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CITY RETIREE ASSOCIATIONS

Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI)



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Change of Address?

If you change your address, notify Helen Salgado, Membership Chair, at (800) 678-4145 Ext. 713, or write to her at 8372 Arnett Dr., Huntington Beach, CA 92647. Also notify LACERS.

Have News About Yourself?

Contact Mary Beetz, call (800) 678-4145 Ext. 711.

RLACEI Upcoming Events

Call (800) 678-4145 Ext. 701 for reservations.

- Aug. 9:** RLACEI Picnic, 11:30 a.m., Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park, Los Angeles
- Oct. 4:** RLACEI annual corporation meeting and elections, 1 p.m., Friendship Auditorium
- Dec. 6:** RLACEI holiday party, noon, Friendship Auditorium

RLACEI Website

Hal Danowitz asks you to visit the RLACEI Website at www.rlacei.com to find the latest retirement news. If you find it helpful, or have suggestions for improvement, call Hal at (800) 678-4145 Ext. 707.

Contact LACERS

The Los Angeles City Employees Retirement System is at 360 E. Second Street, second floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Phone (213) 473-7200 or (800) 779-8328. Contact them to arrange direct deposit of your retirement checks, change your tax withholding or beneficiary, or for questions about your health plans.

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LACERS Pension Performance On Par With CalPERS, CalSTRS

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Ed Harding

By Ed Harding,
RLACEI President

We had another great golf tournament this year, and I want to thank those who participated in making it a great success. Thanks to Tom Sternock and his golf committee. We had 79 golfers and about 100 people for lunch.

A special thanks to Lita Payne, Assistant General Manager, LACERS, and Alex Rabrenovich, LACERS Chief Health Benefits

Administrator, for taking time from their busy schedule to attend and speak to us about what is new with our City pension.

Last but not least, thanks to Robert Larios and his staff from the City Employees Club, for bringing gift certificates for our raffle prizes, and for taking pictures for *Alive!*

I received calls stating that *Alive!* is a very large newspaper, and retirees had difficulty finding our RLACEI articles looking through several pages. Therefore,

I spoke to John Hawkins, CEO, and Robert Larios, Vice President, and they reassured me that they would resolve this problem.

On a social note, our annual picnic is set for Aug. 9 at the Grace Simons Lodge at Elysian Park. As usual, Chris and Pits' chef will prepare and serve cafeteria-style barbecued chicken and ribs with all the fixings. We expect 200 members, so please make your reservation by calling (800) 678-4145, x701.

See you there!



Michael Karsch

RLACEI Legislative Report
by Michael Karsch

Cost of living increases for retirees in Boston are worked out in a formula quite different from other jurisdictions. Not only is the process different, but the debate currently is over how much to increase them. Boston (and most other jurisdictions in that same state) gives COLA increases

based only on the first \$12,000 of a pension. This keeps increases considerably lower than outside of Massachusetts. And the Boston Retirement Board also decided to raise that base level of pension eligible for a cost of living adjustment to \$13,000. With average retirees earning about \$33,000 a year, the COLA increase would mean only about \$390 per retiree each year. While that is a small amount, it has kept the Boston

plan healthier than other cities' pensions, according to that city's Council President, Steven Murphy.

Looking at the large pension gaps in the plans of the states, the lowest funding percentages in 2010, according to the Pew Center on the States, are as follows: Illinois, 45 percent; Rhode Island, 49 percent; Connecticut, 53 percent; Kentucky, 54 percent; Louisiana, 56 percent; Oklahoma,

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In Honor of the 'Rookie' And His Remarkable Career

LARFPA



Lee Kebler

By Lee Kebler,
LARFPA Director

On July 1, a celebration was held to pay tribute to the 50th anniversary of the 1962 retirement of the "Rookie," Arnett Hartsfield, as historian of the African American Firefighter Museum. There was a huge crowd with many speakers, but the ones I remembered were Fire Chief Brian Cummings, retired Fire Chief Bill Bamattre, Councilwoman Jan Perry and two of the "Rookie's" contemporaries, Wally DeCuir and Reggie Ballard.

