

Special Holiday Party Section

The City Parties!

Part 2

All across the City, you celebrated the holidays. And *Alive!* was there!

Here in February, *Alive!* continues its coverage of the City Social Season 2012, with stories and photos from Club staff... and sent in by you, too.

And don't forget to check out all the photos online!

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(You'll need a password to login.)

Happy New Year!

It's an annual *Alive!* tradition!



From left: Don Celia, GIS Specialist, 10 years of City service; Carlos Cuellar, Clerk Typist, 4 years; Cuong Fan, GIS Specialist, 5 years; Sammy Wong, Clerk Typist, 4 years; Muriel Gue, Sr. Management Analyst, 5 years; and Janos Szaktilla, GIS Specialist, 13 years.



From left: Paul Garcia, Clerk Typist, 4 years of City service, Club Member; Sandra Vides, Clerk Typist, 10 years, Club Member; Pam Halpin, Clerk Typist, 6 years; Elaine Trujillo, Clerk Typist, 3 years; Sylvia Mendoza, Sr. Clerk Typist, 18 years; Estela Urzua, Sr. Clerk Typist, 18 years, Club Member; Michelle Chan, Sr. Accountant, 1 month, Club Member; and Teresa Tse, Accountant, 30 years.



From left: James Wolfe, Sr. Systems Analyst, 22 years of City service; Chief Brian Cummings; and Winston Song, Programming Analyst, 20 years, Club Member.



From left: Elizabeth Torre, Personnel Analyst, 4 years of City service; Samantha Hanzy, Personnel Analyst, 2 months; Sandy Lai, Personnel Analyst II, 5 years; Tashema Russell, Records Specialist, 4 years; Zina Abram, Sr. Clerk Typist, 12 years, Club Member; Laura Triner, Sr. Personnel Analyst, 2 months; and Cynthia White, Sr. Personnel Analyst II, 6 years.

LAFD Administration

Story and photos by Cedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor



The entire Administrative Services Bureau of the LAFD gathered Dec. 7 to celebrate the holiday season! Their event was held at the Sheraton at Macy's Plaza downtown.

This Club sponsored event, and it was filled with reindeer ears and holiday sounds. There was an excellent buffet and a prize-filled raffle.

Thanks to Jennifer Corona, Club Member, for inviting us.



Joe Ward-Wallace, Retired Firefighter, 9 years of City service, Club Member.

Capt. Rick Godinez, Club Member, says a prayer before the raffle and buffet begin.



Jennifer Corona, Club Member, event coordinator.



From left: Kurt Sato, Director of Systems, 23 years of City service, Club Member; Mariana Rivera, Sr. Managing Analyst, 13 years; Bob Yan, Senior Systems Analyst, 13 years; Daisy Quan, Secretary, 10 years; Sue Hynh, Systems Analyst, 4 years; James Wolfe, Sr. Systems Analyst, 22 years; Winston Song, Programming Analyst, 20 years, Club Member; and Linda Wu, Systems Analyst, 1 year.

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Port Police K9 Unit

Story and photos by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor

The K9 Unit gathered together for a toy drive held Dec. 9 at McCormick and Schmick's Grill in Anaheim. The department enjoyed live music performed by Tristen Ramos, Joe Khoury, and Jake Hawkes, son of Lt. Ken Hawkes.

In the mist of it all, Capt. Nixon was presented with a group photo of his unit as a form of appreciation. Lt. Ken Hawkes, Club Member, was also presented with a special gift. Congratulations to the unit for a job well done!



From left: Officer John Legaspi, Police Officer 1, 3 years of City service, Club Member; and Sandra and Officer Andrew Sklarsh, 3 years, Club Member. Bottom: K9 Officer Keli Baldwin, 5 years; and Sgt. Jerome Niles, 6 years, Club Member, and his wife, Rachel.



From left: Lt. Ken Hawkes, 22 years of city service, Club Member; Sr. Lead Officer William Wyocham, 12 years; and Sgt. Dan Dayton, 9 years, Club Member.



The Port Police K9 Unit.

Top, from left: Michael Chen, K9 Officer, 3 years of City service, Club Member; Sr. Lead Officer Ismael Flores, 6 years, Club Member; and Lloyd Suh, K9 Handler, 3 years, Club Member. Bottom: Diana Flores, wife of Ismael Flores; Joseph Arthur, K9 Officer, 4 years, Club Member; and Rebecca Suh, wife of Lloyd Suh.



From left: Guest Sylvia Sele; Officer Maria Hernandez, 29 years of City service, Club Member; and Elizabeth Carrillo, Management Analyst, 9 years, Club Member. Bottom: wife, Georgetta Marbach; son, Nick Marbach, 15 months; and Officer Nick Marbach, 5 years, Club Member.



From left: Alfred Moya, K9 Officer, 4 years of City service, Club Member; K9 Officer Tony Reitz, 14 years, Club Member, and his wife, Annette; Vianey Moya, wife of Officer Moya; and Samantha and Sr. Lead Officer William Yocham.



From left: Lt. Ken Hawkes, 22 years of City service, Club Member; Capt. Leon Nixon, 17 years, Club Member, and his wife, Sue; Lt. Titus Smith, Club Member; and Lucy and Sgt. Dan Dayton, 9 years, Club Member.

From left: Robert Lee, husband of Karina Chow, Programmer Analyst, 8 years of City service; daughter, Chelsea, 8; and son, Matthew Lee, 6.



From left: Randy Lastrapes, husband of Kathie Allen, Airport Development Group, 1 year of City service; son, Kenneth, 12; and stepson, Christian, 7.



From left: Nephew, Jalen II; Tracie Edwards, Sr. Management Analyst, 26 years of City service; son, Jordan, 13; nephew, Dailen, 4; and son, Delano, 4.



From left: Edgar Lopez, Security Officer, 13 years of City service; his wife, Gina; son, Ethan, 5; and son, Evan, 1.



From left: Manuel Castro, Custodian, 6 years of City service, Club Member; guest, Jose Ferman; Tiana, 4; and Dayanava Cloyd, 2.



