

# Letters to the Editor

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## LETTERS OF THE MONTH



### Club Members 'Blanket the City' With Support for This Project

"Blanket the City" is a beautiful idea. I shared this with my children when *Alive!* came to the house because I want them to know that seemingly small and passing thoughts can turn into wonderful things and touch a lot of people. They want to give too!

As always, I am awed by the City Club staff's creativity and imagination, and turning these fantastic concepts into reality.

– Terry Carter,  
LAPD, Club Board Member

Count me in. Where do I send my check? Thanks!

– Anonymous Club Member

I would like to make a contribution to your "Blanket the City" campaign. Please let me know where to send a check, how to make it out and so on. Thanks!

– Anonymous, Library Dept

I want to say thank you to the Club for helping the homeless during the cold nights in L.A. I am sending a check to help with this project. You are lighting a candle in a scary and dark world. Some people face an unimaginable challenge just living day to day. We need heroes like you because it gets us thinking about volunteering in our community.

Bravo.

– Wanda Lechlinski, Los Angeles

### Lupe's Coloring Contest Gets Four Boys to Work Together

Thanks to Lupe Medina for such a wonderful idea [the Club Coloring Contest, held every third month or so]. I have four boys, and they all love Legoland. Over the holidays we all colored our drawings for your contest, and what fun it was. It was truly a blessing to have all four brothers sitting down and working on the same project (the teenager is still working on his!).

Thank you again!

– Christi Reusch

*You're welcome, Christi! Here's a shoutout to the great Lupe Medina, who coordinates each and every coloring contest along with her many other administrative duties at the Club. Feel free to drop by the Club Store and say hi. – Ed.*

I have to confess that when I worked for the City I would see the homeless on the street, and I really was not moved because I saw it every day. I guess I became cold and cynical, but now I think differently. Some of these people could only be one paycheck away from having a warm place to stay and a hot meal. I feel ashamed of myself for not doing more, so you could say I am trying to make up for it through your efforts.

I don't mind if you print this. Maybe some City employee who feels the way I used to may rethink about donating.

Happy New Year!

– Anonymous Club Member

Thank you for sending me the information on how to contribute to the "Blanket the City" project. You should receive my check this week.

The interviews of the homeless people that you publish in *Alive!* do a great job of humanizing our homeless problem in a very personal and dignified manner. Each life story is interesting and unique, and the articles remind me to donate to our local shelters and try to help out in any way I can. I hope that my contribution to your project will help to bring some warmth and comfort to those who are out in the cold this winter.

– Erika Tiedge

*These Club Members all made a significant donation to the Club's "Blanket the City" project. Join the cause! See page 34. – Ed.*

## FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS ANSWER THE Question OF THE MONTH



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

### What does the Super Bowl mean to you?



From left:  
"The game, and the food."  
– Raul Luevanos, Rec and Parks  
"The food."  
– John Ruiz, Rec and Parks  
"The party."  
– Eric Calhoun, Rec and Parks



"The commercials."  
– Will Oka, Transportation



"The food."  
– Claudia Martinez, Library



"Friends and food."  
– Phillip Galindo, Rec and Parks



"It's a time for people to gather and let loose for their favorite team. A friendly rivalry."  
– Ian Gray, Public Works



"The game."  
– Johnny Avila, Gardener/Caretaker  
"Commercials."  
– Francisco Autran, Gardener/Caretaker



"It's more important to spend time with family and friends, enjoying good eats."  
– Capt. Jorge Figueroa, Animal Services



"It's about the game!"  
– Ron Moore, Safety Officer, Airports/Ontario



"The party."  
– Jay Lopez, Transportation

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