

* A Message From the CEO *

Smart to Get Insured For Long-Term Care

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Have you enrolled yet? You should!

I'm talking about the Open Enrollment period for the Club's Long-Term Care insurance. I'm glad to see lots of City Employees enrolling. The way I look at it, they're making a smart move to protect their family from the financial implications should the City Employee get seriously sick.

The Club staff has worked hard to bring you this Open Enrollment opportunity because we think it's a great benefit for you to have.

You have until Oct. 31 to enroll – when it is much easier to be approved. My advice is to attend a seminar to get more information if you need to, but then go for it. It's the smart thing to do.



From left: Rangers Ernie Ybarra and Robin Scott; John Hawkins; and Sr. Park Ranger Sharie Abajian at Augustus Hawkins Natural Park.

After talking about Long-Term Care, let's go for a healthy hike! And we have some good information in this issue for you to do just that.

I love to hike, so I take my family on outdoor adventures. The Club has another great hiker, as you know – Angel Gomez writes about his outdoor adventures every month in his "Be Alive!" column. Angel's great because he tells us what he's seeing at each location. I've been at certain places, wishing I had a good guide to what I was looking at.

Turns out, the City offers just such a service – the Park Rangers offer interpretive hikes. That means they narrate while you're hiking. It's not a new idea, of course, but I didn't know the City offered it. I had a great time hiking around Augustus Hawkins Natural Park. Fantastic fun! I want to give a big shoutout to **Kevin Regan, Sharie Abajian, Ernie Ybarra** and **Robin Scott** for their assistance in putting this feature together for you. I didn't know the City offered this; now you do, too.

Since this is September, that usually means a lot of great Club events. The Sports Dude (**Robert Larios**) and the Ticket Gal (**Rachael Brecher**) have put together some great ones, including another all-you-can-chow day at Dodger Stadium, and also tickets for the Orange County Fair. If you're not getting our event promotion emails, why not? Seriously! Go to the Club Website (cityemployeesclub.com) and sign up for the email newsletter. You'll be among the first to hear about our great events and ticket deals.

We're heading into the fall now, traditionally the busiest time of the year here at the Club. Between the Open Enrollment, the Club Events and all of the other great benefits we offer, we're hopping! So come aboard and take advantage of all that we offer you. We do it all for you, our Club Members.

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