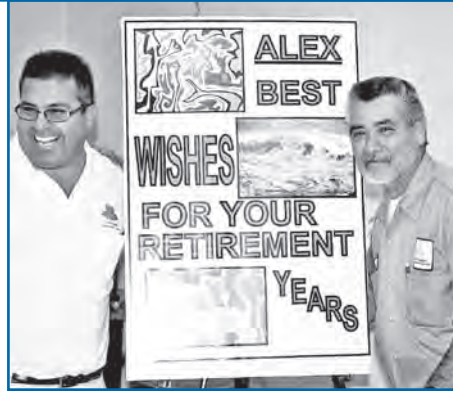


CONVENTION CENTER

Alex Retires

Alex Organista, Club Member, retires from Convention Center after 20 years of part-time service.



From left: Sr. Painter Bill Lopez and retiree Alex Organista.

Story and photos courtesy Luis Aguilar, Convention Center

Last November, part-time Event Attendant II Alex Organista, Club Member, retired after 20 years of dedicated service to the City and to the guests of the Los Angeles Convention Center. Alex' work ethic made him a household name, recognized for being reliable, hard-working and pro-active, as well as for a strong character that left no doubt where he stood, and how he viewed the world.

Senior Event Attendant Barbara Mack, his direct supervisor, was glad for Alex, but sad to see him go into a well-deserved retirement. In her words, "Losing Alex is like losing three men."

Employees who attended shared food, laughter and some very interesting and funny stories. Alex thanked everyone, and stated that he will now have more time to dedicate to his passion: painting.

Thank you Alex, and may your bold strokes continue adding color to those around you, as you have done to this place and to us all.



From left: Clerk Typist Heddy Guinto, Sr. Event Attendant Barbara Mack, retiree Alex Organista and Sr. Painter Bill Lopez.

From left: Building Repair Supervisor Tim Stratton and retiree Alex Organista.

LAPD

Remembering Kenny

On the anniversary of his death, a mother remembers LAPD Dep. Chief Kenneth Garner.

Story and photo courtesy LAPD

March 1 marked the one-year anniversary of the sudden death of then-LAPD Dep. Chief Kenneth Garner. Here are excerpts from a letter written in his memory by his mother, Mary Garner. —Ed.



The late Kenneth Garner, former Dep. Chief, LAPD.

"Nothing is more endearing than to honor a loved one passed and to bestow a purposeful and meaningful tribute to their memory. Kenny, as he was fondly known by so many, will always be remembered and honored as a man who gave so much to so many and for touching the lives, hearts and souls of literally thousands.

"Although finding the words to convey my feelings on the first anniversary of my very painful loss is difficult, I reflect on my son's passing and I think of not how Kenny died but how he lived and the legacy he left with all of us, and I smile and a sense of calm comes over me. I remember that no matter how long we exist, we have our memories, and that Kenny, my son, you haven't gone away, because you are forever in all of our hearts, and your spirit continues to live on in each of us every day. Also, although we all continue to mourn your loss, we are comforted in knowing that for one year now you have been seated at the right hand of the supreme chief, 'Chief Jesus.'

"As I look toward the day when we all shall be reunited with you again, the following phrase brings me comfort:

"This day is remembered and quietly kept,

No words are needed, we shall never forget,
For those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day.
Unseen and unheard, but always near,
So loved, so missed, and so very dear."

"Love, Mom"



News from Sports Leagues sponsored by the City Employees Club of Los Angeles April 2010



Nothin' But Net!

The Club Basketball League season starts April 8. **Cheer 'em on!**

The inaugural Club Basketball League's 2010 season gets under way early this month! Go out and support your fellow Club Members as they get the ball rolling.

All games are scheduled for Thursday nights at the Expo Rec Center, a great Rec and Parks facility.

Here are your Club Basketball League teams:

- LAX Ballers
- Hydropower
- Ones 'n' Zeros
- Rec and Parks Hoopsters
- BSL Blue Dragons
- DOT Outlaws
- Rice and Beans
- Traffic Jam



Club Basketball League GAME SCHEDULE

Here's the complete schedule. Make plans to head on out. Show some support, and have a great time – for a reasonable price (free)!

Games will be held at: Expo Center, 3980 S. Menlo Ave., just south of downtown.

North Gym

South Gym

April 8, 2010

7:00 p.m. Rice & Beans vs. Hoopsters
8:00 p.m. Ones & Zeros vs. LAX Ballers

8:00 p.m. Blue Dragons vs. DOT Outlaws
9:00 p.m. Hydropower vs. Traffic Jam

April 15, 2010

7:00 p.m. Traffic Jam vs. Blue Dragons
8:00 p.m. Hoopsters vs. Hydropower

8:00 p.m. LAX Ballers vs. Rice & Beans
9:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. Ones & Zeros

April 22, 2010

7:00 p.m. LAX Ballers vs. Blue Dragons
8:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. Traffic Jam

8:00 p.m. Dragons vs. Hydropower
9:00 p.m. Rice & Beans vs. Dot Outlaws

April 29, 2010

7:00 p.m. Hydropower vs. Ones & Zeros
8:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. LAX Ballers

8:00 p.m. Traffic Jam vs. Rice & Beans
9:00 p.m. Hoopsters vs. Blue Dragons

May 6, 2010

7:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. Hoopsters
8:00 p.m. Rice & Beans vs. Hydropower

8:00 p.m. Ones & Zeros vs. Blue Dragons
9:00 p.m. LAX Ballers vs. Traffic Jam

May 13, 2010

7:00 p.m. Traffic Jam vs. DOT Outlaws
8:00 p.m. Blue Dragons vs. Rice & Beans

8:00 p.m. Hydropower vs. LAX Ballers
9:00 p.m. Hoopsters vs. Ones & Zeros

May 20, 2010

7:00 p.m. LAX Ballers vs. Blue Dragons
8:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. Hydropower

8:00 p.m. Rice & Beans vs. One & Zeros
9:00 p.m. Traffic Jam v Hoopsters

May 27, 2010

7:00 p.m. Traffic Jam vs. Hydropower
8:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. Blue Dragons

8:00 p.m. Hoopsters vs. Rice & Beans
9:00 p.m. LAX Ballers vs. One & Zeros

June 3, 2010

7:00 p.m. Ones & Zeros vs. Dot Outlaws
8:00 p.m. Rice & Beans vs. LAX Ballers

8:00 p.m. Blue Dragons vs. Traffic Jam
9:00 p.m. Hydropower vs. Hoopsters

June 10, 2010

7:00 p.m. Hydropower vs. Blue Dragons
8:00 p.m. Traffic Jam Ones & Zeros

8:00 p.m. Dot Outlaws vs. Rice & Beans
9:00 p.m. Hoopsters vs. LAX Ballers

June 17, 2010 Play Off

7:00 p.m. 4th Place vs. 1st Place
8:00 p.m. 3rd Place vs. 2nd Place

For all the latest scores and schedules, go to: www.eteamz.com/cityemployeescluboflosangeles/

