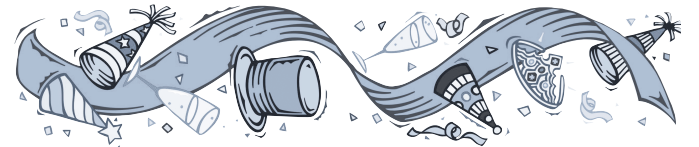




Special Holiday Party Section



All across the City, you celebrated the holidays. And Alive! was there!

Here in February, Alive! continues its coverage of the City Social Season 2008, with stories and photos from Club staff ... and sent in by you, too.

And don't forget to check out all the photos – from January, too – online!

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Part 2



Top row, from left: John Nguyen; Charles Babby, Sr. Management, 9 years; Henry McIntire, Auditor 19 years; Victor Pina, 4 years; Marco Perez, Deputy Director; and Roger Jones. Bottom: Zeke Ayele, Auditor, 2 years; Charles Shivers, Director of Information and Assistance, 8 years; Al Ocampo 1 year; and Cameron Aguirre, 1 year.

Holiday, and a Retirement

■ **Aging celebrates the holidays, and says goodbye to a staff member.**

Story and photos by Tiffany Sy, Club Counselor

AGING — The Department of Aging held its annual Christmas party Dec. 17 at the Brasserie restaurant in the Sheraton Hotel at Macy's Plaza, downtown.

Gourmet food was served to good company, coupled with games and fun! There was also a retiree announcement and celebration held for Toni Desselle for her dedication to 33 years of city service.

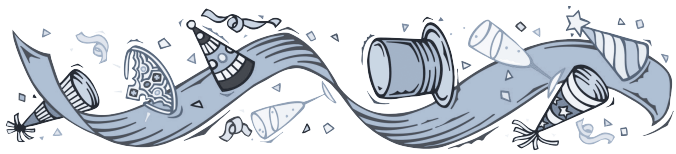


From left: Laura Trejo, General Manager, 6 years of City service; Felipe Baz, Information and Assistance 1 year; and Jo Wright, INA, 3 years.

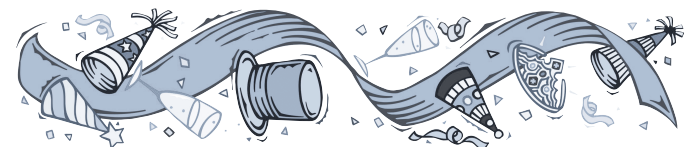


From left: Cris Florendo, Manager, 5 years; Bacita Yance, INA, 4 years; Helen Lee, Community Program Assistant, 7 years; and Veronica Sanchez-Perez, 4 years, Club Member.





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LAPD Training

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor

POLICE DEPT. — The LAPD Training Division held its annual holiday party Dec. 4. The party was held at Luminarias Restaurant in Monterey Park. Approximately 200 employees attended the luncheon. Lots of prizes were given away. Thanks to Laura Rangel and Frank Morales for helping us put this story together.



Back, from left: Claudia Martin, P3; Capt. Nick Zingo, West Valley, Club Member; and Alex Chan, P3. Seated: Carrie Firestone, Secretary, IMTB, Club Member; Monique Jones, MA; Rashall Sanchez, Sr. PA; and Monica Chan, wife of Alex Chan.



Standing, from left: Carlton Zellars, P3; Pauline Belleville, MA, Club Member; Alen Green, Sgt. II; and Jesse Castillo, P3. Seated: Edward Espinoza, P3; Rita Vallejo, P3; and Sgt. Barbara Scallon, Club Member.



Back, from left: Cheryl Fallon, Principal Clark, Club Member; Bruce Bernal, Sr. Personnel Analyst, Club Member; Christina Hernandez, MA; and Anna Ruiz, Clerk Typist, Club Member. Seated: Sgt. Ron Gray; Autumn Fernandez, MA; Dawn Eck, Sr. MA; and Sgt. Randy Holcombe.



Standing, from left: Artillar Watts, Sr. Clerk Typist; Tiffany Baltazar, MA; Lea Meighan, MA, Club Member; Beverly Clark, Sr. MA, Club Member; and Sandra Wyse, Principal Clerk. Seated: Rachel Smith, Management Aid, Club Member; Jenai Lyles, Management Aid, Club Member; Manny Villapando, Sr. Clerk Typist; and Rhonda Baychue, P2.



From left: Ken Price, P3; Laura Rangel, Sr. MA, Club Member; and Yolanda Alaniz, Sr. Clerk Typist.



