerce, and to identify, apprehend and prosecute persons who would direct criminal activity toward Harbor Department properties, customers or Port users.

As one of few police forces in the nation dedicated exclusively to 24-hour port activities, the Los Angeles Port Police is responsible for patrol and surveillance of the Port of Los Angeles and neighboring LA Harbor Area communities. As California peace officers, the Port Police enforces federal, state and local public safety statutes as well as environmental and maritime safety regulations. Highly regarded among specialized law enforcement agencies, the Port Police maintains the free flow of commerce and produces a safe, secure environment that promotes uninterrupted Port operations. ■

ALIVE! FEATURE

Alive! Interview #2 with Five Female Port Police Officers

Smooth Sailing

On Feb. 8, Alive! editor John Burnes interviewed five women in Port Police law enforcement: Officer II Maria Hernandez, 34 years of City service; Officer II Keli Legaspi Langsdale, 12 years; Officer II Stacey Creech, 11 years; Officer III Celia Ixta, 6 years; and Lt. Rosa Reynoso, 28 years. All five are Club Members.

It's an honor to have you all here, and so thank you for participating in this. How did you come to work for the Port?

Officer Maria Hernandez: I started working for the City of L.A. as a Security Officer at Central Library downtown, then transferred to Water and Power as security, then transferred to Cabrillo Marina when the Harbor Dept. owned it, doing security. Then I became friends with one of the Officers who is now retired, and he introduced me to the Port Police. I applied for it, and the rest is history.

Officer Keli Legaspi Langsdale: My dad's a retired LAPD officer who was out of Harbor Division, and I also had an uncle who's a retired Port Police lieutenant. That's how I heard about the agency.

Officer Stacey Creech: I'm originally from Indiana and was living in Chicago at the time. My wife was taking a job out here, and so I had to do my own home-

work and research and find things in the area. This department popped out at me online, and I applied. Actually Lt. Reynoso was one of my points of contact. She got a lot of calls from me, because the airport was trying to hire me, too.

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: We weren't going to let them.

Officer Stacey Creech: I really liked what I saw and heard about this department, so I made sure she stayed on top of it so I could get in here.

Officer Celia Ixta: I was a high school intern at Engineering Division at the Harbor Dept. The human resource director, the late Martin Chavez [Club Member] told me about Port Police. I had no idea that they were sworn. As soon as I found out, I was like, "Yes."

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I started with the Airport Police back in 1989, and in '94 two other officers transferred here from LAX. About a month later they were calling me – "Rosa, you've got to come down here,"

and I was like, "Uh, no, I'm fine, thank you very much." I loved what I was doing, did not want to leave, and of course I was holding onto the door, "No, don't take me!" But they kept insisting, "Come down for a ride-along." I came for a ride-along, and I know it sounds kind of cliché, but I fell in love with it instantly, and I mean that quick. I had an interview, they did a background check, and I'm still here.

How many women were in the Port Police when you joined?

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I think there were only two females here when I got here – Officer Maria Hernandez and another officer who is now retired, Pat Montano.

Even today, in 2018, do you consider yourself to be unusual, or is it so common now that you don't think about it?

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I'm so happy to see now that we have a lot more females. Back in '94 when I started here, there were only two other females. We were a much smaller department back then. I mean, there were 55 total people for the Port Police back then, and I think law enforcement, sworn officers, it was 30 of us. So there were maybe three females. We were doing pretty good back then. And of course subsequently, years later, 9/11 hit, and we were trying to recruit not just officers but women too, because it has to remain diverse. I see this department as absolutely moving forward and I'm so happy to see that we have more females now than I started with. It really feels good.



Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith (front row, center) as a young Airport Police Officer in the early 1990s.



Lt. Rosa Reynoso, 28 years of City service, Club Member.



Officer II Stacey Creech, 11 years of City service, Club Member.



Officer II Keli Legaspi Langsdale, 12 years of City service, Club Member..



Officer II Maria Hernandez, 34 years of City service, Club Member.



Officer III Celia Ixta, 6 years of City service, Club Member.

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Capt. Hayden-Smith's Sections

As Captain, Anita Hayden-Smith oversees several departments. On a busy early February day, Alive! visited them – and found most of the personnel out in the field, as they ought to be.

We apologize for not picturing those who were not in the office, especially the detective section, as none were in the house.

Hazmat and Community Relations



From left: Officer Aldo Morales, Community Relations, 10 years of City service, Club Member; Officer II Stacey Creech, Community Relations, 11 years, Club Member; Officer II Joseph Naso, Hazmat, 10 years, Club Member; and Officer Alfonso Garcia, Community Relations, Club Member.

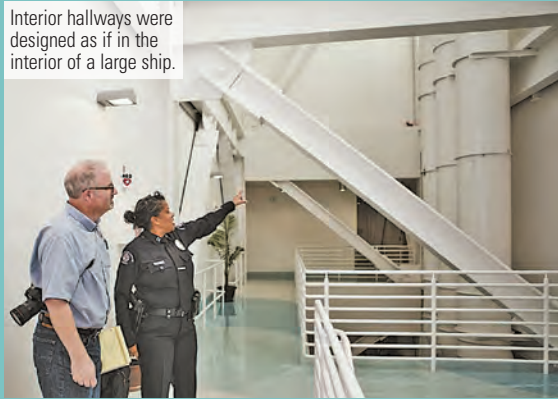
Communications/Dispatch



Maria Corona, Sr. Administrative Clerk III, 29 years of City service, Club Member, handles a wrong-way driver emergency on the Vincent Thomas Bridge.

The New Building

The Port Police Headquarters building opened in 2011. Here's a brief look around.



Interior hallways were designed as if in the interior of a large ship.



The Port Police exchange badges with other police departments they meet along the way. Here's the display of those exchanged badges.

HARBOR Port Pioneer

Alive! Interview #1

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Changing Challenges

How much has Port policing changed in your years there?

It has grown in size, especially in personnel— hiring a lot of officers, hiring a lot of support. And our technology keeps advancing to keep up with some of the crime trends and the things that come our way. Whether it’s terrorism-related or just anything, we keep the Port safe and our commerce free flowing in and out of the Port.

And the Port has grown.

Yes, it has.

So only naturally you would expect that law enforcement with the Port would also grow with that.

Yes, and since I’ve been here, we have more events than we’ve had before, which means that we had to increase our personnel to keep up with them.

Do you mean public events, or law enforcement events?

Both. One of our big ones is our annual Navy Fleet Week. That draws large crowds. It could be the Lobster Festival, the Holiday Afloat, the movie nights – they’re a big thing now – and just all kinds of events that come through.

And this area has grown with residents, too.

Yes.

What is the jurisdiction of the Port Police?

Our boundaries border with the LAPD Harbor Station, and we handle some parts of the San Pedro area. We handle the Terminal Island and parts of Wilmington, and also we take care of all the landside, the waterside patrols, as well as the marinas.

Your jurisdiction goes as far as the breakwater. Does it go past that?

No, to the breakwater. Anything inside of the breakwater.

How has Port policing changed through Homeland Security becoming a bigger deal in our country?

It’s changed, from day to day or week to week, depending on what’s going on. Or it could depend on crime trends. It could be narcotics activity. It could be an issue with, say, the homeless community out here. Or stolen vehicles. It could be cargo theft. And it could be thefts aboard some of the vessels out there in the marinas. Or it could be issues with residents at hotels. We have the Ports’ O Call Village, and it could be a crime over there.

But terrorism has really changed what the Port Police does, I would imagine.

Yes. We have increased the numbers of our cameras out here, especially waterside, and landside too, to capture incidents at Cabrillo Beach, in one of the marinas, or at Angel’s Gate coming in or leaving the Port, traveling passengers on a cruise, and so forth.

These are all areas of responsibility that you have to take care of.

Yes we do. Terrorism is big on our radar because we want to make sure that we protect the waterways as well as stay abreast of our landside, keeping it safe for the community as well.

Also, some of the emerging challenges that we face today in law enforcement are social media and technology. We have to keep abreast of the bad guys out there, what they’re out there doing as far as cybercrimes. And I should mention staffing challenges, our budgets, our recruitment, officer retention, as well as motivating and managing cross-cultural officers. Nowadays you have the Baby Boomers, you have your Gen X and Y, you have your Millennials and you have your iGens. Managing across cultures is really crucial. You’ve got to be flexible.

How to approach certain situations.

Exactly. Every situation. So you have to be a little bit savvy than we were years ago.

Rare Dept.

Are there a lot of Port Police units dedicated to ports in the United States, or is it handled mostly with municipal jurisdictions? How common or rare is a city to have its own dedicated port police department?

We are unique.

In what ways?

We have boats out there 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We have two boats that are out there on patrol at all times, to make sure that our waterways are protected. We have a dive team as well that does a lot of things before the ships come in or before they leave.

Are you the biggest in the country in terms of being a dedicated port police unit?

Yes, we are.

Is there a memorable incident that really demonstrates the power of L.A.’s Port Police department?

Sure. We do things where we work collaboratively with a lot of our partners like the LAPD, U.S. Coast Guard, Long Beach Harbor Patrol, and the Long Beach Police and Fire Departments.

We had a helicopter crash, where all of our public safety partners came together and worked collaboratively. It was a unified command post and everyone worked together to accomplish the mission.

Among the Pioneers

You started with the City with the Airport Police. How many women officers were there at the time when you joined?

The Los Angeles World Airports Police is an agency that’s a little larger than the Port Police. At that time when I came in it was around maybe 150 sworn. That was pre-9/11, and then we may have had around maybe 20 female officers out of, say, 150.

Did you know how unusual it was when you became a police officer at the Airport Police?

No, I did not. [She laughs.]

Did you grow aware of it as you were there?

Yes, I did grow aware of it. Once I came onboard and realized there were very few women in law enforcement at that time – which is still the same today – there were very few of us. We knew we had to stick together, and learn together, and to get the job done. In a lot of situations I think it was a positive, because women have a tendency, when they respond to situations, to deescalate them. We had a way with words to deescalate a lot of situations.

So hen you came over to the Port Police as a lieutenant, was it even rarer to have women in the Port Police than it was at the Airport Police?

Yes, very. We’re a smaller agency, and at that time there were probably 6 to 8 female officers.

Do you know of any other captains in a port police position in the United States other than you?

No, I do not.

As far as you know you’re the only one?

As far as I know, at the Port of Los Angeles, yes.

Not the only one– you’re the first one here at the Port.

The first, yes.

Of many to come.

Yes, hopefully many to come.

Do you feel like a role model?

I would say yes.

How so?

I take it very seriously. Coming into law enforcement there were very few of us, and to be able to accomplish to this level, I think it’s an honor, and I’m grateful. I want to be inspiring to other women, to help them along the way, mentor them, and help them out in any type of way. I want to prepare them for promotional opportunities and to not get discouraged and keep their hopes that it can happen. Sometimes it can be difficult for women, especially when they have families. It’s very difficult.

And you have a family, correct?

Yes, I do.

Capt. Anita Hayden-Smith is interviewed by *Alive!* editor John Burnes.



That was always something that you had to juggle and to negotiate.

Yes, you have to make a lot of sacrifices, such as missing a family holiday dinner, or one of your child’s events – you may not be able to catch them all or attend them all, but you may be able to attend some. You may miss out dropping them off at school in the mornings or picking them up in the afternoons. Things like that.

Or it could be something as simple as helping out with homework as well. You have to have a really good support system in place. That helps.

What would you say to a young woman who expressed an interest in entering law enforcement, at the Port or even generally?

That’s a very good question. I would let them know that it has been a rewarding career, and it’s something that you really want to think about as far as if you want to have a family, and making sure you have a good support system in place. When you come in, you’ll need to carry yourself in a way where you will be respected – you do have a voice – and build that confidence and that courage that you can do the job and you can move in just about anywhere you want to in the agency. If you put in the hard work, it’s rewarding.

Good Crew

Talk about the people who work for you.

It’s a great, excellent team. They have a high level of commitment to what it they do. They combine their different leadership styles to influence and attain notable employee performance, so that’s very important. And we’ve done a lot of things. In the Criminal Investigations section, we’ve solved a lot of cases with the City Attorneys and the District Attorney’s Office as well. Our hazmat unit worked an eight- to nine-year case involving industrial pollution. They were successful getting an indictment on that and the individuals pleaded guilty as well.

