

REC AND PARKS, PUBLIC WORKS

# Great Skate

**A new skate park and wetlands opens at Hansen Dam Recreational Center.**

Story and photos by Debbie Schroyer, Club Counselor

On March 2, Rec and Parks opened a new skate park and wetlands area at its Hansen Dam Recreational Center.

What a beautiful setting for the community to enjoy – a day at the park or time to skate! Thanks to the funding by Proposition 40, the Hansen Dam Skate Park was developed along with funding by Proposition O Clean Water Bond for the Wetlands Restoration Project. More than 130 acres of developed land were created, and through bioswales, infiltration basins, and other elements, storm water will be cleaned naturally before draining into Hansen Lake.

*Special thanks to Joanna Berni for inviting us to this exciting opening.*



The new skate park includes pool-sized bowls, rails, and jumps.



From left: Kristofer Irvin, Gardener/Caretaker, 7 years of City service; and Rory Takaki, Gardener/Caretaker, 25 years, Club Member.



From left: Andy Montoya, Green Program, 4 years of City service; Ray Morales, Park Supervisor, 26 years, Club Member; Willie Carreon, Green Program, 11 years; Jose G. Rincon, Gardener/Caretaker, 6 years; Grenada Canada, Green Program, 4 years; and Alexander Abrego, Irrigation, 13 years.



Jon Kirk Mukri, General Manager, Rec and Parks, Club Member.



Deborah Weintraub, Chief Deputy City Engineer, Public Works/Engineering.



Councilman Richard Alarcon shares his thanks and appreciation for the project and all those who made it possible.



Everyone gathered around for the official ribbon cutting.

# CITY EMPLOYEES AT WORK



Hard at work are Rec & Parks employees **Patricia Weeks**, Gardener/Caretaker, 15 years of City service, Club Member; and **Alvaro Santillan**, Gardener/Caretaker, 7 years, Club Member.



At the Seventh Street General Services Fleet Services Yard are (from left) **Richard Simas**, 22 years of City service, and **Gary Wong**, 30 years of City service.



Here are DWP employees (from left) **Chris Heib**, SEDM, 16 years of City service, Club Member; **Rey Senar**, EDM, 7 years, Club Member; **Jaren Rowley**, Journeyman Lineman, 3 years; and **Brian Marracino**, Apprentice Cable Splicer, 3 years.



Here's new Club Member **Guy Brown**, Acting Supervisor, Public Works, 6 years of City service.



From left: **Yin Wong**, Police Officer, General Services, 16 years of City service, Club Member; and **Alejandro Diazvalle**, Police Officer, General Services, 11 years of City service, Club Member.



**Frances Rivera**, Traffic Officer II, Transportation, 24 years of City service, Club Member.

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