

HOUSING

Goodbye, Melvin

Chief Inspector Melvin Plummer retires after 25 years of City service.

Colleagues, friends and family held a retirement party for Melvin D. Plummer, Chief Inspector, who retired from Housing after 25 years of City service.

The event was held April 19 at Housing's south regional office in the City, near Torrance.

Melvin began working for Building and Safety in 1985 after being employed by the County of Los Angeles as a Building Engineering Inspector. Plummer shortly thereafter began his quick ascent within the City, first as a Building Mechanical Inspector, then to Sr. Building Mechanical Inspector. In 1990 he became a Building and Safety Satellite Office Manager. In 2002, he was promoted to Principal Inspector, Housing, then to Chief Inspector in 2003.

Mr. Plummer is also an Assistant Professor at Pasadena City College.

Congratulations on your career, Melvin. Have a great retirement.

Special thanks go to David Whitehurst, Principal Inspector, Club Member, for his assistance.



The retirement cake.



From left: Melvin Plummer, Retiree, with Scott McGill, Chief Inspector.



From left: Christy Kelly, Sr. Housing Inspector; Mel Plummer, Retiree; and Albert Romero, Sr. Housing Inspector.



From left: Housing Inspectors Aydin Akbarut and Victor Armijo.



From left: Mel Plummer, Retiree; and Ron Cunningham, Principal Inspector.



From left: Marcel Nichols, Housing Inspector; Pedro Gonzalez, Clerk Typist; and Kornel Lelea, Housing Inspector.



From left: David Whitehurst, Principal Inspector; Mel Plummer, Retiree; and Michael Gregerson, Sr. Housing Inspector.



Mel Plummer, Retiree (center), with Ruth Hayles and Malcolm Bennett, both from International Realty and Investment Property Management.



SEEN Around Town

By Jennifer Shackelford
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Ennis House

In 1933, the Ennis House was the original *House on Haunted Hill* and in 1982 it was Harrison Ford's apartment building in *Blade Runner*. Able to look at once completely ancient and thoroughly modern, it has been in more than a dozen films and had bit parts in shows from *Buffy* to *Twin Peaks*.

Built in 1924 for Charles and Mabel Ennis, it is the fourth and largest of Frank Lloyd Wright's textile block buildings. An imposing structure, it is built of interlocking concrete blocks in the Mayan Revival style, which was popular in the 1920s and '30s.

Damaged in the 1994 Northridge earthquake, the house is under new ownership and undergoing a multimillion-dollar restoration. Once the restoration is complete, there is hope that public viewings will return and the world behind the walls will be revealed. For now, we must be content with the view from the street. But what a view!

Ennis House is designated a city, state and national landmark.

It is located at: 2655 Glendower Ave. in Los Feliz.



CITY EMPLOYEES AT WORK



Here's a group posing from Rec and Parks, from left: **Josh Tinajero**, Craft Assistant, 2 years of City service; **Marco Perez**, Craft Assistant, 2 years; and **Phil La Rouche**, Carpenter, 4 years, Club Member. *Note: Josh, Marco and Phil are merely posing for the camera, and are not actually operating the machinery. They are meticulous about safety precautions during normal operations.*



Fire Station 4 firefighters taking care of their station! From left: **Matt, Mike, and Nema Mortazavi**, Club Member.

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