



A celebrity announcer from KPWB.



Runners assemble towards the start line to get ready for the 10-K run.



Club's Member Service Manager Angel Gomez smiles after his run and receiving his medal for completion. He came sixth in his age division, finishing the 5-K run in 28.01 minutes.



There go the 5-K runners, including the Club's very own Angel Gomez, Member Service Manager.



The Club's Member Service Manager Angel Gomez attempts to pull away as he sprints to the finish line.

# In Pursuit of New Officers

■ LAPD hosts expo, races to highlight recruitment. Proceeds go to Katrina victims.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

**POLICE DEPT.** — The LAPD hosted its first "In Pursuit of the LAPD" Expo and 5-K and 10-K run at the Police Academy Oct. 1 for those interested in pursuing a career with the LAPD as well as the general public.

In addition to providing information and assistance to those interested in joining Los Angeles law enforcement, the Expo offered events and activities for all. Children enjoyed a jumper, rock climbing, karate demonstration, a display of LAPD historical vehicles and many giveaways courtesy the LAPD as well as other organization and vendors participating in the event including Power 106, Jack FM, Mariachi Los Toros and food vendors.

Andrew Bynum, the youngest player ever drafted by the NBA and future center of the Los Angeles Lakers, was scheduled to attend the event to present the grand prize to the first place winner of the 10-K run: a key to a brand new Honda vehicle courtesy of Goudy Honda.

The LAPD's Specialized Units were on site to share with the public who they are and what they do, with the hopes of sparking interest in potential candidates. The Specialized Units included Air Support, K-9 Unit, SWAT, Beach Detail, Off-Road, Bomb Squad, Mounted Unit, Motor Unit, Traffic, Dive Team, Hazardous Materials Unit, Police Service Representatives (911) and Police Reserves.

"The focus of the event is to draw and expose the public and media to the various opportunities LAPD has to offer to all ages," said LAPD Recruitment Officer Gavin Stieglitz. "We will have Explorers, Magnet School students and Reserve Officers all participating to share information and encourage qualified candidates to sign up. Recruitment and testing will be offered on the day of the event for those individuals who are ready for new career, either as a full-time Police

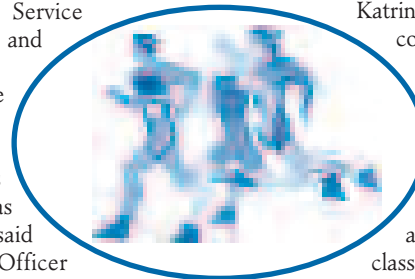
Officer or Reserve Police Officer."

The LAPD written test was scheduled for 9:30 a.m. and again at 1:30 p.m. The big events of the day, the 5-K (3.1 miles) and 10-K (6.2 miles) runs promised to be a blast and were open to all ages 12 and above.

Proceeds from the race will go to Hurricane Katrina victims. The 5-K and 10-K runs consisted of an aggressive course over hills and dirt trails.

"It will be a day worth remembering for family fun and, hopefully, a day worth remembering because you or someone you know made the right career move and joined the ranks of the world-class Los Angeles Police Department," added Officer Gavin Stieglitz.

The Club thanks Jackie David and Bruce Whidden for their assistance. Congratulations to the event organizers, and also to the Club's very own Member Service Manager Angel Gomez, who ran the 5-K. He came in at 28.01 and sixth in his age division).



Marisol Vielma, Police Service Representative, Club Member.



Delores Youngblood, Forensic Print Specialist, 18 years, Club Member.



In the LAPD Scientific Investigation Division booth, from left: Jerry Blantay, Criminalist, 19 years; Heather Zarsky, Criminalist, 6 months.



A 10-K runner sprints to the finish line.



Lee Turner, Recruitment Analyst, Personnel Dept, 2 weeks.



From Left: Rich Alba, SWAT Officer, 17.5 years, and Nelson Fong, SWAT Officer, 14 years.



Ralph Ward, SWAT Officer, 15.5 years.



