

Boat Ashore!

■ Retirement of venerable LAFD fireboat *Ralph J. Scott* required coordinated effort.

“Some said that it couldn’t be done. Some said it shouldn’t be done. Some it could be done but ... we said, ‘Let’s get it done!’”

So are the words of Frank Borden, Director of Operations, LAFDHS, on describing the effort to pull a retired fireboat out of the water, and start the preservation process.

On Aug. 20, the retired LAFD fireboat *Ralph J. Scott* was gently lifted from the ocean at Berth 87 in San Pedro and placed in its temporary site on the dock near Fire Station 112.

“After over a year of meetings and planning it happened, thanks to the hard work by people from the LAFD, the LAFD Historical Society, staff from the L.A. Harbor Department, the

preservation committee, our outstanding consultants and maritime tradespeople, and many more," he continues.

"It was truly a team effort and a lesson that if a project is right, stay focused and persevere. We have much to do now to begin the preservation project. We have already initiated plans to secure and protect this great historic landmark. Next we will develop a detailed plan to begin working on the vessel to bring it to 'museum quality.' It will eventually be in its own museum in the new Promenade area of the Bridge to the Breakwater project. To make that happen, we need resources and commitment.

“Are you ready to lend a hand in this project? We have a great track record of accomplishments so join the winning team.”

The LAFD fireboat Ralph J. Scott after leaving the water.



Fit for a Prince

By Beverly Haro, Club Counselor

Photos by Summy Lam, Club IT Coordinator

■ LAFD Battalion Chief Roy Prince retires from LAFD.

On Aug. 20, friends and family attended a retirement party for LAFD Battalion Chief Roy Prince, who retires after many years of City service.

The party was held at the Odyssey Restaurant in Granada Hills.
Congratulations, Roy! We hope to see you around the Club very soon.



Joan Prince (wife), Roy Prince (retiree)



From left: Firefighter Dan Curry, Fire Station 88; and Firefighter Ty Wilcox, Fire Station 98.



From left: Ethan Wong, Project Manager; Captain Mike Rueda; Robert Falcon, Project Manager; and Brian Kanegawa, Project Manager.



From left Terry Tuzzolino, retiree from LAFD; Tim Togneri, Fire Station 60; Roger Ziemer, Fire Station 49; and Jeff Brown, Fire Station 60.



From left: David Rogers, Mark Rojas and Bob Motheral.



Family of Chief Prince, from left: Kaitlin Rider (granddaughter), Tracy Horstman (daughter), Jason Horstman (son-in-law), Joan Prince (wife), Roy Prince (retiree), Gretchen Rider (daughter-in-law), and Josh Rider (son-in-law).

Sergio Gets Pinned

Story and photos by Jorge Suarez, Club Counselor

■ DWP's Sergio Torrez is recognized for 35 years of City service.

Honor, commitment and dedication go hand in hand for Sergio Torrez, who was awarded a Service Pin for 35 years of City service. Sergio works at the DWP's East Valley Yard.

The nice ceremony was held early in the morning of Aug. 24 at the DWP's Water Services building in North Hollywood.

The Club congratulates Sergio on his accomplishment.



From left: Sergio Torrez, Water Services Specialist, with David A. Gearhart, Meter and Service Assistant Superintendent with the DWP's Water Distribution Business Unit.



From left: Javier Romero, Water Services supervisor, with Sergio Torrez, Water Services Specialist.