

*\* A Message From the CEO \**

# Lighthouse, Bikes: Summer in L.A.

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But you didn't know the City had a lighthouse.

Yep, and it's run by Kristen Childs of Recreation and Parks. The *Alive!* Interview

Crew recently paid a visit to Kristen, took a tour of the lighthouse and got a chance to interview her; it was a most fascinating experience. Make the Point Fermin Lighthouse a destination this summer, whether it's you by your lonesome or with the entire family. It's bound to be a lot cooler than other parts of the City as it sits high on a bluff and catches the cool ocean breezes. (And just to have a little fun, e-mail me with the date the Lighthouse was built, and I'll send you two free movie tickets.)



Kristen Childs, Historic Site Curator for the Pt. Fermin Lighthouse and City employee, explains the history of the lighthouse to John Hawkins, Club CEO.

Well, I just finished teaching my second son, Isaiah, how to ride a bike. Short of permanent back damage and a case of extreme heat stroke, I think I'll be okay. (For those of you who have never taught a child how to ride a bike, you need to know that it's quite a workout, especially for your back.) It's amazing, though, how, when you first start out, you think (to yourself of course), "There's now way this guy is ever going to learn." But, like most things in life, persistence and constant practice prevail. That's not unlike how James Feagin, City employee extraordinaire, became one of the world's top experts on masonry (see page 18).

Before I sign off, I also wanted to give a big high-five to this year's Club Scholarship winners, especially Irvin Shannon, our first-place winner. The competition was very tough, and all of us here at the Club are extremely proud of them.

Stay cool!

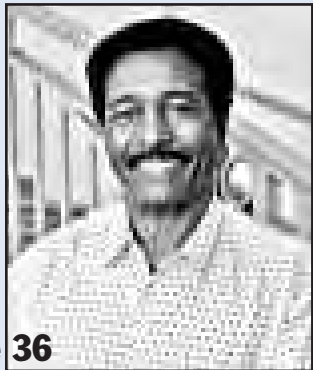
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