From left: Son, Matthew, 5; Don Martinez III, Relamper, 9 years of City service, Club Member; and son, Gabriel, 7.



From left: Guest Carlos, 3; granddaughter, Jania, 5; and Ernest Richardson, Mechanical Helper, 13 years of City service.



Aiafano Ropati, Custodian at LAX Terminal Eight, 8 years of City service, Club Member, with his son, Braden, 4.



LAX

Story and photos by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor

LAX employees held a family holiday celebration Dec. 3 at Mulligans Family Fun Center in Torrance.

The event was for children and adults alike. Employees enjoyed face painting, miniature golf, go-karts, and much more. Santa Claus came to visit and had pictures taken with all the children. It was great to see all the children's eyes light up as they raffled more than 10 bicycles, Mario Brothers, Nintendo Wii and even an iPad 2! It was truly Christmas in Torrance.

Special thanks to Jimmy Sparks and Kelly Arthurs.



From left: Daughter, Crystal, 14; Raul Rosales, Garage Attendant, 9 years of City service, Club Member; wife, Mirna; Ivette, 17; Viviane, 9; and Robert, 4.



From left: Fidel Avila, Window Cleaner, 14 years of City service, Club Member; with guest, Adriana Salazar; son, Michael, 15; and niece, Camille Singleton, 9.



From left: Daughter, Isabella, 1; and Victor Rodriguez, Fleet Supervisor, 8 years of City service, Club Member.



Michael Aubin, Mechanical Helper at LAX, 10 years of City service, Club Member; with his daughter, Sophia, 21 months, and wife, Malou.

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From left: Sharon Fares, Systems Analyst, 12 years of service; Donna Erie, Secretary, 20 years of service, Club Member; Linda Brown, Accounting Clerk, 22 years of service, Club Rep

Kelly Arthur, Sr. CT, 8 years of City service, Club Member and Ken Moses, guest



At the souvenir and raffle drop off are Genny Santiesteban, Secretary, 25 years of service, Club Member and Celia Lockwood, CID Events.



From left: Dennis and Susan Roth, Sr. Management Analyst II, 27 years of City service; and Brian Zingg, a guest, and Julie, daughter of Susan Roth.



Betty Myles, Intermediate Clerk at DPSS, LA County, 30 years of service.



Regence with her spouse AAE President and Club Member Jimmy Sparks.



Association of Airport Employees



Francis and Cynthia Lewis, Secretary, 26 years of service.



Donald Lee, AC Filter Crew Leadman, 23 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Jean.



Maria Vizcarra, M&C Helper, 14 years of City service; and Jose Martinez, Plumber, 27 years.



Margaret and Harold Sloat, Sr. Electrician, 16 years of City service.



Story and photos by Arlene Herrero

The Airport Dept. chapter of the Association of Airport Employees (AAE) rang in the New Year with a bash at the Sheraton Hotel in Cerritos.

The party had a casino theme. There was also karaoke, a toast at midnight, and food.

Special thanks to Jimmy Sparks, AAE President, Club Member, and Linda Brown, Club Rep.



Joseph and Sharon Fares, Systems Analyst, 12 years of City service.



Milton Jewell, MMA at DWP, 9 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Elaine.



Fred Sandoval, M&C Helper, 24 years of City service, with his wife, Lucy.



Tyrone Jessamy, Airport Maintenance Superintendent, 11 years of City service, Club Member, with his wife, Shaundala.



From left: Luz Jimenez, Custodian, 4 years of City service; Ricardo Jimenez, Carpenter, 10 years of service, Club Member; Laronda Echols, Real Estate Associate, 13 years of service, Club Member.



Rod and Sherell Palmer, Sr. Clerk Typist, 23 years of City service.



Back from left: Andrea Parris and Christen Jackson. Seated: Sharon Payne, Retired Sr. CT, 37 years of City service, Club Member, and her husband, James; and guests Marlene Taylor and George Hewett.



Mark and Luzelena Kalfell, Custodian, 10 years of City service, Club Member.



Chris Sparks, Custodian Supervisor, 26 years of City service, with his guest, Alicia Seabrook.



Street Lighting Goes to School



Photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

On Dec. 15, Public Works/Street Lighting performed its annual delivery of toys to the Lockwood Avenue Elementary School.

Employees of the Bureau collect and contribute toys. Bureau managers coordinate with

school faculty to arrange delivery of the toys at the Lockwood campus. Toys were delivered to the school, and then faculty reviews the gifts and divides them by age and gender. Faculty distributed toys appropriately to classrooms. More than 350 toys were collected at press time. The goal was to collect at least 600 toys, enough for each student, by the time of delivery.

Faculty members served the staff from Street

Services punch and cookies during the delivery process.

Robert Larios, the Club's Director of Operations also delivered 50 toys on behalf of the City Employees Club for this cause.

Street Lighting distributes toys to Lockwood Elementary School annually as part of its ongoing effort to support the local community and bring holiday cheer to deserving students. Public Works

has a nearly 20-year relationship with Lockwood Elementary as an adopted school. Street Lighting has conducted the toy distribution intermittently for more than 10 years. Approximately 550 students currently are enrolled at Lockwood Elementary.

Thanks go to Richard Lee, PW Public Affairs Office, and Division Manager and Street Lighting Electrician Supervisor III Christian L. Mosman.



Christian Mosman, Street Lighting Electrician Supervisor III, is a firm supporter of this annual event and stands among the hundreds of toys that were delivered for the Lockwood students.



Back row, from left: Hugo Monroy, Assistant Street Lighting Electrician; Heinz Roesner, Sr. Storekeeper; Ed Ebrahimian, Director, Bureau of Street Lighting; Christian Mosman, Street Lighting Electrician Supervisor III; Sylvester Fuentes, Electrical Craft Helper; Mark Burton, Assistant Street Lighting Electrician; and Robert Gomez, Assistant Street Lighting Electrician. Middle: Gabriel Dunkle (son of Street Lighting Electrician Jeff Dunkle); Ramon Cano, Maintenance and Construction Helper; Ramiro Munoz, Street Lighting Electrician; Ramon Leriget, Electrical Craft Helper; and Michael Stiles, Street Lighting Electrician. Front: Ray Loll, Warehouse and Tool Room Worker, and Principal Andrea L. Donahoo, plus five of her staff.



