

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

ClubFest

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Tickets are on sale now. Call the Club, or ask your counselor.

"We're adding more features and more room to this year's ClubFest," says Club CEO John Hawkins. "The response last year was amazing, and truly gratifying. More people want to participate, so we're opening up more room at Calamigos. That means a second great swimming pool, more food, more fun.

"It's really important that we have enough room to spread out, relax and have fun," Hawkins says. "That's what ClubFest 2004 will be."

This year's ClubFest will have different start times. Opening time this year is 11:30 a.m. ClubFest will conclude at 4:30 p.m. The barbecue lunch time has also been changed. Lunch will be available from noon to 2 p.m.

More tickets are being sold, but that increase will more than be offset with the additional space and features.

Also, in response to popular demand, the Club will sell Club hats and ClubFest shirts, so you can proudly display your Club pride.

Early ticket purchasers get a discount on tickets, so order early. If you buy your tickets between now and Aug. 31, here are the prices:

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

As of Sept. 1, the cost goes up to \$10 per person, for everyone. Tickets cannot be guaranteed after Sept. 15. Tickets to Calamigos Ranch are valued at more than \$35 per person, so the Club is passing on to you a significant discount. That's a Club trademark!

Tickets may be purchased by Club members only, who are welcome to bring their friends and family. Everyone must have a ticket.

"We're selling a lot of tickets already for ClubFest," says the Club's Ticket Guy, Navin Cotton. "Don't wait. Keep me busy; call me before the price goes up at the end of August."

Buy your tickets today for ClubFest 2004!



Registration Information

What: ClubFest 2004

Where: Calamigos Ranch, above Malibu

When: 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 3

Who: Club members, their friends and their immediate families only.

Capacity: 2,500 total

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 \$10 on Sept. 1.

How to purchase tickets: Tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets are available through your Club Counselor or at the Club Office, World Trade Center, 350 S. Figueroa St. Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90071, (800) 464-0452.

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 fill your order, but it cannot be responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

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

Food

All you can eat, served from covered wagons, giant cast-iron kettles and six-foot iron grills

- Shredded roast beef smothered in barbecue sauce
- French rolls
- Barbecued chicken
- Fresh grilled corn
- Hot dog bars 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

Fun

- Human Spheres
- Horseshoes
- Ping-pong
- Bungee Run
- Carnival Booths
- Paddle boats
- Swimming pools 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
- Giant inflatable water slide
- Pony rides
- Merry-go-round
- Puppet show

Raffles

- 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.

Wanna be heard? Let us know how much you're looking forward to ClubFest 2004: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Members Speak Out

Where Are the Washingtons, Jeffersons And Lincolns in This Year's Election?

Voting for the right presidential candidate has never been as difficult as [for] this year's candidates. The reason? I don't believe any of them are qualified to be president of this great nation. To be president of this great nation, you have to be a great leader. I see mediocrity not greatness. What happened to the Washingtons, the Jeffersons, the Lincolns, or the Roosevelts as presidents? Is political corruption and bureaucracy so rampant that the best persons for the job are thrown to the political wolves, never to succeed? And if they do rise the political ladder, is it after they sell their souls to the political machines? If this is the case, I'm not voting anymore.

— James Kapel, Club Member

He Thinks City Employees Should Take Better Advantage of the Letters Section

I'm happy that the City allows for a place that employees can express their thoughts on anything and have the opportunity to have those thoughts shared in *Alive!* City employees should use this forum more often, and I'm going to spread the word to my colleagues about it.

Thanks, City Employees Club.

— Jaime Gabaldon, Club Member

Club Member Has Bone of Contention With Current Owners of L.A. Dodgers

I have to get this off my chest, and I do it because one of your Counselors came to our yard and said that this is the place where City employees can be heard. Here it goes.

I have always been a Dodger fan, since the days of Fernando Valenzuela and the 1981 World Series Team. I have been disappointed and elated as the years have gone by with the Dodgers. These days I feel frustration. Not with the team, but with the ownership. The McCourts are more like McCrooks. I believe that they will take this team on the wrong path. As the months go by, they will trade key players, and probably fire one of the most competent Dodger coaches since Tommy Lasorda in Jim Tracy. As long as the McCourts are in charge, we will never see a championship Dodger team.

— Rick Myers, Club Member



LAPD Works to Reduce Crime; Council Does its Part by Outlawing ... Silly String?

The City Council just passed a City ordinance to make silly string spray illegal in the Los Angeles city limits. They have reports that indicate that the use of these spray cans promote criminal activity, especially during holidays such as Halloween and New Years.

Does the City Council have anything better to do? Let's see. First, according to the LAPD crime and arrest comparison report, crime has decreased in all areas except for a 3 percent increase in homicides. Additionally, total violent crimes have been reduced over the year by about 15 percent. These are significant reductions, which have something to do with the police department escalating their presence on the streets and making more arrests.

It appears as though the City is trying to help to contain crime by doing its part by passing ordinances like the possession of silly string spray.

— Julie Monroe, Club Member

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