Our Fleet Unit is constantly out there making sure our vehicles are running; they work collaboratively with our Construction and Maintenance. And we work with our allied partners to set up successful events, and whether it’s setting up a command post or attending meetings to make events happen safely for the public.

Rewarding

What do you find rewarding about your career in law enforcement?

I’m humbled to serve all the communities that I’ve served, from aviation to maritime. Whether it’s something like someone going into cardiac arrest, being there to administer CPR, to save a life; whether it’s reuniting families; whether it’s a lost child; whether someone’s a victim of a crime – just knowing that we were there as a law enforcement agency to put a smile on their face, to make their day better, and to let them know that someone’s always out there protecting them when they’re asleep at night.

Why do you love what you do?

I just feel like it was always in me to serve, to help others. It’s that feeling of knowing that I put on a smile on someone’s face, or I made their day better. Maybe they were going down the wrong path in life; or someone in distress, helping save their life if they were thinking about committing suicide, having that conversation with them; and just being able to know that I’m giving back, it’s rewarding. I want to give back, to help. I want to make a positive difference in someone’s life.

And even a difference in the City’s life.

Exactly, the community.

I’ve had a fabulous career. I had an opportunity to do maritime as well as aviation law enforcement. Specialized law enforcement is unique. You learn so much that you might not have be able to learn at another municipal agency. A lot of things that we do and that we have are unique.

And along with all that, it’s been good to me – the pay, the benefits, being able to serve the community. We’ve had our highs and lows, but overall we got through it, and it’s a very rewarding career. And we’re recruiting.

Thank you very much for this interview and tour.

You’re welcome. ■

Alive! Interview #2

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Do you take it in stride, or is it something that’s always top of mind?

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I don’t think about it much only because I started 28 and a half years ago, when women really didn’t seek this type of profession. It was not as common. Of course now, it’s better – not probably where we would like to see, but it is much better. I don’t think about it on a daily basis. I just see it as doing your job regardless– female, male, whatever – you do a good job, and you move on.

Officer Celia Ixta: I only think about it when it’s brought to my attention. As for example, I was at the doctor’s office yesterday and they asked what’s your occupation, and I said, “police officer,” and they look at me like, “What? You’re a police officer?” Off-duty we look different. Our hair is down. They said, “I can’t imagine you as a police officer with a gun, giving orders and stuff.”

Even in 2018 people say this?

Officer Celia Ixta: Yes, they still do. It’s still not as common, I think, and for our department, we’re 130 officers and we have only like 12 or 14 females. It’s still not enough. It’s a good thing that we’re moving forward, but it’s just not at the pace that I would like.

Officer Stacey Creech: I came from a military background. I was in the National Guard for five years. So coming from that security world and enrolling into police work – I’m with Rosa on this one – I don’t necessarily think about it on a daily basis. I feel like I blend right in – not to say there’s nothing special about me, of course! – but I don’t feel like I’m segregated in any way or necessarily treated differently. I’m expected to do the exact same job as my male counterparts. It’s not on the top of my mind every day, but sometimes I get the same reaction that Celia gets, where you have to put your occupation out there and they say, “Really? What is it like?”

It’s still unusual enough.

Officer Stacey Creech: It is. And with this department, we have smaller numbers. In the short 11 years that I’ve been here, I’ve seen a lot of breakthrough. So it’s kind of exciting, too.

Officer Keli Legaspi Langsdale: It’s not something I think about at all. I’m just like any other officer with the department.

Officer Maria Hernandez: I don’t think about it. I’ve seen us grow, and it’s nice to see more women come into the field, and it’s nice to see them striving to move upward.

Role Models

Do you feel like a role model?

Officer Maria Hernandez: I don’t think about it much, but yes I am a role model to children and young adults because I’m a police officer.

Would you recommend this, then? What would you say to a young woman interested in law enforcement?

Officer Maria Hernandez: I would tell her to make sure that that’s what she wants, because it’s a tough field.

But the beauty of it is that you have the mobility to move to different sections – like motors, dive or K9, which I’m in. It’s an awesome position. I love working with the dogs.

Keli. Do you feel like a role model?

Officer Keli Legaspi Langsdale: I’d like to think so. I try to strive to do the best job that I can, and anybody who’s out there in the field always does as well.

What would you say to a young woman considering a law enforcement career?

Officer Keli Legaspi Langsdale: I would tell her to be sure that that’s what she wants because it’s a tough field, but it’s filled with challenges and opportunities to work in other divisions such as K9, Training Division and Detectives. I’m currently a K9 Officer, which is an awesome position. I love working with dogs.

Stacey, do you feel like a role model?

Officer Stacey Creech: In some ways. In my position as Community Officer, we get to do a lot more outreach with high school kids, and we go to career events and stuff like that, and there’s one that the Port partners with that’s called the International Trade Education Program. Every year we go there and they bring kids from all over the state of California, and the lady who runs it – Amy Grant – is ecstatic every time we show

From left: Officer II Stacey Creech and Officer III Celia Ixta.



up. There are so many girls who don’t realize that they can go into a profession like ours. Maybe their exposure just isn’t there.

But it is time away from your families and the extra hours on your days off – it’s tough, so you have to make sure you’re mentally and physically prepared to handle it.

Officer Celia Ixta: I hope I’m a role model to young girls out there. The ones I’ve encountered so far, they’ve always asked, “Is it hard?” and I said, “Anything that’s good is going to be hard. So you just need to put your mind and your best foot forward, and try your hardest, and anything’s possible. The sky’s the limit when it comes to pursuing your dreams and goals.”

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I don’t think about it very much because I just go out there every day and do the job, but I suppose that we definitely have to be role models to the young children. I see it when we have events and they come up and say, “Oh, you’re a police officer?” I know what they’re trying to say; they just don’t have the words – and I’m talking about children right now.

Celia said something earlier when she talked about going to the doctor and they asked her, “Oh, you’re a police officer?” We all get that. They see it as a tough job. They hear the news and the movies. When young children or teenagers see women in these types of jobs, we are role models, and if we meet them in a professional manner, when I answer a call and they see how I interact with them or their mother or their father, they sometimes say, “I want to be just like you.”

I’ve done a lot of different jobs, and I’ll never forget when a little girl gave me a note, even as I was arresting the father, and it said, “I really like you. Can we talk another day?” I kept that note, because to me it was very telling of when you treat someone with respect, regardless of where you’re going to take them, that child is – I believe – going to remember forever. She’s not going to remember my name. She’s going to remember that the police officer, the lady who took my dad, treated us all with respect and didn’t treat my dad bad. I think we’re all role models.

Earning Respect

Do you have to do anything different procedurally to establish your authority?

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: You mean, do we have to act any differently than what a male counterpart would have to do?

Right.

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I believe that women have to act a little bit tougher, even though maybe we’re not tougher than anyone else – we all have the same job to do – but we do have to assert ourselves when we get to a scene, because a bad guy out there – a gang member, a male – will always try and test the female. I don’t care who it is. They’re going to try and test you, and you have to show up and you have to let them know who you are initially, and then you can always pull back.

But there’s no procedure, but we have to be more assertive and show our command presence.

In the academy, do they explicitly teach you ways to accomplish that, or is it something that you have to figure out on your own?

Officer Celia Ixta: It’s not taught in the Academy, for sure. You have to know your weaknesses and your strengths. I’m a small-statured female. I’m not going to be as strong as a six-foot male, weighing 300 pounds. You’re not going to come out as being too aggressive or demanding at first. You want to use your strengths and your tactical communication.

Officer Stacey Creech: And try to get the compliance that way.

Officer Celia Ixta: It’s just knowing your limits, but it’s all based on just learning by experience, learning as you go.

A Relevant Topic

Do you think we’ll be having this conversation in 20 years? Should we be having this conversation in 20 years?

Lt. Rosa Reynoso: I would hope that this would not come up in 20 years so it can be seen as the normal, because really we’ve broken a lot of barriers here. Twenty-eight years ago, when I started, family members would say, “What? You want to do what?” “Yes, that’s what I want to do. That’s what I’ve always wanted to do.” I think now it’s a lot more accepted, and I hope that in 20 years it is the norm. I would love to see more females in our chosen profession.

Officer Celia Ixta: I hope we don’t have to talk about it anymore, and like the Lieutenant said, just increase our numbers and making it a norm instead of being uncommon.

Officer Stacey Creech: Ditto. I definitely agree with what they say. I’d like for this to not still be that weird topic of conversation that we have to keep dealing with throughout our careers.

Officer Keli Legaspi Langsdale: I agree. I hope this becomes the norm – as the years go by we get more and more females interested in this job.

Officer Maria Hernandez: It’s a good topic to talk about. Why would you stop talking about it?

Some people might feel we’re past that now.

Officer Maria Hernandez: That may be true, but you still don’t stop talking about it. We continuously find ways to improve, promote and endure whatever changes come our way. I’m the first female K9 officer in the department.

Congratulations! So it’s definitely still a relevant topic.

Officer Maria Hernandez: Yes. This opportunity for mobility began when the department started growing, and that’s when I was able to get into the K9 unit. It took 17 years!

Officers, thank you for taking the time out of your busy days to speak to our readers. ■

THIS MONTH AT THE

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Sat., March 17
2:30 - 4 p.m.

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and family in exchange for shaving their heads. The bald heads signify solidarity with child victims of cancer, who often lose their hair while undergoing treatment. All money raised goes to the St. Baldrick's Foundation and is distributed to doctors and other researchers on the front lines of the war on childhood cancer.

Local organizers say they have raised more than \$1 million over those 16 years. The local event is part of the nationwide St. Baldrick's Foundation.

This year's location is again Fire Station 89, 7063 Laurel Canyon Blvd. in North Hollywood. The event is set to begin at 7:30 a.m. and runs to 1:30 p.m.

The event features a raffle, a free pancake breakfast, blood and marrow drives, face painters, balloon artists, free kids' toys and entertainment, and more. And fire and police apparatus are expected to be present for children to explore and for photo opportunities.

Participants and helpers are needed to staff this event. If you are able to help, please contact Lt. Greg Doyle at (818) 634-6127; or Firefighter Danny Wu at (626) 590-6240. If you would like to be a "shavee" or you are interested in pledging, you can sign up at <http://www.stbaldricks.org/events/LAFDLAPD>



Shave the Day

St. Baldrick's event celebrates
16 years of raising funds to fight
childhood cancers.

On Sat., March 24, LAFD and LAPD personnel, and other City Employees, too, will participate in their 16th annual combined St. Baldrick's fundraising event. Participants, or "shavees" as they are known, collect pledges from friends

www.stbaldricks.org

Who: LAPD and LAFD Personnel (all are welcome, though)

What: Fundraiser for childhood cancer research

When: Sat., March 24, from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: LAFD Fire Station 89, 7063 Laurel Canyon Blvd., North Hollywood

Why: To raise money to fight childhood cancer

How: Sign up or donate at: www.stbaldricks.org/events/LAFDLAPD

Info: Contact Lt. Greg Doyle, (818) 634-6127 or LAFD Firefighter Danny Wu, (626) 590-6240



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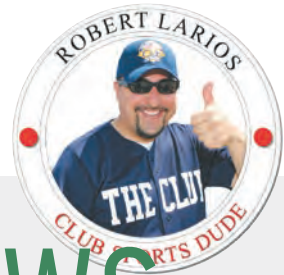
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CLUB SPORTS

News from Sports Leagues
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FROM THE COMMISH:



Top-Notch All-Star Games!

Congratulations on another year of successful All-Star Games! Our normal All-Star Game method – splitting-up friends and teammates to play against one another to build new camaraderie and sportsmanlike competition – took place Feb. 8.

The ladies game was loads of fun! We laughed so hard our faces hurt. We had to fill in some of the field positions with the men because the ladies didn't have quite enough players. As a consequence, the men had to switch-hit – bat on the opposite side than their normal batting stance. Some men batted better this way and not only amazed their team but themselves as well – especially Next's **Cameron Baik**, who shocked himself and went four for four. His team is going to make him bat in his opposite stance for the rest of the season. The secret is out about Cameron!