From left: Ed Ebrahimian, Director, Bureau of Street Lighting; Ray Loll, Warehouse and Tool Room Worker; and Christian Mosman, Street Lighting Electrician Supervisor III.



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From left: L'Keva Harris, Crime Scene Photographer, LAPD, 13 years of City service, Club Member; Alicia Diaz, Sr. Clerk Typist, LAPD, 12 years, Club Member; and Lupe Becerra, Sr. Typist Clerk, LASD, 6 years.



From left: Carlos Flores, Network System Admin II, 1 year of service, LASD; and Norm Thomas, Photographer III, 18 years of City service, LAPD, Club Member.

From left: Kristina Takeshita, Criminalist, 16 years of City service, LAPD; Nick Sanchez, Criminalist III, 15 years, LAPD, Club Member; and Samantha Tosch, Criminalist, 3 years, LAPD.



From left: Ruben Flores, Supervising Criminalist, 10 years of service, LASD; Jill Licht, Sr. Criminalist, 5 years of service, LASD; Stephan Schliebe Sr., Criminalist, 30 years of service, LASD; and Joseph Cavaleri, Sr. Criminalist, 12 years of service, LASD.



From left: Dyna Sao, Criminalist, 1 year of City service, LAPD; Warren Loomis, Retired Supervising Criminalist, 37 years, LAPD; Joe Hourigan, Chief Forensic Chemist, 27 years, LAPD; and Sue Brockbank, Supervising Criminalist, 25 years, LAPD, Club Member.



SID: LAPD and Sheriff's Dept.



From left: Lewis Bolf II, Supervising Criminalist, 27 years of service, LASD; Jack Schweizer, Facility Manager, 22 years of service, LASD; and Francine Segura, Clerk Typist, 5 years of City service, LAPD.



Back, from left: Tatiana Garcia, Supervising Criminalist, 12 years of City service, LAPD; and Sue Brockbank, Supervising Criminalist, 25 years, LAPD, Club Member. Seated: Crystal Wysong, Criminalist, 21 years, LAPD; Sabine Eichmann, Criminalist, 4 years, LAPD.



From left: Jeff Thompson, Chief Forensic Chemist I, LAPD; Debbie Alonzo, Clerk Typist, 14 years of City service, LAPD and Susan Rinehart, Criminalist III, 17 years, LAPD, Club Member.



Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Products Manager; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Member Services Manager

The LAPD's Scientific Investigation Division (the "CSI" people) held a joint holiday luncheon with the County Sheriff's Dept., which shares the facility on the campus of Cal State Los Angeles.

The luncheon took place Dec. 14.

Santa made an appearance. Everyone gathered together and took part in bringing different main course, appetizers and desserts. Raffle prizes were also handed out. The lucky winner went home with a 32-inch TV as the grand prize.

Thanks go to Sue Brockbank and Maria Garcia, both Club Members, for their invitation.



From left: Sheilah Morris, Operations Assistant II, 11 years of service, LASD; Alice Rodriguez, Secretary, 25 years of service, LASD; Mia Mejorado, Operations Assistant I, 10 years of service, LASD; and Sondi Watkins, Operations Assistant I, 31 years of service, LASD.



From left: Corinna Jiang, volunteer; Danny Gonzalez, Administrator Assistant, CSFI; Gordon Lee, Graphic Designer, CSFI; Rose Ochi, Executive Director, CSFI; Santa; Cora and Harley Sagara, Training Director, CSFI; and Joanna Law, Criminalist, LASD.



From left: Kristin Venegas, Lab Tech, 4 years of service, LASD; and Tiffany Ornelas, Sr. Criminalist, 4.5 years of service, LASD.



Santa with Sue Brockbank, Supervising Criminalist, 25 years of City service, LAPD, Club Member.



Standing: Olivia Acuna, Secretary, 18 years of City service, LAPD. Seated, from left: Marleen Caudillo, MA II, 10 years, LAPD; Maria Garcia, Sr. Clerk Typist, 30 years, Club Member, LAPD.



Back: Dean M. Gialamas, Crime Lab Director, 12 years of service, LASD. Seated, from left: Mary Keens, Sr. Criminalist, 11 years of service, LASD; Anny Wu, Sr. Criminalist, 7 years of service, LASD; and Joanna Law, Sr. Criminalist, 2 years of service, LASD.



From left: Catherine Navetta, Supervising Criminalist, 20 years of service, LASD; and Erin Trujillo, Assistant Director, 28 years of service, LASD.



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Capt. Rick Godinez, new Club Member, and Santa Claus on the way to Murchison Elementary.



Approaching all the screaming kids.

Waiting to see Santa.



Here comes Santa!

Firefighter Jorge Miranda-Lopez, Club Member, assists in demonstrating the fire hose.



Dolores Mission's third-grade class with Fire Station 2 personnel.



Firefighter Daniel Cortinas assists in demonstrating the fire hose.



Capt. Rick Godinez, Club Member, gets attacked with hugs by all the kids!

Mr. and Mrs. Claus with Firefighter Abraham Carreto, new Club Member.



Fire Station 2



From left: Firefighters Patrick D'Arrigo, Contreras, Michael Seiser, and Abe Carreto pose with the kids in front of the rig.



Happy Holidays!



Firefighter Mario Targoni, Club Member, assists in demonstrating the fire hose.



Story and photos by Gedina Bergstrom, Club Counselor

How often do you show up at a Fire Station and run into Santa and Mrs. Claus? Not that often, but on Dec. 15, it happened.

Fire Station 2 was getting ready to surprise Murchison Elementary School with Santa to hand out toys. We drove from Fire Station 2 over to the school. Pulling up to 1,000 kids screaming Santa was a sight to behold. After greeting all the children, we made our way in to the "toy store"

(a converted auditorium), where Santa handed out toys and took pictures with the kids and the Firefighters.

