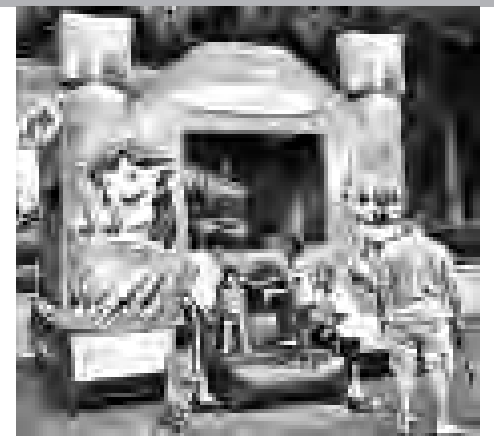




Captain Andrew Smith welcomes picnic attendees.



Club Member Sonia Vargas with her Puerto Rico jersey enjoys the picnic with her family. Sonia has been a City Employee for 20 years at LAX.



One of the many air bounces available for kids.



From left: Cece Tatum, Clerk Typist, 22 years; Bobbie Telles, Secretary, 20 years, Club Member; and Mary Gonzales, Clerk Typist, 17 years, Club Member.

# Central Picnic

■ LAPD Central Area has annual family picnic.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

**POLICE DEPT.** — The LAPD's Central Area had a fun annual picnic at the Police Academy Sept. 10. This year's theme was a luau.

Guests enjoyed lots of picnic games, including a sack race for both the young and old and musical chairs. Children enjoyed the magic show while everyone enjoyed the Polynesian dancers.

The menu included hot dogs, hamburgers, barbecued chicken, carne asada, corn, cotton candy, snow cones, candied apples, pork rinds, potato salad and pineapple drink. Lots of prizes went to the winners of the picnic games. Picnic-goers were also able to see LAPD displays including SWAT, Metro Mounted and K-9.

The Club thanks Captain Andrew Smith, Captain Jodi Wakefield, Captain Ann Young, Cece Tatum, Priscilla Chavez and Cathy Susim for their assistance.



Welcome to the picnic!



The crowd enjoys the magician.



From left: Sgt. James Baker, Club Member; Cathy Susim, PSR II, Club Member; and Diane and Deputy Chief Lee Carter, Central Bureau.



Standing, from left: Lendell Walker, Custodial Service Attendant, 18 years, Club Member, with daughter Sabrina. Seated: son Deon, granddaughter April and daughter-in-law Tracie.



Back, from left: Sandra and Dale Ziesmer, P2, 8 years. Front: daughters Valerie, 6, and Mia, 3; with son Christian, 2.



From left: Roschon Gonzalez, P2, 8 years; and Marie Kardiban, P2, 15 years, Club Member.



From left: Carmen; Rosa and Miguel were guests of Officer Jesse Mojica.



Adults enjoy their turn at musical chairs.



Sgt. Campbell with his Hawaiian lei is hard at work on the cooking detail with his group.



Back, from left: Marco Villanueva, P2, 4 years; and Shelley Gallegos, Detective II, 8 years. Front: daughter Kylie, 4.

Steve Fisher, P2, 35 years.



From left: Kris Werner, P3+1, 12 years; and Ruben Hunt, LAFD Apparatus Operator, 27 years.



Standing, from left: Kathy Khou, Fiscal System Analyst, 17 years, with Patty and Brian. Seated: Janelle, 5; Christine Pham, System Analyst II, 12 years, Club Member; Michael, 3; Amy, mother of Christine; and niece Aileen.



Back, from left: Georgia, mother of Sgt. James Baker; Wendy Tanaka-Baker, P2, 8 years; and Sgt. James Baker, Club Member. Front: daughters Kaylee, 4, and Kimi, 2.



Captain Smith thanks Cathy Susim, Cece Tatum, Priscilla Chavez for a job well done on the picnic. From left: Cathy Susim, PSR II, 23 years, Club Member; Captain Andrew Smith, Commanding Officer Central Community Police Station, Club Member; and Priscilla Chavez, PSR II, 13 years, Club Member.



From left: Kathy and Herman Kaskowitz, Sgt. II, 33 years.



From left: Dinesha with Eboni, daughter of Club Member Lendell Walker.





From left: Teresa Martinez, P3 Vice Investigator, 12 years, with her husband, Saul Martinez.



Mike Peters, P3, 14 years, with his K9 partner Adjo.



From left: Angel Gomez, P3, 12 years; and Manuel Melgoza, P2, 8 years.



A game of musical chairs helps the picnickers work off their food.



From left: Daryl Lewis, P3, 24 years, with daughter Destiny, 14, and friend Diana.



The food line.



From left: Margarita, Carlos and Aaron were guests of Officer Carlos Garcia.



There were lots of activities for the kids.



Sack Race: Bike Officers vs. Vice Officers.



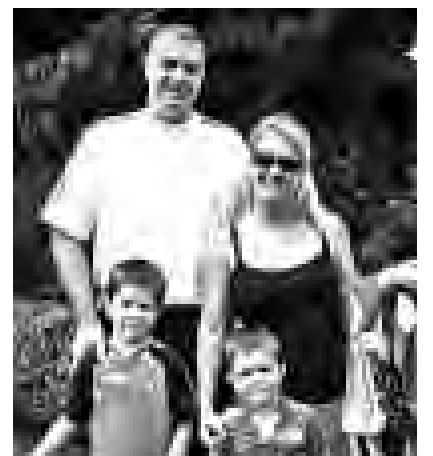
From left: Henry, dad; Lily Gomez, PSR, 10.5 years; and Blanca, aunt.



Back, from left: mom Marlen; Beth Jenkins, P2, 10 years; and dad Elmer. Front: triplets Ryan, Kylie and Jane, all 15 months. Jane, being the shy one, hides her face.



Joe Rios, SWAT Officer, 18 years.



Back: Jamie Bennett, P3, 10 years, and his wife, Jennifer. Front: Sons Andy, 6, and Derek, 4.



Jimbo greets the kids as Officer Garcia looks on.



The sack race for the young.



There were plenty of prizes to choose from.



From left: Ho Minh, P2, 5 years; Craig Rensch, P2, 10.5 years; and Alicia Jordan, SLO, 10.5 years.



From left: Jim LeNoue, P2, 8.5 years, Club Member; and Josh Rice, P3, 8.5 years.



15-month-old Michael, son of PSR Lily Gomez, enjoys being behind the wheel of the SWAT vehicle.



Emmette Badar, Detective 3, 32 years, with his wife, Pam.



Ana Carrasco, Clerk Typist, 3 years, Club Member, with daughter Leslie, six weeks old.



From left: Erica, 6, with Maria Evis, wife of Officer David Evis.



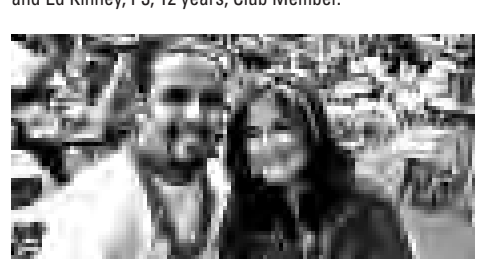
From left: son Jay Nunez Jr.; Sgt. Jay Nunez, 25 years; and wife Rose



From left: Jimbo; Ulysses Gasca, P3+1, 19 years; Montana; and Ed Kinney, P3, 12 years, Club Member.



From left: daughter Kathie, 15; Captain Jodi Wakefield, Commanding Officer Central Patrol Division; and son James, 13



From left: Carlos Garcia, P3, 9 years, Club Member; and Sgt. Leticia Delgado, 21 years.

