

LAPD

# So Long, Stan

Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member, retires after 30 years of City service.

Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; Photos by Arlene Herrero and Cathy Sotos, LAPD

A retirement reception was held for Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member, to honor his career. The reception was held May 2 at the Police Academy.

Lt. Ludwig retires after 30 years of City service.

Here's a resolution prepared by the City Council in his honor:

"Whereas, we take great pleasure in congratulating Lt. II Stan Ludwig upon his retirement, effective April 30, from the Los Angeles Police Department after 30 years and one month of dedicated service; and

"Whereas, Lt. Ludwig started his career with the LAPD as a Police Officer Recruit on March 13, 1978; advanced to Police Officer I in 1979; advanced to Police Officer II in 1979; advanced to Police Officer III in 1981; advanced to Detective I in 1982; advanced to Detective II in 1986; advanced to Sergeant I in 1987; advanced to Sergeant II in 1989; advanced to Lieutenant I in 1990; advanced to Lieutenant II in 1993; and retired as the Officer in charge of the Valley Communications Dispatch Center on April 30, 2008; and

"Whereas, Lt. Ludwig, during his distinguished career, served with honor, pride and excellence in the following assignments, each of which added to his experience and expertise: Hollywood Patrol, Wilshire Patrol, 77th Area Patrol, Metropolitan Division, Wilshire Detectives, Van Nuys Detectives, Newton Patrol, Internal Affairs Division, Jail Division, Central Area, Training Division, Foothill Area, Information and Communications Services Bureau, and Communications Division; and

"Whereas, Lt. Ludwig's outstanding dedication to duty and conscientiousness are demonstrated by his numerous commendations and awards, and perfect driving record during his career; and

"Whereas, Lt. Ludwig has shown himself to be a devoted husband to his wife of 30 years, Marilyn; and a loving father to his two great sources of pride, his sons Matthew and Jake, and hopes to now enjoy more surfing, golfing, and Costa Rica trips; and

"Now, therefore, be it resolved that, by the adoption of this resolution, the members of the Los Angeles City Council do hereby commend Lt. Stan Ludwig for his outstanding record, commitment to excellence and devotion to duty, and we extend congratulations and best wishes to you on your retirement from the Los Angeles Police Department."

Congratulations, Lt. Ludwig. Enjoy your retirement!

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From left: Marilyn and Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member.



From left: Lt. Chuck Mealey, Retired; Ruth Chaney, Club Member; and Marilyn Ludwig, wife of Lt. Ludwig.



From left: Rich Ackerman, Retired LAPD; Leslee Ackerman; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Retiree, Club Member; and Gene Gibb, Sr. PSR II, Club Member.



From left: Lt. Stan Ludwig with his wife, Marilyn.



Standing, from left: Kim Gallardo, PSR II, Club Member; and Pam Liske, PSR II. Seated: Jacquleen Dreben, PSR II, Club Member.



From left: Lt. Vic Dennis, Club Member; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; and Marie Mardesich, Sr. PSR II, Club Member.



The retirement announcement.



From left: Sgt. Katapodis and Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member.



From left: Jan Romo; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; and Sgt. Romo.



From left: Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; and Commander Andrew Smith, Club Member.



Back, from left: Irary Daniel, PSR II, Club Member; Dori Adler, PSR III, Club Member; and Chris McNabb, PSR III, Club Member. Front: Lori Powell, PSR III, Club Member; and Meg McKeever, PSR III. From left: Frank Bishop, Retired LAPD; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; Wayne Horton, Retired LAPD; Rudy Quintanilla, Retired LAPD; and Det. Rick Potter.



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From left: Karen Ludwig, sister; Tom Ludwig, brother; Vi Ludwig, mother; and Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member.



From left: Kathy Kravitz, PSR II, Club Member; Mechelle Sherman, PSR II, Club Member; and Buddy Romero, PSR III.



From left: Capt. Buck, North Hollywood; Cathi Pearson, Sr. PSR I, Club Member; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; and Judy Ruiz, PSR III, Club Member.



From left: Monika Queen, Sr. PSR I, Club Member; and Terri Rowe, Sr. PSR I.



From left: Sharon Lee, Management Analyst; Dan Trask, Sr. Management Analyst, General Services; and Cathy Sotos, Sr. PSR I, Club Member.



From left: Cathi Pearson, Sr. PSR I, Club Member; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; and Cathy Sotos, Sr. PSR I, Club Member.



From left: Kristine and Lt. Greg Doyle, Club Member, with Sgt. Ponce.



From left: Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; Marty Ford, PSR III, Club Member; and John Phillips, Sr. PSR II, Club Member.