Once all the toys were handed out, we headed back to the Fire Station, where we were greeted by the entire third-grade class from Dolores Mission. It was amazing to see all these kids so enthralled in what the station had to offer, including getting a chance to spray the fire hose! All in all, it was a beautiful day!

Thanks to Capt. Rick Godinez, Club Member, for his assistance.



From left: Firefighters D'Arrigo, Contreras, and Michael Seiser with a happy child.



Hello Murchison Elementary.



Merry Christmas!



The "toy store."



Fire Station 2 presents.



Saying hello to our Los Angeles City heroes! (I mean Firefighters.)



Firefighter Velasquez assists in demonstrating the fire hose.

Murchison Elementary volunteers.



Firefighter Contreras assists in demonstrating the fire hose.



Fire Station 2, Mr. and Mrs. Claus, and the principal!

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From left: Steven Truillo, Instrument Mechanic, 22 years of City service; John Ellico, Mechanical Helper, 3 years; Hoang Nguyen WO III, 30 years; Jubian Tutor, Power Shovel Operator, 30 years; Tom Eatmon, Retired 30 years; and Jeff Campbell, Retired, 30 years.

Vijai "V" keeps the party going with his DJ skills.



From left: Lance Thibodeaux and family, Environmental Engineering Assoc., 6 years of City service; Robert Nobregas, Electrical Craft Helper, 10 years; Lydia Pallares, Clerk Typist, Library, 5 years; Sam Pollares, Treatment Operator I, 8 years.



From left: Mikky Kim; Muyung Kim; Kevin Kim, Management Assistant, 4 years of City service; Abel Medina, Painter, 5 years; and Jose Garcia, Carpenter, 4 years.



Terminal Island

Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

Public Works/Sanitation's Terminal Island processing plant held its Christmas party Dec. 14 at the Ports O' Call restaurant in San Pedro.

There was good food, great gifts, and games. Employees, family and friends enjoyed the party. Thanks go to Shirley Crawford and Vijai Seeram for their assistance.



Shirley Crawford and the beautiful Christmas tree.



From left: Paul Blakenship, TI Electrician, 25 years of City service; and Raymond Renteria, Electrician Supervisor, 30 years.



From left: Veretta Everhart, Sr. MA II, 24 years of City service; Meehan Oh, Sr. MA II, 11 years; and Seung Oh, Environmental Engineer, 22 years.



From left: Keith Gawith, WWTM 21 years of City service; Bob Bates, Sr. Mechanic, 25 years, with his wife; Loretta Arnold; Lori Logan, Lab Tech, 22 years; and Terrence Montgomery, Sr. WWTO, 27 years.



From left: Karl Breitenstein and sons, WW Supervisor, 27 years of City service; and Winston Chang and his wife, Warehouseman, 10 years.



Ports O' Call in San Pedro.



Testing your Memory, one of the games employees enjoyed at the party.



From left: Sandy O'Guinn, Gardner, 9 years; Kelly Scrivens, Pipefitter, 16 years; and Faye Kenoli, Retired, 24 years.



From left: Loretta Arnold, Sr. Clerk Typist, 32 years of City service; Vijai Seeram, Instrument Mechanic, 3 years; Roshan Aflaki, Plant Manager, 20 years; and Reggie Taylor WTOI, 3 years.



From left: Wes Stoddard, Waste Water Mech., Retired, 32 years of City service; Mike Cutas, Contract Administrator, 10 years; and Daruish Dejan, Lead Chemist, 21 years.



From left: Mark Uster, Custodian, 22 years of City service; James Hadley, Plummer, 22 years, with his daughters; and Alice Gavourel, Store Keeper, 15 years, with her family.



Shirley Crawford, Sr. Clerk Typist, and Henry Ayala, Pipefitter, 24 years.



Kids have fun with a bean toss game.



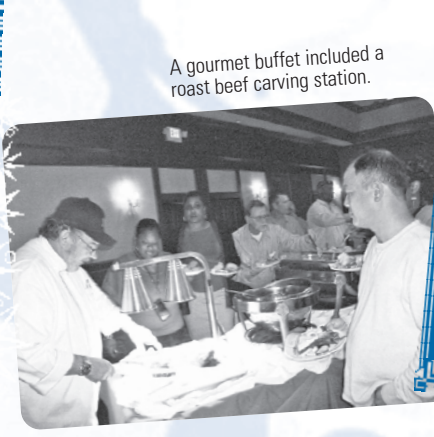
Vijai "V" with family.



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From left: Vanessa Quijada, Sr. Clerk Typist, 11 years of City service; Gilbert White, Sr. Painter, 25 years; Martha Lopez, Security, 4 years; Kenneth Jeong, MA I, 10 years; Raul Arroyo, Painter, 5 years; Maribel Gomez, MA, 10 years; and Yolanda Mitchell, Accounting Clerk, 10 years.



A gourmet buffet included a roast beef carving station.



From left: Pete Sierra, Wastewater Treatment Mech. II, 25 years of City service; Ernie Flores, Sr. Plumber, 17 years; Dave Patron, Plumber, 10 years; Robert Bustamante, Plumber, 3 years; George Hortiveros, Bldg. Mech. Engr. II, 28 years; and Jason Lam, Sheet Metal Worker, 3 years.



From left: Maurice Smith, Clerk Typist, 2 years of City service; Bryan Johnson, Environmental Engineer Assoc., 8 years; Rob Tabora, MA II, 14 years; Lynetta Johnson, Sr. Clerk Typist, 10 years; Mark Moshlak, ACI, 6 years; and Rodriz Jennings, PAII, 7 years.



From left: Amelito Bibosa, AC Mechanic Supervisor, 21 years of City service; Margie Oliva, Sr. Clerk Typist, 10 years; Tracy Duffia, Clerk Typist, 4 years; Cheryl Downey, Safety Engineer, 6 years; Mary Anthony, Sr. Typist, Retired; Marcus Lyons, Acting Sanitation Mgr. I, 25 years; and Mike Girouard, Power Shovel Operator, 9 years.



