

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 or send paper notices and print photos to: *Alive!*, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

New Members

Welcome New Members!

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

Airports

Erika Barber
Sean Belnavis
Carmen Dejonge
Helen Hamilton
Maricela Ponce
Jim Vasquez

Animal Services

Eric Gardner

Building and Safety

Shabnam Shahriari

City Attorney

Kimberly Hunter

City Clerk

Shannon Hoppes

Controller's Office

Kum Yoon

LAFD

Bryan Medina

General Services

Jamaal Avilez
Antonio Carrillo
Donald Knyppstra
Edith Martinez
Michael Tanenbaum

Harbor

Kelsey Amalfitano
Miriam Cruz
Robert Dunbar
Hector Elizondo
Lawrence Fuzee
Robert Gates
Ronald McCollum
Jeannemarie Schwab

Housing

Hattie Walker

Convention Center

Froilan Gamez

LAPD

Gena Brooks
Margaret Carmine
Sylvia Casas
Brittany Diep
Edelwina Francisco
Deborah Gonzales
Marlene Grundy
Michael Martinez
Jesus Plascencia
Fortino Reynoso
Pedro Rodriguez
Gina Roxas
George Shaka
Lee Silva
Jennifer Washington

PUBLIC WORKS

PW-Engineering

Jenny Tsang

PW-Sanitation

Michael Anderson
Patrick Cross

PW-Street Services

Humberto Almeida
Barron Fleming
Gary Gaston
Richard Inez

Rec and Parks

Byron Collins
Jasmine Dowlatsahi
Anthony Elias
Paul Johnson
Keyonna Kidd
James Kinloch
Philip LaRouche
Gustavo Luna
Juan Perez
Paul Sauer
Maria Siguenza
Dante Tatum
John Willingham
Jonathan Zamora

Transportation

Luna Baker
Regina Callies

DWP

Ruth Briones-Barrios
Jennifer Camacho
Philip Carter
Carlos Chaidez
Joseph Doss
Ian Greer
Donna Pierce
Lisa Ross
Antonio Vasquez
Susan Wells

Retired

Lupe Duran
Dee Halenar
Mario Mejia
Willie Roberson
Joseph Writer

Other

Alfred Fowler
Carlos Gamboa
Juan Hernandez
Steven Kozdrey
Jackie Lehmer
Augustine Leyva
Alfred Lopez
Tony Lucio
Cirilo Mejia
Robert Melvin
Nancy Mendez
Tomas Nevarez Jr.
William Northington
Jose Perez
Nato Preciado
Sammy Recendez
Oscar Rivas
Jennifer Shackelford
Ken Soo Hoo
Gerald Viera
Marty Wedlow
George Zippel

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

Dettman, Brian Keith, Rec and Parks, 4
Jacobs, Deloris, City Council, 3
Kortrakul, Chai, DWP, 20
Margolis, Ilene, Rec and Parks, 25
Marroquin, David, Airports, 7
Nelson, Rodney, Rec and Parks, 2
Samaniego, Ruben, Airports, 13
Talley, Gary, DWP, 24
Trinidad, Lucia, Transportation, 2

Retired

Allen, Lester, DWP, 33
Babb, Michael, DWP, 24
Balingit, Ronald, DWP, 25
Bell, Claude, Transportation, 18
Bogie, Jean, Library, 17
Bohana, James, DWP, 27
Born, Stanley, DWP, 15
Burrell, Elmer, DWP, 21
Caldwell, Mitchell, Public Works, 33
Carnes, Clyde, Harbor, 14
Chan, Eddie, DWP, 20
Crawley, Oler, Public Works, 18
Crespo, James, DWP, 23
Daniel, Libero, Public Works, 31
Figge, Charles, DWP, 33
Garrigue, Roger, Public Works, 26
Gomez, John, DWP, 35
Gonzalez, Leona, DWP, 35
Graham, Marvin, DWP, 33
Grippi, Joseph, DWP, 36
Halenar, Roger, Airports, 32
Hall, James, Public Works, 7
Hammerstedt, E.R., Transportation, 25
Hanson, Jerry, Rec and Parks, 36

Hanson, Thomas, DWP, 25
Hill, Curtis, Finance, 31
Iovene, Anthony, Airports, 38
Ito, Minoru, DWP, 35
Johnson, Warren, DWP, 31
Kavanaugh, James, DWP, 27
Lewis, Charles, Public Works, 28
Lewis Jr., Jesse, DWP, 22
Lynn, Howard, ITA, 30
Mendez, Manuel, DWP, 34
Murray, Bates, General Services, 22
Norris, Harold, DWP, 36
Obregon, Victoria, DWP, 29
Owens, Marilyn, General Services, 29
Payne, Madonna, City Clerk, 29
Pena, Carlos, LAFD, 34
Quinones, John, Transportation, 27
Radakovich, George, Cultural Affairs, 28
Ramirez, Antonio, DWP, 21
Ramirez, Reynaldo, Convention Center, 24
Ringold, Dorman, DWP, 31
Robertson, Delores, General Services, 32
Salas, Ralph, DWP, 21
Schmal, Walter, DWP, 37
Siping, Anthony, Airports, 7
Skorheim, Mable, Controller, 16
Summer, Raymond, Executive Div., 26
Swanson, Robert, DWP, 26
Walt, Robert, Harbor, 11
Warren, Walter, DWP, 32
Watson, James, LAPD, 28
Williams, Paul, DWP, 34
Wilson, Hicks, DWP, 22
Wood, Carter, DWP, 32
Wright, Jessica, Building and Safety, 25

Peace of Mind

Retiree Life Insurance: Higher Maximum Benefit

In the recent months, you may have noticed a few changes if you are retired and have a retiree life insurance policy with the City Employees Club. We listened to your concerns, collected all of your requests and we have delivered!

