

Happy Birthday, LA

By Bev Haro, Club Counselor
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■ The City celebrates its 223rd birthday.

On Sept. 4, Los Angeles threw a celebration in honor of its 223rd birthday with a nine-mile walk that began at the San Gabriel Mission and ended at the El Pueblo Historical Plaza near Olvera Street.

The nine-mile Los Pobladores walk began at the San Gabriel Mission at 6 a.m. on Saturday September 4, 2004. The idea was to retrace the footsteps of the founder of Los Angeles. When the walkers arrived to the El Pueblo Historical Monument plaza, they were welcomed with free

food and refreshments.

Free birthday cake and live entertainment was provided.

The celebration was sponsored by the City of Los Angeles, El Pueblo Historical Monument, Council District 14, the city of San Gabriel, Los Pobladores 200, the DWP and the office of LA County Fifth District Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich.

Attendees included employees of Rec and Parks, General Services, LAPD, LAFD, DOT, El Pueblo and staff from Councilman Antonio Villaraigosa's office.

Many hundreds of tourists attended the event as well.



A Chinese acrobat on a unicycle entertains the crowd.



Club Counselor Beverly Haro (right) with Tony Valdez of Channel 11 News.



From left: Officer Aiken, DOT, 31 years; and Officer Martinez Jr., DOT, 5 years.



Latin dancers pose for a quick picture before performing on stage.



From left: Sarai Molina, office of Antonio Villaraigosa (District 14); Margarita Rivas; and Celine Cordero, office of Antonio Villaraigosa (District 14).



Ken Alexander, ITA.



Rick Ferrante, Rec and Parks.



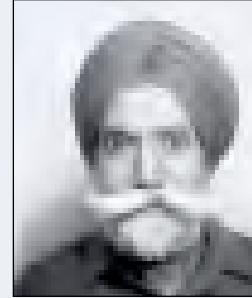
From left: Rosalino Santiago, General Services, 1 year; and Shirley Gomez, General Services, 2 years.



From left: Captain Carter (FS 4); Staff Assistant Watters (Battalion 1); Firefighter Shirley (FS 4); Engineer Tieze (FS 4); Firefighter Dawes (FS 4); Firefighter Muñoz (FS 4); and Battalion Chief Ray Gomez (Battalion 1).



The Club Says Happy Birthday to New Club Member

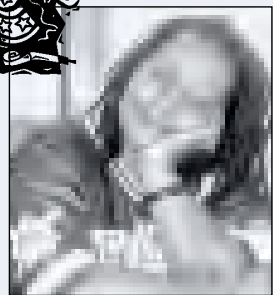


Vasdev "Vas" Singh, with the Bureau of Sanitation.

Happy birthday, Vas, and welcome to the Club!

Happy Birthday, LaSandra

Story and photo by Robert Larios



The Club wished a happy birthday to LaSandra Atkinson on her birthday, Sept. 15.

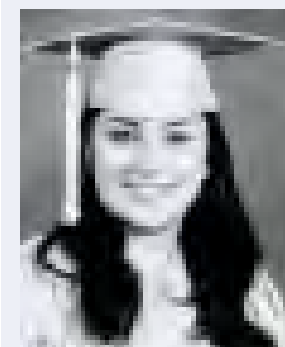
LaSandra is the assistant paymaster at the DWP and has worked for the City for 22 years.

Another Grad!

Over the summer, *Alive!* asked for—and received—photos of those children of Club members who had just graduated from a school (level not important).

We also said that we would be happy to print more, if you sent them in.

Well, here's another, plus a clarification. Congratulations to Gloria from the Club



Gloria Celeste Prado graduated from New Roads High School and received a grant from Whittier College, where she attends now. She is a National Society of High School Scholars. Her

mother is Gloria Hurtado, Community Watch Specialist and Kid Watch LA Coordinator for the City Attorney's Office, Safe Neighborhoods Division. Her uncle is LAPD Sergeant Francisco Hurtado, Hollenbeck Division.

An update:

We ran Krystle A. Garcia's graduation information over the summer. But Krystle didn't tell us who her mother is. She wrote in to correct the situation. Krystle's mom is Alicia Garcia, Gardener Caretaker at Ontario Airport. Congratulations to both of you.



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