

CITY EMPLOYEES AT WORK

Our *Alive!* cameras caught General Services Officers (from left) Tim Bradley, 19 years of City service, and Javier Mosley, 4 years, hard at work. **A job well done, gentlemen!**



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REC AND PARKS



Griffith Observatory's Dr. Laura Danly (right) poses with NASA Astronaut Tracy Caldwell on the set of "Cupcake Wars."

Cupcakes To Send You Into Orbit

Griffith Observatory featured on recent episode of hit cable show.

Story and photo courtesy the Food Network

The City's Griffith Observatory played a star role on a recent episode of the Food Network's "Cupcake Wars."

The Cupcake Wars episode "Cupcakes: The Final Frontier" premiered June 28. In this episode, bakers were put to the test as they

attempted to prepare space-themed cupcakes to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first American in space (Alan Shepard on May 5, 1961). The lucky winner of the competition unveiled their cupcakes at a celebration at Griffith Observatory at the conclusion of the show.

The episode is set to repeat during August.

Airport Police Torch Run

10 Airport Police Officers pass the torch to support Special Olympics.

Story courtesy Airport Police; Photos by Madeleine Flanagan, Airport Police

On June 10, 10 Airport Police officers ran in the Southern California Law Enforcement Torch Run for the Special Olympics to promote and raise funds for the Special Olympics. This is Airport Police's ninth year of participation. The run began with a Torch Lighting ceremony at the Chula Vista Police Dept. Memorial Wall, then traveled through Paso Robles City Park in San Luis Obispo County, before entering Los Angeles County.

Airport Police Asst. Chief Michael Hyams, Sgt. Troy Takaki, and Officers Tanansuk Chow, James Adrian, Richard Blaha, Starla Reader, Jorge Mora, Mark Corral, Daniel Keehne and LAPD Officer Tom Davoren received the torch from representatives of the FBI at the intersection of Pershing Drive and Imperial Highway. They ran 3.5 miles where the torch was passed to Hawthorne Police Dept. participants at the intersection of La Cienega Boulevard and Imperial Highway. Support for the runners was provided by Airport Police Motor Officers James Bow and Miguel Morante and Officer Tomas Garcia.

Chief George R. Centeno said, "I am very proud of the officers and supervisors who participated in this very worthwhile event. The Special Olympics is embraced by law enforcement as an expression of support for the athletes and their families that participate in the games."

Officers from local, county, state, federal and military agencies carry the "Flame of Hope" throughout Southern California and the three main legs (Central, North and South) merged at the Summer Games at Cal State Long Beach June 11 and 12. There the three torches were "unified" into a single flame used to light the Opening Ceremony cauldron and symbolize the start of the 2011 Special Olympics Summer Games.

The Los Angeles Airport Police Supervisors Association and the Los Angeles Airport Police Officers Association made generous donations to the Special Olympics in support of the Torch Run.

AIRPORTS

This year, law enforcement officers throughout Southern California raised \$900,000 for the Special Olympics, which will ensure the athletes receive the best sports training and competition possible.

In 2010, officers raised more than \$1.2 million for Special Olympics Southern California. The donations are directed into program support and development, expenses for athlete participation in local, regional, state and international competitions as well as training workshops and conferences.

BELOW: Front, from left: Airport Police Officer Daniel Keehne; Asst. Chief Michael Hyams; Officers Tomas Garcia, James Adrian, Jorge Mora, Richard Blaha, Mark Corral, James Bow and Miguel Morante (not shown). Back: Airport Police Officer Tanansuk Chow, LAPD Officer Tom Davoren, Airport Police Officer Starla Reader and Sgt. Troy Takaki.

Airport Police Officers James Adrian (carrying the torch) and Daniel Keehne leading the Torch Run.