The revised group term life insurance retiree plan took effect April 1 and now allows you an increased maximum benefit! You may apply for up to \$85,000 in benefit coverage (you must be able to pass underwriting). (If you are 70 years old and over, you can now apply for \$15,000 as your maximum benefit.)

In addition some rates have been lowered, while some have increased slightly. The Club last adjusted these rates 13 years ago. If you are between 61 to 69 years old, you may have noticed that your rates decreased. If you are 70 and above, there has been a slight increase. The rates were compiled from

various factors, the most prominent of which is to keep up with inflation in today's competitive market. I strongly believe we are the most competitive with the highest quality group retiree plan for City Employees!

If you are retired, you shouldn't have to miss out on all the goodies the City offers to active employees! For the fourth consecutive year, retirees qualify for the annual refund check, just like City Employees who are still in their working years. So look in the mail in December for your life insurance refund check if you have this insurance. We also continue to offer you the convenience of automatic pension deductions and portability!

Keep in mind that if you plan to retire, your life insurance with the Club stays with you! Simply contact our office at your earliest convenience so that we may process your request.

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The Club's Peace of Mind Expert



Long-Term Care Seminars

Save the date -- Our Long-Term Care Open Enrollment runs this month through Oct. 31 for active working City Employees. (Open Enrollment for DWP employees will occur next May.) The Club is holding seminars at the Kyoto Grand Hotel, 120 S. Los Angeles St. downtown. (Formerly New Otani Hotel and Garden).

Seminar dates are Aug. 6 and 20, at 9 and 11 a.m., and 1 and 3 p.m. You can complete your application and figure out your rates at the seminars. To RSVP, call (213) 225-1796. Space is limited. See you there!

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Graduations

Alive! is delighted to publish graduation photos of Club members and their children. Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



James A. Gatlin II graduated from Cal State University, Long Beach, with a Bachelor of arts degree in history. He was awarded a certificate of completion in urban studies. His plan is to pursue a government career in urban planning. He's the son of the late James A. Gatlin, Building and Safety, and Shirley Gatlin, Club Member.



Jahselyn Williams graduated from Dorsey High School in June 18. She plans to attend Cal State University, Northridge, this fall, majoring in chemistry with an emphasis on forensic science. The proud grandparents are Maretha Williams Adams, LAPD, and Bruce Adams, General Services.



Carissa Marie Coukos graduated from St. John the Baptist De La Salle and will be attending Alemany High School in the fall and plans to be on the freshman cheer squad. Carissa is the daughter of Cheryl Garcia, PSR II LAPD Valley Communications.



Joshua Kevin Beltran graduated from Hawthorne Mathematics and Science Academy and plans on attending Cal State University, Los Angeles, for forensic science. He's the son of Jose Beltran, Airports.



Samantha Nicole Price graduated Biola University in May with a Bachelor of arts degree in psychology. Samantha is daughter of Sgt. Christopher Price, Senior Traffic Supervisor, West Valley Parking Enforcement, Transportation. "We are so proud of you, Samantha!"



Cheyla Jakai Bell graduated from Westchester High School in June 17. She plans to attend Cal State University, Dominguez Hills, in the fall, majoring in communications. She's the daughter of Cherlyn J. Harrison, DWP.



Erik Taylor Jr. graduated from George Washington High School and plans to attend Trade Tech Los Angeles in the fall, majoring in culinary arts. Erik is the grandson of Marilyn (Retiree) and Rick Hill, Airports.



Au Reonne Taylor graduated from Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies and plans to attend Cal State, Northridge, in the fall. She's the granddaughter of Marilyn (Retiree) and Rick Hill, Airports.



Jateria Brooks graduated from Texas Southern University with a degree in radio, television and film, and a minor in journalism. Jateria is the daughter of Trina Clark, Personnel.



Nina J. Aguilar graduated from the registered nursing program at Rio Hondo College, Whittier. She is the daughter of Victor Aguilar, Rec and Parks.



Amanda Nicole Price graduated from sixth grade from Ocotillo Elementary with a 4.0 GPA. Amanda is the daughter of Christopher Price, Senior Traffic Supervisor, West Valley Parking Enforcement, Transportation.



Marah Sparks graduated from kindergarten at View Park Charter Elementary School. Her future plans are to be a teacher. Marah's proud parents are Wesslyn Hamilton, City Attorney's Office, and Edward Sparks.



Jake Hibma graduated from fifth grade at Serrania Elementary School, Woodland Hills. He received the Gold President's Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence. Jake's dad is Dan Hibma, LAFD.



Aumoria Ny'elle Mitchell graduated from kindergarten at Garr Academy Charter School in June. She will attend first grade in the fall and remain at Garr Academy. She stated that when she grows up, she would like to become an engineer. She is the daughter of Kimberly (Kimmie) Mitchell, Public Works/Contract Administration, and the granddaughter of retired City Employees Stephen and Audrey King, Retired City Employees.

