

# Life's Important Moments

# Share your moments!

Did you get married? Have a baby? (Yea!) Get a promotion? (Hooray!) Retire? (Ahhhh.) We want to hear from you. Share your news with the world! Send all notices and high resolution photos with the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com) or send paper notices and print photos to: *Alive!*, 311 S. Spring St., Suite 1300, Los Angeles, CA 90013

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## New Members

### Welcome New Members!

The Club gives a great big welcome to these new members, who recently joined the Club:

- Airports**  
Alireza Aminian  
Vincent Calderon  
Carlos Celis  
Harry Hampton  
Lorenzo Hill  
Michael Hoffner  
David Mingo  
Robert Nash  
Benjamin Orozco  
John Sanderson  
Devona Steward  
Mary Van Remmen  
Velmurugu Vimaleswaran  
Aaron Yamamoto
- Convention Center**  
Monica Shelton
- LAPD**  
David Alvarez  
Lorna Cavin  
Maria Gemilda Cotangco  
Sanjoy Datta  
Mark Fassam  
Marcia Goodman  
Maurice Graham  
Honour Henry  
Darren Holst  
Michelle Island  
Dawna Killingsworth  
Ata Kirmani  
Connie Lee  
Lori Lopez  
Michael McGowan  
Rafael Mora  
Shandalyn Parnell  
Jesus Toris  
Antonio Zamora
- Rec and Parks**  
Elizabeth Alamillo  
Yesenia Cobian  
Isaac Montoya  
Diego Ochoa  
Arnaldo Rendon-Garcia  
Rafael Rodriguez
- LACERS**  
Ferralyn Sneed
- Transportaion**  
Larry Caudillo  
Andres Flores  
Dwayne Harper  
Trina Pena  
Orasee Russell
- Office of Finance**  
Susan Meza  
Armi-Claudine Ramirez
- Public Works:**  
**Contract Administration**  
Gerard Conroy  
Yono Hong  
John O'Mahony  
Jose Ramirez  
Lloyd Rein
- Public Works: Engineering**  
Ishmael Escobar
- Public Works: Sanitation**  
Alejandro Alvarez  
Christopher Boykins  
David Dumpit  
Pete Gomez  
Darnell Gray  
Kkristin Haynes  
Jenny Jacinto  
Linda Jeter  
Nisheeth Kakarala  
Paulina Martinez  
Mike Puga Sr.  
Maggie Rodriguez  
Bennie Scott  
Carl Scott  
Terry Simpson  
Miguel Zermeno
- Public Works:**  
**Street Services**  
Brandon Brookman  
Jose Camacho  
Jeanna Chavez  
Louis Clark  
Bertha Colbert  
Jamie Fleming
- ITA**  
John Burns
- LAFD**  
Mary Reuschel
- Fire and Police Pensions**  
Devin Billingsley
- Harbor**  
Daniel Aleman  
Angelo Cumpian  
Markiest Drew  
Ramon Hormaza  
John Legaspi  
Chung Ping Lo  
Regina Pacheco  
Lloyd Suh
- Housing**  
April Aguilar  
Ricardo Bohorguez  
Maria Brascia  
Raimundo Farmer  
LaTasha Hamm  
Quorsha Pruitt
- General Services**  
Jose Coca  
Cecil DuBoise  
Carlo Landivar  
Mike McCullough  
Stephen Paddio  
Angela Ramirez  
Emilio Sansores Jr.
- Library**  
Tyrant Chisholm  
Maria Galvan
- Martin Garcia**  
Tishandra Merriweather  
Lizette Meyi  
Gerhart Petschauer  
Andrew Santiago

## In Memoriam

*Our thoughts and condolences are with the family and friends of the following current and retired City employees who have passed away. The number after the name indicates years of service.*

