

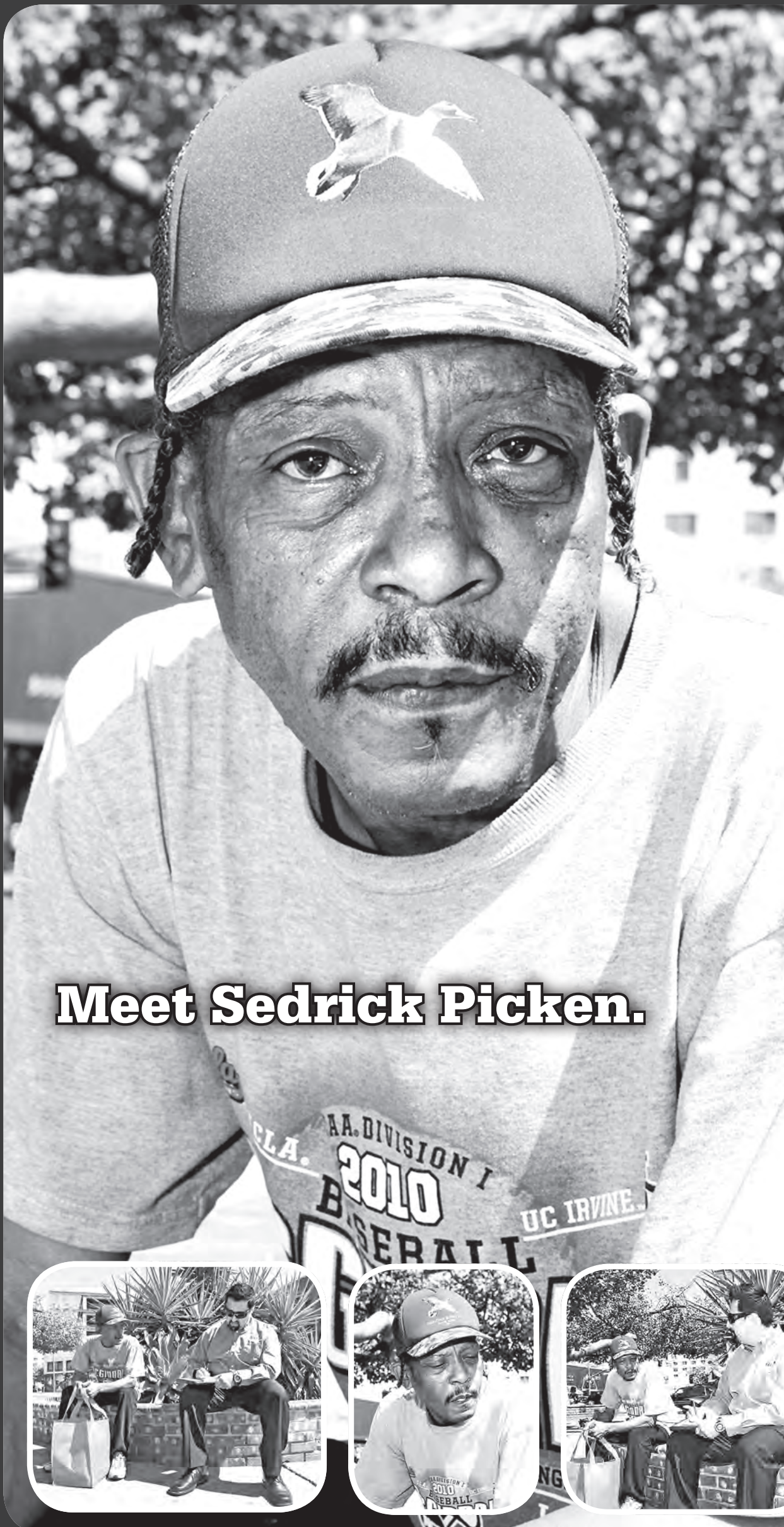
{ *Who are the people you see every day?* }

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People We See

an interview on the streets downtown



Meet Sedrick Picken.

AGE: "I'm 54."
BIRTHPLACE: Shreveport, La.
MARITAL STATUS: "Single."
PARENT STATUS: "They have passed away."
FAMILY: "I have one brother and one sister."
MEDICATIONS: "For high blood pressure, bipolar disorder, and sleeping medications."
EDUCATION: "I went to college for one semester."
FAVORITE SPORTS: "Baseball."
MILITARY SERVICE: "No."
WHERE DO YOU LIVE? "At the St. George Hotel."
FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY: "The Central Library area."
WHEN DID YOU MOVE TO LA? "1961."
WHY DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES? "I came with my dad when I was 1. He was looking for work."
RELIGIOUS: "Yes, I am."
FAVORITE ACTOR: "Sidney Poitier and Clint Eastwood."
FAVORITE ACTRESS: "Vonetta McGee and Sigourney Weaver."
FAVORITE MOVIE: "*The Good, the Bad and the Ugly.*"
FAVORITE TV SHOW: "*The Jeffersons.*"
FAVORITE CANDY: "M&Ms with peanuts."
FAVORITE FOOD: "Pork ribs and tacos."
FAVORITE MUSIC: "Oldies but goodies."

LAST BOOK READ: "It's been a while since I've read a good book."
LAST JOB: "Security guard."
SAMPLING OF POSSESSIONS: "The only important thing I carry is my mind."
MOST PRIZED POSSESSION: "Cassette tapes my mom left me before she died."
MOST HELPFUL ORGANIZATION: "Section 8 and general relief."
DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS: "I have one good friend, Jennifer."
LAST THING EATEN: "Spinach and greens with fried chicken."
FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY: "Being with my family."
IF YOU WERE MAYOR, HOW WOULD YOU HELP THE HOMELESS: "I would stop opening dog parks and get better bathrooms for the public."
WHAT HE WOULD DO WITH \$1 MILLION: "Feed people who are hungry, but be sure that my money gets to them directly without a third party handling it. And I would keep \$5,000 for myself."
ADVICE FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE: "Give yourself six months to handle your business, and six months to leave my business alone."
WHERE HE WILL BE IN FIVE YEARS: "Far, far away from here."
MAKE A WISH: "A long life, and money."

The Club gave Sedrick a Bucket and a Blanket, a toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, two pairs of socks, shampoo, hand wipes, some food, \$20 and bottled water.

The interview, conducted by Robert Larios and Angel Gomez, took place Sept. 22 at Main and Third Streets.



{ In this monthly feature, Club VP of Operations Robert Larios, and Director of Sales Angel Gomez, introduce you to people you see every day, but you might not know who they are. The Club reminds you that we all have names and stories to tell. }