

Letters to the Editor

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LETTER OF THE MONTH

Getting the Details Right Is All in a Day's Work at *Alive!*

Honestly kids, I just don't know how you do it. Your articles are simply amazing. I just finished reading "The Trace Chase" and was overwhelmed with your well-written dialogue. The best part is that your questions are tailored for everyone to understand – I know that what these forensic scientists do is extremely complicated, but you boys have a way of making it very understandable. I also like being able to see both "Johns" [*Alive!* editor John Burnes, and Club CEO John Hawkins] working together in the photos. The two of you go to great lengths for us, and I just wanted to know that I really appreciate the work that you and your staff do. Now get back to work, you've got another issue to put together, don't you? Signing off from the high desert.

– **Mary Rose Wilkens, retired and loving it**

Hi again Mary Rose, thanks! Sometimes the functions that City Employees do every day can be a bit complicated to explain. But we love going through it over and over until we get it right, without oversimplifying. We love covering the duties of City Employees... and yes, we're already well into next month's story. When it comes to the cool stuff that City Employees do, there's always more to tell!

– Ed.



With Insurance, It Pays To Have the Long View

Hey there City Employees Club! I just wanted to say thanks for helping me with all my insurance needs. I had insurance with a different association but cancelled everything and went with you guys, mainly because what you provide is "necessary" insurance as opposed to bells and whistles. My investment portfolio manager told me that the two most important insurance products that I should have are life insurance and long-term disability insurance. He told me that many insurance companies are selling "short"-term disability first, but that I should focus on "long"-term disability first, and if I have money left over, then maybe I could get some short-term disability insurance. He paid the Club a very high compliment, telling me that you are the ones to trust...and he was especially impressed that none of your staff are on commission, unlike all the other agents running around the City. So, thank you for letting me trust you with the well-being of my family and me.

– **Todd Butler, a happy Club Member**

Hi Todd, your investment manager is right – those are the best policies to have. The Club offers these products because it believes in serving City Employees, and empowering them to lead great lives. Thanks for writing! – Ed.

After Seeing Photo, He Makes (Olympic) Jump to His Memory

That picture that Earl and Debra [Earl Rodgers, DWP, and Zebbra Corbin-Rodgers, DWP, September issue] took in *Alive! Around the World* at Olympic Park, Utah, was awesome! I

remember seeing the Winter Olympics there, and it brought back wonderful memories. It sure looks different without any snow!

– **Ken Rosenberg, Rec and Parks**

Hard at Work, You Deserve To Have a Picture in Alive!

Hi there! I love your City Employees at work feature! Can I email you a picture of my crew and me working? And if so, who do I send the photo to?

– **Mary Swanson, Rec and Parks**

Hi Mary, yes, absolutely! Just send your photo to info@cityemployeesclub.com. We look forward to seeing yours and many others from City Employees!

Son of a Gun, There's Great Fun With Marilyn's Jambalaya Recipe

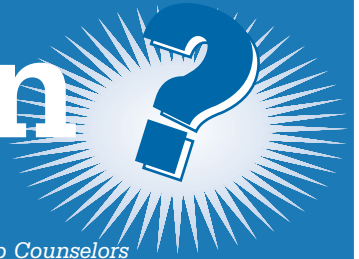
Oh wow! Marilyn's Jambalaya is a recipe for kings [*Cooking With the Club, September!*] I really enjoyed making this one and the flavor was incredible! I give this a double-thumbs-up! I even emailed the Chef [Larios] to get the secret ingredient! It is magical what it does to the taste.

– **Keith Lasco, LAPD**

Hi Keith, it's no secret that we have lots of great cooks here in the City. Send in your best recipes to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com, and we might publish them, turning you into a rock star! Well, you know, sort of. But send 'em in! – Ed.

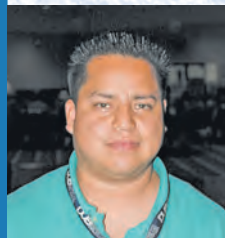
FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS ANSWER THE

Question OF THE MONTH



– as collected from around the City by your friendly Club Counselors

What is the strangest Halloween costume you've worn?



"A red M&M."
– Edwin Gomez, Convention Center, 9 years of City service



"A homemade alien costume."
– Keith Leon, DWP, 2 years of City service



"A mummy."
– Rose Crutchfield, Airports, Retired



"A tatted-up biker."
– Robert Turner, DWP, 19 years of City service



"A 'cookie spook' – an inflatable head (shaped like a spaceship) with green face make-up."
– Officer Shawn Smith, Airports



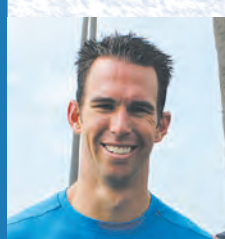
"Catwoman, with the leopard skin-tight outfit, big hair and make-up."
– Phyllis Massey, Airports, Retired



"A 'hippy' outfit with a Ronald Reagan mask."
– Pam Hirneisen, Convention Center, 5 months of City service



"The front end of a horse."
– Alex Supall, Convention Center, 11 years of City service



"The Three Amigos."
– Ryan Carlos, LAFD



"My birthday suit."
– Chris Yokoyama, LAFD



"A cheerleader."
– Marty Bradley, DWP, 12 years of City service



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