Every female player could field any position she liked, including pitcher. The ladies displayed their excellent skills with ground balls and at-bats. Some of the most memorable plays were Kilawatt's shortstop, **Denise Vidales**, who wouldn't let a ball get past her; Well-Come Home's **Amanda Cadena**, who kept throwing runners out from the outfield (until they would dare to advance when the ball was in her hand); and Next's first baseman **LaToya James**, who was playing 200 percent, with great assists and unassisted(s). LaToya was making male runners pull hamstrings trying to beat her to first base, in fear of being "that last guy!" LaToya was awarded Most Valuable All-Star Lady for her amazing achievements and making all the players think about her while running to first base.

In the men's game, the top two seeded male pitchers plus four amazing male players from each team reported to represent their team in high quality softball fashion. They did not disappoint. Even the camaraderie was outstanding as all players worked together to have an awesome time. Pitchers shared the mound with other pitchers, competing players high-fived one another for plays well performed; and unbelievable feats were achieved. Kilawatt pitcher **Angel Vidales Sr.** served up those "chocolate chip cookie" pitches to none other than his son, **Angel Vidales Jr.**, giving his loved one a batting rate of a thousand. Who would've known? The fam-bam noticed the love as well. Um-hmmm! Other players swinging for the fence and actually hitting it? Angel Sr., ya gotta get those cookies up! Good thing the middle was closed!

Topping the evening off was the winner of the Most Valuable All-Star Man was **Elvin Fuentes**, a softball novice who was called out on a technicality after his first real hit achieved the previous week. The City Employees Club 2017 free agent was placed on team Well-Come Home. Not only did he get hit after hit, he displayed his speed while running around the bases for himself and his teammates, and showed great sportsmanship toward everyone. He exemplified the epitome of a true softball player and carried the spirit of the Club Softball League.

Congratulations to both Elvin and LaToya for jobs well done! Thank you to all who participated. The evening was well worth it, including my Snickers bar!



Club Softball League NEWS



On to the Playoffs!

After a great All-Star Game night Feb. 8, the Club Softball League is barreling toward an exciting playoff and championship (depending on weather and field conditions).

Heading into the playoffs as of mid-February, the standings are:

Game Time (9-1)
Operaiders (7-1-1)
Tug Life (5-4-1)
Well-Come Home (4-5-1)
Kilawatts (4-6)
Next (0-10)

The playoffs were scheduled to begin Feb. 22.

RESULTS:

Games of Jan. 25 and Feb. 1, were both make-ups. The All-Star Games were held Feb. 8.

Jan. 25 (make-up from Dec. 21)
Kilawatts 9, Well-Come Home 0
Tug Life 11, Next 9
Gametime 12, Operaiders 4

Feb. 1 (make-up from Dec. 28)
Operaiders 12, Well-Come Home 6
Kilawatts 15, Next 7
Gametime 14, Tug Life 13



Hey Club Softball League players and fans, we know you take photos at the games. Share them on social media!



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At 90th Street/Pincay Drive
The games are played near W. 90th St./Pincay Drive near the tennis courts. (This is not Ed Vincent Park in Inglewood, where the league began the year.)



Robert Larios,
The Sports Dude

Hoops, Bowling, Softball: Club Sports on the Horizon

The Club Sports Office welcomes all individual players to inquire about the Club's sports leagues. Currently, the Club is coordinating efforts for basketball, bowling and softball. Please contact sportsdude@cityemployeesclub.com or call the Club at (800) 464-0452 to be placed as a free agent and for more information.

See more Club Softball photos on Club social media — Facebook, Instagram and Twitter!

Los Angeles Public Library

Library's TOP 10

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

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

Top 10 Books

- 1. *Two Kinds of Truth*, Michael Connelly
- 2. *The Late Show*, Michael Connelly
- 3. *Y Is for Yesterday*, Sue Grafton
- 4. *The Midnight Line: A Jack Reacher Novel*, Lee Child
- 5. *What Happened*, Hillary Rodham Clinton
- 6. *Turtles All the Way Down*, John Green
- 7. *The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas
- 8. *Deep Freeze*, John Sandford
- 9. *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis*, J.D. Vance
- 10. *The Wanted*, Robert Crais

Top 10 DVDs

- 1. *Atomic Blonde*
- 2. *The Hitman's Bodyguard*
- 3. *Spider-Man: Homecoming*
- 4. *War for Planet of the Apes*
- 5. *The Dark Tower*
- 6. *Wonder Woman*
- 7. *Kingsman: The Golden Circle*
- 8. *Dunkirk*
- 9. *The Mummy*
- 10. *Guardians of the Galaxy*

Top 10 E-Books

- 1. *Fire and Fury*, Michael Wolff
- 2. *Origin*, Dan Brown
- 3. *Little Fires Everywhere*, Celeste Ng
- 4. *Artemis*, Andy Weir
- 5. *The Handmaid's Tale*, Margaret Atwood
- 6. *The Midnight Line*, Lee Child
- 7. *Two Kinds of Truth*, Michael Connelly
- 8. *The Rooster Bar*, John Grisham
- 9. *Manhattan Beach*, Jennifer Egan
- 10. *Turtles All the Way Down*, John Green

Top 10 Songs Downloaded via Freegal *

- 1. "Filthy," Justin Timberlake
- 2. "She Loves Control," Camila Cabello
- 3. "All these Years," Camila Cabello
- 4. "Never Be the Same," Camila Cabello
- 5. "Havana," Camila Cabello feat. Young Thug
- 6. "Him & I," G-Eazy & Halsey
- 7. "Inside Out," Camila Cabello
- 8. "Consequences," Camila Cabello
- 9. "Something's Gotta Give," Camila Cabello
- 10. "Havana," Camila Cabello feat. Young Thug

* "Freegal" music via the Library lets users download and keep up to five songs a month – it's seriously free and legal! Check it out at <http://lapl.freegalmusic.com>

GENERAL SERVICES

MVP

Thomas Melendrez, Storekeeper, General Services/Warehouse, was named the Warehouse MVP of the Quarter recently. Congratulations, Thomas!

And thanks to Karl Guder, Stores Supervisor, for sending this in!



LAABP

Food and Culture

Black Personnel Association hosts festival for Black History Month. Club is there.

On Feb. 15, the Los Angeles Association of Black Personnel (LAABP) hosted a Black History Month Food and Music Festival during the lunch hour Feb. 15 at Grand Park.

The Club was present – the Mobile Team was busy answering questions and showing off the Club's awesome merchandise, and Club Counselors were on hand providing great customer service.

Thanks to Niesha C. Louis, Sr. Management Analyst I, Public Works/ Sanitation, for her invitation and assistance.



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REC & PARKS

A Fin-tastic Time

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium hosted annual Whale Fiesta.

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium hosted its 48th annual Whale Fiesta Jan. 28. This annual family event, co-sponsored by Cabrillo Marine Aquarium and the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Cetacean Society, celebrates marine mammals, and the beginning of the migration of the Pacific gray whales along Southern California. More than 20 marine life organizations were on exhibit and provided information about their efforts to bring awareness and protection to these animals. Throughout the day, expert Cabrillo whale-watch naturalists gave talks on various marine mammals. For more information: www.cabrillosmarineaquarium.org



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ON THE RADIO

Some *History Comes Alive!* columns can be heard on 89.3-KPCC's Off-Ramp, online at www.kpcc.org/offramp/

~ Tales From the City Archives ~



by Michael E. Holland
City Archivist

CLASSIC
FROM MAY 2016

History That Moves and Talks

One of the reasons I wanted to become an archivist was the hope that I might be able to save some film and preserve it for future generations. I am happy to report that among the many materials in the City archives, there are some film, video and audio records that have needed to be saved. Unfortunately, some items are beyond salvaging due to age and decay. But some have been preserved, and I hope to continue to do so for some time to come.

Recently, you may have noticed that an item used in a column has had a link to a YouTube channel where you can view it in more detail. This is through the Office of the City Clerk, which requested that we upload some of this material for the public benefit. I want to go into some detail about these materials and the ways they reflect a City vastly different from the one we live in today.

The three Departments represented most by these film and sound elements are the LAPD, the City Clerk and Public Works. We have movies showing various training techniques by LAPD officers. We have Public Works movies showing City streets going through transformation and others after improvements. We have an election training film and home movies showing several mayors. There are even a few celebrities making an appearance once in a while. All of these images have one thing in common with your own home videos – they were rarely if ever shown to people outside of the family.

These films and videos also share the same dangers as your home videos stored in your garage or closet – they may not be able to be played again someday. So how would you be able to watch again your first child's first steps or great-grandmother's 95th birthday party before she passed – if the VHS machine dies on you? Do you have a 20-year-old music CD that doesn't play well anymore? Do you still have a tape cassette player?

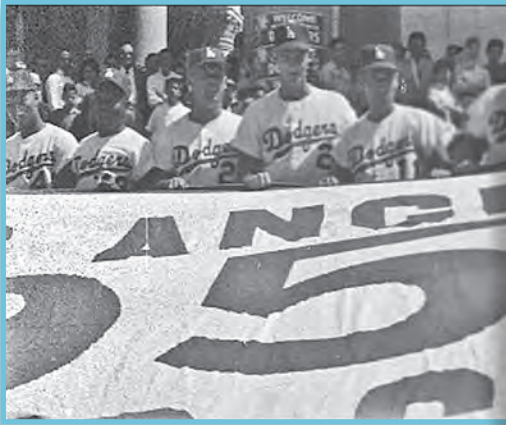
The difference between you and me is that I have to make this material available as part of my job. I try to keep the film, tapes and records but also the players for them as well. But there are some things that can't be found or are not safe to use on old film. A projector would wear out a bit more of the picture every time it was run. Thankfully, a lot of the new technologies make it unnecessary to run film or video again and again. "Access copies" made onto CDs, DVDs or stored on the cloud make the history accessible again.

Digitizing the films and videos has given new life to images and sounds lost for years if not decades at a time. The film and video unit at LAPD is one example. LAPD creates its own training content and, as laws and techniques change, the content is remade or reworked to be current. Many of the films and tapes ended up in the archives and just sat on the shelves. But now, what was law enforcement using obsolete technology has become a time capsule that shows Los Angeles as it has changed, or hasn't. When you actually see and hear history, it makes a difference.

Another example is that many parts of conducting an election haven't changed. A 1965 election training film from the City Clerk shows the process of prepar-



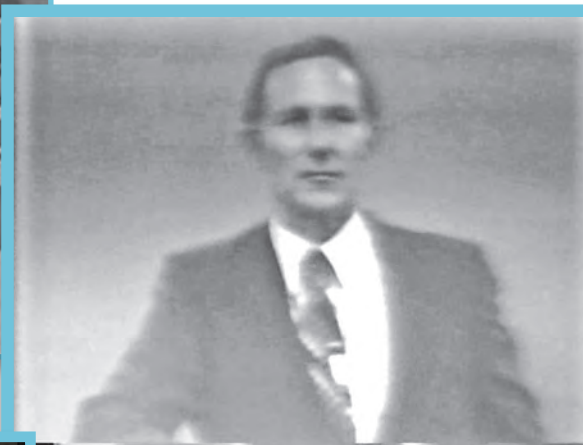
From "The 25th Man," an LAPD short.



From a 1960 short film celebrating the Dodgers' World Championship.



From an LAPD training film.



Daryl Gates, from a 1980 video.



From "Soldiers of Security," an LAPD short.

ing and supplying the polling places for the democratic process in action. The technology has changed – somewhat – but remains largely the same. Ballot boxes and vote recorders haven't changed much. I'm happy to say that the democratic process has survived a half-century when people used to smoke inside warehouses and offices where rooms of computers with tape drives crunched the numbers. Look for that film to show up as we get deeper into our historic 2016 election season.