- Active**  
Richard Alvarez, Airports, 14  
Joyce Corrales, LAPD, 25  
Patrick Coyle, Airports, 24  
Darlene Goya, LAPD, 28  
Jesus Hernandez, DWP, 23  
Kelvin Lee, LAPD, 20  
Daniel Mourning, Airports, 6  
Romeo Ong, General Services, 22
- Retired**  
Talib Abdullah, Public Works, 33  
Cyril Bauer, DWP, 30  
Jimmie Bell, Public Works, 31  
William Berger, DWP, 28  
Everidge Bernard, Public Works, 22  
Alfonso Berru, DWP, 30  
Daniel Boster, DWP, 23  
Edward Bowers, Airports, 16  
Joseph Brito, Public Works, 31  
Charles Butler, DWP, 24  
Alfred Carpenter Jr., Public Works, 9  
Rex Carroll Jr., DWP, 30  
Jay Carter, DWP, 42  
Edward Chavez, Rec and Parks, 31  
Raymond Crawford, Airports, 10  
Raul Delfin, DWP, 28  
Richard Douglas, Rec and Parks, 32  
James Edwards, Public Works, 19  
Edward Elkins, DWP, 37  
Marguerite Ellison, Public Works, 12  
Daisy Ford, DWP, 26  
Charles Froessel, DWP, 22  
Robert Gartside, DWP, 31  
Raymond Graham, Airports, 19  
Earnest Grey, Public Works, 26  
Mel Harbus, Library, 9  
Robert Higham, Rec and Parks, 31  
L.E. Holmquist, DWP, 27  
Neil Horowitz, DWP, 26
- Catheryn Jennings, DWP, 19  
David Jones, Public Works, 24  
John Kaldor, City Clerk, 29  
Robert Krupar, DWP, 28  
Kenneth Kunzler, ITA, 25  
James Lester, DWP, 35  
Romolo Lona, Public Works, 28  
Albert Lugo, Public Works, 33  
Vernon Malm, Public Works, 36  
Glenn McCloskey, Airports, 22  
Donald Milloy, Public Works, 18  
James Morgan, DWP, 42  
Raul Mota, LAPD, 24  
Stephen Oplatka, DWP, 24  
Lenice Otto, Library, 13  
Beatrice Palomarez, DWP, 13  
Clem Piper, DWP, 32  
Eugene Radomski, Harbor, 11  
Irma Roberts, Public Works, 13  
Henry Sahara, General Services, 47  
John Sakabu, Controller, 18  
Jovita Salazar, Municipal Auditorium, 19  
Eloise Schlesinger, Library, 29  
Joan Shea, Library, 30  
Seymour Sherman, DWP, 33  
Margaret Sills, ITA, 12  
Freddie Smith, Public Works, 30  
Harry Stein, Harbor, 35  
Harold Struthers, DWP, 20  
Herbert Tom, DWP, 36  
Maurice Valero, Planning, 29  
Rosemary Vandagriff, Library, 24  
Wilson Williams, Public Works, 32  
John Wilmore, General Services, 28  
Miriam Wolin, Public Works, 12

## Military



Does someone in your extended family serve their country as a member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard? Send us a photo – either formal or on duty, along with your name, City department and relationship to the subject. Send photos to *Alive!* in the Military, City Employees Club of Los Angeles, 311 S. Spring St. Suite 1300, Los Angeles, CA 90013. Send digital photos to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)

## Retirements

NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT.	YEARS
Peter Banks	Maintenance Laborer	General Services	46	Thomas Rath	City Planning Assoc.	Planning	38
Catherine Blessing	Mayoral Aide	Mayor's Office	12	Kathryn Richter	Secretary	Rec and Parks	23
Nicholas Bozigar	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Thyra Ricks	Crossing Guard	Transportation	6
Aner De Leon	Security Services	General Services	12	Michael Roberts	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
William Flores	Sr. Traffic Supv.	Transportation	37	T. Rujiravriyapin	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
Kenneth Fry	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	John Sanchez	Ref. Coll. Tr. Opr. 1man	Public Works	22
Diane Grady	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	James Smith	Painter	Harbor	34
John Griffin	Printing Preparator	General Services	37	Lorraine Smith	Management Analyst	LAPD	35
Walter Gutsche	Heavy Duty Truck Op.	Public Works	20	Yolanda Sokolowski	Clerk Typist	Rec and Parks	9
Glenn Henderson	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Evelyn Swanson	Delivery Driver	Rec and Parks	3
Sharon Laurent	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Barbara Telles	Secretary	LAPD	30
Jesse Lee	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Rochelle Turpin	Traffic Officer	Transportation	28
Alfred Lopez	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Andrew Wai	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
Phyllis Hollis	Sr. Clerk Typist	LAPD	34	Sheila Waskielis	Clerk Typist	LAPD	29
Steven Jernagin	Delivery Driver	General Services	34	James Webb	Port Police Lieutenant	Harbor	36
Ana Lemmer	Police Service Rep	LAPD	19	Warren Wells	Chi. Airport Planning	Airports	38
Roy Menson	Wastewater Coll. Supv.	Public Works	25	Lance Wilson	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed
Robert McNabb	Stormwater Mgmt. Div.	Public Works	16	Craigton Wong	City Atty. Sys. Analyst	City Attorney	5
Russell Mortensen	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed	Louis Wood II	Not Disclosed	DWP	Not Disclosed



