Ellis Retires

■ Lt. Richard Ellis retires after 30 years with Airport Police.

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AIRPORTS — Lt. Richard Ellis retired July 7 after 30 years of service with LAX Airport Police. Friends and family gathered at the Proud Bird Restaurant in Los Angeles to wish him farewell. Retired Sgt. Alfred Turner was the Master of Ceremonies, and Captain Brian Walker presented Lt. Ellis with an engraved departmental clock for his service.

In July 1974, Lt. Ellis was a Special Officer, and in 1985 he became a Principal Special Officer. In November 1997 he retired from the Army Reserve as a Major after 27 years of service. Congratulations on a great career, Richard!



From left: Sergeant Marlo Richardson, 6 years; Ken Bowers, 21 years; Korey Holmes, 5 years; and Sam Pittman, 21 years.



From left: Lou Duran, Sergeant, 34 years; Clarence Franklin, Retired; and Phyllis Massey, Airport Police, 32 years, Club Member



From left: Lt. Richard Ellis, Retiree, 30 years; and Alan Hyde, Commanding Officer.



From left: Howard Whitehead, 31 years, Club Member; Michelle Irwin, 7 years; and Frank Koehler, 6 years.



From left: Darline Beatty, Clerk Typist, 21 years; and Rose Crutchfield, Airport Police Officer, 28 years.





From left: Kimberly Tolson, Principal Communications, 17 years, Club Member; Harvey Coleman, Airport Police Officer, 7 years; Sgt. Barbara James, 21 years; Officer Dawn Davis, 3 years; Club Member; Dawn Smith, Sr. Communications Officer, 15 years; and Terri Miramontes, Sr. Communications Operator, 15 years.



Front row, from left: Lt. Carolyn Smith, 23 years, Club Member; and Capt. Greg Staar, 19 years, Club Member. Back: Virginia Cormier, 7 years, Club Member; Allen Harvin; Captain Brian Walker; and Barbara Ellis.



From left: Billye Henderson, Special Officer III, 26 years; Sandra Smith, Special Officer III, 36 years, Club Member; Jonanda Smith, Special Officer III, 14 years; and Emily Waters, Special Officer III, 20 years.



Front row, from left: Richard Ellis and Al Turner, Retired Sergeant, 44 years. Back: Karen Rachall, Clerk Typist, 24 years; Donna Wong, Clerk Typist, 4 years; Rose Crutchfield, Officer, 28 years; and Mattie Thompson, Retired Sergeant, 32 years.