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With Great
Club Deals on
Water Parks!**

**Knott's Soak City
\$19.99-\$23.99**

**Splash Kingdom
\$15-\$20** **NEW!**

**Magic Mountain
Hurricane Harbor
\$22.99**

**Raging Waters
\$23.99**

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Alive!

From left: Ed Harding,
President, Retired Los
Angeles City Employees,
Inc. (RLACEI), and John
Hawkins, Club CEO.

RLACEI Retirees:

**Welcome
to
the
Club!**

**Alive! welcomes all members of the
Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc.
to the Club. That means fantastic
benefits, a great newspaper, connections
to your City friends... and much more.***

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** some benefits are for a limited time. See inside.*

Alive! photos by Sammy Lee



City Employees Club of Los Angeles
120 West 2nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012



Baker to Vegas:

The City's best coverage
of this great race!

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The Club at last year's RLACEI general meeting.



The Club at last year's RLACEI general meeting.



The Club at last year's RLACEI holiday party.

RLACEI Retirees:

Welcome

Great benefits... the cheapest tickets in the City... an outstanding newspaper, to staying connected... and lots of other perks: This month, the Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI) joins the City Employees Club.

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The Club at last year's RLACEI holiday party.

This month marks an important milestone for City Retirees who are also members of the RLACEI: Welcome to the Club!

Starting in June, you're full-fledged members of the best City association – the City

Employees Club of Los Angeles. It means a whole host of perks, including your own copy of this newspaper, the cheapest tickets in the City, strong insurance products, and more. (Some of these benefits are free for a limited time. See next page.)

“Our welcoming of all the retirees from RLACEI into the Club is an agreement between two great associations,” says John Hawkins,

Club CEO. “As most retirees know, we’ve been meeting all of you and sponsoring your events for the better part of ten years. It’s about time we made it official.

“I’m a big fan of Ed Harding (RLACEI President) and the RLACEI. So come on in and take advantage. Enjoy the newspaper; keep up with your Retired City friends; and buy some tickets in the Club Store or online. It’s time to celebrate.”

The delivery of your own copy of *Alive!* will continue indefinitely. The other great benefits (tickets, insurance, events, etc.) are yours for the next 12 months. After that, you must join the Club at the reduced rate for Retirees to continue receiving the wide-ranging Club benefits.



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Retired City Employee T-Shirt

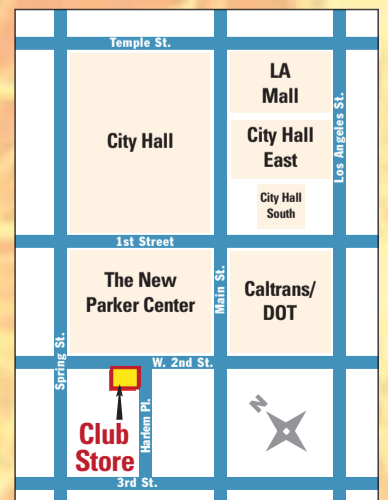


AT THE CLUB STORE
Wear It With Pride!

The Club Store features lots of great City apparel and gifts, including this unique City Retirees T-shirt. Purchase it in person at the Club Store, or online!

GO TO: www.cityemployeesclub.com

VISIT: **The Club Store**
120 West 2nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(800) 464-0452



The Club at last year's RLACEI general meeting.



The Club at the 2005 RLACEI general meeting.



The Club at the 2006 RLACEI general meeting.



Club!



What to do:

- If you're a full member of RLACEI, you will begin receiving *Alive!* this month as part of your official membership. Enjoy!
- As a gift from the Club, you'll receive complimentary membership in the Club through May 2013. This includes your ability to purchase the cheapest tickets in the City, great City apparel, insurance, and other benefits. At that point or before, if you want to continue the ability to buy tickets, merchandise or insurance, you'll need to join the Club at the normally reduced rate for Retirees. Currently, that rate is \$2 per month (subject to change). You will continue receiving *Alive!* whether or not you have chosen to join the Club.
- Send the Club your preferred contact information, including name, address, phone and email address. Stay connected to the City!
- Once you have joined the Club, you can sign up to receive our periodic promotions in your email. Sign up on the Club's Website:
www.cityemployeesclub.com
- Send us an update, and let us know what you're up to! Send the details to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
- Sit back and enjoy your Club Membership!

We Love Hearing From City Retirees.

Get in Touch!

Let us know what you're up to, or send us a question or a letter to the editor, or give us your correct contact information.

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THE ALIVE! CONVERSATION



Ed Harding
President, RLACEI

ED HARDING: I was a Clerk in the Repair Department of Street Maintenance. My job was to buy parts for the mechanics. I knew everything about automobiles. Before the City, I worked for Chrysler Motors. During the model-year changeover, the factory shut down completely. I was a new father with a young wife and no income coming in because they shut the line down. That was in 1946.

My dad had worked for the City's Street Maintenance department and he says, "Well, why don't you go to the City Hall and apply for a job."

So I went to work for them there. And I was only there for a little bit before I started taking exams, and I became a mechanic repair on the little diesel tractors.

Did you retire from Street Services?

ED: I did. I was in charge of the Street Maintenance division.

When did you retire?

ED: I retired Jan. 9, 1981.

What most impresses you about the City Employees Club of Los Angeles?

ED: John Hawkins.

You've seen the City Employees Club now for ten years. What else do you like about the Club?

'A Feather in Our Hat'

Alive! It's great to be talking to you about this big moment, Ed. First, tell us, what was your first position with the City?

ED: I had a call the other day. A lady says, "I need insurance for my daughter. I remember when I retired, LACERS sent me somewhere and it was \$1,000 a month for my daughter." And so I said, I know the right place to go, so I sent them to the Club.

And then, a man called about two hours later and asked me the same thing, that he wanted insurance for his daughter. Knowing the Club can handle requests like that is a handy thing for me because I can tell them what to do, where they can get it.

The Club is a good match for you.

ED: I think so, yes. The City Employees Club is like a breath of fresh air. You know what you're doing.

We've been coming to your meetings and have been taking pictures and talking to your retirees for many years.

ED: And bringing nice door prizes.

Yes, absolutely.

ED: We need professionals at our meetings. Our members want to see more than us. We want more depth, and the City Employees Club helps in that.

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At the Club Store, from left: Ed Harding, President, RLACEI, and John Hawkins, Club CEO.