## Graduations



"This is a picture of my two sons. The one of the left, Jamal Kabbani, will graduate from Dumont High School in New Jersey this June. He will attend Santa Monica College. He enjoys playing basketball and is really good! On the right is Samer Kabbani, who will be graduating from San Diego State University with a Bachelor of arts degree. He hopes to be an accountant. He also enjoys playing basketball in his free time and is an entrepreneur." – **Maria Fisher, Club Claims Assistant**

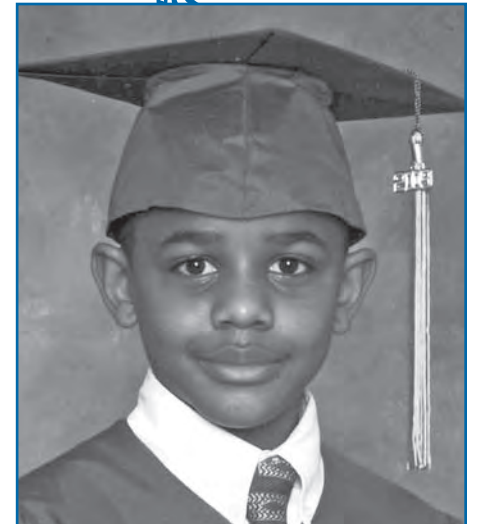


Veronica Carrillo will graduate in May from Loyola Marymount University, with Bachelor of arts degrees in sociology urban studies. Her father is **Albert Carrillo, Street Services Investigator, Public Works**; and her mother is **Araceli Carrillo, Management Analyst II, Public Works**. Dad and Mom say, "Veronica, we are extremely proud of you, are here for you always, and love you so very much."

## Congratulations!



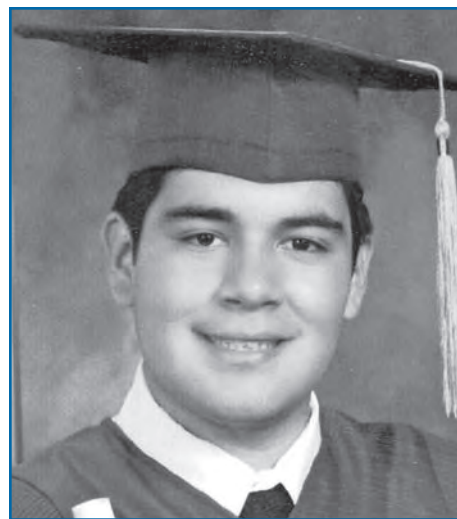
Joshua Smith



Jeremiah Smith

Joshua and Jeremiah Smith, sons of **Kenneth Smith, CDD**, are graduating this year. Joshua and Jeremiah will graduate from Crossroad Christian Academy in Gardena, and will attend Loyola High School next year.

*Alive!* is delighted to publish graduation photos of Club members and their children. Have a photo of a recent graduation? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)



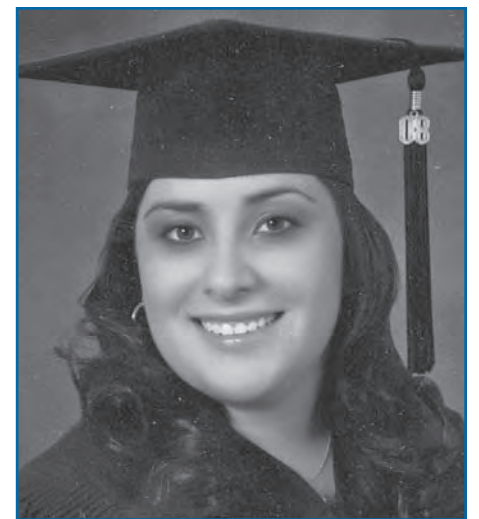
Joshua Ramirez is expected to graduate from Alhambra High School and plans to attend UC Santa Cruz in the fall, majoring in anthropology. Joshua's mother is **Julissa Garcia, Messenger Clerk, Cypress Branch Library, Library Dept.**



