



From left: Karen Grace and PDO Michael Ellington, Club Member.



From left: Esther Ancurios, SDO, Van Nuys, Club Member; Sgt. Stephen Maxey, Retired; and Jennifer Estrada.



From left: PDO Cheryll Walker, Club Member; Marilyn Jackson, guest; and Karen Grace, guest.



From left: Adeniyi Paris, Custodian, General Services, Club Member; with guests Ellis Hall, Jaydon Bean and Diane Lang.



From left: Cynthia Reed, SDO at 77th Division, Club Member; Shirley Westbrooks, Retired DO, Club Member; Rosalind Carroll, Retired PSR, Club Member; and Patricia Jones, Retired SDO.



PDO Michael Ellington, Club Member, and Lt. Lydia Leos, Club Member.



From left: Joann Mitchell, Retired SDO, 77th Division, Club Member; Catalina Alvarado, SDO, Club Member; Emmer Brrus, DO at 77th; and Kris Alston, guest.



From left: Alan DeLeon, PDO at Van Nuys Division, Club Member; Brenda Slaughter, DO, Club Member; and Elena and Joe Preciado, Retired DO.



From left: Edwardo Abido, SDO; Lynn and Leonard Manaos, DO, Club Member; and John Scott, Retired PDO.



From left: Sgt. Ben Warren; Lt. Eric Coulter, Planning and Research; Don Wynne, P3, LAPD Training Division; and Sam Daughtry, "Camera Man."



From left: Bridget Jones, Sr. CT at 77th Division, Club Member; PDO Michael Ellington, Club Member; and Artillar Watts, Sr. CT at LAPD Training Division, Club Member.



Back: SDO Catalina Alvarado, Club Member. Seated, from left: Monique Jones, MA, Club Member; Teresa Haddad, Executive Assistant, Club Member; Deputy Chief Terry Hara, Personnel and Training Bureau; and Sgt. William Carter, ERG.



Guests were greeted at the door with this!



From left: George Cabarrus, MA with DWP, Club Member; and Howard Payne, Retired DO.



Jim McDonnell, Chief, Long Beach Police Department, Club Member.



From left: Patrick Findley, Executive Director of Security and Emergency Management, DWP, with Officer Pete Phermsangngam, PT/ARCON.



From left: Sandy Wallace, Utility Administrator, DWP; and D'Anna Markley, Police Administrator.

Michael Retires

Principal Detention Officer Michael Ellington, Club Member, retires from Police Dept. after 35 years of City service.

Story and photos by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager

A celebration was held Oct. 29 for Principal Detention Officer Michael Ellington, who retired from the LAPD after 35 years of City service. The party was held at the Police Academy.

Here's a resolution prepared for his retirement party:

"Whereas, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was appointed to the Los Angeles Police Department on April 7, 1975; and

"Whereas, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was initially hired by the Los Angeles Police Department as a Station Officer, where he exemplified the highest standards in the following assignment, Metropolitan Jail Section; and

"Whereas, in 1993, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was promoted to Detention Officer in the following assignment - Metropolitan Jail Section; and

"Whereas, on April, 1993, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was assigned to the newly created Standards and Training for Corrections (STC) Unit of Jail Division, responsible for ensuring compliance with training standards for detention personnel set forth by the State of California's Corrections Standards Authority, where he received several commendations for his dedication in bringing Jail Division to full compliance with the State of California; and

"Whereas, on March 19, 1995, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was promoted to Sr. Detention Officer and worked in the following assignment: STC Training Unit of Jail Division; and

"Whereas, in 1997, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was certified as an Arrest and Control instructor and assisted in the training of detention personnel. This certification was previously only awarded to police officers; and

"Whereas, on Aug. 27, 2000, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington was promoted to Principal Detention Officer and worked in the following assignments; 77th Street Regional Jail Section, STC Training Unit and Metropolitan Jail Section; and

"Whereas, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington distinguished himself by earning numerous Department commendations for his excellence in police work, embodying the highest tradition of the Los Angeles Police Department; and

"Whereas, Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington honorably retired from the Los Angeles Police Department on June 5, 2010, after faithfully serving the citizens of the City of Los Angeles for 35 years and 2 months; and

"Whereas, the Los Angeles City Council extends best wishes to Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington.

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that by adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council commends Principal Detention Officer Michael H. Ellington for his outstanding and dedicated service to the citizens of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles Police Department, and wishes him much success in his future endeavors."

Congratulations, Michael! Enjoy your well-deserved retirement.

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Then and now, when PDO Michael Ellington started with the LAPD.