From left: Ollie Veasey, Wastewater Manager II, 25 years of City service; Darla Veasey, Sr. Clerk Typist, 24 years; Mhramin Sarkisian, Wastewater Manager III, 37 years; Varouj Abkian, Asst. Director, 31 years; Steve Fan, Plant Manager, 28 years; and Michele McManus, Administrative Div. Manager, 35 years.



From left: Gregg Kushiner and guest, HTP Maintenance, 20 years of City service; Efrain Gonzalez, Sanitation Wastewater Manager, 30 years; Karen Ingalla, Sanitation Manager, 27 years; Chuck Turhollow, Sanitation Wastewater Manager III, 30 years; and Bahram Roshanian, Wastewater Manager II, 25 years.



Hyperion Employee Association, from left: Eric Russell, Julie Jacobs, Meloni Nelson, and Nick Terrell.



From left: D. Rockett, CSA Supervisor, 8 years of City service; John LaDouleu, Electrician; Ivan Moore, Custodian; Major Pree, Custodian; Ronald Breda, Custodian; and Carl Woodpard, Heavy Truck Operator.

Hyperion



Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

On Dec. 15, Public Works/Sanitation's Hyperion Treatment Plant celebrated the holidays at the Proud Bird Restaurant in Westchester. The event featured great food, raffles with prizes that included cash, and a singing gift of "This Christmas" by Meloni Nelson, Hyperion Employee Association.



Meloni Nelson gifts the attendees with a beautiful rendition of "This Christmas."



From left: James Watson, Delivery Driver, 12 years of City service; Lester Christian, Equipment Supervisor, 25 years; Stacey Brown, Sr. Clerk Typist, 25 years; Danielle Mayes, Acctg. Clerk I, 26 years; Mary Taylor, Principal Clerk, 16 years; Robert Haskins, MA; Stephanie Lucas, Sr. Clerk Typist, 24 years; and Julius Hibler, Sr. Electrician.



From left: Peter Fogler, Wastewater Treatment Mechanic I, and wife; Kim Byous, ECH, 6 years of City service; Damon Rowe, Custodian, 5 years; Steven Otero, Custodian, 5 years; Guy Williams, Custodian, 23 years; and Marc Howard, CSA, 24 years.



From left, Event Coordinators: Meloni Nelson, Lasonia Smith, Nick Terrell, Eric Russell, Julie Jacobs, Rhonda Paul, and Mark Carradine.



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Carlos Baldenegro, Civil Engineering Associate III, 18 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Anna.



Sgt. Michael Patterson, 13 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Diane.



Darryl and Diane Walker, Sr. Clerk Typist, 27 years of City service.



Steve Salas, Laborer, 10 years of City service, and his wife, Rosie.



From left: Officer Robin Jackson, 34 years of City service; Tracy Zuliani, Transportation Planning, 12 years; and Michael Booher, guest.



Club Members Jessica Bautista and Vanessa Guillen.



Rafael Diaz, Maintenance Laborer, 5 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Mariana.



Patrick Zois, Plumber, 3 years of City service, and his wife, Natalia.



Martin Lovato, Electrician, 8 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Daryl.



Jackie Powell, Laborer, 5 years of City service, Club Member, and Gina Thompson, guest.



Guests Jacob and Megan Street with party-goers.



James McAfee, Painter II, 3 years, Club Member; Chris Canlas, guest; and Linda Gardner, wife of Keith Gardner.



Waymond Banks, Heavy Duty Truck Operator, 12 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Cynthia.



Stacey Hashimoto, Management Analyst II, 10 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Sandra Hashimoto.



Harbor

Story and photos by Jackie Causillas



The Harbor Dept. held its annual holiday party Dec. 17 at the Elks Lodge in San Pedro.

This year the Port held a prom-themed holiday party. Guests arrived in their gowns and suits with corsages and boutonnières. The employees were able to take photos during the social hour, just like they did back in high school. They all enjoyed a nice dinner, dancing, and raffle prizes.

At the end of the night, after all the votes were tallied, the prom king and queen were announced. Congratulations to Queen Vanessa Guillen and King Michael Hooher!

Special thanks to Vanessa Guillen and Jessica Bautista for their assistance.



Prom King Michael Hooher, and Prom Queen Vanessa Guillen.



From left: Rodney Bolton, guest; Cynthia Ruiz, Deputy Executive Director, 8 years of City service; and Michael Christensen, Deputy Executive Director, 5 years, Club Member; and his wife, Lisa.



Lily Rios, guest, and Officer Aldo Morales, 11 years of City service, Club Member.



Marco Sanchez, Civil Engineer, 4 years of City service, Club Member, and his wife, Yajaira.



Maurice Jacobs, Construction Equipment Service, 13 years of City service, Club Member, and Monica Jacobs.



Melissa and Arley Baker, Sr. Director of Communications, 7 years of City service.

SWOOSH!

Mountain High, Snow Valley, Snow Summit
Passes at a Great Club Discount

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The "Green Team" wins the Money Booth competition.



From left: Cristine Villorante, Exec. Admin. Asst., 21 years of City Service, Club Member; Drena Hills, Exec. Admin. Asst., 30 years, Club Member; and (in back) Rachel Griffin, Exec. Admin. Asst., 35 years.



From left: Latina Smith, Accounting Clerk, 10 years of City service; Stella Flores, Director, Special Events, 8 years; and Adria Ybarra, Marketing Analyst, 11 years, Club Member.



Competition on the Wii between Norma Lucero, Food Services, 10 years of City service, and Dennis Rivelli, Food Services, 2 years.

An air hockey matchup between (from left) Pouria Abbassi, General Manager, and Phillip Hill Asst. GM and COO.



Back, from left: Teresa Gomez; Justina Paque, Club Member; Agnes Ko; and Lara Tasjian. Front: Magdalena Alvarez, Maria Taylor, Adriana Sanchez, and Vladimar Reyes.