Back, from left: Clarence Jones, Security Officer, Club Member; Sean Hector, Sr. Security Officer; and James Sigman, Security Officer, Club Member. Seated: Freneshia Clark, MA II, Club Member; Tony Stillwell, Security Officer, Club Member; Rosaelia Palacios, Clerk Typist; and April Broussard, Sr. Clerk Typist, Club Member.



From left: Capt. John Incontro, Club Member; Dep. Chief Sandy Jo McArthur; Capt. Michelle Veenstra; Lourdes Zaldivar, Sr. Clerk Typist, Club Member; and Frank Morales, ECH, Club Member.



Back, from left: Jon Kasper, Firearms Instructor; Tom Luna, P3; Celeste Thiel, P3; and Erin Fuller, P3. Seated: Kris Salazar, P2; Jack Sun, P2; Leslee Rogers, P3; and Estella Guevara, Clerk Typist.



Back, from left: Rosalyn Hawes, Clerk Typist, Club Member; Damian Pacheco, MA II; Enrique Ceja, P2, Club Member; and Tasha Tannel, Sr. Clerk Typist, Club Member. Seated: Patrice Thomas, Clerk Typist, Club Member; Monica Lewis, Clerk Typist, Club Member; Carol Prtnoff, Clerk Typist; and Jeb Panyarjun, MA.



Standing, from left: Joy Cawthon, Sr. Clerk Typist; Greg White, P3; Ann Bozzi, P3; and Claudia Chaidez, Secretary. Seated: Kim Reedy, P2; Beverly Clark, Sr. MA, Club Member; Brenda Smith, Sr. MA, Club Member; and De Esta Crenshaw, MA.

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Back, from left: Fernie Ramirez, Graphic Designer II; Jon Gesch, Photographer II; Shawn Gabra, AV Tech; and David Gomez, Sr. Photographer. Seated: Ata Kirmani, AV Tech; Steve Sloan, AV Tech and "Video Alchemist."



Back, from left: Roy Ortiz, SMA I; Erik Fuentes, CPA; and Alex Nuno, SMA II. Seated: Alex Chogyoji, DI; Sgt. II Michael Delgadillo, Club Member; Saira Castillo, P2; and Adell Gutierrez, Secretary.



Standing, from left: Gary Correa, P3; Marc Hemsworth, P3; and Douglas Barnhart, P3. Seated: Tom Utley, P3; Dina Diac, P2; Glen Erbes, P3; and Mark Horton, P3.



Standing, from left: Therman Calloway, Park Maintenance Supervisor, Club Member; Pedro Zaleta, Gardener; David Ream, Assistant Officer in Charge, Club Member; and Bud Eyerly, Commanding Officer, Club Member. Seated: David Van Hosen, Painter, Club Member; James Shaw, Gardener; Curtis Ausmus, Plumber; and Javen Borgwardt, Mechanical Repair, Club Member.



Standing, from left: Lt. II Anne-Marie Fuller; Maddlyn Candelaria, DII; Sgt. II Tom Cunningham. Seated from left: Jason Kwock, DI; Neil Mondragon, CPA; Sterling Fields, DII; Loren Ortiz, P3



From left: Christine Hiltz, Sr. Clerk Typist; Roger Forest, P3; Henry Mendoza, P3; Manny Ortega, P3, Club Member; and Sgt. II Rich Laguna, Club Member.



From left: Laura Windsor, P3; Gilliam Jenson, P3; Keith Provin, P3; Tim McRath, MA; and Maria Yamamoto, P3.



Back, from left: Isaac Schefres, P3; Sgt. II Donna Cox; and Stacie French, P3. Seated: Wayne Goodman, P3; Christine Wycoff, P3; Adeniyi Paris, Custodian; Emilio Perez, P3; and Michael Tolmaire, P3.



Back, from left: Jose Guillen, Custodian; Isaias Gonzalez, P2; Charlotte Broughton, P2; and Sgt. II Debbie Mastin. Seated: Elizabeth Guillen, Custodian; Cinnamon Turner, Custodian; Synorve Drake, P2, Club Member; Sgt. I Stacey Kunch; and Debbie Hernandez, P3.



Standing, from left: Bob Wu, P3; Sgt. II Randy Goddard; Sgt. II Jason Zabel; and Lt. Lee Allen. Seated: Phil Watson, PT Instructor; Sgt. II Chris Costley, Club Member; Sgt. II John Martinez; and Sgt. II Alex Medel.



