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City's Plan
To Purchase
TransAmerica
Building
Downtown
Excludes
LAPD Use

■ City Council approves plan with provision that building is not used for LAPD headquarters.

The Los Angeles City Council voted June 16 to purchase the TransAmerica building, with the condition that it would not be used as a temporary or permanent headquarters for the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD).

Councilwoman Jan Perry, who had originally supported the possibility of an LAPD move to the TransAmerica building, successfully passed an amendment that directed the CLA/CAO to report back on June 23 to the full council on additional sites for the LAPD Headquarters, offering alternatives to the First and Alameda site which the community opposes. Both departments will report on the

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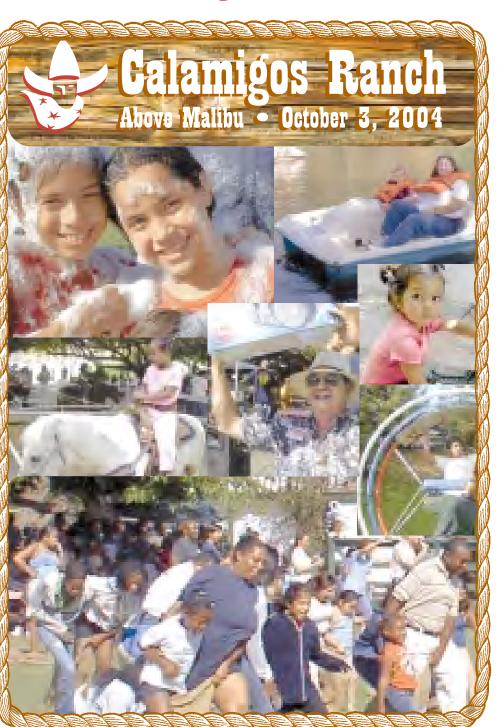


Aerial view of the TransAmerica building in downtown.

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City Employees Club of Los Angeles

Back to the Ranch for More
FOOD, Fun, Families.
and Making Great Memories



■ Buy tickets now for this favorite Club mega-event, which sold out last year. Early birds get discount, so don't wait. Attendance is limited.

July 2004

From the moment last year's ClubFest ended, the Club has been hearing two things:

- It was a great success! Please have ClubFest back here at Calamigos Ranch again in 2004; and
- When can I buy tickets?!

We heard you loud and clear, Club pardners, and here we announce the good news: Mark your calendars for ClubFest 2004, Sunday, Oct. 3. The great event for families (and friends, too) will again be held at Calamigos Ranch in the hills overlooking Malibu.

New for 2004:

Even more space, and more activities!

But more on that in a minute. First, there's an early-bird discount on tickets, which are still modestly priced to encourage all families to come. If you buy your tickets between now and Aug. 31, here are the prices:

- \$5 for Club members and children under 13
- \$10 for adults who are not Club members

After August 31, the cost goes up to \$10 per person, for everyone. Tickets to Calamigos Ranch are valued at more than \$40 per person, so the Club is passing on to you a significant discount. That's a Club trademark!

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Get Ready for Fun, Food and Prizes at This Year's ClubFest 2004

ClubFest

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Tickets may be purchased by Club members only, who are welcome to bring their friends and family. But remember, everyone needs a ticket.

Last year, the Club moved the event to the sprawling Calamigos Ranch in the hills overlooking Malibu to make sure there was plenty

"On a scale of one to 10, [ClubFest] was a 10-plus"

- Tecumseh Shackelford, an attendee of last year's ClubFest

of room, clean sunshine and fresh air for everybody; and the Club also strictly lim-

ited the total attendance. Both

were great moves, according to feedback from Club members. For 2004, the Club expects to use even more space at Calamigos, and therefore is able to open the great ClubFest to more members, without crowding everyone. Get ready for a wonderful afternoon!

Here are some comments from several attendees last year:

"This is just a great picnic," said Charlotte Bullock, a Club member and Senior Clerk Typist at ITA. She was sitting at a picnic table in the comfortable shade with the self-described "Fab 3"herself, Rosie Delgado and Robin Cannon, a System Aide in ITA and Club member.

"It's great for families, great for everyone," Charlotte continued. "It's wonderful, the way it should be. Everyone is free to do what they want. Look at all those kids," she said, indicating the hundreds of kids frolicking with the foam machine. "It's all so carefree."

"Nobody wants to go home."

"On a scale of one to 10, it was a 10-plus," said Tecumseh Shackelford, a Club member and retired DWP employee. "You can't beat it," he continued. "We want to come back here [Calamigos Ranch] again next year. Please!"

You got it, Tecumseh!



Don't Horse Around: Register Today

We are delighted that so many people loved how we improved ClubFest last year," says John Hawkins, Club COO. "It's going to be even greater this year for Club members to bring their families into the fresh air, eat lots of good food and have a great time. "See you there!"

Check out the fantastic things you'll be able to do at ClubFest 2004:

Food

- Shredded roast beef smothered in barbecue sauce
- French rolls
- Barbecued chicken
- Fresh grilled corn
- Hot dog bar with chili and all the fixings
- Potato salad
- Crispy California garden salad
- Seasonal fruit salad
- Unlimited soda, lemonade, iced tea and coffee
- Unlimited popcorn
- Unlimited ice cream bars, Popsicles and juice bars

Entertainment

- Horseshoes
- Ping-pong ■ Tetherball
- Paddle boats

- Swimming pool with lifeguards
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Moonbounce
- Prize bingo (adult and children)
- A clown
- Coloring activities for the kids
- Music
- Dunk tank
- Face painters
- Petting zoo
- Foam machine
- Hayrides
- "Sumo" wrestling
- The famous "Orbotron"
- Pony rides
- Merry-go-round
- Puppet show

Great Raffle Prizes!

