

FINANCE

Accounting for Fun

Finance holds its annual picnic.



From left: Spiritt Garrett, Mai Tran, Antoinette Christovale, Jan Zatorski and Victor Salaiza.

Story and photos courtesy Yvonne Liu, Office of Finance

The Office of Finance held its annual employee picnic event Nov. 7 at Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club, 1880 N. Academy Dr. Special thanks go to sponsors LAPRAAC, ACEBSA, Dino's Burgers, Office of Finance management team, and the picnic committee, which worked tirelessly to make this event possible: Jan Zatorski, Elba Pallais, Victor Salaiza, Andrea Ocampo, Melinda Rosas, Maria Rangel, Mai Tran and Trang McConnaughy. The department would also like to thank everyone who supported the various fundraisers.

At the event there were jumpers for all ages, games booths with a lot of prizes for kids, a mini train, and bingo and volleyball games. A delicious entrée, drinks and a variety of desserts were served. There were also plenty of snacks including popcorn, cotton candy and nachos. Employees along with their family and friends won raffle prizes consisting of movie tickets, gift cards from See's candy and various restaurants, Madame Tussauds tickets and much more. More than 200 attended, including General Manager Antoinette Christovale, Assistant General Manager Ed Cabrera and staff throughout the Office of Finance.

"The picnic was a success," Antoinette Christovale said. "It was great to see so many of our staff and their family and friends in attendance."

The Office of Finance was created in 2000 as a result of Charter reform efforts. On an annual basis, the Office of Finance collects over \$2.5 billion in revenue from various sources including taxes, licenses, fees, and permits, which pay for numerous essential municipal services to City residents and businesses. The department carries out its charter responsibilities through the efforts of 363 employees and an annual budget of \$25 million.

For more information about the Office of Finance, please go to www.finance.lacity.org/



The train carrying Finance employees with Finance Director Antoinette in the first car.



Henry Fong and family.



From left: Patricia Galindo-Martinez, Andrea Ocampo, Angel's friend Mike and Angel Ortega.



Andrea Angeles and friend Dezar.



From left: Marieta Chong, Judy Ramirez and Olivia Alvarado-Ford.



From left: Trang McConnaughy, Jeanette Santoni and friend Carlos.



From left: Judy Ramirez with Yestera and Sarah Kachanyan.



Brad Moe and Audrey Childress.



The picture committee, back row, from left: Melinda Rosas, Trang McConnaughy, Victor Salaiza and Jan Zatorski. Front: Andrea Ocampo, Mai Tran and Maria Range. Not shown: Elba Pallais.

CLUB STORE

Here Come the Refund Checks!

The Club's Life Insurance refund for 2010 is approximately \$270,000. Are you eligible?

Here come the refund checks... to your mailbox!

The Board of Directors has approved a Club Life Insurance refund of approximately \$270,000 to be distributed back to the eligible Club members.

The check should be in your mailbox by the time you read this.

The Club continues its tradition of rewarding Club Life Insurance policyholders with a return of unused premiums (total premiums collected less paid claims and expenses). The 2010 refund will be the Club's 79th refund in its 82 years of existence.

The refund checks will be distributed via the U.S Mail. Expect the checks to begin arriving in the first week of December.

"Club Life Insurance is all about being there when our Members are in need," said Brian Trent, the Club's Chief Financial Officer. "That's our first priority. And, when we can, we are happy to return that portion of the premiums that are not needed. And we've been able to do that in all but three years of the Association's existence."

Who is eligible? Anyone who had Life, Spouse Life, Dependent Life, Retiree Life or Retiree Spouse Life Insurance in force for the month of July 2010 is eligible for a refund.

The actual amount Members receive will be determined as a percentage of the total premiums paid by an individual for the period of August 2009 through July 2010. However, those who dropped their insurance coverage prior to July 31, 2010, are not eligible for any refund.

Are you not eligible for a refund check, but would like to be? It's simple. Purchase any Life product from the Club, and you're eligible for next year. Insure your family's future and receive a little reward each year for living!

Talk to your Club Counselor, or call the Club at (800) 464-0452.



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