"Our niece, Nolah who just turned seven and is living in Tagaytay, the Philippines, has been elected valedictorian of her kindergarten class! She speaks three different languages (English, Tagalog and Visayan). Her mother, Norlie, spends a lot of time with her and her schoolwork, which helps with her wonderful accomplishments. We are very proud of her!" – **Ron and Jean Sarfaty, LAPD**



Leah A. Hightower is expected to graduate from Spelman College in Atlanta this May. Leah is the daughter of **Wendy Hightower, Legal Secretary III, City Attorney.**



Gloria Celeste Prado Hurtado graduated from Whittier College with a major in psychology and a minor in Spanish. Her future plans are to earn a Master's degree in psychology/criminology. She is the daughter of Gloria Hurtado Prado, Admn. Coord. II, CA Safe Neighborhoods Division, and the niece of **LAPD Sgt. Francisco H. Hurtado, Retired.**



## Special Achievements

Have you or your children recently achieved something special? It could be academic, or part of your hobby, or similar. Let us know! Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to [talkback@cityemployeesclub.com](mailto:talkback@cityemployeesclub.com)



## Quinceañera

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## Insurance Products From the Club

The Club offers these group-rated insurance products to its members. Don't wait... make a positive step for your peace of mind today. Contact your Club Counselor for all the details of these plans.

**Term Life** (from \$10K to \$300K)  
Safeguard your loved ones! Life insurance is a great way to protect them. Purchasing term life insurance also makes you eligible for the Club's famous refund check... whatever we don't spend in claims and overhead, we return to the policyholders. Smart... well managed... and service-oriented.

**Spouse Life Insurance**  
Include your spouse with Club Term Life Insurance.

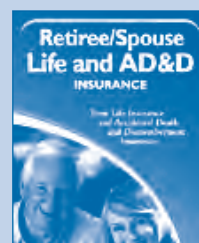
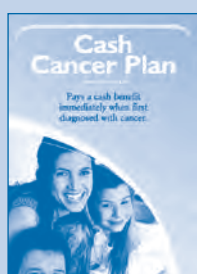
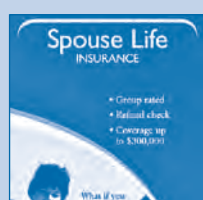
**Long Term Disability Insurance**  
Protect yourself from career-ending traumas.

**Long Term Care Insurance**  
Manage your future health-care costs with this Club package.

**Cancer Insurance**  
Purchase a Cancer Insurance policy from the Club, and put this affliction out of your mind.

**Group Rated Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance**  
Use the power of the Club to protect yourself against the financial downfall of accidental death or dismemberment.

**Group Rated Auto and Homeowners Insurance**  
Take advantage of the Club's purchasing power (strength in numbers!) to get great rates for your auto and homeowners insurance.



## Protect Your Family With Club Insurance. Today!

## Your Counselor Can Help

Your Club Counselor will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding the Club's insurance packages. Look on page 4 to find out which Counselor represents your department ... or call (800) 464-0452.



Arlene Herrero



Tiffany Sy



Irene Small

# Life's Important Moments

## Births



Jaime Cruz, born April 3 to Patty and Carmelino Cruz. Jaime's the nephew of Robert Larios, the Club's Director of Operations and cooking columnist.



Aiden Orona, adopted Feb. 27 by Ramon Orona, Club Member.

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## Weddings




Ollie Veasey, Sanitation Wastewater Manager II, Public Works, and Darla Payne, Sr. Clerk Typist, General Services, March 28 at Skylinks Golf Club in Long Beach.

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# Newsbrief

**Monday, August 31, 2009**

## LAPD Communications Division 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Classic



**BRAEMAR COUNTRY CLUB**  
4001 Reseda Blvd.  
Tarzana, CA 91357  
  
(818) 344-5172

**Monday,  
August 31, 2009**


**Cost: \$130 per player  
\$520 per team  
Registration 09:00 AM**

Enjoy a complete program of special events, 18 holes of golf (including cart), lunch, and an exciting awards banquet...

All for just \$130 / player

- Several "Winner" Categories, including: LAPD Perpetual trophy, mixed team, and others.
- Putting contest
- Longest drive contests
- Closest to the pin challenges
- And Hole-in-One chance for a car

### Third Annual Golf Classic - 4 Person Scramble



This year's event will be held **Monday, August 31, 2009** at the picturesque **Braemar Country Club** in Tarzana, CA

Registration begins at 09:00 am, with tee-off at 11:00 am.