Public Works took many photographs and movies showing traffic patterns on streets and areas far away from the offices. There are scenes of San Pedro Avenue

needing sidewalks to protect students from Samuel Gompers High School in 1938; the beach at Venice with waves breaking through a seawall and undermining a boardwalk; aerial shots from a dirigible (the shadow of which can be seen on the ground) showing a cleared section of downtown for the future Union Station around 1936; and streetcars and pedestrians at Broadway and Seventh with nothing taller than the Bullocks Wilshire in 1946. Public Works recorded actual transitions in the City as the landscape changed into what we know today. There are also some films in color showing the last remnants of the old neighborhoods near Temple Street in 1963 as Temple Urban Renewal is making plans to remake the civic center.

Some events were recorded by LAPD cameras as both souvenirs and real-world training. Nikita Khrushchev visiting Los Angeles for one day in September 1959 put the skills of police training on display. Handling the opening-day parade of the World Champion Dodgers in 1960 from City Hall to the Coliseum is a special treat of mine. The mayoral inauguration of Sam Yorty in 1961 survives as a short film. The full audio exists as a separate artifact. Yorty welcomes Princess Margaret Countess of Snowden in 1966 to the steps of City Hall. Mayor Tom Bradley welcomes Princess Margaret's sister, Queen Elizabeth, in a video from 1983.

Much of our history today exists only as moving images and sounds. 9/11 meant something else before the World Trade Center vanished nearly 15 years ago. Nearly 24 years have passed since the unrest of 1992. When was the first time you heard Randy Newman's "I Love L.A." – the Olympics in 1984 or almost any Laker or Dodger game since? History that moves and talks excites more parts of our brains and has the ability to make us feel for the first time or re-live an event in some way. That feeling will be different than the original event because, while the image hasn't changed, we have. We've changed, learned and grown in our understanding of the world. We won't be anything like that

young thin groom with a full head of hair in our wedding video, but we know a lot more about life and the world than he did back in the day.

A special opportunity for *Alive!* readers to attend a screening of many of the preserved film will take place at the Central Public Library at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 5. This will be a free presentation at the Mark Taper Auditorium where I will be introducing an hour of selected scenes from this fascinating project. As always, I am available with any historical questions you may have. Be back at you soon. ■

Sunday, June 5, 2016 2-4p.m.

This is Los Angeles – Movies made by and about the city

Presented by Michael Holland
City archivist in the Office of the City Clerk and a Board member of LACHS.



This lecture series is co-sponsored by Los Angeles City Historical Society and the History Department of the Richard J. Riordan Central Library.

Lectures are held in the Mark Taper Auditorium, on the first floor of the Central Library, 640 W. 5th Street, Los Angeles.

For any handicap accessibility accommodations, call the Library at (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event.

Story and photos by Dylan Noel, Mobile Team
Customer Service Associate



THE CLUB

Meeting Members in Owens Valley

Dylan Noel of the Club's Mobile Team reflects on their outstanding visit to the DWP yards in the Owens Valley.



As I sit here waiting for a train to pass, I started thinking to myself:
The new Club Mobile Van is bigger.
The bins are bigger.
The stock of Club merchandise we carry is bigger.
We had a very successful trip. But what made it a success was something that didn't have anything to do with "bigger." It was all about meeting more Club Members. Customer service was first. Sales came in second.
The good times we shared with our brethren up north along the High Sierras were truly more important.

Kindness Abounds

The Club Mobile Team – Mobile Man Angel Gomez, and myself – and Club Counselors Gedina Bergstrom, Scott Sulak and Harrison Vaughan visited the DWP yards in the Owens Valley, including Bishop, Independence, Mojave and Keeler the week of Jan. 22.
From the cold quiet roads of Bishop all the way down to the fields of Keeler, the people we met along the way were once again truly the difference makers.
Nice is a word that gets tossed around far too often; in fact it's become a placeholder when someone doesn't quite know what to say. You really get that feeling of being appreciated and welcomed through the hospitality extended from these "nicer than nice" people at every yard we visited.
Whether it be just past sunset on a cold windy morning in Independence, or into the dark of the night up in Mammoth Lakes, these sweatshirt-layered, bundled-up folks had such warm generous hearts.

Getting Started

They say starting is always the hardest part, but this time that wasn't the case for the Mobile Team. We left in the new Club Mobile Van with time to spare from Los Angeles on our way to the high desert of Mojave. When we arrived we greeted both the DWP employees as well as our great colleagues Gedina, Scott and Harrison. We all had that competitive look on our face as if the starting pistol had just let off the starting shot signifying it was "go time."
Straight out the gate, interested looky-loos gathering 'round our mobile store, but we gave them the word to go in for their meeting and insurance presentation, and we'd be waiting for them after they came back out. And when they did, a short tornado flew by and suddenly the beautiful stacks of DWP merchandise of all sorts got a little bit smaller by the minute. It was a good start and morale booster for the road ahead.
After we wrapped up our first stop, we felt the temperature drop by the 10s and then 20s of degrees as we rode up the Three Flags Highway into Bishop. When we arrived it took the ole "third time's the charm" approach in finding dinner before settling down in town and calling it a night.
The next day we showed up ahead of schedule down the road at our second stop, the Bishop District DWP headquarters. Once more we greeted many of the employees as we prepped our curbside department store of great Club and DWP merchandise. The employees went into their meeting all with coffee in hand not just for the "pick me up" but also due to the fact that it was no more than 20 degrees out. Luckily we too had grabbed our own cuppas on the way down to brave the cold.
Shortly after Scott and Gedina had discussed our awesome Club insurance products with every soul in the room, the lads

poured out clearly enlightened and got a good look at the new full-color DWP pullovers we had brought 'em. They were quite fond of them – most opted for the full-color version when given the option. We set up shop and spent most of the rest of the day there making sure that the administration side of the coin had the same chance to shop. We even ran into a dear



friend and member of ours, Sonia Romero-Fuentes, whom we knew from back at a DWP yard downtown who had just moved up to Bishop within the month. She mentioned to Angel and I just how excited she was to have made the move to the Owens Valley and how much she loved her new job in Bishop. It was truly a delight to see her smilin' so bright as she talked with us.

On to Keeler, Independence

The following day began much like the first, with all of us awake bright and early most likely because we were able to find a good meal the night before. As soon as we drove past Owens Lake, we knew we had arrived at our third location: Keeler. WAZE had no idea where the yard was, but we're glad everyone was wearing safety orange so we could spot them a mile away.
Upon pulling up to the state-of-the-art DWP yard, Harrison and I heard a good little story about the facility and how it all came to be. I wasn't the only one making friends, though, as later that day Angel's new DWP employee friends were excited to pose for a team photo and tell us what they liked about the Club. That was after their co-workers had purchased just about every item we put on display, including the two new colors – pink and charcoal – available for the DWP hoodies. Once again on the insurance side, Gedina and Scott hadn't left the room until it was empty and everyone's questions and requests had been taken care of. The last few newer employees had trickled out excited about the products they had just been introduced to, and couldn't help but tell us about what they signed up for. Angel and I were happy to help get them laced up with the DWP merchandise starter kit to go along with their new insurance products.
The next day we headed for the next location. When we arrived at our first DWP Power Yard of the trip, unfortunately we missed many of the employees, who were out. So we



spoke to those who were there, exchanged our pleasantries with the guys in charge and hung around until there was no one left in the building. Hanging out paid off, as the last guy ended up really digging everything from the DWP hats to the trinkets we had show him. (I have to agree, it's great stuff!) He even ended up grabbing a few long-sleeved shirts for himself and the Mrs. It's too bad we missed some employees, but it's all about customer service for those we met. We can never meet enough Club Members.
The following day started out bittersweet because it was the last day of our trip. At Independence, we put just as much effort into the final visit as we did the first four. Much like at the other locations in the Owens Valley, the Independence DWP employees instantly told us that they were both excited and appreciative of us coming out to visit them. We were honored to be there and got things cookin'.
All the employees entered into a bungalow and pulled up chairs until all but one were full. The crowd was an interactive one and enjoyed the presentation they were given, which only made them more excited to come check out the store that was set up a bit earlier that morning. So on the inside of the yard there was a line of lads getting acquainted with the products the Club has to offer, and on the outside a group of bargain hunters was appreciating the merchandise. We continued to play ball by

making sure everyone felt like they were getting the best deal. At that moment the Club umbrellas and everything else light started to blow away, so we knew it was time to call it a day. We all said our goodbyes to dear friends that hosted us throughout the week, and let 'em know how much of a great experience it was once again. One member, Mike, even said how he'd do what he could to make sure next time around we'd be out of the cold and heavy winds, and set up in a nice warm warehouse. We appreciated him thinking about us and kindly accepted the idea. Another member returned for the third time that day to buy additional items for family members he didn't want to forget, we began to pack up the pop up shop for the last time.

The ride back to LA provided us with time to think about the week that we had just spent along the Sierra Nevada.
Over the week we found the right colors and sizes for everyone, and the insurance messages from Gedina and Scott were hitting home with the DWP employees. We definitely didn't under-deliver. Everyone there who had an item in mind, not only was able to get the item but get it on the spot and even had the varieties they didn't even realize were possible.
This one fella was able to get his-and-her DWP shirts – him taking the black and her the sky blue. He was very happy because he found a color his wife would actually wear. Its little things like that that truly make the difference in showing City Employees we really care about what they do.

Thanks

Thank you to all the great Club Members and City Employees we met in the Owens Valley. Thanks to Harrison Vaughan for all the help he provided the Mobile Team, as well as just being an all-around team player at all times. Thanks to Scott Sulak for joining us once again and providing our Club Members the best service they could ask for. Thanks to the Mobile Man himself, Angel Gomez "in the house" for accompanying the crew along another epic trip up north. Thanks to Gedina Bergstrom for forging such a strong relationship with the Bishop crew. If it weren't for her keeping the great bond alive and taking care of her City Employees, none of this would have possible. And lastly thanks to everyone who played a part in helping both Mobile Team and Member Services get prepped up and ready to go. We couldn't have done it without you.
Till next time, Bishop!

{ Who are the people you see every day? }

No. 97
in a series.



People We See

Shelterless in Los Angeles.

Meet Melvin Davis.

Melvin was born Dec. 20, 1954 (age: 63) in New Orleans. He has five brothers and three sisters; he's the oldest. He came to Los Angeles with his dad when he 13. He attended Jefferson High School in South Los Angeles and graduated.

After graduating he separated from his family and started selling marijuana, he says. He got caught and, as he puts it, he "ran" from the law after he missed his court date. His first stop was Tucson, Ariz., on a Greyhound bus. He lived in Tucson for about 35 years before moving to Las Vegas for approximately three years. He's now been back in LA for eight years.

Melvin said that while he was in Tucson he wasn't homeless – he worked at the Tucson Medical Center. When in Vegas he worked in construction as part of a crew that built the Stratosphere hotel. I asked him if he was still on the run, and he said not any more – the authorities caught him when he want back to LA, and he spent some time in jail but is now free to roam LA as he pleases.

He spends the night on the sidewalk in his tent. He keeps his tent in storage at the LA Mission. He drops it off at 4:30 a.m. and returns to get it at 8 p.m. I asked Melvin how it happened that he ended up sleeping in a tent on the sidewalk and he said it's because he lost touch with his family.

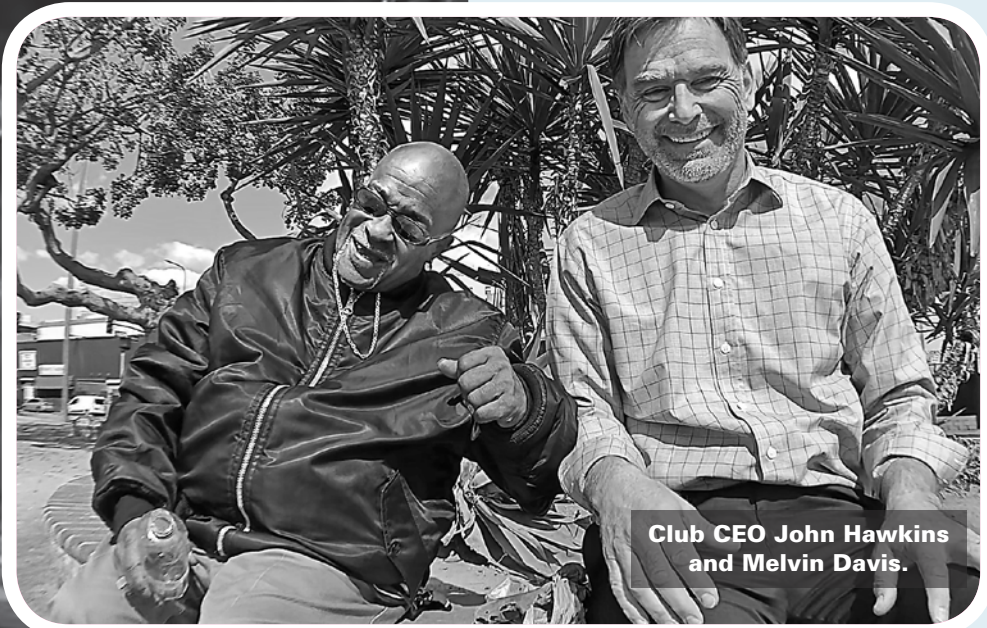
Melvin's dream in high school was to be a drummer. Would he have done anything different if he could do it all over again? "Yes," he said – he would have put more time into pursuing drumming. I asked him why he didn't spend more time drumming when he was younger, and he said he was into different "moves" – doing other things and not focused.

