

# LETTERS To the Editor

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## LETTERS OF THE MONTH

### For Stuart, Ferrari Can't Make Up for Lack of *Alive!* Valentine



Hey *Alive!*, thanks for getting me in big trouble. My wife was browsing through your latest issue of *Alive!* Suddenly I heard her grumbling, and then I could see steam coming from her ears. I could tell a volcano was about to blow, so I quickly asked what the matter was. She thrust her finger towards your Valentine feature and sternly asked, "Where's my Valentine?!" So, needless to say, the pink Ferrari just wasn't enough without a Valentine posting in *Alive!* Next year I'll be on top of it! Legally in love,

– Stuart Robles, PTW

### For Nate, It's Still the 100th Issue, And He Still Enjoys It

Congratulations, John [Hawkins] and the crew [on *Alive!*'s 100th issue, January]. I like this newspaper quite a bit. I don't have much time to read it but I save every one to read, sometimes a month late. But it's always fresh and interesting. I really like the articles about departments and who's doing what.

Civil Service goes back a long ways in my family. My grandfather, whom I never met, was a Civil Engineer on many projects, both in the United States and Asia before World War II.

– Nate Hall, General Services

### Chef Larios Helped Keep This Club Couple's Love Alive!

Re: Chef Larios' Lobster and Scallop Fettuccini Alfredo: This is what my husband prepared for me on Valentine's Day. This was "the best." We both enjoyed it with salad and red wine. Thanks for sharing!

– Frosie Deramos-Keller, Club Member

Hi Frosie, you're welcome... and you're not the only one who reported to us that they made Chef Larios' latest creation, and experienced magic. Glad it worked! – Ed.

### See's Candy Discount Was One Sweet Deal for Larry

Hi there, Club: I just wanted to let you know that I really appreciate being able to buy your discount tickets online. No other association that I belong to allows you to do that.

Oh, and the See's Candies gift certificates I bought at the Club's Website for my wife and mother-in-law scored me some serious points. Keep up the good work; it's really making a difference for us working stiffs!

– Larry Simmons, DWP

Hi Larry, you're welcome. It turns out that the Club's recent See's Candy promotion was one of our most popular ones in recent memory. We're delighted that so many Club Members took advantage. – Ed.

### Mary Rose Surfaces to Gush About LAFD Divers and Gear

Hello boys! Well, I have to tell you that I was really impressed with your latest issue of *Alive!* I had no idea that the Fire Department had divers... and the gear they had, wow, it reminded me of my pearl-diving days up there in Monterey! One day before I make my way to the big blue yonder, I would love to hitch a ride on Fireboat #2; what an impressive rig. Well, that's it for today, tell those handsome firemen you featured that Mary Rose Wilkens said "hi." Ciao!

– Mary Rose Wilkens, Retired Club Member Extraordinaire

## Correction

In last month's "History Comes *Alive!*" feature (which was part two of Hynda's columns on African American architect Paul R. Williams), we failed to give a proper photo credit to the image of the Signature Building at LAX. The photo is credited to Roy Hankey, Los Angeles Public Library.

## QUESTION

## of the Month



– Collected by Rachael Brecher, Club Store Assistant Manager

Rachael at the Club Store asks Club Members fun questions when they visit to purchase tickets or great Club apparel and gifts. So, stop by and join in the fun!

## What is your favorite Club benefit?



"Amusement park tickets." "The cancer plan."  
– Cecilia Talbot and Monica Zamudia, Club Claims Dept., 13 years/1 year of Club service



"Movie tickets."  
– Jackie Goldberg, Retired, 8 years of City service



"Movie tickets."  
– Carl Jones, Transportation, 32 years of City service



"Receiving the e-newsletter each time there is an awesome discount I can take advantage of."  
– Sammy Lam, Club Director of Marketing, 11 years of Club service



"Discounted movie tickets, because I like to take the family every other month."  
– David Aquirre, General Services, 28 years of City service



"Discounted tickets."  
– Leigh Thompson, Controller (The Club), 9 years of Club service



"Enterprise car rental discounts, and City seal shirts."  
– John Hawkins, Club CEO, 15 years of Club service



"Discounted L.A Galaxy tickets."  
– Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations, 13 years of Club service



"Wally Park. I use them all the time and love their services."  
– Angel Gomez, Club Director of Member Services, 12 years of Club service



"The staff."  
– Lorena De La Torre, General Services, 16 years of City service

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Representatives from Club partner, United Agencies will be at the Club Store:

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| <b>Mar. 4</b>  | 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. | <b>Mar. 18</b> | 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. |
|                | Rosa Calderon      |                | Rosa Calderon      |
| <b>Mar. 11</b> | 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. | <b>Mar. 25</b> | 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. |
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