Arnett's career started in 1940 when he was appointed to the LAFD and assigned to Fire Station 30 at Central Avenue and 14th Street. He was nicknamed the "Rookie," a name that he cherishes and that has stuck with him throughout his life. Except for a short tour of duty as an Officer

in the U.S. Army during WW II, he spent the next 22 years with a vision and unlimited energy getting a law degree from USC, organizing the Stentorians (a black fireman's group) and being the leader for integration of the Fire Department.

After Arnett retired in 1962, his dedication to the Fire service and the City continued in a number of ways – organizing and promoting a old fire Station at Vernon and Normandy as a meeting place for the Stentorians; his service as a Civil Service Commissioner and President of that Commission; City Attorney of Compton; as a teacher at Cal State Long Beach; and as a Director on the Los Angeles Retired Fire and Police Board.

When Arnett discovered that old Fire Station 30 had been placed out of service, he went to work and persuaded the City Council to restore the structure

so it could be used as the African American Firefighters Museum. In 1997 the museum opened its doors to tours on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. The "Rookie" has held court on those days almost every week since its inception until his retirement on July 1, 2012.

What a remarkable career for a remarkable man. Enjoy your retirement, "Rookie"; you earned it. Did I forget to tell you, Arnett is 94 years old and still going.

In case I forgot to mention it in my last article, Ruben Navarro won the election for the active Firefighter position on the Board of Fire and Police Pensions Commission and the mayor appointed Gregory Lippe as the latest appointed Commissioner.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at our September general meeting at Grace Simons Lodge.

**RLACEI Retirees:
Welcome to the Club!**

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Driving through Mumbai.

Retiree Hotlines

Who to call? Call the Helpline and reach the officers of the Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. If you move or change your address, contact Helen Salgado. Also notify LACERS, ACEBSA, and LAFUCU. For information on problems, activities, meetings or membership. Each officer's extension is listed below.

City Employees Retirement System: (213) 473-7200

RLACEI Retirement Counselors and Retiree Helplines (800) 678-4145

- Mary Beetz Ext. 711
- Cliff Cannon Ext. 715
- Hal Danowitz Ext. 707
- Americo Garza Ext. 710
- Edward Harding Ext. 703
- Michael Karsch Ext. 704
- Gary Mattingly Ext. 702
- Phillip Orland Ext. 706
- Neil Ricci Ext. 714
- Helen Salgado (membership) Ext. 713
- Ken Spiker Ext. 705
- Tom Stennock Ext. 708
- Michael Wilkinson Ext. 712

Questions: Ext. 0
RSVP: Ext. 701

DWP Retirement Plan Office (213) 367-1722

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2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



By Hal Danowitz, Secretary, RLACEI

The Taj Mahal

Hal and Co. take a side journey from their 28-day cruise to visit the Taj Mahal.

PART EIGHT

On Oct. 11, Evelyn and I, with our cousins Don and Myrna, left for Rome, where we were going to board the Ocean Princess Oct. 15 to sail for 28 days to Singapore. On the cruise we were scheduled to visit Sorrento, Italy; Athens; Ephesus, Turkey; through the Suez Canal; two ports in Egypt; Aqaba, Jordan; Dubai in the United Arab Emirates; Muscat, Oman; and India. In India, we were scheduled to take a side trip to the Taj Mahal. Finally, the cruise would take us to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, before ending in Singapore. We both had reserved mini-suites on deck eight. The Ocean Princess is a small ship, which accommodates only slightly more than 600 passengers and a crew of 250.

The next morning we docked in Mumbai, India, and went through immigration before we could leave the ship for our tour to the Taj Mahal. Our group was scheduled for 6:45 a.m., and we followed the instructions, but the Indian officials didn't quite make it until an hour later (I guess that is IST – India Standard Time). We had 140 unhappy passengers waiting in line in a very warm passageway and stairwell. Once we made it through the process, we had to wait until the entire bus group checked in before the bus could leave. Two groups divided into five buses. The only reason for two groups was that on our return flights they couldn't get everyone on the same plane.

