

Rene Retires *Congratulations*

■ **Sgt. Rene Taylor, Club Member, retires from General Services after 31 years of City service.**

Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor. Photos by Angel Gomez, Member Services Manager

GENERAL SERVICES — Friends, family and co-workers said goodbye to Sgt. Rene Taylor, Sergeant Security Officer, General Services, and Club Member, on his retirement at a luncheon May 12 at the New Otani Hotel downtown.

He has worked for the City for more than 31 years of service. He began his career as a Security Officer in 1974, and was promoted to Sergeant in 1981.

Reaching out to the needy has also been a hallmark of his career. He has participated in food programs, and assisting at shelters for the elderly.

Rene has received commendations and accolades from supervisors as well as members of the public in recognition of his outstanding managerial abilities, dedication, commitment to providing excellent customer service, service improvement and innovation, supervisory excellence, motivation and mentorship.

Congratulations, Rene! Enjoy your retirement.

The Club thanks Margie Kimble and Lydia Marquez for their assistance.



Sgt. Rene Taylor, Club Member, Retiree.



From left: Talmadge Williams, Rene's uncle; Carolyn Williams, Rene's aunt; Sgt. Rene Taylor, Retiree, Club Member; Maurine Adkins, Rene's aunt; and Elray Adkins, Rene's uncle.



Standing, from left: Capt. Richard Musquiz, Club Member; and John Shea, Director, Security Service at OPS, Los Angeles Convention Center. Seated: Giles Hurley, Store Supervisor, Local 777 Representative; Penny Hurley, Personnel Analyst; and Sgt. Irene Blandino, OPS, Club Member.



From left: Raynaya, 4; Sandra Nichols, guest; Dominique, Rene's stepdaughter; Gracie Williams, Rene's sister-in-law; and Loretta Young, friend.



From left: Chief Gary S. Newton; Sgt. Rene Taylor, Retiree, Club Member; Capt. Richard Musquiz, Club Member; and Capt. Gerry Perez, Club Member.



From left: Beverly Pleasant, Executive Secretary III, Club Member; Tobi Arias, P3 Parking Attendant, Club Member; Lillian Sedlak, Sr. MA II; and James Brumfield, Retired Captain.



From left: Sgt. Maria Abarca; Amber Contreras, Public Safety Officer, Club Member; Sgt. Carlos Lopez; and Wendell Arias, Public Safety Officer.



Alvin Blain, General Manager, Department of General Services, presents Sgt. Rene Taylor with a Certificate of Appreciation. From left: Sr. Lead Officer Michael L. Johnson, OPS; Capt. Richard Musquiz, OPS, Club Member; Alvin Blain, General Manager, General Services, Club Member; Sgt. Rene Taylor, Retiree, Club Member; Capt. Gerry Perez, OPS, Club Member; and Chief Gary S. Newton, OPS.



Standing: Sgt. Rene Taylor, Retiree, Club Member. Seated, from left: Tami Young, Security Officer; Herman Walton, Retired Peace Officer; and Paul McGee, Retired Accounting Records Supervisor, Rec. and Parks, Club Member.



Back, from left: Charles Fuwehinemi, Public Safety Officer; and Sgt. Rene Taylor, Retiree, Club Member. Seated: Jose Gutierrez, LAPD Officer; Roxanne Castro, Public Safety Officer; Lt. Robert Becerra, LA Zoo; Lt. Ray Ingal, Office of Public Safety; Stan Molden, Public Safety Officer; and Lydia Marquez, a.k.a. "Her Majesty."



From left: Anthony DeClue, Assistant General Manager, General Services, Club Member; Natalie Jones, Sr. Clerk Typist, Club Member; Janie Smith, Personnel Analyst; Beverly Batiste, Secretary; Narvia Wells, Sr. Personnel Analyst, Club Member; and Alvin Blain, General Manager, General Services, Club Member.



Lt. Robert Becerra, LA Zoo, bids Sgt. Taylor a fond farewell.



Standing: Lydia Marquz, a.k.a. "Her Majesty." Seated, from left: Beverly Simms, Secretary; Yolanda Navarro, Accounting Clerk; and Angie Rios, Accounting Clerk II, Club Member.



Sr. Lead Officer Michael L. Johnson served as Master of Ceremonies



Sgt. Susan Kapoh, Club Member; Sr. Lead Officer Michael L. Johnson



Chief Gary S. Newton shares some of his found memories of Sgt. Taylor and thanks him for his dedication and hard work.

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