This would be his advice to a group of high-schoolers: "Stay in school, learn what you need to learn, listen and obey." His advice for parents: "Pray, believe and have faith."

His favorite candy is Reese's Peanut Butter Cups.

Melvin's five-year plan is to go back to Tucson, where, as he puts it, "Living is smooth. People are nicer and not so wild as in LA."

MELVIN'S THREE WISHES: to have people live together to make a better world; that God has made his wishes for him; and for "a better me," as this would allow him to be able to straighten himself out so he can help others.



Club CEO John Hawkins
and Melvin Davis.

People We See on



YouTube

The Club has begun posting videos of our "People We See" interviews online. See them on the Club's YouTube channel:

www.youtube.com/user/cityemployeesclub

The Club gave Melvin water and \$20 for food.

The interview, conducted by John Hawkins, took place Feb. 21 on the corner of Second and Los Angeles Streets downtown.

{ In this monthly feature, Club CEO John Hawkins 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. }

Story and photos courtesy Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

REC AND PARKS

Sat., April 21

Take Action!

Cabrillo Aquarium's annual Earth Day event focuses on beach cleanup.

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium invites the public to participate in its Take Action Day! from 9 a.m. to noon Sat., April 21.

Take action to help our local environment on Earth Day. Learn about the impact of microplastics and help clean the community's beautiful Cabrillo Beach.

Local volunteers will spend the morning cleaning marine debris off the beach for the benefit of both animals and people. Volunteers can take part in contests to help remove the smallest (and most dangerous!) pollution from the sand, including Styrofoam, nurdles (small pellets of plastic), bottle caps and more.

Volunteers are asked to help reduce the community's impact on waste generated by bringing their own reusable gloves and buckets for trash pickup and refillable water bottles. For those who can't, the Aquarium will have supplies, and light refreshments for all. Groups are requested to call ahead.

- The aquarium is at 3720 Stephen M. White Dr. in San Pedro and is a Rec and Parks facility with support from Friends of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium.
- Limited car parking at Cabrillo Beach is \$1 per hour.
- Information: (310) 548-7562 or www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org



Spring Break!

Huge discounts at Great Wolf Lodge, HotelStorm.

– Go to the Club Webstore for details:

cityemployeesclub.com

NEWSBRIEF

Zoo

Zoo Hosts Weekend With PBS Characters

The LA Zoo presents PBS SoCal Kids Weekend featuring meet-and-greets with Curious George and Nature Cat. The weekend events also feature book readings, themed crafts, activities and a kids' dance party.

The weekend is scheduled for:

March 10-11

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The event will fill the Zoo's Eucalyptus Grove with a variety of engaging fun for families with lots of activities. Guests can also enjoy a special opportunity to take photos with PBS KIDS' characters Curious George and Nature Cat. Curious George is available for photos both days from 10:15 to 12:45 p.m. Nature Cat is available both days from 1:15 to 3:45 p.m.

Programming is subject to change. While every possible effort is made to accommodate all guests with a visit with the PBS SoCal KIDS' characters, a photo with the characters cannot be guaranteed due to high demand and limited capacity.

Activities are free with a paid Zoo admission.

The Club offers discounted tickets to the Zoo. See our product list, page 45, in this issue.

For more information on this event, see:
www.lazoo.org/pbssocalkids

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



Sat., April 21, 2018

Earth Day

Art Poster & Photo Contest

Draw, Paint or Create a Poster showing "HOW YOU TAKE CARE OF THE EARTH" for our Earth Day Poster Contest. Or submit a BIRD PHOTO for our YEAR of THE BIRD Photo Contest.



Use earth friendly materials to share your message!

PAPER SIZES UP TO 11"x14"

CONTEST IS OPEN FOR ALL AGES!

For Each Poster Entry

- 1) Write or attach on the back of each entry a caption for each poster or photo, artist's name, school/association, grade level/age, and phone number or contact email.
- 2) Deadline: entries due by Sunday, April 8th at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. mail them to: Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, Attn: Education Dept., 3720 Stephen M. White Drive, San Pedro 90731 or drop them off at the Aquarium's Information Booth
- 3) Submitted posters and photos will only be returned if they include a S.A.S.E. Others will become the property of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium and will not be returned.
- 4) Winning entries will be on display at CMA in the Susanne Lawrenz-Miller Exhibit II all through September of 2018.

AWARDS AND PRIZES WILL BE PRESENTED AT
CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM EARTH DAY TAKE ACTION DAY ON APRIL 21st.
WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE/EMAIL

FUNDING FOR EARTHDAY IS PROVIDED BY FRIENDS OF CMA
For more information about the poster contest, please call Cathy Terrones at (310) 548-7562 x217

A facility of the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks with support from Friends of CMA
www.cabrillomarineaquarium.org



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

Roberto Amancio
Veronica Castillo
Aida Kerze
Uche Okwechime
Pamela Stokes
Daena Tello
Teona Williams

Animal Services

Monica Ramos

Building and Safety

Alex Andrews
Raymond Keltoe
Jeffrey Pard
David Salinas

City Attorney

Camellia Friesen

City Clerk

Shauna Priscila Dungo

City Council

Marisol Barrios
Aksel Palacios

Economic/Workforce

Development

Socrates Garay
Steven Mason
Amber Reaves

General Services

Chinta Cooper
Michelle Plascencia

Harbor

Stephanie Holloman
Marco Molina

LACERS

Amy Petrique

LAFD

Nicholas Estrada
Terrail Lambert

LAPD

Gregory Baker
Arlecia Clay
Saudia Faulkner Hutchins
Eric Hood
Kim Hunter
William Johnson III
Gabrielle Macklin
Rudy Ochoa Castrellon
Angela Oh
Deborah Stowers
Ramiro Tibayan

Library

Matthew Castellanos

Mayor's Office

Deserie Flores
Edith Vega
Margaret Wynne

Personnel

Rebecca Pompa

Planning

Megan Yanez

PUBLIC WORKS

Contract Admin

David Achonu
Andre Davoodian
Samer Hussein
Evan Jackson
Julia Juarez

Juan Ramirez Jr

Beatriz Sosa
Monica Vasquez Montoya
Teddy Wipaghatagit

Engineering

Abhai Bhatia
James Lantry

Sanitation

Julio Arredondo
Isaac Brown
David Camacho
Luis Carbajal
Lupita Cortes
Michael Enriquez
Nabor Espino
Nataasha Evans
Oscar Flores
Calvin Ford
Moises Galindo
Vincent Gomez
Juan Gonzalez
Javier Guzman
Morris Harris
Olujimi Hawes
Robert Hernandez
Francis Johnson
Darren Jones
Manuel Leyva
Rubin Martinez
Marquel Mendenhall
Weston Niebla
Edgar Ochoa
Steven Purana
Oscar Quintanar
Norberto Rios
Willie Stiger
Quincy Stinson
Steven Varela

Street Services

Rosemarie Baliton
Julian Benjamin III
Marius Ferrell
Gennaro Green
Roy Lewis
Luis Najar Jr.
Shawn Yarbrough
Carlos Acevedo
Azareel Campos
Freddy Chinchilla
Jevanie Domally
Chazz Govan
Jerson Hernandez-Lobos
Mark Mariscal
Genises Ordenez
Christian Perkins
Nicholas Potts
Juan Rivera
Mark Tavera
Randell Weaver

Transportation

Virgil Covington

LA Zoo

Alejandra Carranza
Jessica Cruz
Andrew Seja

DWP

Jesus Aranda
Geovanni Barrera
Rosendo Campuzano
Jovan Flores
DKylo Forman
Salvador Galeano
Matthew Haerle
Emiliano Mayorga
Danae McDaniels
Eryn Mitchell
Jia Ruan
Joseph Savoy
Wei Tan
Beryl Taylor
Hien Tiet
Byron Travillion
Francisco Villalobos Casillas
Chalaina Young

Other

Joseph Alvarado
Chris Annala
Dennis Artzer
Jay Berkowitz
Joseph Bowling
Aleta Bryant
Bobbie Casey
Adrianna De La Trinidad
Ramona Durazo
Richard Ellis
Freddie Evans
Kevin Foster
Kenneth Henderson
Rose Hernandez
Sam Huerter
Jason Jenkins
Elizabeth Lacy
Patrick Lally
Robert Lane
William Leaver
Craig Leck
Franklin Luckey
Michael Martin
Mario Martinez
Genesis Martinez Flores
Timothy McCall
Selma McPherson - Harvey
Grant Mull
Frank Nikolaus
Dale OConnor
Dante Parra
Toby Pass
Jonathan Pastrana
Catherine Razor
Jason Schwartz
Esther Taylor
Deangelo Thompson
Stephen Tordoff
Olivia Uribe
Marlene Vella
Thomas Westervelt
Ivory Williams Bush
Judy Wong



Share Your Life's Moments



Everyone reads Life's Important Moments in Alive!

Share your news... and send in a photo! Have you gotten married? Had a baby? Graduated? Is a family member in the military? Send in a photo and a paragraph, telling us the details. We love to share your good news.

Send digital photos to:
(as high a resolution as you can send)

talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

OR send paper photos to:

Life's Moments – Alive!

Employees Club of California
120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
Please don't send the only one you have!



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
Active		Martinez, Edmundo	Bldg. & Safety 16
Hatfield, Mark	Bldg. & Safety 12	Martinez, Jesus	DWP 16
Levitan, Lynda	City Council 14	McDonald, Angelina	Bldg. & Safety 25
McVey, Kenneth	Airports 22	McEvoy, Emma	DWP 11
Noubarian, Oshin	LAPD 21	Mealey, Leroy	Rec and Parks 33
Tatum, Rowland	Harbor 14	McQuirk, Frank	DWP 24
Willis, Donald	Airports 1	Milbrath, Bruce	DWP 31
Retired		Miles, James	Rec and Parks 32
Alexander, Jack	DWP 16	Miller, A.D.	Public Works 31
Aliwalas, Publio	Public Works 30	Mitchell, Fay	Harbor 17
Arreseigor, Ada	Public Works 20	Montoya, Patricia	LAPD 33
Auzenne, Marion	LAPD 23	Moore, Ruby	LAPD 28
Barba, Jacqueline	Gen. Services 21	Nakama, James	Comm. Dev. 34
Barlow, Willie	DWP 31	Neiditch, Melvin	Bldg. & Safety 8
Bowhay, Bruce	Rec and Parks 25	Ng, Jack	Gen. Services 30
Bright, Arthur	Gen. Services 28	Nora, Eddie	Bldg. & Safety 37
Broadway, John	Public Works 31	Oates, Hal	Gen. Services 21
Bryant, Robert	DWP 44	Ortiz, Frank	LAPD 33
Calicchio, Nicholas	DWP 21	Payne, Charles	DWP 24
Cappell, John III	DWP 25	Perkins, Regina	Library 19
Carter, Dudley	DWP 23	Pifelo, Frank	Gen. Services 23
Casey, Samuel	DWP 28	Pruner, Chauncey	City Clerk 46
Collins, George	Public Works 30	Ramirez, Alex	DWP 25
Contreras, Gilbert	Public Works 15	Rasch, Ruth	DWP 14
Conyers, Charles	Rec and Parks 11	Rice, Haverly	DWP 35
Crowder, Earnest	Airports 26	Rios, Maria	LAPD 35
Curry, Charles	Gen. Services 34	Roney, Lawrence	Public Works 20
Davis, Gwendolynia	Public Works 30	Roundtree, Nathan	LAPD 27
Delarue, Charles	DWP 29	Salazar, Victor	Rec and Parks 1
Donnelly, Glenn	DWP 44	Seamster, Sirlester	LAPD 36
Dymond, Simmons	Public Works 6	Seidenstucker, Harold	Public Works 33
Farfan, Connie	Housing 15	Sherburn, Earl	Cultural Affairs 30
Ford, Thomas	Airports 25	Simmons, Robert	DWP 31
Garcia, Joe	Rec and Parks 30	Spire, Alfred	Convention Ctr. 29
Gerson, Mayor	Public Works 37	Smith, Paul	DWP 24
Givens, Betty	Public Works 13	Stewart, Grace	LAPD 32
Goode, Emma	DWP 21	Stretz, Richard	Cultural Affairs 9
Green, Donald	DWP 25	Tanaka, Shoji	DWP 44
Hamblin, Terry	DWP 42	Tholl, Paul	Planning 34
Hardy, Zernail	DWP 32	Tillemans, Denis	DWP 36
Harris, Willie Lee	Public Works 25	Tucker, Dorothy	LAPD 15
Hautz, John	DWP 20	Turner, Julia	Airports 30
Holland, Otho Jr.	Public Works 32	Umali, Rolando	Public Works 17
Honda, Misako	City Council 11	Valas, James	LAPD 27
Horling, John	DWP 15	Violet, Robert	DWP 10
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Tell Their Story

Every month, *Alive!* publishes the names of those current or retired City Employees who have died.