■ Enter to win amazing prizes!



Calamigos Ranch: Happy Trails!

There is nothing like Calamigos Ranch in all of Southern California: It's 120 acres (that's as much as Disneyland) of open space and comfortable facilities made just for good food, lots of activities, and great family fun. It's the perfect

place to get away from the hustle and bustle of the city for an afternoon.

Nestled into the hills above Malibu, Calamigos Ranch has been family-owned for decades. It's the perfect place for Club families to come and have and have a great time.



What: ClubFest 2004

Where: Calamigos Ranch, above Malibu

When: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 3

Who: Club members and their families and friends.

Cost: \$5 for Club members, \$10 each for other adult guests (13 and older), \$5 each for children 12 and under; free for children 3 and younger.

Sign up early: All admission prices rise to \$10 after August 31.

How to purchase tickets: Registration forms will be accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis. Complete a registration form and mail it in or drop it off (with payment) at the Club Office, World Trade Center, 350 S. Figueroa St. Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90071. Or, call the Ticket Hotline, (888) 777-1744.

Ticket order forms are available: at the Club office; at the Club's Website (www.cityemployeesclub.com); in this issue of Alive! on page 19; or ask your Counselor.

No tickets will be available the day of the event. All tickets must be purchased in advance.

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

Members Speak Out

Letters Come In:

Members Appreciate The Service They **Received From Club**



- "The Club was] very helpful, thank you. When I would call and ask for help in any way, you were there for me. Thank you."
 - Virginia Erekson
- "Very good. I was treated with respect; the City Employees Club was very helpful, for which I thank you." - Mary Oglesby
- "Excellent. You were there for me, you answered all my questions, addressed all of my concerns. Dealing with insurance companies can be tough sometimes, but your knowledge and professionalism made it doable. You never got mad or irritated at me because of all of the phone calls." - Leslie A. Trammel
- "Very good. The Club was very informative as to what to expect and which forms to complete. You were always there to help." - Guadalupe Reyna
- "I am very satisfied with the service offered at LACEA. I never have difficulty reaching someone who is knowledgeable and can address my concerns. The process of applying for benefits was handled easily and professionally by Cecilia Camacho. Having professional and courteous service from LACEA makes it easy for me to recommend LACEA to other city

WRITE TO US TODAY!

Send your letters by email to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com or conventionally: The Club, World Trade Center, 350 S. Figueroa St., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90071

TransAmerica Bldg. Headed For City Use, But Not LAPD

TransAmerica Building

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alternative sites, which include: City Hall South, the Old Caltrans building, the former Rafi Cohen site, the flat behind the criminal courts building, and a site at First and Spring Streets.

"It is important that we look at all available alternatives. The new headquarters will be an integral part of our civic center and should meet both the needs of our City employees and our downtown community. With this in mind, we must focus on ways in which we can maximize the benefits for both groups," said

The alternatives were offered to ensure that the City develop the future LAPD headquarters at a site that had the least negative impact on neighboring communities. Both the Little Tokyo and Artist Community have expressed opposition to the development of an LAPD Headquarters at a proposed First and Alameda site, citing its proximity to museums, restaurants, homes, and the site of a future metro station.

Councilwoman Perry represents the Ninth Council District, which encompasses the most culturally diverse and vibrant communities in Los Angeles, including Bunker Hill, Little Tokyo and South Los Angeles.

TICKET DEA

Newsbrief

ETHICS UPDATE

Mayor Jim Hahn released a statement June 8 regarding the City Ethics Commission and efforts to curb campaign financing: "I am very pleased that the City Ethics Commission today voted to adopt my proposals that prohibit campaign consultants from being registered lobbyists and ban lobbyists from fundraising. By supporting these measures, the Commission is taking another step toward ensuring that special interests do not influence government decisions.

"I want to make sure that Los Angeles' ethics laws that assure integrity, fairness and accountability. I will continue to work with the Commission to create a comprehensive ethics package that is enforceable, effective and will keep Los Angeles at the cutting edge of ethics reform. I urge the commission to move quickly to support my proposals to ban campaign contributions from contract bidders and land use applicants, and require disclosure of fundraising conducted by elected officials."



LAFD Historical Society Lunch Features Olympic Torch Bearers

The LAFD Historical Society's luncheon I June 16 featured refreshments, raffle prizes, a barbecue ... and a run-by featuring Olympic Torch Bearers.

The event was "an opportunity for all retired LAFD members to see the museum's outstanding artifacts, get an update on the current

status of the Memorial, reacquaint guests with the history of the LAFD and reminisce about the good old days with long-lost buddies and newfound friends."

Proceeds benefited the Fire Museum and the Fallen Firefighters Memorial.

Here are photos of the event.



From left: Rebecca McCormick; John McCormick, Engineer, Medal of Valor 1969, 27 years; and Doug Brown, Captain II, 30 years.



A torch bearer with, from left, LAFD Chief William Bamattre, Councilmember Tom LaBonge, and an unidenti-



From left: Dr. Bob Scott, Department Psychologist and Director, Critical Incident Stress Management; and Raymond Case, guest.



Bob Clark,



Firefighters of Fire Station 27 awaiting arrival of the Olympic Torch.



Lee Kableo, Commander, Fire Boat Ralph J. Scott, 32 years.





Shirley Laine



Sports television personality Fred Roggin bringing in the Olympic torch after a one-mile run.

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