The drive to the Mumbai Domestic Airport took about an hour as we drove through the center of Mumbai. We saw mostly old English buildings, a few modern ones and lots of slums. If you have seen an Indian movie, you have some idea of the slums. What they don't tell you in the movies is that Mumbai has the largest slum in India. The tour managed to circumvent most of the slum, but we still had a vivid picture. We hadn't seen many cows or beggars yet.

The security at the airport was heavy. There were separate security lines for men and women. Everyone was scanned with a wand. Women got "wanded" in a private enclosure. So basically we were "wanded" and groped in private instead of in public.

Our flight to Delhi was on Kingfisher Air. They used Airbus 330s, and this plane was pretty new. We were late leaving the gate but made up most of the time in the air. We had a meal of chicken and rice, which was spicy and good. The service was excellent, and

to progress. I had no idea how long he had to do that before he got to drive.

The drive from Delhi to Agra was advertised at five-and-a-half hours, including a stop for a snack and restrooms at two-and-a-half hours. We left the Delhi airport about 12:30 p.m., and we didn't get to Agra until 8:30 p.m. The distance



The entrance to the Taj.

I appreciated how attractive the flight attendants were.

Most of us carried our bags, so we headed out of the airport to wait for our bus. We met our guide who asked to call him Taj, which was easy to remember. We were on the number four bus. Of the five buses, ours was the runt of the litter. It was a few years older than the others, had noisy brakes, rattled a lot and wouldn't go more than 40 mph, but it had good A/C and the driver was good. We had 27 passengers, a guide, a driver, and his assistant on the bus. It seemed everyone had a job; one of the jobs of the assistant driver was to be sure we had plenty of cold bottled water. He also helped us out of the bus, as the last step was a dozy. We could have easily solved the problem with a small stepstool, but then half of his job would be eliminated

from Delhi to Agra is just over 200 km, about 120 miles. The road mostly had two lanes in each direction, and in India they drive on the left side of the road, just like in United Kingdom. There are 1.2 billion people in India, in an area half the size of the United States. I think most of them live between Delhi and Agra. The drive was like going from Las Vegas to Los Angeles on a holiday weekend, only more so. There were few traffic lights, so crossing an intersection was a game of chicken. We had to pass through a number of towns, and then there would be long areas of farmland. The towns all looked the same; most of the businesses were small buildings with a roll-up door that looked as if they hadn't been touched since they were built. There were no sidewalks and very little landscape. The only build-

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For more information, contact the Club:

- talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
- www.cityemployeesclub.com
- (800) 464-0452

Full Club Membership

Through May 2013, full Club Membership*, including:

- **The cheapest tickets in the City—UP TO 70% OFF**
- Great Club apparel and gifts
- Group-rated insurance products for purchase
- Club-exclusive events
- E-mail notices about upcoming events and promotions
- Access to Club Website
- And much more!

* After May 2013, members must join the Club and pay the regular (reduced) rate for City Retirees to retain Club benefits.



ings that looked maintained were schools and car dealers. They didn't have running water in the rural areas, and I saw people using hand pumps. There didn't seem to be many toilets or sewer systems, as we saw most people relieving themselves along the road (men!). There were cattle everywhere; cows are sacred animals in India, and they just wander around. We also saw: sheep, goats, a few horses, many dogs and cats, and even a camel or two. The dogs seemed to sleep anywhere and everywhere. If they go home at night it is a mystery, although we didn't see many at night.

At our halfway point, we stopped at a hotel and restaurant called the Country Inn for a bathroom break and a snack. The restaurant was called The Munch! The bathrooms were clean and nice; we didn't eat the snack because, on the bus, we each received a snack with two bananas, an orange, a bag of potato chips, a chocolate bar (Cadbury) and a bottle of water, shortly after we boarded. On the bus we had as much bottled water and Cokes as we wanted. In fact during the tour we always had bottled water available either on the bus, in our hotel room or during meals.

