



Buster, with five-year-old Scarlett and Pinky Harris, who volunteers at the barn.



Gary Copeland, P3+1, Mounted.

Mounted Division

■ Police Dept. Mounted Division hosts 20th annual open house.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor



POLICE DEPT. — The LAPD Metropolitan Division's Mounted Platoon hosted its 20th annual open house Nov. 10, inside the Mounted Platoon's barn.

The free event, which included food and drinks, invited visitors to pet the horses, tour the barn and scale the rock-climbing wall. There was a photo and fingerprint-ID service for children along with live demonstrations and specialized displays by the Mounted Platoon, the SWAT Division, the LAPD Historical Museum, the bomb squad and the Fire Dept.

Special thanks go to Officers Ron Terrazas and Rudy De Leon, both Club Members, for their assistance.



Sgt. Mike Porter, Mounted Unit.



Back, from left: Joe Nepomuceno, P3, Mounted, Club Member; and Glenn Tamura. Front, from left: Sue Nepomuceno, wife of Joe; Shane, 3; and Miwako Tamura.



Visiting with Blue are two-year-old Angelina and Tap Le, who came because his sister works for Metro.



From left: Robin Aguirre, P3, RACR; Lucas, 3; and Michael Piesik, P3 Mounted Unit.



Ken Thatcher, P3, Metro Mounted.



All smiles as they prepare the good food, from left: Officer Ron Terrazas, Club Member; Janice Stegner, Equine Keeper; and Officer Russ Vincent.



From left: Brian Argumosa, Engineer, Station 50, B Shift; Derard Buckner, Fire Fighter; Armando Jurado, Fireman Paramedic; and Capt. Kevin Rudd.



Heath Holst with her seven-year-old daughter, Gabby, inside the Bear CAT.



The SWAT demonstration had everyone on their toes.



Sgt. Buttita provides the scenario of the SWAT demonstration. "We handle 100 to 125 incidents a year," the sergeant said.



From left: Rip; Keanu, 4; Kiana, 8; Kirra, 11; and Velinda, Management Analyst, CDD, Club Member.



From left: Sgt. Sherri Egan, Van Nuys, brings her three-year-old daughter, Sara, to visit Adjo, a suspect dog, and Officer Mike Peters, Metro.



SWAT's BEAR.



Tony Samuelson, P3, Metro, at the SWAT booth.



The Romeros, from left: Henry; Susan; Henry Jr., P3 SWAT; and Camille.



From left: Sgt. Jean Salvodon, Metro; and Commander Scott Kroeber.



From left: Giovanni Ayala, Explorer; Officer Arguello, North East; and Jose Rios, Explorer.



Open House



Prior to black-and-white cars, cops transported criminals on this wagon.



From left: Mike Menegio, P3+1, Metro; and Ralph Lara, P3, Metro.



Charles Joh, P3, Metro, with Jimbo.



From left: Sar Jr., 5, the "head animal volunteer" at West Valley Animal Shelter; Rip, Animal Control Officer, with Spay Neuter Task Force; Delfina Cantero, Clerk Typist, West Valley Animal Shelter; and Raquel.



AJ, the resident Lead Equine Keeper.



From left: Scott Brown, P3, Metro Mounted; David Sanchez, Management Analyst, Club Member; and Anna Robinson, Accounting Clerk, Club Member.



From left: Art Aguirre, P3, Metro Mounted, with his son, Brett, 6.



Sean Mulford, P3, Metro, with Captain.



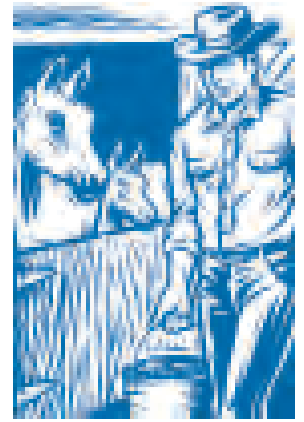
Five-year-old Breanna, daughter of Officer Joel Ruiz, Newton, visits with Sgt. Baptiste and Pepper.



From left: Jamie Mroczkowski, P2, South East Vice; and Lt. Katarina Thomas, West L.A.



From left: Sophie, 2; Teddy, 6; Kevin Grogan, P3, Mounted Unit; and Kevin, 8.



It's Party Pix Time

Hey Club Members:

Alive! wants to print pictures of your holiday office party!

- 1. Take the photos yourself, and send them in as soon as you can.**

Digital photos are always best. And make sure you give us a description of the party: when it was, where it was, and if something significant happened, let us know that, too.

If there are just a few photos, then send them to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com. But if there are a lot, then it's best to burn them onto a CD and deliver (or mail) the CD to the Club. The address is on the inside front cover. Make sure the photos are as high resolution as you can make them.

- 2. Let us know when your holiday party is, and we'll try to send a photographer.**

Please note:

There are more City holiday parties than we can cover, but we will try. That's why it's best to send in your own photos. If you want us to cover your party, talk to your Counselor (Liz Montes or Arlene Herrero) or write to Robert Larios, Club Director of Marketing and Communications, at rlarios@cityemployeesclub.com. We'll do our best to get to as many as we can, but we can't guarantee it. But let us know.



See you at the party!

