



Back row, from left: Airport Police Officers Christian Alaniz, Lance Schoenbaum, Jason Smith, Sumit Pandya, Erika Holliday, Murray Rabon, Aaron Shamblin, Jonray Selby, Marcio Matsumoto, Casey Brummer, Dana Ramsey, James Lalicker and David Sun. Front row: Airport Police Officers Ellen Kuo, Cynthia Novelo, Steven Balandran, Jesse Farber, Roberto Salamanca and Jose Gonzalez.

19 New Airport Officers

■ Airport Police swears in 19 new officers.

Story by Officer Belinda Nettles, Public Information Officer, Airport Police; Photo courtesy Airport Police

AIRPORTS — Nineteen new recruits joined the ranks of the Los Angeles Airport Police following their graduation from Rio Hondo Police Academy Feb. 22 in Whittier.

Deputy Executive Director of Law Enforcement and Protection Services James T. Butts Jr. and Airport Police Acting Chief Brian A. Walker attended their graduation to perform the swearing-in ceremony.

The new officers are:

- Christian Alaniz
- Steven Balandran
- Casey Brummer
- Jesse Farber
- Jose Gonzalez

- Erika Holliday
- Ellen Kuo
- James Lalicker
- Marcio Matsumoto
- Cynthia Novelo
- Sumit Pandya
- Murray Rabon
- Dana Ramsey
- Roberto Salamanca
- Lance Schoenbaum
- Jonray Selby
- Aaron Chamblin
- Jason Smith and
- David Sun.

The next step for the officers is to complete a six month Field Training program. During the training program, new officers will be assigned to a Field Training Officer (FTO) before they are released and assigned to the Patrol Services Section.

So Long, Gerald

■ Gerald Tuskes retires from Airports after 25 years of City service.

Story and photos by Liz Montes, Club Counselor

AIRPORTS — Gerald Tuskes, from Airports' Human Resources Division, retired from the City after 25 years of service. A luncheon was held in his honor Feb. 26 at the Flight Path Museum.

Several collages and friends attended the luncheon to wish Gerald farewell. Gerald plans to spend his retirement fishing in Seattle.

The Club wishes Gerald lots of great fishing, and a terrific retirement.



John Dunlop, Chief Personnel Analyst, and Gerald Tuskes.



Gerald Tuskes, Sr. Personnel Analyst, LAWA Human Resources Services, receives a Certificate of Appreciation from the City of Los Angeles.



Front row, from left: Shanda Fernandez; Suzette Robottony; Jimmy Sparks, Club Member; Dann McCoy-Sneal, Club Member; Linda Brown, Club Rep; and Cindy Harrell. Back row: Brenda Crawford, Club Member; and Carol Moody, Club Member.



From left: Gerald Tuskes; Linda Brown, Club Rep; and Jimmy Sparks, AAE President.



From left: Letty Ortiz, LAWA Human Resources Services; Marie O'Kelly-Green, Sr. Personnel Analyst II; and Gerald Tuskes.

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Your Input Sought on Community Access TV

The City is conducting a series of public meetings during March and April to solicit feedback from the community members regarding the future of public access television in Los Angeles. As reported last month, the State of California passed new legislation that will dramatically change the way public access television and services are provided. Currently, public access programs are produced by community members through studio facilities provided by the cable TV operators. This is a requirement of the cable TV franchise agreements. In 2009, those agreements will no longer be negotiated by the City, as the state will take over. At that time, the cable TV operators will not be required to provide public access studio facilities and instead will be required to provide 1 percent of their gross revenues to the City in support of public, educational and governmental access television operations. It is the intent of the City to gather as much community feedback as possible so that it can develop a plan to secure the future of community programming. If you are interested in these hearings, Channel 35 will be airing them throughout April and May. For more information about the hearing dates and locations visit: <http://www.lacity.org/ITA> and follow the link to PEG community meetings.

Programming Highlights in April:

Big Sunday 2007: April 28-29

"Big Sunday" is an annual Citywide volunteer day, done in partnership with the Office of Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa. Volunteers from all over Los Angeles perform acts of benevolence throughout the City all weekend long. There are volunteer opportunities for every passion, every talent and every age. Last year's event drew more than 32,000 volunteers from hundreds of congregations, schools, clubs and other groups volunteered at nearly 250 different nonprofits. For more information, please visit www.bigsunday.org or call (213) 922-9737. Watch LA Cityview 35's coverage of Big Sunday 2006 throughout April and stay tuned for our coverage of Big Sunday 2007 in May. Check the program listings for airdates.

Disability Forum

"Disability Forum," LA Cityview 35's regular series of programs for people with disabilities, their families and friends, continues to bring relevant topics to the disability community residing in the City. In the next series of shows, special education, In-Home Support Services and transportation will take front-and-center stage.

Special education as practiced by the Los Angeles Unified School District will be addressed by an LAUSD special education administrator, a parent of a child with special needs who has been through the special ed system, and a member of the City Commission on Disability serving on Mayor Villaraigosa's education taskforce. It promises to be a lively and thought-provoking discussion.

The program by which tens of thousands of persons with disabilities are able to live satisfying, independent lives is known as In-Home Support Services (IHSS). It is administered by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS). To learn how this valuable program functions, "Disability

Forum" will host a representative from DPSS, an individual who benefits from IHSS, and a representative of the agency that provides personal care workers for this valuable program.

Airs: Sundays at 4 p.m. and Thursdays at 9:30 p.m.

DWP Science Bowl 2007

LA Cityview Channel 35 will air a special broadcast of the DWP Science Bowl 2007, one of the City's most noteworthy high school academic competitions. The winner of this event will represent the City at the U.S. Department of Energy's National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C., at the end of April. The competition features a game-show style format. In addition, there is an exciting hands-on side competition.

You will be enthralled as these high school academic superstars match wits, teamwork and lightning reflexes. The program also will show how several teams prepared for the big regional event through school practice sessions and scrimmages with other schools. This month, the DWP Science Bowl will air four times on Channel 35 as follows: Monday, April 9 at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and Monday, April 23, at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

May Election Coverage

On Tuesday, May 15, Angelenos will be going back to the polls to elect officials for LAUSD Districts 3 and 7, and Los Angeles Community College District 5 in the General Municipal Election. As a public service, LA Cityview 35 has offered each candidate an opportunity to appear and share his or her qualifications and platform on relevant issues. Channel 35 will broadcast these candidates' statements throughout the month of April so that viewers will have familiarized themselves with each candidate when they go to the polls.

For airing schedule of the above programs, and for more program listings and information, visit www.lacityview.org.



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