The cost for this event is only **\$130**. The price includes: 18 holes of golf, practice balls into a net, shared cart, box lunch, plated chicken dinner and various awards.

There will be an awards presentation and dinner directly after golf. For those that would like family and/ or friends to join us for the award presentation and dinner only; the dinner is \$40.00 per person.

Registration is open. Register early so that you do not miss the chance to golf this beautiful private country club at this amazing price. We anticipate a sell-out tournament. To help us properly plan for this event, please pre-register or sponsor the event by July 31, 2009 at <http://lapdcommdiv.dojiggy.com/>.

*Golf attire is required. Collared shirts and slacks. No steel spikes are allowed on the course. No denim or denim-looking attire allowed.*

LACEAAA

# Asian American Installation Dinner

Employees association hosts 31st annual dinner.



Wendy Gross, ITA, and her husband, Ron.



From left: Mei Tsey Ong, Sanitation; and Albert Young, DWP.



From left: Peggy Yang, LAPD; and Phillip Wong, LAPD Training.

Story by Tiffany Sy and Arlene Herrero, Club Counselors; Photos by Tiffany Sy

The Los Angeles City Employees Asian American Association (LACEAAA) hosted its 31st annual installation dinner.

Mike Fong, Council District One office, was installed as the new president of the LACEAAA.

The festive dinner was held April 2 at the Kyoto Grand Hotel and Gardens. State Controller John Chang made an appearance and delivered a speech addressing California's economic status.

The Club thanks State Controller John Chang, Councilmember Ed Reyes, Phyllis Yogi, Joe Quan and Mike Fong for their assistance.



Club Counselor Arlene Herrero presents Club Member benefits.



LACEAAA members.



From left: State Controller John Chang and Joe Quan.



From left: Cathy Tanaka, Harbor; Phyllis Yogi, Harbor; and Mei Nieman, Personnel.



From left: Marie Yeh, Housing; and Norm Arikawa, Harbor.



From left: Gayle Takahashi, City Attorney; and her husband, Terry Hara, LAPD; and Sheung Quan.



From left: Sharon Chow, LAPD; Marie Yeh, Housing; and Lou Quan, CDD.



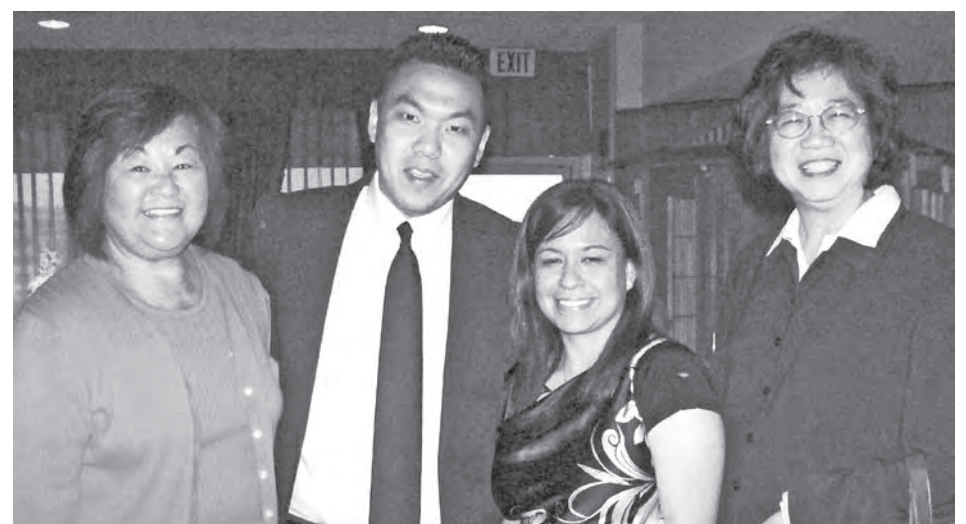
From left: Carol Takafuji and Maychelle Yee, LAPD, at the registration desk.



From left: Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; Joe Quan, ITA, Club Member; and Sheung Quan, LAUSD.



From left: Joe Quan; Councilmember Ed P. Reyes; and incoming LACEAAA President Mike Fong.



From left: Dorothy Tamashiro; Marcus Yee; and Ingrid Reyes.