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Art That Takes Off

New art at LAX gives travelers a taste of LA creative community.

Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), in partnership with Cultural Affairs, has unveiled four new art installations throughout Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), all of which were specifically curated for their unique airport spaces.

The four installations, one of which is video, are:

- TERMINAL 1, ARRIVALS:**
Niku Kashef, One Hundred Aspects of the Moon
On view through this month.
- TERMINAL 3, DEPARTURES:**
Dance Language (video)
On view through early May.
- TERMINAL 6, DEPARTURES:**
Eileen Cowin, Shelf Life— read between the lines: a visual poem, a family portrait, a collision of mementos
On view through spring.
- TOM BRADLEY INTERNATIONAL TERMINAL, ARRIVALS:**
Karen Kinney, Points of Departure
On view through April

“Cultural Affairs is proud of our 15-year partnership with LAWA to create engaging art exhibitions,” said Danielle Brazell, General Manager, DCA. “These exhibitions transform the landscape at LAX by providing provocative and refreshing experiences for travelers. Greeting travelers with these stunning new exhibitions elevates the welcoming experience for all who are visiting or returning to Los Angeles.”

“Whether you are coming from a destination far away, are heading out on your next adventure, or work here at the airport, we want to make art a part of your LAX experience,” said Sarah Cifarelli, Airport Art Manager. “These four new art installations, in concert with the other works in our permanent and temporary collection, add to the ‘wow factor’ you get when you travel through LAX.”

“Los Angeles has an incredible art scene, and Los Angeles World Airports is proud to be able to bring together talented, established, local artists to create the work that we

have on display throughout our airport,” said Barbara Yamamoto, Chief Experience Officer at LAWA. “The realities of presenting art in an airport environment offers a unique challenge and opportunity for artists, and we are incredibly excited to share these new works with our guests.”

The Art Program at LAX enhances and humanizes the travel experience by providing diverse and memorable art experiences. The art program includes temporary exhibitions, permanent installations, and cultural performances. With a passion and support for local and regional artists, the LAX Art Program provides access to an array of contemporary artworks that reflect and celebrate the region’s creative caliber.

The new installations, which are currently on display, include a video exhibition, aerial photography, a photographic mural, and a site-specific sculptural installation. They can be found in Terminals 1, 3, 6, and Tom Bradley International Terminal.



Niku Kashef, “One Hundred Aspects of the Moon” LAX, Terminal 1, Arrivals, Installation view (“moons”). On view to the public through March 2018. Photo Credit: Panic Studio LA

Niku Kashef, “One Hundred Aspects of the Moon” Detail (“moon, plate 3”)



Eileen Cowin, “Shelf Life”. LAX, Terminal 6, Departures. Installation View #3
On view for the public through spring 2018
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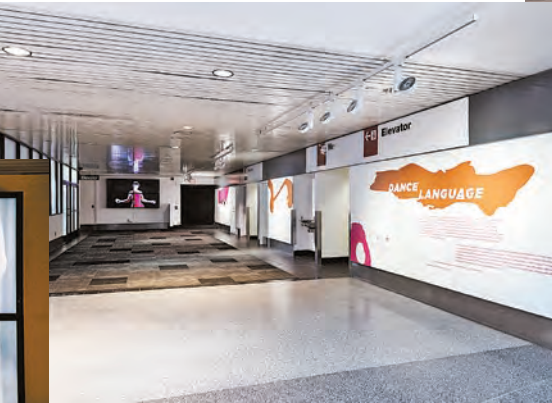
Eileen Cowin, “Shelf Life”. Detail #2



Niku Kashef, “One Hundred Aspects of the Moon” LAX, Terminal 1, Arrivals
Installation view (“terrestrial studies”) On view to the public through March 2018
Photo Credit: Panic Studio LA



“Dance Language,” curated by Dance Camera West LAX, Terminal 3, Departures
Detail from “Outside In” (Sweden)
On view for the public through early May 2018
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“Dance Language,” curated by Dance Camera West LAX, Terminal 3, Departures
Installation view
On view for the public through early May 2018
Photo credit: Panic Studio LA



Karen Kinney, “Points of Departure” LAX, Tom Bradley International Terminal, Arrivals. Detail #1. On view for the public through April 2018. Photo credit: Panic Studio LA



Karen Kinney, “Points of Departure” Installation View #2



Cooking with the Club

with Chef Robert Larios

Photos: Patty M. Larios



JUMBO SEA SCALLOPS ON BED OF PEAS

Seafood is a favorite of mine – especially sea scallops! So whenever I can share a scallop recipe with Club Members, I get super pumped up and ready to cook.

In this recipe, I use extra virgin olive oil, but you are more than welcome to use butter. If you are unable to find jumbo scallops, using regular scallops is satisfactory as well.

To impress, make sure you place the peas on the center of the plate and then add the scallops on top. You may also make mashed potatoes or creamed spinach instead of peas as the first plate layer.

Enjoy!! Buen provecho!

Chef Larios

Jumbo Sea Scallops on Bed of Peas

INGREDIENTS:

- 6 jumbo sea scallops
- 1/4 cup diced chives or green onions
- 1 tablespoon dill
- 1 sprig rosemary
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil (or unsalted butter)
- 1 cup peas
- 2 cups water
- 2 cloves garlic – crushed and diced
- Sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste

Cooking TIDBIT

Another alternative to peas is spinach – more specifically cream of spinach. Cream of spinach with jumbo scallops is a marriage of royalty!

DIRECTIONS:



1 Begin with a pot. Pour water into it and let boil. Then add the peas and let cook for approximately 8 minutes.



2 In a sauté pan, add the extra virgin olive oil, the sea scallops, salt and pepper, rosemary, garlic and dill. Let cook until brown on each side of the scallops.



3 Taste the peas to make sure they are the texture you like and then remove from boiling water with a strainer and strain in the sink. Then place on a plate. Lastly add the scallops and a sprinkle of diced chives.



4 Plate and serve!

[A Cook's Dictionary] Rosemary:

Used since 500 B.C., rosemary is native to the Mediterranean area (where it grows wild) but is now cultivated throughout Europe and the United States. Early on, this mint-family member was used to cure ailments of the nervous system. Rosemary's silver-green, needle-shaped leaves are highly aromatic, and their flavor hints of both lemon and pine. Rosemary can be used as a seasoning in a variety of dishes, including fruit salads, soups, vegetables, meat (particularly lamb), fish and egg dishes, stuffings and dressings.

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Fun Food Quote:

"A hot dog at the ball park is better than steak at the Ritz."

– Humphrey Bogart

REC & PARKS



March 24

Banning Returns to the **Jazz** Age

Banning Museum’s annual gala set for March 24.

Friends of Banning Museum has scheduled its annual fundraising event, the Wisteria Regale, for Sat., March 24, from 5 to 9 p.m.

The gala is scheduled to take place at the Banning Residence Museum, 401 E. M St., Wilmington.

Inspired by *The Great Gatsby*, this year’s Regale will carry a Roaring ‘20s theme. Guests are asked to wear their finest attire from the era.

As it does every year, the Friends of Banning Museum will present the Wisteria Regale scholarship to Banning High School’s brightest students.

The cost of the event is \$150 per person. Reservations are required. Please call Friends of Banning Museum at (310) 548-2005 for further information or to make a reservation.

Proceeds from the Wisteria Regale will assist Friends of Banning Museum, a nonprofit corporation, in its mission to “Preserve History, Promote Education, and Inspire Entrepreneurial Spirit.”

The Banning Museum is a Rec and Parks facility and is operated in cooperation with the Friends of Banning Museum.

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For Rent: House. Morongo Valley. 2,200 sq. ft, 1 acre+ lot. View from all rooms. 3 bd./2 bath, 10 guests. Parking for trailers, RVs, etc. Many more details; email for more info. Maria, quintabigjohn@gmail.com 3/18

For Sale: Mattress. Tempur-Pedic. Top mattress, queen size. \$100. Serious inquiries only. Sylvia, spfour@yahoo.com 3/18

For Sale: Land. Ranch near Victorville. Ten acres appraised at \$16,000; 160 acres appraised at \$160,000. All reasonable offers considered. (818) 787-3787. 3/18



For Rent: Cabin, Lake Tahoe. 4 bd/3 bath. Laundry room, 2 sat. TVs. WiFi available. Nicely furnished. In woods, close to beach, bike paths, horseback riding, boat rentals. Jess, (626) 797-5992. 2/18

Transport



For Sale: motorcycle. Harley-Davidson FLTRX Road Glide, fewer than 500 miles. Like new. \$20,000 OBO. Dexter, (323) 778-2843. (Dog not included.) 1/18



For Sale: 2003 Ford Thunderbird. Beautiful, classic, 2-door. Platinum gray; light tinted windows, chrome wheels. Hard top w/stand, convertible, black leather seats, AM/FM/CD, air. 35,394 miles. \$25,000 OBO. Maxine, (323) 298-5274. 1/18



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For Sale: auto. 2018 Acura TLX, black. \$2,500 down, take over payments. Connie, (310) 237-3318. 12/17

For Sale: Car. 1967 Volkswagen Beetle, good cond. New 1776cc engine. Freeway Flyer trans., front tires, upholstery, much more. Asking \$4,500. mcp794@hotmail.com, or text Mark, (626) 534-2004. 10/17

For Sale: Beautiful classical 2-door 2003 Ford Thunderbird. Platinum Gray; light tinted windows, chrome wheels. Hard top w/stand, convertible, black leather seats, AM/FM radio, CD player air, 36,000 miles. Asking. \$20K OBO. Maxine, (323) 298-5274. 9/17



For Sale: Motorcycle. Harley-Davidson, 2006. Road King Classic. 10,000 miles. Black/chrome. Windshield, cover, saddlebags, exclnt. cond. Rarely used. \$10,000 OBO. Tony, (562) 274-6251. 8/17



For Sale: Car. 1993 Toyota Camry LE, approx. 250,000 miles. Passed emissions Aug. 2016. Cat. converter replaced. New tires, radiator, water pump. New front lower left and right control arms included in trunk. Asking \$1,000. Valerie Brown-McCain, (323) 377-6241. 2/17



For Sale: 1939 Hudson Utility Coupe. Only '39 known! \$33,333 OBO. Paul Thomas (909) 233-4420. 6/17



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For Sale: Pickup truck. Ford F-250 XLT. 2003. Very good cond. V10. 111,000 miles. Good tires. \$10,500 OBO. Text/call John Long, (909) 837-8347. 6/17