From left: Bob Sieger, P3; Ed Osipian, MA II; and Paul Dalton, Security Officer.



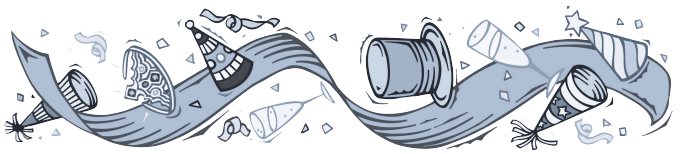
From left: Chilo Rodriguez, Maintenance Laborer; Bob Barnes, P3; and Rob Lewis, P2.

Back, from left: Ryan Lee, P3; Carla Ford, P3; Anthony Pack, P3; Sterling Gordon, P3; and Ken Amerson, P3. Seated: John Derouen, P3; Lt. II Ed Palmer; Scott Alpert, PT Arrest and Control Instructor; and Andrew Hwang, P3.

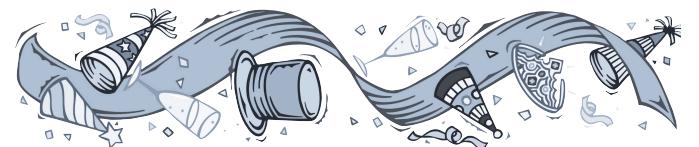


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LAPD Communications

Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; Photos by Daniel Wang, Club Photographer

POLICE DEPT. — The LAPD Communications Division held its annual holiday party Dec. 14. The party was held at Sheraton Universal Studios hotel.

The theme was "Dancing With the Stars," and it was an evening of entertainment, dinner, dancing and prizes. The LAPD Communications holiday party traditionally is one of the City's best, and this year's evening was no exception.

The Club thanks Cathy Sotos and Jean Sarfaty for their assistance in producing this article.



Standing, from left: Louie Chavez, guest; Sonia Garcia, PSR, Club Member; Victor Pineda, spouse; and Olivia Sandoval, PSR. Seated: Rosanna Kim, PSR; Hannah Kim, guest; Pauline Rios, PSR; and Janet Ceballos, guest.



Diana Montano, PSR II, Club Member; and Jorge Martinez, guest.



From left: Christopher Dale, PSR II; and Robert Lopez, PSR II, Club Member.



From left: Michael Mc Gowan, PSR II, with his wife, Brandy.



From left: Nickie Florence, PSR II; Ola Oliver, PSR II; and Stephanie Shelling, PSR II, Club Member.



Ron and Jean Sarfaty, PSR II, Club Member.



From left: Sophia Ponce de Leon, PSR III, Club Member; Iris Dawson, PSR III, Club Member; and Yolanda Bunn, PSR III, Club Member.



From left: Katricia Wilson, PSR; Miguel Zuniga, guest; and Crystal Zuniga, guest.



Standing: Leslie Smith, Sr. PSR II. Seated: Brian and Yvette Bentley, MA II, Club Member.



Angel and Lorena Garcia-Sanchez, PSR III, Club Member.



Guest of PSR II Lourdes Varas, from left: Laura Villanueva, and Lynda and Art Higgins.



From left: Beth Hicks, Sr. PSR II; Ida Graham, Sr. PSR I, Club Member; and Lt. Janet Penna.



Chris Bartlett, PSR I, Club Member, and his wife, Ana.



From left: Sandra Barraza, PSR III, Club Member; Lidia Marcial, PSR II, Club Member; and Maria Quintero, PSR III, Club Member.



From left: Anthony Moreno, Sr. PSR I; Ronald Ayala, spouse; Jill Woo, Sr. PSR I, Club Member; Michael Powers, guest; and Sandra Martin, PSR III, Club Member.



Standing: Jessie Ybarra, Sr. Clerk Typist. Seated, from left: Carlos Varas, guest; Lourdes Varas, PSR II, Club Member; Gabriel Castro, PSR II; and Adrian Cruz, spouse.



Jesus and Eva Espinoza, PSR II, Club Member.

From left: Louie Cuevas, PSR III; Josie Cuevas, mother; Melissa Montanez, niece; Sandra Montanez, PSR III, Club Member; and Oscar Montanez, Equipment Mechanic, General Services.



From left: Kim Calloway, PSR II, Club Member; Sue LePre, PSR III, Club Member; Roy Blankenship, guest; and Jeff and Kathy Kravitz, PSR II, Club Member.



From left: Sgt. Tony Sotos, County Police, and his wife, Cathy Sotos, Sr. PSR I, Club Member.