Kristin Soohoo, PR Assistant, 2 months of City service, taking a swing at the piñata.

Convention Center

Story and photos by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor



The Convention Center celebrated the holidays Dec. 20 with a game theme. As they say, "it's all fun and games"! SkeeBall, ping-pong, air hockey, Wii, raffle prizes and a swing at the piñata were included. And, nobody's ever too old for a visit with Santa. He was definitely checking his list!

Tacos, rice, beans, and more were served for lunch, including a great assortment of desserts. The event was a great way spend time together and celebrate the season. Thanks to Adria Ybarra for inviting us to cover this event.

Maria Reyes, Project Assistant, 22 years of City service, Club Member and Santa.



Front, from left: Casandria Smith, MA II, 14 years of City service; Michael McCarthy, Principal Clerk, 28 years; and Donna Jean Irving, Mgmt. Analyst, 6 years, Club Member. Back: Derek Young, Sr. CT, 10 years; Meredith Gaines, CT, 1 year, Club Member; and Maria Reyes, Project Assistant, 22 years, Club Member.



From left: Tae Lee, Sr. Accountant, 5 years of City service; Bert Zabala, Auditor, 12 years; Robert Davis, Accountant, 6 years, Club Member; Carlos Torres, Cost Accounting, 25 years, Club Member; Ligaya Bandayao, Sr. CT, 11 years; and Dawit Gebremeskel, Accountant II, 5 years.

From left: Maria Lopez, Parking Attendant, 4 years of City service; and Irma Villagomez, Parking Attendant, 4 years.



Ping-pong players ready to play are (from left) Donnell Sanders, Painter, 5 years of City Service; Thomas Turner, Plumber, 11 years; Mario Sanchez, Sr. Carpenter, 4 years; and Art Rios, Light Equipment Operator, 25 years.



Luis Aguilar, Secretary, Facilities Division, Club Member.



Denise Bell, Event Service Manager, 25 years of City service, refills the money booth.



Alejandro Garcia, Painter, 2 years of City service, tries his hand at SkeeBall.



From left: Amber Leslie, Secretary, 10 years of City service, Club Member; Pouria Abbassi, General Manager; and Adria Ybarra, Marketing Analyst, 11 years, Club Member.



Pictured with Santa are (from left) Agnes Ko, Sr. Mgmt Analyst, 23 years of City service; Donna Jean Irving, Mgmt. Analyst, 6 years, Club Member; and Gail Owsley, Clerk Typist, 13 years, Club Member.



From left: Christian Espinosa, Parking Attendant, 1 month of City service, and Ernie Narbona, Parking Attendant, 1 year, having fun at the Police Trainer arcade.



From left: Rachel Romo, Scheduling, 4 years of City service, Haydee Villaseñor, Scheduling Coordinator, 1 year; Alejandra Romo, Payroll, 7 years; Eloisa Hernandez, Accounting Supervisor, 10 years; and Blanca Tlafench, Food Services, 7 years.



Having fun playing air hockey are Matthew Fitzgerald, Personnel, 11 years of City service; and Annette Anderson, Payroll Supervisor, 31 years.



From left: Juan Lopez, Setup, 4 years of City service; and Michael Figueroa, Setup, 7 years.

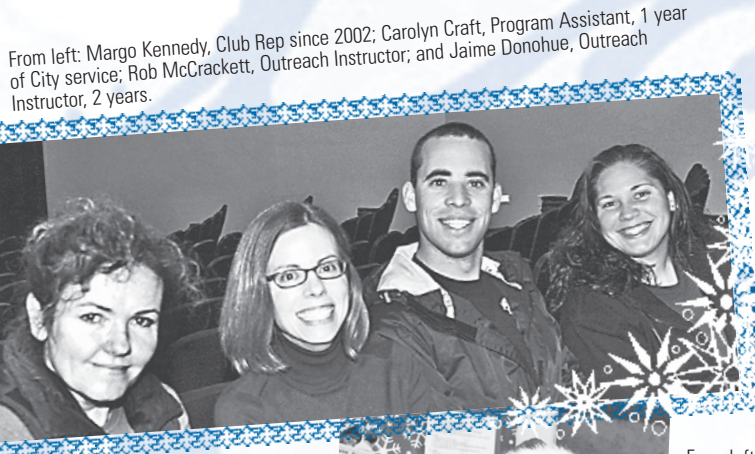


With Santa is Gina Maio, GS Rep, 8 months.

The City Parties



Larry Fukahara, Program Director, Rec & Parks, 30 years of City service, makes omelets.



From left: Margo Kennedy, Club Rep since 2002; Carolyn Craft, Program Assistant, 1 year of City service; Rob McCrackett, Outreach Instructor; and Jaime Donohue, Outreach Instructor, 2 years.



From left: Leslie Paoletti, Educator; and Esther Nah, Educator.



Ed Mastro, Exhibit Director, cooks breakfast to order.



From left: Julianne Passarelli, Exhibits Curator; and Chris Brodie, Outreach Manager.

From left: Diane Alps, Program Coordinator, 11 years of City service; and Sara Lesser, Outreach Instructor, 1 year.

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations

It's the supervisors' turn to serve the staff at the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium's annual Christmas breakfast. This year's edition was held Dec. 21 at the aquarium in San Pedro.

The supervisors served breakfast, including omelets, waffles, and pancakes. The food was brought in by staff. There were also Christmas presents.

It was the 21st annual holiday breakfast for Cabrillo.

Thanks go to Margo Kennedy, Club Rep, for assisting us.



From left: Mark Mariscal, Superintendent, Rec and Parks, 30 years of City service; and Mike Schaadt, Director, Rec & Parks, 22 years.



From left: Paula Moore, Director for Friends; Katie Wood, Development Manager, 1 month of City service; and Nanele Baker, Development Associate, 1 year.



From left: Chuck Koch; Juliette McAllister, Clerk Typist, Rec & Parks, 9 years of City service; and Andrea Piwetz, Whale Watching Coordinator.



From left: Evie Templeton, Design Illustrator, and Matt Christophson, Programs Assistant.