For Sale: ATVs (2). 2013 125cc Coolster; 2003 ex 400 Honda. \$2,000 for the set. Roy Ponce, rewroy.rp@gmail.com 6/17



For sale: Chevy El Camino. 1982, ruby red. New engine under 8,000 miles. Interior, paint redone. Automatic, A/C, clean. Must sell. \$23,000 OBO. Rudy, (310) 626-0255. 3/17



For sale: 2008 Harley Rocker FXCWC 3,200 original miles, always garaged, custom fishtail pipes, S&S 510 G cams, Windvest detachable windshield, 6 speed, 16" Chubby apes, custom seat. \$14,000. 3/17

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For Sale: Delivery truck. Ford Vanette, 1955. Original engine, solid body, new brakes, suspension. Could be your next food truck or rat rod! \$6,500. (951) 532-5766. 12/16



For Sale: 1967 Chevy Camaro convertible. Original everything. Perfect project car. Must offer. \$25,000 OBO. (310) 753-9522. 11/16

For Sale: SUV. Range Rover HSE, 2003. Green. Cream leather int. 180,000 miles. Well-maintained family vehicle. \$7,200 OBO. (424) 477-9694, ray-proca@gmail.com 9/16

For Sale: Toyota Corolla, 2010, gray. 22,000 miles. In Montebello. \$10,000 OBO. Delia, (208) 262-8031. 7/16

For Sale: RV trailer. 2003 Wanderer, fifth wheel, model 367TB. Onan generator, 12-ft. garage, power hitch, fuel station. AM/FM CD stereo, super slide. \$10,000 OBO. Mike, (661) 557-0975, maddad111@yahoo.com 3/16



For Sale: 1980 Cadillac, red, white int., immaculate. New tires, gas tank, fuel pump, stored since 2010. 91,400 miles. \$9,495. (805) 649-1940. 3/16



For Sale: Cadillac Brougham, 1989. Leather interior. Very good shape. 77,000 miles. \$4,000 OBO. (626) 797-8328. 12/15

For Sale: 1984 F-150 - w/camper shell and carpet kit. As is. \$1100 OBO. Call 310-764-4478 9/15



For Sale: 1963 Corvair, convertible. Good cond., runs great. Light green ext./int., white top. \$9,000 OBO. Alex, (323) 691-0872. 8/15



For Sale: Watercraft, his and hers, '93 Bombardier Seadoo, '91 Waverunner w/trailer. Great condition. Jackie, (626) 383-1708. 7/15



For Sale: 2003 Harley "ROAD KING" Davidson (100th anniversary edition) motorcycle, 5087 miles, stage 1 with detachable windshield, passenger back support, hardbags, battery charger, black and chrome, hardly ridden, always garaged, 1 owner only. \$10,000.00 OBO. Please call 818-366-3273 John or text 818-633-4164. 7/15

Cemetery Plots

4 Cemetery Plots: Cemetery plots, 4, side by side on the hill at Greenwood Gardens, Rose Hills/Whittier. Approx. value \$18,000, selling \$12,000 OBO, or trade cemetery plot for pickup truck of equal value. Cortez, (323) 382-2405. 2/18R

For Sale: Cemetery plots. 2 @ Eternal Valley Newhall. Highly desirable near entrance, Garden of Peace. Side by side. \$7,500 (total). Jim, (661) 713-6353. 9/17

For Sale: Cemetery plots. 2, side/side, on hill. Rose Hills Whittier, Garden of Comfort lot 1844, graves 3/4. Approx. value \$12,000. Asking \$3,000 each/OBO. Jackie, jmccul@pacbell.net 8/17

For Sale: cemetery plot. 1 single. Rose Hill, Garden of Benevolence. Asking \$3,000. Carrie B. Wilson, (323) 751-3498. 7/17

For Sale: 4 cemetery plots. Rose Hills, Whittier. Greenwood Gardens, side by side. Valued at \$12,000, nego. Gregory, (909) 520-8053. 3/17

For Sale: Plot, Inglewood Park Cemetery. Double grave F, Lot 38, Park Terrace. \$8,600. JoAnn, (805) 238-6929. 11/16

For Sale: Cemetery plots. Rose Hills, Whittier. 4 plots side/side. Lot 858 Memory Lane. Valued at \$18,000. Sell for \$12,000 H. August, (208) 949-9858. 11/16

For Sale: Double cemetery plot. Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills, Section Tenderness, Lot 2127 Space A, B. Valued at \$13,000, asking \$11,000 OBO. Robert, (626) 899-2174. 7/16

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Furniture

For Sale: book case. Double walnut. Good quality. Ons side shelves only; other side has shelves on top. Middle area opens into mini office; double doors below that can open for storage. Best offer. (323) 750-8461. 12/17

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For Sale: Grand piano. Yamaha C3 Conservatory. Like new. Humidifier. Cover. Concert bench. Internal felt dust cover for soundboard. \$17,000 OBO. Victor Vallejo, (323) 356-7595. 8/16



For Sale: cabinet. Vintage, blond oak. Great condition. Glass shelves, mirror back, interior light. \$450 OBO. (626) 359-0023 5/16

For Sale: Furniture. Oak. King size bedroom suite; china cabinet; dining room table, six chairs; more. \$2,000 OBO. Vic, newtvc@gmail.com 3/16



For Sale: Bedroom set, 5 piece, cherry wood. Good cond. \$650 OBO. (818) 281-1488. 10/15

For Sale: Crib, cream colored, designer style. Good cond. \$350 OBO. (818) 281-1488. 10/15

For Sale: Sofa and chair, great condition, leather/upholstered, "reversible" pillows/cushions. Carved wood, unique design, nail heads. \$600 OBO. Charlene, (661) 916-2970. 5/15

Homes/Rentals/Land

For Rent: House. Rialto. Single story. 4 bd/2 bath, 2,100 sq. ft. RV parking. Garage, laundry, large back yard. Close to fwy, shops. \$1,850/month. (626) 513-9519. 2/18



For Rent: cabin, Lake Tahoe. 4 bd/3 bath. Laundry room, 2 sat. TVs. Nicely furnished. In woods, close to beach, bike paths, horseback riding, boat rentals. Jess, (626) 797-5992. 2/18

For Rent: House. 2 bed, 1 bath. Los Feliz adjacent. Garage. Remodeled, hardwood floors, dual-pane windows. Appliances. New paint. Safe, quiet. \$2,000/month. John, (619) 207-0939. 1/18

For Lease: home. 3 bd/2 bath, pool. 187 Teasdale St. Thousand Oaks. 1,600 sq. ft. Central air/heat, fireplace, recessed lighting, kitchen/dinette, new double oven, 2 car garage, low water landscaping, outside fire pit. Many features, near Cal Lutheran. \$3,000/month lease + sec. deposit, no smoking, no pets, credit history req. Kurt, kaufmankdk@gmail.com 11/17

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For Rent: Lovely Remodeled 2 bedroom/1 bath apartment located on on Don Tomaso Dr in Los Angeles/Baldwin Hills area(5-units). kitchen, living room, dining room, 1-car garage. Hardwood floors and laundry facilities on site. Very quiet. Close to public transportation, parks, hiking trails and 15 mins from most major freeways and locations. Appliances included (stove and refrigerator - \$2100/month without appliances); Call for more details (310) 459-5881. 11/17

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For Rent: Apartment. Leimert Park area. 1 bd/1bath. Kitchen, living/dining rms. 1-car garage. New paint. Hdvd. flrs. Remod. kitchen/bath, new fixtures/windows. Quiet. Downstairs unit. 4 units in bldg. Close to public trans. (310) 994-3682. 10/17

For Sale: Aviation space. Adelanto Residential Airpark. Zoned for hanger/house. \$30,000 each. Jimmy Dunn, (562) 318-4313. 9/17

For Rent: Timeshare. Cancun Sunset Club. 7 days Sat-Sat. Studio w/kitchen. Sleeps 4. \$500. Gina, (818) 395-3552. 6/17



For Rent: Big Bear Lake 3 bedroom, 2 bath house located in the village of Big Bear Lake, California. Fully furnished located near the lake. Contact John Long at 909-837-8347 6/17

For Sale: Farmland. Rural, upstate New York. 118 acres. Assessed at \$150,000, make offer. Ray, (310) 710-9871, ray1269@gmail.com 5/17



For sale: home. Bishop, Calif. Single family, 5 bd/3 bath. 2,900+sq. ft. Creek in backyard, view of Sierras. 2 garages. \$590,000. Patty, (661) 965-9457. 3/17

For Rent: condo, Las Vegas. Vacation rental. 1 bd. Tahiti Village Resort, Bora Bora room. 3-, 4- or 7-nt. stay, starting \$150/night. Days avail. May-Dec 2017. Javier, (323) 547-5449, call or text. 4/17

For Rent: home. Covina. 3 bd./1 bath. New paint. Laundry inside. Front/backyards. Patio, carport, 1-car garage avail. Photos. \$2,000/month. (626) 482-0460. 4/17

For Rent: 1 bd/1 bath. Inglewood. Upstairs. Kitchen, living room, dining room. 1-car garage. New paint, hardwood, fixtures, double-glazed windows, granite countertop. 82nd/Crenshaw. \$1,350/month. (323) 292-9989. 12/16

For Sale: Undeveloped ranch near Victorville. 10 acres appraised at \$16,000; 160 acres appraised at \$160,000. Make offer. (310) 488-6140, or barrysylvan@live.com 12/16

For Rent: Vacation rental. 1 bdrm. suite, WorldMark San Diego Mission Valley. Nov. 26-Dec. 1. 5 nights, \$350. Charles Ella, (818) 212-0198. 11/16

For Sale: Home, Big Pine, Calif. 3 br., 1 3/4 bath. Outdoors activities near. Description, photos avail. \$195,000. bigpineproperty@gmail.com 9/16

For Rent: House, 3 bd./2 baths. Near Manchester/Broadway. Garage, laundry room, handicap access. No Section 8. (323) 971-1042. 8/16

Household Items



For Sale: kitchen equipment. Oven, Whirlpool, 24-inch stainless steel, electric, double wall. 6.2 cubic feet. AccuBake, dual lighting, digital display, self cleaning, warm setting, Sabbath mode, more. (fire extinguisher not incl.) \$500. Kurt: kaufmankdk@gmail.com 11/17



For Sale: Lamps. 2 Tiffany style. 1 12-inch wide, 1 24-inch wide. Both are green. \$30, \$60. (626) 664-2172. 6/17

For Sale: stovetop/oven. GE, 1950s. Pink. Hood. Great condition. \$200 OBO. (818) 865-8104, leave msg. 5/17

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For Sale: Exercise equipment. Ab-Doer Twist Ex. Abdominal workout machine. DVD. Exclnt. cond. \$125. (818) 242-8644. 5/16



For Sale: Fitness equipment. Back2Life back relief machine. With a/c. Exclnt. cond. \$75. (818) 242-8644. 5/16

Miscellaneous

For Sale: portable patio/carport. Frame, white tarp, weights. Exclnt weather protection. \$50, cash. d_a385@yahoo.com 12/17

For Sale: photo darkroom equipment. Enlargers, printers, easels, trays, timers, chemicals. \$5-\$150. John, (818) 846-5602. 12/17

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3/12/18



For Sale: 4 rims. Pacer chrome. 24-inch, universal holes. With 305/35R/24 tires. Were on Chevy Avalanche. \$1,550 OBO. Katrina, kfrink05@hotmail.com 6/17

For Sale: Collectibles. Lighthouses, including 1 16-inch alabaster lighthouse. Pigs, owls, salt/pepper shakers. Beverly, (562) 943-0930. 6/17

For Sale: Portable generator. Honda 5000. Wheel kit, electric starter, shop manual. Avail. from noon - 8 p.m. \$1,000. (818) 893-1805. 11/16

For Sale: Vintage magazines. Architectural Digest. 150 issues dated 1981-82, 1991-99. Well kept. 25 cents each, \$25 all. Don, (818) 780-7788. 11/16

Travel/Timeshare

Timeshare: Welks Resort, San Diego, CA. For Sale. \$20K. Chermaine @ (661) 547-6707. 1/15

