The Year That Was Alive!

■ Last year was another eventful one! Here's a photo recap.

CLUB HEADQUARTERS — How was your 2006?

Before we get too far ahead of ourselves, it's time to look back one more time at the year that was 2006. Did you get a promotion? Did you retire? Did you participate in one of the many great golf tournaments or other fundraisers during the year? Did you have fun at ClubFest?

City Employees are dynamic and ever active. And Alive! takes pride in all the great photos we publish each month as we celebrate the lives of City Employees. So here's a recap of 2006 in photos. These photos will also be online in a special photo gallery at www.cityemployeesclub.com

Happy New Year, everyone!



Holiday Parties: Jay Leno made a second annual appearance in Alive!'s January 2006 issue. As he did in January 2005, he attended the LAPD Training holiday party. With him is Capt. Greg Meyers.





Hollywood Lights: Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa joined Street Lighting Director Ed Ebrahimian (far left) and Councilman Eric Garcetti (near left) to switch on new decorative lighting

Holiday Parties: Santa made one of his many appearances as the City celebrated the holidays. Alive! covered dozens of City parties last year, just as we did this year. Covering the City parties has become an Alive! holiday tradition



Cabrillo Marine Aquarium: Alive! spent a day at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, where we visited with Aquarist Lisa Bartley, one of the many oceanic professionals researching and teaching the public about marine biology





Auto Show: The Greater L.A. Auto Show, an annual visitor to the Convention Center, is one of the world's biggest. It is successful largely because of the hundreds of Convention Center employees who make it happen on time. Here, Domingo Martinez, Communication Electrician, readies the equipment.

Black History: The Watts Prophets were honored as part of an extensive celebration honoring Central Avenue. The event was sponsored by the DWP African American Employees Association







Port Police: Alive! took an extensive look at the excellent work being done by the Port Police to protect one of the City's most critical assets. With some of the Port Police in this photo was Reserve Officer Shaquille O'Neal (right).





Chinese New Year: Downtown was awash with vibrant colors and impressive dragons and snake floats as Chinese New Year was celebrated in Chinatown. A number of City Employees took part in firecracker ceremony



L.A. Heat: The City's L.A Heat football team, consisting of sworn safety officers, took up spring training in advance of its





St. Patrick's Day: Councilman and Club Member Tom LaBonge was Irish for a day as he celebrated at the annual St. Patrick's Day parade and celebration in Pershing Square. His office coordinated the events.

Central City Excellence: the LAPD Central City Boosters honored excellence at a Recognition Day luncheon. Pictured were, from left: Capt. Andrew J. Smith, Commanding Officer, LAPD Central Area, Club Member; Capt. Jodi Wakefield, Commanding Officer, Central Patrol Division; Tom Hyde, President, Central City Police Boosters; Special Recognition President's Award recipient Senior Lead Officer Larry Pratt; Chief Lee Carter; and Commander Lewis Gray.



Lineman's Rodeo: Alive! went up, up and away to capture the DWP lineman in training for the annual Lineman's Rodeo. The contest was a local one, in buildup to a national competition. The amazing cover photo was taken by the Club's Angel Gomez.







Baker to Vegas: Alive! once again covered extensively the amazing and annual Baker to Vegas run, in which many City Employee relay teams participated.



St. Baldrick's: Councilwoman Wendy Greuel shaves the head of LAFD Spokesman Brian Humphrey as part of the annual St. Baldrick's head-shaving fundraiser, held on St. Patrick's Day.

Norma Torres: Few knew that a City Employee also happened to be the Mayor of Pomona. That would be Norma Torres, here on the left, chatting with Club Counselor Arlene Herrero. She was featured in of many excellent Alive! interviews during 2006.





LAPD Wives: The LAPD Wives is an excellent support group of women whose loved one is an LAPD officer. In a great Alive! interview, Club CEO John Hawkins and Club Counselor Arlene Herrero interviewed the





Father's Day: Alive! published many announcements of Club Members saying thanks and Happy Father's Day to their fathers.

Car Show Fundraiser: Housing hosted its first motorcycle rally and car show to benefit the March of Dimes.



Public Works: For its 100th anniversary, Public Works honored





Hope for Firefighters: The LAFD and downtown business interests held their annual Hope for Firefighters contest and street fair downtown to raise funds for the LAFD Widows and Orphans Fund.

Julie Andrews: The star of Broadway and the movies, Julie Andrews, popped in to the Central Library downtown to receive the library's Reader Leader Award. Pictured with her are (from left) Director of Children's Services Ilene Abramson and City Librarian Fontayne Holmes.



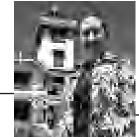




Sanitation: Nobody does open houses quite like Sanitation (Public Works), and the Harbor Sanitation yard hosted its first open house in August, Pictured: Raymond Lucas. RCTO, 25 years, Club Member, with his son, RayJon, 9.

James Feagin: Alive! interviewed City Employee James Feagin, one of the world's foremost experts on





Point Fermin Lighthouse: Alive! paid a visit to this beautiful lighthouse, which overlooks the blue Pacific near San Pedro Pictured is Kristen Childs, Museum Curator, who took us on a tour.



Zoo Creature: A Rare white alligator highlights a swamp creature display at the Zoo.

Night Out: The Central City Police Boosters help with Night Out, part of a national event where communities gather for strength and mutual protection. This event was held out of the LAPD Central Division. Pictured: Capt. Andrew Smith encourages a group of DAP (Deputy Auxiliary Police) youths who attended the Night Out event.





Bike Ride: The Police Boosters also hosted the fourth annual motorcycle ride and chili cook-off for charity.





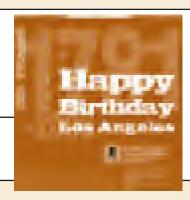


911 Remembered: LAX officials hosted a ceremony to note the fifth anniversary of the 9/11 events that shook our nation.





250th Birthday: Los Angeles celebrated its 250th birthday in the early fall, and Alive! produced a special section with interviews, facts, photos and a timeline that put the birthday in perspective.





Dr. Krupp's Dream: Alive! covered the reopening of the Griffith Observatory, a landmark in the City's year and the longtime dream of Dr. Ed Krupp, Director.

50 Issues of Alive!: In November we turned the focus to ourselves to note the 50th issue of Alive! It is because all our faithful Club Members that the publication has become the best at celebrating the lives of City Employees. Pictured: Club staffers hold cover mockups from each year that Alive! has been published: Club CEO John Hawkins holds a mockup of the very first issue, from October 2002. The Ticket Guy holds a mockup from 2003; Club Counselor Arlene Herrero holds a mockup from 2004; Club Tech Guru Summy Lam holds up a cover from 2005; and Member Services Manager Angel Gomez holds a mockup from earlier in 2006.





Foam on the Range: The foam machine is one of the big attractions at ClubFest every year, and







Mason Park Childcare: Rec and Parks opened a noteworthy childcare center in Mason Park. Pictured, from left: Angela Bagmanian, Childcare Center Director; Greig Smith 12th District Councilmember: Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager: Gary Lee Moore, City Engineer; and several children from the area cut the ribbon.





Halloween Costumes: LAPD Communications noted the dress-up day with lots of silly costumes. Here's the one worn by Gina Carroll, first place winner, as a cowgirl.

Holidays in the City: *Alive!* put together a special section of holiday offerings by the City. Pictured: Travel Town to the North Pole, in Griffith Park.