The Beach Detail booth, from left: Ray Galluccio, P2, 10-plus years; Craig Rensch, P2, 10-plus years; and Dan Hankins, P2, 4 years.



At the Hazmat booth: Eric Quirk, P2, 10 years.



At the City Personnel booth: Art Irigoyen, Sr. Personnel Analyst, 7 years, Club Member.



At the LAFD recruitment booth: Kenny Russell, LAFD Station 68, 2.5 years.



From left: Hans Almaraz, Metro K9 Officer, 16 years; Mark Sauvao, Bomb K9 Officer, 12 years; and Aya, 2.



Pat Guessferd, LAPD Recruitment Officer, 24 years.



From left: Lt. Art Miller, LAPD Recruitment, 27 years; and Bruce Whidden, Director for Public Information, City Personnel, 5 years.



At the LAPD Credit Union booth, from left: Rose Hernandez; Mirca Gallardo, runner; Rick Noubleau; Diana Rojas; and Vinh Truong.



One of the many police vehicles on display.



From left: Marijo Johnson and Donna Harden. Both are LAPD widows representing LAPD Family Support Group.



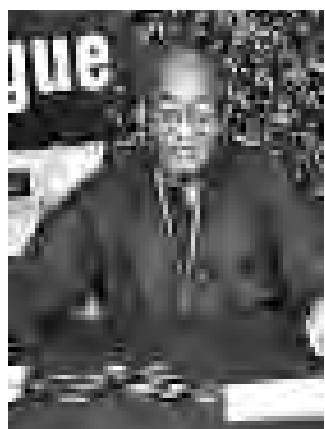
At the LAPD Recruitment booth, standing in back: Alex Peraza, P2, 6 years. Seated: Paula Crutchfield, Sr. Clerk Typist, 11 years; Chris Porter, P3, 10 years; and Zadi River, Police Student Worker, 2 years.



With Personnel Department's Jackie David (right), Club Member, are, from left: Nicole David, 7; Mark Sauvaio, Bomb K9 Officer, 12 years; Aya, 2; and Stephen David, 9.



A police vehicle on display.



At the Public Works booth: Marshall Lowe, Public Information Officer, 19 years, Club Member.



At the LAPD Wives booth are, from left: Alice Sturdy, Adel Martin, Lynn Caprarelli, Robin Espinosa and Catalina Lara.



John Izzo, Air Support, 10 years.



Ken Phillippe, Air Support, 23 years.



At the Los Angeles Protective League booth, from left: Cindy Scott; Mariana Martinez; Officer Tim Sands, Los Angeles Police Protective League Director, 31 years; Yolanda Rivera; and Kelly Sacino.



At the Motor Unit booth, from left: Jerome Calhoun, Motor Officer South Traffic, 18.5 years; and Ron Roberson, Motor Officer South Traffic, 19 years.



The Club's Member Service Manager Angel Gomez at the finish line.

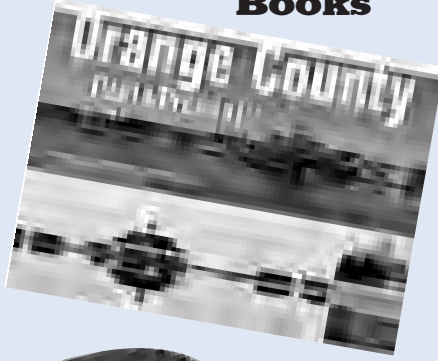
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**Books**


**Consider:**

- \* The Club's newest gift book, *Orange County, Views of the Past and Present*, for \$25. This is a companion book to *Los Angeles, Views of the Past and Present*. Both are on sale at the Club right now and make great Christmas gifts!




**Hats**

- \* Club apparel, including hats



**Watches**

- \* City of Los Angeles items, including hats and high-quality watches
- \* Tickets with the famous Club discount (no markups) are the perfect stocking stuffer.



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## Happy Holidays from the Club

