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## by John Hawkins COO, The Club

## Thoughts on Hats and A Special Father's Day



There's a lot of good stuff going on in the L City—and the Club, of course. So let's get right to it!

First if you haven't bought the City Seal hat yet, what are you waiting for? Don't delay, because they really are going fast. Wear your City pride whenever you can! Look elsewhere in this month's issue of Alive! for directions on how to order.

It's easy to understand why the

Department of the Month and Robert Larios' Cooking With the Club feature are two of our most popular. But what sometimes goes unnoticed is our excellent Classifieds section. There are always good bargains there, offered by your fellow Club members. Put it to good use for vou! Don't forget that we offer free classified advertising to members, and if you send us a digital photo we'll put that in too.

Thirdly, have you checked out this month's feature on the Coloring Contest results? In a word, wow! The Club is delighted that so many youngsters took part. Remember that everyone who enters is a winner. Only three are picked for the big prize, but we send along a token of appreciation to all the others, too. We couldn't be happier that so many families are having fun with the feature, which we offer every three issues or so.

We know you love the Ticket Guy. But are you ready for the Events Guru? That would be Club staffer Michelle Moreno, who's starting a new column this month: Michelle on the Move/Events 411. Like I said, there are so many good things happening in the City for you and your family to attend, that Michelle has taken on the task of putting them all together each month. Check out her column, and make sure to send her information about your event.

If you looked at the front page, you noticed our newest Club benefit, our prepaid legal services plan. All the details are in the article, so give it a read. It's a great benefit, and you should really think about signing up for it.

We've been working on it for more than a year, to make it as good as we possibly can. Club members deserve nothing less.

> Don't forget about our annual Club Scholarship program. Apply now; details are elsewhere in this issue.

I want to extend a few shout-outs, first to Zaki Mustafa for a job well done in managing the City employees' efforts toward the March of Dimes WalkAmerica event. It was a great success, and Zaki continued working hard in his day job at the DOT while pulling off the March of Dimes event ... and secondly to Jimmy Sparks for putting together the LAX employee appreciation barbecue. Good job!

And finally, I want to share my joy with you on the arrival of my beautiful daughter, Hannah (you'll see her photo in the Life's Important Moments page), brought into the world by my lovely wife, Kelley. Hannah joins my sons Noah and Isaiah. Trust me, there couldn't be a better way to lead me into Father's Day. Not a chance.

Happy Father's Day, everybody!

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