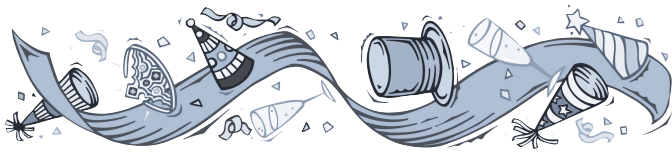
Back, from left: Sonia Huerta, guest; Chance Chavez, PSR II, Club Member; and Sharlenu Sutherland, PSR II, Club Member. Seated: Scott Sinclair, guest; Margaret Herrera, PSR II; Jessica Cepeda, PSR II, Club Member; and Rico Cintron, guest.



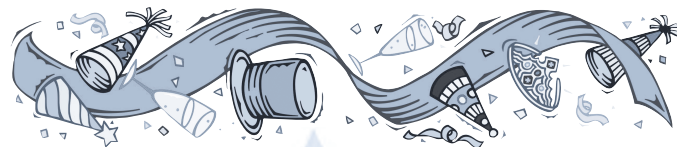
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The LAFD Supply and Maintenance staff.



Family of the LAFD staff.



The LAFD Supply and Maintenance staff members.



At the LAFD Supply and Maintenance holiday party.



The City's "tallest elf" (six-feet, nine inches) with LAFD staff and family.



At the LAFD Supply and Maintenance holiday party.

LAFD Supply and Maintenance



LAFD Battalion Chief Dean Ulrich and staff.

Story and photos by Tiffany Sy, Club Counselor

FIRE DEPT. — The Fire Dept.'s Supply and Maintenance Division held its holiday party on Christmas Eve morning. It was held at the Supply and Maintenance shop on North Avenue 19 in Lincoln Heights.

The turnout of families and friends was so strong that they ran out of food! But, in the spirit of giving, they went out and got more. Every child was greeted by "Tony the 6-feet, nine elf" and left with a toy in hand.

There was also Santa's Workshop, which housed all the toys and Santa's sleigh. Everyone who attended also had the opportunity that morning to climb into a fire truck and fantasize about being a hero.



It's raffle time!



The LAFD family.



Staff member Liz and her son.



The LAFD Supply and Maintenance family members.



Haley Chen on one of the many fire trucks.



Event coordinators collect raffle tickets.



The Elf and LAFD staff battled fires on the grill as they made breakfast for hundreds of staff members and their families.



Among the hustle and bustle of coordinating this event, Rosie Tavera found time to hand out gifts to kids.

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General Services Construction and Maintenance

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations; Tiffany Sy, Club Counselor; and Maurice Hyett

GENERAL SERVICES. — The Construction and Maintenance Divisions of General Services held its annual holiday potluck lunch was held Dec. 23 at Piper Tech.

For more than 20 years, Construction Forces and Building Maintenance Divisions' employees at Piper Technical Center have gathered with their families to wish each other best wishes for the holiday season. Spouses and children had an opportunity to visit the shops and offices where their parent works and to meet co-work-

ers and their families. Retirees were invited back to join in the party and catch up with other retirees and co-workers who are still on the job.

It's a potluck lunch in which employees bring a variety of ethnic and "family favorite" dishes that are always delicious; everyone looks forward to sampling the attractive salads, main dishes and desserts that are provided.

The center of the celebration is always the children. Throughout the lunch there are games, activities, treats and prizes for everyone, big and small. The LAPD provides tours of the heliport for visitors; the LAFD and LAPD usually are able to have a fire engine and/or some other interesting vehicles stop by for the kids to get a

close-up look. And no get-together at this time is complete without a visit from Santa Claus, and he always has a special present for each and every child.

All year long, the divisions sell soda and snacks, recycle the cans and bottles, pool any profits from the employees' coffee club, and if necessary, supervisors kick in the difference to pay for the gifts and extras that are necessary for the lunch. For those who attend, it's a very special event that is shared by Maintenance and Construction employees who are both regular and exempt hiring hall craft workers.

