

34th Annual Retirees Invitational Golf Tournament



The 34th Annual Retired Los Angeles City Employees Invitational Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, June 7, 2012 at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course with a "Shotgun Start" at 7:30 a.m. The course is located at 630 South Almansor Street, Alhambra, CA 91801. Check-in is at 7:00 a.m. **SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!**

- The tournament is open to retired and active employees and friends. The cost is \$65 for R.L.A.C.E.I., City Club and All City Employee Benefits Service Association members (\$75 for all others) and includes green fees, carts, prizes and lunch at the Almansor Court restaurant. Lunch only is \$25.
- Those interested in participating must complete the reservation form and mail it with their check payable to **"R.L.A.C.E.I."** by **May 25th** to: Tom Stemnock, Chairman, 4040 Vineland Avenue, Suite 108, Studio City, CA 91604. For any questions, call Chairman Tom Stemnock at (818) 487-6789.

2012 Golf Tournament Reservation Form

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Amount Included \$ _____ \$65 for R.L.A.C.E.I. and City Employees Club Members. (\$75 for all others)
 Luncheon: \$25

Make checks payable to R.L.A.C.E.I.

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FOURSOME

Member R.L.A.C.E.I. Member A.C.E.B.S.A. or City Club Guest

(check all that apply)

Name	Member R.L.A.C.E.I.	Member A.C.E.B.S.A. or City Club	Guest
1. _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. _____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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NEWS BRIEF

HEADWORKS RESERVOIR:

DWP officials, joined by Fourth District Councilmember Tom LaBonge, community members and representatives from the Webcor/Obayashi/Lyles construction joint venture, broke ground recently on the construction of Headworks Reservoir, a critical component of the DWP's plan for compliance with drinking water regulations. Headworks Reservoir, which will be comprised of two underground buried reservoirs with a combined capacity of 110 million gallons, will allow the DWP to remove Silver Lake and Ivanhoe Reservoirs from service in order to meet compliance requirements and deadlines.

"Compliance with water quality regulations are driving significant investments in our Water System," said Ron Nichols, DWP General Manager. "These are our customers' dollars at work, and we look for cost-effective investments like Headworks to make sure we continue to keep our water rates low."

The DWP is in the midst of a multi-year compliance agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the California Department of Public Health that has several mandated deadlines. Compliance with newer water quality regulations requires major investment in the DWP's water distribution system with \$600 million in major new contracts that must be awarded this year, and \$1.1 billion in capital costs over the next five years to comply with these standards. Construction of Headworks Reservoir is made possible by the funding provided the 35-cent per billing unit increase to the Water Quality Factor approved in February.

Construction of the Headworks Reservoir has been divided into four separate construction phases. The DWP broke ground on the first phase of the project, which includes construction of the 56-million-gallon East Reservoir and a portion of the trunk line that connects it to the rest of the water distribution system. Later phases of the project will include additional facilities on the site, including the 54-million-gallon West Reservoir and connecting trunk line, a four-megawatt hydroelectric power plant, and a flow-regulating station. The power plant, which will generate energy from water traveling from North Hollywood to Headworks, will cost \$25 million and is expected to pay for itself in 10 years.

"This is the Department of Water and Power at its best, a quality water infrastructure improvement," said Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Club Member. "The Headworks Project is a state-of-the-art facility for all of Los Angeles, and I'm pleased that a park area will be created when it is completed."

The East Reservoir is slated to be operational in November 2014, when Ivanhoe is required to be taken out of service. The West Reservoir and power plant are expected to be operational by 2017. Once construction is complete, the underground reservoirs will be covered with three feet of soil and native vegetation.

Welcome to the LAIR

Zoo opens new amphibian home.

ZOO



Officials and patrons cut the ribbon on the Zoo's new LAIR attraction.



The Gray's Monitor is an endangered species native to the Philippines. The omnivorous lizards are extremely rare in zoos and will be featured in The LAIR's Care and Conservation Room.

Photo by Tad Motoyama, Zoo

On March 8, the Zoo opened its newest exhibit. Encompassing six diversely themed exhibits, the LAIR (Living Amphibian, Invertebrates, and Reptiles) houses more than 60 species from around the globe. Additionally, this new structure provides a vital establishment for the Zoo's reptile and amphibian-focused conservation initiatives.

There are six visually stunning exhibit areas in the LAIR that include habitats for various unique and endangered amphibian, invertebrate, and reptilian species. The world's largest amphibian, the Chinese giant salamander, will inhabit a "mountainside" stream with underwater viewing for visitors. Several species of tiny brightly colored poison dart frogs will live in lush vivariums. Lizards are represented by

scaly and spiny giant horned lizards, neon green Fiji Island banded iguanas and the only species of venomous lizards – gila monster and beaded lizard. Adaptations to its aquatic existence will be easily noticed on the Fly River turtles that have a pig shaped nose and flippers for feet. Visitors may get chills viewing scorpions and centipedes, or walking past "Crocodile Swamp" housing false gharials, an endangered species of crocodile found in Southeast Asia.

Finally, a dazzling array of snakes includes the Mang Shan viper from the mountains of China, the green mamba, a fast slender arboreal snake from Africa and the Bushmaster, the largest venomous snake of the Americas. The "Care and Conservation Room" is dedicated to the reptiles and amphibians part of the Zoo's conservation programs. Here, Zoo guests can also look

"Behind the Glass," where many behind-the-scenes activities (reptile egg storage, nursery, food prep, etc.) will take place.

The unique collection in the LAIR comprises some of the rarest species among North American zoos. Over 60 species of amphibians, invertebrates, and reptiles are represented in this assortment of living jewels. Additionally, this new structure will provide a vital base for the Zoo's reptile and amphibian-focused conservation initiatives. The LAIR, a \$14.1 million project, was funded by monies from the City's Proposition CC bond measure for Zoo improvements (\$9.5 million), along with \$4.0 million in MICLA funds and \$6.6 million from the General Fund.

Admission to the LAIR is included with a paid admission to the Zoo, which is located in Griffith Park.

Information: www.lazoo.org