From left: Traffic Officer Durward Brooks, 25 years of City service; Traffic Officer Rafael Garcia, 15 years; and Traffic Officer Gerald Moultrie, 23 years.



Lt. Bennie Ellis, 31 years of City service.



Sgt. Martha Sevilla, 10 years of City service, dishes it out (delicious food, that is).



From left: Traffic Officer II Brandi McCorry, 15 years of City service; Sgt. Yolanda Barnes, 10 years; and Traffic Officer II Celia Apodaca, 14 years.



Traffic Officer II (and chef) Rosetta Moore, 22 years of City service.



Front, from left: Traffic Officer II Joyce Walker, 22 years of City service; Traffic Officer II Brandi McCorry, 22 years; and Traffic Officer II Celia Apodaca, 22 years. Back: Traffic Officer II Rosetta Moore, 22 years; Traffic Officer II Tracey Simmons, 15 years; Sgt. Yolanda Barnes, 10 years; Traffic Officer II LeAnn Ashley, 23 years; Traffic Officer II Kim Rayford, 16 years; and Traffic Officer II Dorothy Sullivan, 23 years.

South Parking Enforcement

Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

Transportation's South Parking Enforcement division held a celebration of the holidays Dec. 21. The party featured delicious homemade food by Rosetta Moore and contributions by other employees.

Special thanks to Sgt. Yolanda Barnes and Lt. Bennie Ellis.



Traffic Officer II (and chef) Rosetta Moore, 22 years of City service.



Laurie Simmons, Sr. Clerk Typist, 11 years of City service, with her daughters Lacey, 10, and Ashley, 12.



Traffic Officer II Thomas Scranton, 23 years of City service, gets his "grub on." He's pictured with his sergeants and lieutenants.



Sgt. Sedrick Moore, 22 years of City service.



Sgts. Martha Sevilla, 10 years of City service, and Yolanda Barnes, 10 years.

From left: Traffic Officer II Rosetta Moore, 22 years of City service, and Traffic Officer Aaron Gray, 15 years.



From left: Traffic Officer Phillip Hall, 23 years of City service, received a letter of accommodation for his role in keeping order and helping to keep traffic in order at the Kids Choice Awards in April 2011. With him is his son, Benicio, 3.

The City Parties



From left: Jaron Lee, son of Walter Lee; Gilbert Garcia, Acting Supervisor II; Marco Montann, Equipment Mechanic, Club Member, 3 years of City service; Milton Gomez, Supervisor, CIt Ron Lew, Equipment Mechanic II; and Hector Meza, Auto Body Builder and Repair, 4 years

General Services Tire Shop



Story and photos by Jackie Causillas



General Services' Seventh Street Tire Shop held its holiday brunch for employees and families on Dec. 21.

Great food was enjoyed along with balloons, games and a Santa Claus visit as well. More than a dozen gifts were raffled.

Thanks to all for attending! And thanks, too, go to Milton Gomez, Club Member, for his assistance.



Jim Hughes, Equipment Mechanic, Club Member, 25 years of City service, with his grandson, Omar Gonzalez, 4 years old.



The Jimenez family, from left: Victoriano Jimenez, Tire Repairer, Club Member, 9 years of City service, and his wife, Enedina, granddaughter, Sophia, 10 months; daughter in law, Yazmin; grandson, Manuel, 4; and son, Jose, 14.



From left: Justine Mejia, granddaughter, 9; Lydia Chagolla, Clerk Typist, Club Member, 8 years of City service; daughter, Diana Mejia; and granddaughter, Jade Mejia, 7 years of City service.



From left: Kris Goolsby, Acting Equipment Superintendent, Club Member, 27 years of City service; Toni Roberson, Sr. Clerk Typist, 22 years; Ron Lew, Equipment Mechanic II; and Dave Wilson, Retired Equipment Superintendent.



From left: Officer Hector Graciano, General Services, 15 years of City service; Traffic Officer II Coralia Iraheta, 10 years; Traffic Officer II Manny Ortiz, 9 years; Traffic Officer II Luis Hernandez, 10 years; Traffic Officer II Johnny Raxtun, 9 years; Traffic Officer II Marco Hernandez, 10 years; Traffic Officer II Ron Haywood, 10 years; and Traffic Officer II Art Ledezma, 10 years.



Raffle and prizes were given out.



From left: Marvin Portillo, 23 years of City service; Sgt. Christopher Olson, 12 years; Artin Voskianian; and Sgt. Kevin Morris, 27 years.



Doing the "Wobble."



From left: Traffic Officer Joe Richard, 9 years of City service; Traffic Officer Koko, 9 years; Traffic Officer Markus Anderson, 9 years; and Traffic Officer Robert Glover, 9 years.



From: Traffic Officer II Tonique Brittenum, 15 years of City service; Sgt. Aliana Martinez, 23 years; Sgt. Kenneth Poma, 31 years; Lt. Melinda Contreras, 31 years; Sgt. Hsiune Stephen, 24 years; and STS Cheryl Lloyd, 25 years.

From left: Traffic Officer Liff Onyekew, 15 years of City service; Traffic Officer Robin Gregory, 24 years; Traffic Officer Latisha Vargas, 11 years; and Traffic Officer Tanisha Boyd White, 11 years.



From left: Sgt. Diana Armijo, 23 years of City service; Sgt. Edmund Cordova, 26 years; Lt. Cheryl Johnson, 25 years; and Capt. Devon Farfan, 26 years.

Parking Enforcement



Story and photos Tanya Edwards

The Hollywood Transportation parking enforcement officers know how to throw a great party in celebration of the holidays. They held their annual holiday gathering Dec. 15.

The event included delicious home made food, raffles and dancing.

Thanks go to Robin Gregory, Traffic Officer, for the invitation.



From left: Traffic Officer Emmanuel David, 12 years; Lt. Iral Turner, 23 years.



From left: Traffic Officer II Miguel Villarreal, 5 years of City service; and Traffic Officer II Andre Smith, 4 years.