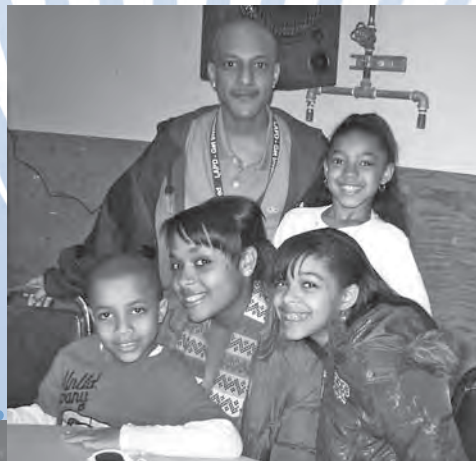
Both divisions work hard at building, remodeling and maintaining City buildings and facili-

ties throughout the City, the county, and beyond — from the surf at San Pedro lighthouses, to the valleys at municipal, police, or fire facilities... to LAX, the Convention Center and City Hall, to the San Bernardino National Forest and recreational camps! Learn more about the divisions and what they can do for you and your needs, including those pet projects that never seem to get done! Call Nick Pendorf for Construction services, at (213) 978-2600, and Dan Eason for Maintenance work, at (213) 978-7227. Visit us on-line at the "Construction Forces" or "Building Maintenance" links at: <http://gsdonline.ci.la.ca.us/gsd/index.htm>.



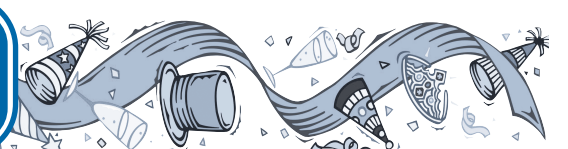
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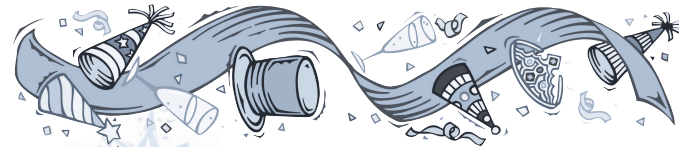
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Justina Paque, Security Officer, Convention Center, looks festive and fabulous with her family.

Convention Center

Story and photos by Tiffany Sy, Club Counselor

CONVENTION CENTER — The Convention Center holiday party was held Christmas Eve morning at the Convention Center in Concourse Hall. Guests invited were staff, friends and family members.

A traditional American breakfast buffet was served. There were many activities for kids, including arts and crafts, face painting, dance and others. There were raffles (the Club supported a few prizes). There was also a DJ and entertainment. It was a huge and successful turnout.



Convention Center staff and families.



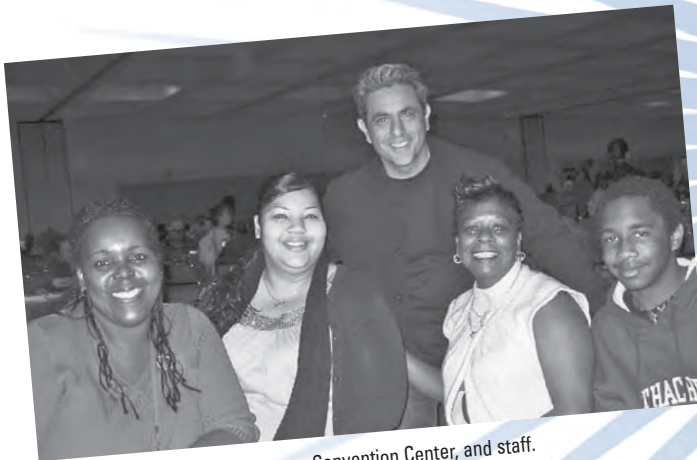
Convention Center staff and family members.



A Club Member and daughter.



Ed Chavez, Building and Safety, with his wife, Claudia, and their kids.



Pouria Abbassi, General Manager, Convention Center, and staff.



Convention Center staff and family.



Children perform yuletide carols.



Convention Center staff and family.



At the Convention Center holiday party.



Children of staff provided family fun entertainment.



Derek Young hosted the raffle. Some prizes were donated by the Club.



Felix Hernandez, Public Relations Rep, and his jolly extended family.

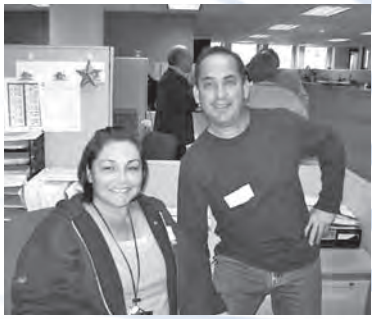


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Public Works Contract Administration

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations

PUBLIC WORKS — Public Works/Contract Administration held its annual "Feliz Navidad" Christmas luncheon party Dec. 18 in the Bureau offices downtown.

The luncheon was a Mexican fiesta of delightful fare, and attendees were welcome to bring desserts to share.

Toys were also brought to give away to local charities.

Congratulations to Amanda Montenegro and Chris Smith for hosting the successful luncheon.



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