

The City Parties



GSD CONSTRUCTION FORCES AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE

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



Here in March, Alive! continues its coverage of the City Social Season 2009, with stories and photos from Club staff ... and sent in by you, too.

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Santa's welcoming committee as he arrives in Los Angeles, a long



"Why yes, I'm sure I can go it alone, thank you!"



Hitching a ride to the North Pole?



Where's Santa?



"Here comes Santa!"



"Where's Santa?"



The welcoming committee cheers Santa as he lands atop LAPD's heliport at Piper Tech.



"Santa says..."



Santa says, "Rub your head."



A captive audience.



"Now raise your hand if you want a present."



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2009 Luncheon host Freddie Rivas.



Paul Luna, retired but never forgotten!



The troops assemble for their annual group shot.



"Get your raffle tickets here!



USMC Sergeant and General Services BMD Equipment Operator Cole Kayser, reporting for duty!



David Ostrander and company



"Peace be with you."



General Services Assistant GM David Paschal with Construction Forces Division Manager Nick Pendorf.



Joined at the hip are Berry Saizon and Thomas Bylard.



Expatriates? ... nah. Han Tran has been promoted, and Roy Crayton has thrown in the towel to early retirement!

Constructing A Holiday Potluck

Story and photos courtesy Maurice Hyett, General Services

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 have an opportunity to visit the shops and offices where their parent works and to meet coworkers and their families. Retirees are 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 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 its heliport for visitors. And usually both the Police and Fire Departments are able to have a fire engine and some other interesting vehicles stop by for the kids to get a close up look. 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 facilities throughout the City, county and beyond. 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.



Homemade family recipes from the world over!



General Superintendent Bill Older and family, a week before he moved on to Happy Retirement Land. The entire Department wishes him well!



"Who's gonna be a fireman when they grow up?"



A perfect fit!



"Scuba diving, anyone?"



The long and short of it!



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