From left: Traffic Officer II Barbara Woo, 5 years; Traffic Officer II Roylan Brown, 3 years; Traffic Officer Aaron Marsh, 3 years; Traffic Officer II L. Johnson, 5 years; Traffic Officer II Nona Slater, 6 years; Traffic Officer II Jim Byard, 6 years; and Traffic Officer II Carmelle Brown, 10 years.

The City Parties



From left: Tracey Zuliani, Transportation Planning Associate, 12 years of City service, Club Member; Chris Torres, Gardener, Club Member; Arlene Herrero, City Employees Club Product Manager; and (seated) Christine Pina, Office Services Assistant, 6 years, Club Member.

From left: Julie Huerta, Communications Administrative Officer, 25 years of City service, Club Member; Martha Torres, Jessica Bautista's mom (a.k.a. "Tamale Mom"); and Jessica Bautista, Management Aide, 16 years, Club Member, HDEC Treasurer.



David Libatique, Sr. Director of Government Affairs, 1 year of City service, Club Member.

From left: Willie Dockery, Maintenance Laborer, 9 years of City service, Club Member; Kendall Henderson, Maintenance Laborer, 8 months; Gerald Hall, Maintenance Laborer, 5 years, Club Member; and Stephen James, Maintenance Laborer, 5 years.



From left: Molly Campbell, Deputy Executive Director, 24 years of City service; and Rose Kinoshita, Sr. CT, 28 years, Club Member.



From left: Homero Bosso, Communications Manager, 28 years of City service; and Kevin Sun, Program Analyst, 5 years, Club Member.



From left: Kurt Ramirez, Survey Party Chief I, 27 years of City service; Jamil Fernandez, Land Survey Asst., 5 years, Club Member; and Charles Preston, Field Engineering Aide, 4 years, Club Member.



Back, from right: Justin Hargrove, Mechanical Helper, 5 years of City service, Club Member; Terry Walsh, Laboratory Technician, 7 years, Club Member; Bill McQuain, Heavy Equipment Mechanic, 10 years, Club Member. Front: Mike Norris, Equipment Mechanic, 17 years; Ed Norris, Equipment Mechanic, 13 years; and Herman Cervantes, Equipment Mechanic, 15 years, Club Member.



From left: Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D., General Manager, 6 years of City service, Club Member; Kelvin Wei, Program Analyst, 18 years; and Desmond Huang, Systems Programmer, 24 years.



Congresswoman Janice Hahn, Club Member, shares holiday greetings.



Harbor C&M



Mario Saborio, Management Assistant, 14 years of City service.

Story and photos by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor



A "small, intimate" group of 350 got together Dec. 22 for the Harbor Construction & Maintenance's annual holiday breakfast. There was nothing small about it – 240 pounds of calamari were prepared and served (a 20-year tradition), with homemade tamales and of course, bacon, eggs, potatoes, and muffins.

Lots of raffle prizes were handed out, and employees enjoyed time with their co-workers. Congresswoman Janice Hahn, formerly City Councilwoman for the Harbor area, also attended to share holiday greetings.

Thanks to Holly Carlson for inviting us to cover this event!



From left: Chris Patrizio, Machinist, 3 years of City service; and Sylvia Gordon, Pile Driver, 5 years.



From left: Albert Robles, Carpenter, 21 years of City service, Club Member; Frank Vockeroth, Sr. Carpenter, 25 years; and Martin Lovato, Electrician, 8 years, Club Member.



From left: Kevin Ferrell, Roofer, 3 years of City service, Club Member; Ed "Mundo" Little, Roofing Supervisor, 15 years; Lester Brand, Roofer, 5 years, Club Member; and James Bozarth, Sr. Roofer, 7 years, Club Member.



From left: Barb Garrett, Analyst, 20 years of City service; Petty Santos, Sr. MA II, 16 years, Club Member; and Sabrina Barri, Management Analyst, 11 years.



From left: Regina Grant, Port Police, 30 years of City service, Club Member; John Holmes, Operations, 5 years; Tim De Moss, EMD, 21 years; and Sharon Tatel, Engineering, 8 years, Club Member.



Back row, from left: Juan Vega, Maintenance Laborer, 5 years of City service, Club Member; and Maria Garcia, Division 130 Custodian, 12 years, Club Member, with her husband, Fred. Front: Mario Garcia, Maintenance Laborer, 5 years, Club Member; Fran Lamangan, Crime Analyst, Port Police, 4 years, Club Member; Adelynn, Maria Garcia's daughter; Rene Melo, Principal Clerk, 20 years; and Hector Elizondo, Laborer, 1 year, Club Member.



From left: Manny Esparza, Survey Party Chief, 20 years of City service, Club Member; Virgil Torres, Land Surveying Assistant, 21 years, Club Member; Krzysztof Weretka, Field Survey Assistant, 4 years; and Robert Holme, Survey Party Chief, 20 years.



From left: Jimmy Uchimiya, M&C Helper, 10 years of City service, Club Member; and Rick Mizuhara, Survey Assistant, 20 years, Club Member.

Vanessa Guillen, CT, 6 years of City service, Club Member.

From left: Mark Jackson, Sr. Gardener, 10 years of City service, Club Member; Kenyatta Harmon, Gardener, 12 years; and Angela Falls, Sr. CT, 24 years, Club Member.



Arlene Herrero, City Employees Club Product Manager, with Maurice Jacobs.



From left: Rene Fregoso, AC Mechanic, 7 years of City service, Club Member; and Tyrone Jessamy, AC Supervisor, 11 years, Club Member.



From left: Renee Little, Executive Admin. Asst., 34 years of City service; Lorraine Hillyer, Financial Analyst, 5 years; and Julie Yano, Sr. Mgmt. Analyst, 9 years.



Far right: Justin Hargrove, Mechanical Helper, 5 years of City service, Club Member, with his mom, Gwyn, and daughter, Caitlynn.

From left: Matt Prideau, SPAII, 7 years of City service; and Luis Zamudio, SPA II, 1 year, with his wife, Brenda, and son, Luis, 2.