Wanted

Wanted: room to rent. Senior man (75) looking to rent sleeping room only. Prefer Glendale, Montrose, Pasadena areas. Donald McAdams, (818) 445-6180. 12/17

Wanted: Salt and pepper shakers from Bob's Big Boy, circa 1950s/60s. Neil, (818) 304-3133. 10/17

Wanted: Baseball teams to join Saturday league. Recreational level. Tony, (310) 764-1792 11/16

Wanted: Riders for van pool, Lomita to Lincoln Heights. Leaves Lomita @5:40 a.m., BOA Carson @5:45, JFB @6:10, Main St. @6:15, arrives Artesian St. @6:20. Return to Lomita by 5 p.m. James, (310) 626-7169 or (213) 354-4790. 7/16

Wanted: I buy all kinds of collectibles: crystal, Disney, fishing gear, military items, musical instruments, pocket knives, gold & silver, Radko, WDCC. Michael @ (626) 592-2929. 11/12

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Put your graduation photo in *Alive!*

CLUB MEMBERS: Have you had a family member graduate from elementary school... high school... or college? Send us a photo, and we'll publish it in *Alive!*
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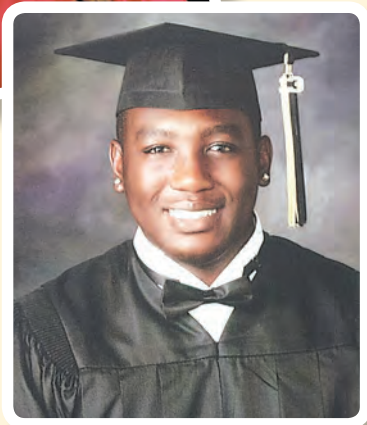
- The name of the graduate.
- The school from which they graduated. If a college, tell us their major.
- Their future plans (briefly)
- The name and department of the Club member they're related to (and how they're related)

Digital photos are preferred. Send them to:
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If you have a paper print, send a duplicate (we prefer you not send the original) to:

Grad Photos
Employees Club of California
120 West 2nd Street
Los Angeles CA 90012

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Small Popcorn	\$6.50	\$4.50
Small Drink	\$5.50	\$4.00
Movie Bundle	\$47.00	\$33.00
- Includes 2 Black movie tickets, 2 small drinks, 1 small popcorn		
CINEMARK THEATERS		
Concessions (Good for one junior popcorn and one small fountain drink)	\$12.75	\$8.25
	\$8.00	\$6.00
Cinemark Gift Pack (Contain 2 Unrestricted tickets & (1) one Concession Voucher good towards 1 Junior Popcorn and 1 Small Soft Drink)	\$33.50	\$23.00
CINÉPOLIS THEATERS		
Premium Theaters	\$15.25	\$10.00
Luxury Theaters	\$24.00	\$17.50
GALAXY THEATERS		
- Good Any Time	\$11.00	\$8.00
HARKINS MOVIE THEATERS		
Restricted	\$11.00	\$7.00
Good Any Time	\$11.00	\$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)	\$38.60	\$28.50
KRIKORIAN THEATERS		
- Good Any Time	\$12.00	\$7.50
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- Good Any Time	\$11.00	\$7.50
LANDMARK THEATERS		
	\$15.00	\$9.00
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Unrestricted Tickets	\$13.00	\$8.00
Restricted Tickets	\$10.50	\$6.75
READING CINEMAS		
- Restricted	\$12.50	\$7.50
REGAL/ EDWARDS/ UNITED ARTIST		
Good Any Time	\$14.75	\$8.50
Movie Pack	\$30.00	\$26.00
- Includes 2 Good Any Time movie tickets and a \$10 concession gift card		
REGENCY THEATERS		
- Good Any Time	\$11.50	\$7.50
STUDIO MOVIE GRILL		
- Good Any Time	\$13.00	\$6.25
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- Good Any Time	\$11.25	\$6.00

ATTRACTIONS

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SAN FRANCISCO		
Adult	\$26.95	\$21.56
Child (4 - 12)	\$16.95	\$13.56
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Adult	\$29.95	\$18.95
Child (3 - 11)	\$17.95	\$13.95
BOOMER'S FUN CENTERS		
SELECT CALIFORNIA LOCATIONS		
4 Hour Pass	\$49.99	\$24.99
CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE		
Adult	\$35.95	\$30.56
Child (4 - 11)	\$25.95	\$22.06
Youth (12-17)/ Student (with ID) / Senior (65+)	\$30.95	\$26.31

ATTRACTIONS CONT'D

RETAILCLUB

CATALINA EXPRESS		
Round Trip Fare		
Adult	\$76.50	\$61.00
Child	\$61.00	\$51.50
DAVEY'S LOCKER		
Whale Watching		
Adult	\$32.00	\$21.00
Child	\$26.00	\$15.75
Sport Fishing - 1/2 Day	\$41.50	\$31.50
Child	\$34.00	\$25.21
Sport Fishing - 3/4 Day	\$71.00	\$57.75
Child	\$61.00	\$47.25
Sunset / Evening Cruise	\$25.00	\$12.61
GOLF N' STUFF		
3 Hour Unlimited Wristband - (Norwalk Location)	\$30.00	\$16.25
All Park Pass - (Ventura Location)	\$20.00	\$15.25
GOLFLAND		
Discount prices vary depending on location		
GRAMMY MUSEUM		
General Admission	\$18.95	\$12.00
IFLY INDOOR SKYDIVING		
San Francisco - Save 15% Off All Flight Packages		
	\$59.95	\$50.96
K1 SPEED RACING		
This pass entitles the owner to (1) 14 Lap race and a annual license for the day.		
	\$32.95	\$17.00
MADAME TUSSAUDS WAX ATTRACTION		
All Access Pass includes Marvel Super Heroes 4D Experience.		
Hollywood	\$30.99	\$17.00
Child (4 - 12)	\$25.99	\$15.00
Las Vegas (eTickets Only)	\$29.95	\$14.98
MEDIEVAL TIMES		
eTicket prices will vary depending on date/time selections.		
Adult	\$57.95	\$43.50
Child (0 - 12)	\$35.95	\$31.50
MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM		
Adult	\$49.95	\$41.95
Child (3 - 12)	\$29.95	\$24.95
Senior (65+)	\$39.95	\$33.95
MULLIGAN'S FAMILY FUN CENTER		
All Day Pass	\$36.99	\$16.50
Adult/Child		
All Day Pass (Hard Stock at Club Store)	\$36.99	\$19.25
- Unlimited use of Laser Tag, Miniature Golfing, Go-Karts/Speedway and the Rock Wall. Valid at Mulligan Torrance, Murrieta, and Palmdale.		
PIRATES DINNER ADVENTURE		
Adult	\$56.95	\$37.00
Child (3 - 11)	\$37.95	\$28.50
QUEEN MARY / BATTLESHIP IOWA COMBO		
Adult	\$42.95	\$31.92
Youth (12 -17)	\$34.95	\$25.95
Child (6 - 11)	\$23.95	\$17.95
RACERS EDGE INDOOR KARTING		
Adult: 16-Lap Adult Race	\$23.00	\$18.00
Junior (50" tall): 11-Lap Junior Race	\$20.00	\$15.00
SANTA CRUZ BOARDWALK		
Unlimited Ride Wristband	\$48.95	\$44.95
SANTA MONICA PIER & PACIFIC PARK		
Unlimited Ride Wristband	\$32.95	\$20.00
Family 4 Pack	\$172.80	\$119.00
(Includes 4 All Day Unlimited Ride Wristbands, 4 Meal Cards)		

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Adult	\$25.00	\$17.00
Child (5-12)	\$19.00	\$15.00
Slide Combo	Adult	\$33.00
	Child (5-12)	\$27.00
Adult	\$23.00	\$23.00
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	\$18.00	\$13.50
Child (6 - 11)	\$10.00	\$7.50
Senior (62+) or Military (with ID)	\$15.00	\$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	\$18.95	\$14.50
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General Admission (Age 3+)		
	\$69.00	\$38.00
CASTLE PARK		
General Admission (over 36")		
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GILROY GARDENS		
General Admission		
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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
LEGOLAND		
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Adult	\$99.00	\$79.00
Child (3 - 11)	\$93.00	\$74.00
Legoland Resort Hopper		
Adult	\$123.00	\$84.00
Child (3 - 11)	\$117.00	\$80.00
(Valid to Legoland, Water Park, and Sea Life Aquarium)		
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
SEAWORLD - SAN DIEGO		
Adult	\$89.99	\$61.60
Child (3 - 9)	\$84.99	\$61.60
Fun Card - Adult (valid until 12/30/18)	\$89.99	\$79.20
Fun Card - Child (valid until 12/30/18)	\$88.99	\$74.80

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Child (3 - 7)	\$25.00	\$20.00
SIX FLAGS - MAGIC MOUNTAIN		
General Admission	\$85.99	\$52.99
Discount Tickets are also available at Six Flags parks in NY, IL, GA, TX & DC.		
SIX FLAGS DISCOVERY KINGDOM		
VALLEJO		
General Admission (over 48")	\$69.99	\$42.99
UNIVERSAL STUDIOS		
Adult / Child (under 48")	\$120.00	\$95.00 & UP
Season Pass	N/A	\$109.00

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Robert Larios, the Club's Chief Operating Officer, honors
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Photo by Jamie Pham, Zoo

ZOO

A Month for Mother Earth

**Zoo extends Earth Day event to focus
on endangered species.**

The Los Angeles Zoo and Botanical Gardens is scheduled to present "Wild for the Planet" every Saturday and Sunday over five weekends, from Earth Day weekend April 21 to Endangered Species Day May 19, spotlighting the Zoo's conservation efforts and what people can do to protect and preserve Planet Earth. Events for families and youngsters are expected to take place at the Zoo from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, April 21 - 22; Saturday and Sunday, April 28 - 29; Saturday and Sunday, May 5 - 6; and Saturday and Sunday, May 12 - 13. All activities are free with paid Zoo admission, which is \$20 for general admission (ages 13 to 61); \$17 for seniors (ages 62+), and \$15 for children (ages 2 to 12). No ticket is required for children under age two.

Admission for Greater Los Angeles
Zoo Association members is free.

The Zoo has achieved renown
as an international leader in
the preservation of endan-
gered species and a con-
servation center for the
care and study of wildlife.

The Los Angeles Zoo
is in Griffith Park at the
junction of the Ventura (134)
and Golden State (5) free-
ways. 5333 Zoo Drive, Los
Angeles, CA 90027. Free
parking is available.

Information: (323)
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A chimp and baby will
be part of the month-
long celebration that
ends with Endangered
Species Day at the
L.A. Zoo.

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	Saturday March 31 @ 6:10 PM	MEMBER \$45⁹⁵	GATE \$60
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	Friday April 13 @ 7:10 PM Friday Night Fireworks	MEMBER \$34⁹⁵	GATE \$49
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	Saturday May 12 @ 6:10 PM 60th Anniversary Cap	MEMBER \$39⁹⁵	GATE \$49
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	Friday May 25 @ 7:10 PM Friday Night Fireworks	MEMBER \$39⁹⁵	GATE \$49
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	Friday June 8 @ 7:10 PM Friday Night Fireworks	MEMBER \$39⁹⁵	GATE \$49
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	Saturday June 16 @ 5:15 PM Movie Night	MEMBER \$45⁹⁵	GATE \$60
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	Saturday June 30 @ 4:15 PM Piggy Bank	MEMBER \$45⁹⁵	GATE \$60
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	Monday July 2 @ 7:10 PM	MEMBER \$29⁹⁵	GATE \$45
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	Saturday August 4 @ 6:10 PM Cedar Sinai Youth Item	MEMBER \$45⁹⁵	GATE \$60
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	Saturday August 25 @ 6:10 PM Player Jersey	MEMBER \$45⁹⁵	GATE \$60
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	Saturday Sept 1 @ 6:10 PM	MEMBER \$39⁹⁵	GATE \$49
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	Friday Sept 21 @ 7:10 PM Friday Night Fireworks	MEMBER \$39⁹⁵	GATE \$49
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