



Healing Children
 Bienvenidos is a compassionate community of care dedicated to healing children and their families.

Strengthening Families
 Our vision is of a society in which every family can provide a loving, healthy and secure home where children can grow and thrive.

Transforming Communities
 By empowering those we serve to lift themselves up and change their lives, Bienvenidos is helping build healthier families, brighter futures and more vibrant communities.



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PUBLIC WORKS

Training Day

Hyperion hosts a training day for area collection systems personnel.



Story and photos by Tanya Edwards, Club Counselor

A collection systems training event was held Nov. 3 for wastewater collection facilities including Public Works/Sanitation, L.A. County Sanitation Departments. The event was hosted at the Hyperion Wastewater Treatment Plant by CWEA (California Water Environment Association).

The event offered attendees the opportunity to meet local sewer system managers and professionals, vendors specializing in collection equipment, and of course the Club, which was on hand to meet and greet. There were training events, classroom informational sessions and hands-on seminars, not to mention a nice catered lunch.

Thanks to Bernard Rogers Wastewater Manager, Wastewater Collection Systems Division, for his assistance.



Combination machines (trucks), which clean and vacuum out waste systems.



From left: Rick Pearce, Fernando Gonzalez, and Jose Gonzalez of Los Angeles County Sanitation learn the benefits of County Club membership by Angel Gomez, the Club's Member Services Manager.



From left: Mihran Sarkisian, Hyperion Assistant Plant Manager, Club Member, and Bernard Rogers, Wastewater Manager of Wastewater Collection Systems Division.

AIRPORTS

Officers Save A Life

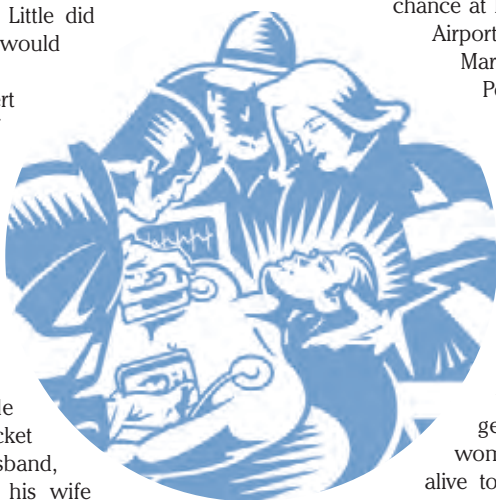
Two Airport Police Officers save the life of a woman.

Story courtesy Sgt. Belinda Nettles, Airport Police, Club Member

Two quick-thinking Airport Police Officers saved the life of a woman who had a heart attack at LAX.

On the evening of Dec. 30, two Airport Police officers rushed to a call of a woman feeling sick at Terminal 2. Little did they know, soon they would be saving her life.

When Officers Robert Mosquera, four years of service with the department, and Thi Tran, two years, responded to the departure level at Terminal 2, they found Etel Martinez, 49, sitting in a car parked curbside. Martinez had collapsed on the sidewalk while walking her sister to a ticket counter inside. Her husband, Aldo Martinez, helped his wife back into their car and called for help.



As the officers were talking to Martinez, she suddenly stopped breathing and had no pulse. Acting quickly, Officer Mosquera began cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) while Officer Tran ran inside the terminal and grabbed an automated external defibrillator (AED). Working together,

the officers used the defibrillator and continued with CPR until Martinez began breathing again. LAFD paramedics then arrived and quickly took Martinez to a local hospital for further medical treatment.

"The quick actions of Officers Mosquera and Tran have given Etel Martinez a second chance at life in the new year," said Airports Executive Director Gina Marie Lindsey. "These Airport Police officers were truly her angels."

City of Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa said, "Thanks to the commendable actions of Officers Mosquera and Tran, who quickly responded to a life-threatening medical emergency and effectively used their emergency medical training, a woman who was at LAX is alive today and will be able to enjoy the New Year." Chief of Airport Police George R. Centeno said, "This is great work by two officers who knew what to do at a very critical time. Their quick response and focused actions were truly lifesaving."

Alive! congratulates Officers Robert Masquera and Thi Tran for their excellent response.



Dennis Perkins, Wastewater Treatment Specialist I, 20 years of City service.



One of the pieces of collection equipment on display is a transfer pump, used to bypass sewers and pump water and debris.



From left: Robert Benavides, Lead, Public Works/Sanitation, 20 years of City service; Robert Cruz, Maintenance Construction; Lori Weiss, who has been in the industry since 1984; and Jose Flores, Sr. Maintenance Construction, 16 years.



Eric Hall, Guard at Hyperion, 6 years of City service.



Attendees line up for a delicious catered meal.



Electric Pumping Plant Operators Pete Cenicerros, Mike Smith, and Rafael Aguiar. All have 6 years of City service.