



As his last official act of duty after a 30-year career with the force, departing Airport Police Chief Bernard Wilson (left) administers the swearing-in oath to new Airport Police Lieutenants Latasha Amerson, Michael Vaccariello, Carl Sansbury, Mario Patrick, Richard Hinkle and Tyrone Stallings.

Airport Police Promotes Six

■ Sergeants become lieutenants at ceremony.

Story and photo by Harold Johnson, LAX Public Relations

AIRPORTS — Six Los Angeles Airport Police Sergeants were sworn-in as Lieutenants Aug 17. The new lieutenants are Latasha Amerson, Richard Hinkle, Mario Patrick, Carl Sansbury, Tyrone Stallings and Michael Vaccariello. Departing Airport Police Chief Bernard Wilson administered the swearing-in oath as his last official act of duty after a 30-year career with the force.

Amerson was formerly assigned as Chief Wilson's Adjutant and is now assigned to the Investigations Unit over Internal Affairs and Background Investigations. Hinkle worked in Emergency Services and will join the Homeland Security Unit. Patrick, already a police lieutenant, transferred from General Services to the Airport Police Patrol Services Unit. Sansbury and Stallings are in the Patrol Services Unit and will remain a part of that organization. Vaccariello led the Dignitary Protection Unit and will now work in Patrol Services.

Congratulations to the new lieutenants!



From left: Chief Gary Green; Officer Gregg Iwamiya; Officer Thomas Dye; Officer Tanansuk Chow; and Paul Green, Chief Financial Officer.

They Saved a Life

■ Three Airport Police officers are recognized for saving a life.

Story by Officer Belinda Nettles, Airport Police
Photos by Liz Montes, Club Counselor

AIRPORTS — Three Los Angeles Airport Police officers were recognized Oct. 3 for saving the life of a female traveler at Los Angeles International Airport last July.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the officers during the Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners Meeting Oct. 3.

July 22, at approximately 12:45 p.m., Los Angeles Airport Police Officers Gregg Iwamiya, Thomas Dye and Tanansuk Chow immediately responded to an emergency radio call about an unconscious woman at boarding gate 112 in the Tom Bradley International Terminal. Dye and

Iwamiya performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation on the traveler while Chow retrieved an automated external defibrillator from a nearby wall and placed it on the victim. After the AED determined that defibrillation was necessary, a shock was applied. Shortly thereafter, the traveler regained a pulse and started breathing on her own prior to the arrival of Los Angeles Fire Department paramedics, who continued medical treatment and later took the traveler to Centinela Hospital in Inglewood.

The traveler reportedly made a full recovery and was discharged a few days later.

Iwamiya has served on the Airport Police force for three years, and both Dye and Chow for two years.

The Club congratulates the three officers for their heroic service to the customers at LAX.



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Let There Be Ice

■ Downtown on Ice returns for the holiday season. Also this year: holiday music and special events.

REC AND PARKS — Holiday revelers are invited to glide into family fun at the Southland's largest outdoor skating rink, Downtown on Ice, scheduled to open for its eighth season Nov. 17, and to remain open through Jan. 16.

The rink will be at Pershing Square (532 South Olive). As the City's answer to New York's Rockefeller Center, the vast outdoor ice oasis lies nestled among the City's picturesque towering skyscrapers and historical landmarks, perfect for a memorable and convenient outing.

With an admission price of \$6 per skating session and \$2 for skate rental, the rink is open seven days a week (including holidays), and is sponsored by Rec and Parks and the office of Councilmember Jan Perry (9th District).

Downtown on Ice also boasts a free holiday musical concert series with top names in entertainment, along with numerous special free family events, including a Disney on Ice special review.

The facility is easily accessible via the Golden State 5, Hollywood 101 and Harbor 110 Freeways, or by bus (5th and Olive), and the Metro Red Line (Pershing Square Station at Hill Street). Underground parking is offered at a discounted rate with rink validation.

For more information on Downtown on Ice, call (213) 847-4970 or visit www.laparks.org and go to Directory of Services, then click on Pershing Square. The toll-free number is (888) LA-PARKS (527-2757).

Downtown on Ice at Pershing Square Nov. 17 through Jan. 16.

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- General schedule: Monday -Thursday noon – 9 p.m.
- Friday/Saturday/Sunday 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.
- Special extended holiday vacation hours 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. (Dec. 17 through Jan. 8)
- Open all holidays

Admission: \$6 per session
Skate rental: \$2

