

# Letters to the Editor

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## Alive! Classified Worked When Margaret Peddled the Pedals

Just want to let you know that I have sold the bike that was in your classified ads. Please remove the ad for your next issue of *Alive!*, and thank you so much for your help and assistance. The ads really do work! Good benefit for the employees.

– **Margaret Gonzalez, Retired**

*Glad to hear the ad worked for you, Margaret! But we hope you haven't given up cycling. We hear it's a great thing to do when you're retired. Keep on pedaling!* – Ed.

## Charlotte Is Taking Club Sports One Step at a Time, Enjoying It

Hello, Club SportsDude! Thank you for all efforts, hard work, and commitment to making the Stair Climb an event I will always remember. This was my first year to do the Stair Climb, and I look forward to doing it again. Thank you!

– **Charlotte Hagos, General Services**

*Hi Charlotte, how was the view from up at the top of the skyscraper? We bet it was awesome, after climbing all the way to the top. When it comes to Club Sports, softball and basketball seem to get a lot of attention. We're delighted you're taking part in a different, but just as cool, part of the Club Sports scene. Nice going, and congratulations on your achievement.* – Ed.

## Club's Participation With Retirees Keeps Them Connected to City Life

It was great seeing Chef Larios at the RLACEI General Meeting on Oct. 6. He even brought two new staff members with him – Debbie [Schroyer] and Jackie [Causillas]. They were all smiles, and we loved talking with them. I wanted to thank them for taking the time to visit with our group. Sometimes we feel a little left out from the City now that most of us are retired, but a big thanks goes to Robert Larios and the Club.

– **Mary Hanson, Retired**

*Hi Mary, you're welcome. I know that Debbie and Jackie had a great time at the meeting. Retirees are an important part of the Club. Keeping you connected to life in the City of LA is exactly why we do what we do. Thanks for writing.* – Ed.

## October Was Scary Time at Club Store, and He Loved It

I love the Club and the Club Store! October is the same for me as it is for children looking forward to opening presents on Christmas in December. This is the month were I get my heart racing with adrenaline hoping to get scared stiff! I know, I know, I sound like a crazy fellow, but it was great to buy the discounted tickets from Megan at the store for Knott's Scary Farm. Then I bought the ones for Universal Studios and the Haunted Hayride. The hayride is a scary one for sure – I have been on it and I still see those clowns in my sleep! I love the Club!

– **M. Johnson, Rec and Parks**

## Club Adds a Second Pirate Show, As One Was Just Not Enough

Thank you to goes to Rachael at the Club Store for getting us another show for the Pirates Dinner Show. I was so saddened when I called to buy tickets for the one on Nov. 5, only to find out it was sold out. But she came to the rescue with the second night. Ticket Gal is a rock star!

– **Art Ortiz, Transportation**

## There Are Good Stories to Tell From a Long, Long Way Away

What an amazing story and photos in the newspaper about the "New Growth in the Valley" [cover story, October *Alive!*]. The DWP is doing a great thing in managing and monitoring the new growth of vegetation up there in the Crowley Lake area. It is so beautiful up there... I would like to thank Lori Dermody of the DWP and the rest of the employees that are making a difference.

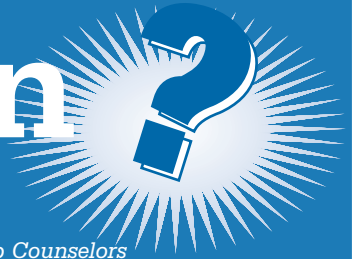
– **Tim Kissinger, LAFD**

*Hi Tim, we agree, the DWP is doing a good job bringing back some of the native growth in the Crowley Lake area. We love running into City Employees like Lori, who are experts in their field (pun intended), and can show us exactly what's happening. We always enjoy visiting our many Club Members out of Bishop. They may be far away, but they have great stories to tell, too.* – Ed.

## Corrections

• In last month's "History Comes *Alive!*" feature, the photo source was not credited. The photo credit should have read: Photos courtesy the Security Pacific Collection, the Herald Examiner Collection, and the Hollywood Citizen News/Valley Times Collection at the Los Angeles Public Library Photo Archive, Christina Rice, Acting Sr. Librarian.  
*Alive!* regrets the error and thanks the Library for their great service.

# FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS ANSWER THE Question OF THE MONTH



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

## How do you like your Thanksgiving turkey cooked?



"Smoked."  
– Det. Amy Sundquist, 16 years of City service.



"Fried."  
– Bridget Talley, Principal Worker's Compensation Analyst, 11 years.



"Fried."  
– Vivian Davis, Sr. Worker's Compensative Analyst, 12 years.



"Fried."  
– Melva Varter, LAPD, 5 years.



"Smoked."  
– Christopher Moody, Operations Superintendent, Airports, 15 years.



"Molé-style."  
– Officer Vivaldo Torrez, Officer, 8 years.



"Deep fried."  
– Victor Mabin, Construction Management Supervisor, 27 years.



"Roasted."  
– Jose Baires, Custodian Supervisor, 12 years.



"Smoked."  
– Edgar Lopez, Officer, 13 years.



Both like it "deep fried."  
From left: Kenny Booth and Claudius Haynes.



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