We reached Agra in the early evening, and it took almost an hour to reach our hotel. Agra has more than a million people, and there was a lot of traffic. I must say that India looked a lot better at night; most everyone had lights strung on their buildings, and it was quite pretty. The lights were different colors and shapes and were in strings like you purchase at Target. I think they also used the lights to find specific locations, as there were no numbers on anything.

We reached our hotel, Jaypee Palace, about 8:30 p.m., an hour and a half late. We received our room keys and then went straight to dinner. It was a very good buffet, Indian food. During dinner we had a Kathak dance performance, a traditional Indian dance. Our room was very nice, at least a good four-and-a-half-star hotel. We took showers and went to bed as we had a 4:30 a.m. wakeup call in the morning.

We awoke at 4:45 a.m. to board our bus at 5:40 a.m. to drive to the Taj Mahal. The Taj Mahal, "Crown Palace," was built in the 1600s by Emperor Shah Jahan for

his favorite Queen Mumtaz Mahal. She was wife number two of three, however, and according to all accounts, his true love. It is one of the seven manmade wonders of the world.

We had a short drive to a lot where we boarded battery-powered buses that drove us to the entrance to the Taj. I wasn't sure if that was an attempt to control pollution. We waited in line for the gate to open. There were four lines: high-value tickets, men, women and Indian men and women. Our guide did well in getting us there early; we were the first bus to arrive and we were very close to the front of each of our respective male and female lines. The gates were to open at 6 a.m., but didn't open until 6:30 a.m. They were supposed to open with the sunrise. After clearing security, we entered through the gate and had our first look at the Taj Mahal. The sun had just risen, and in the distances there was the Taj.

The area around Agra was primarily agricultural, and after the harvest they burned their fields. Combined with the large amount of vehicles and the dung pies still used for fuel in outlying homes, there was a



On the road to Agra.



Evelyn in the women's line at the Taj.

lot of pollution. We could just make out the Taj in the distance, which was about three football fields from us.

Next month we will finish up with our visit to the Taj Mahal.

LACERS Update

By Mary Beetz, RLACEI Publicity Chair

Free Health Screenings at LACERS: Know Your Numbers Workshop, for Retired LACERS Members: As part of LACERS' *Take Charge of Your Health* campaign, SCAN and UnitedHealthcare are sponsoring a workshop for LACERS retired Members so you can start to gather "numbers" that are important to know for successful health management.

The workshop will include a presentation on what health-related numbers that are important for you to have on hand will be available to help you know your numbers, such as:

- Your body mass index (BMI)
- Blood cholesterol
- Glucose levels, and
- Blood-pressure readings.

You will also receive information on the importance of maintaining other health plan information, such as the location and contact information of your physicians and local urgent care centers, and a list of your current medication.

Free health screenings for:

- Cholesterol
- Body mass index (BMI), and
- Blood pressure.

You will also receive a free health "checkbook" to begin recording your vital health information.

SCAN, UnitedHealthcare, Kaiser, and Anthem Blue Cross representatives will be present to demonstrate online tools that are available to assist you.

Know Your Numbers Workshop:
Thursday, Aug. 23
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Friendship Auditorium
3201 Riverside Dr.
Los Angeles 90027

Attendance is by RSVP only. Please RSVP by calling (800) 779-8328.

LACERS' *Take Charge of Your Health* campaign was developed to assist Members in obtaining optimal health by taking three steps:

- Know Your Numbers,
- Know Your Health Status.
- Stay Active.

For more information on Take Charge of Your Health, visit www.LACERS.org/lacerswell

LIFE AFTER RETIREMENT

Hope everyone enjoyed their month of July birthdays!

A special request was received to wish **Happy Birthday to Joyce Kimura!** from **Helen Salgado.**

LACERS Has Moved! Effective July 30, 2012. LACERS, 202 West 1st Street, Suite #500, Los Angeles, CA 90012-4401, (213) 473-7200, (800) 779-8328, (888) 349-3996 (tdd), www/lacers.org

Tell Us Your News!

Alive! has a special section – the Best Years – for Retired City Employees. If you have news about yourself or other retirees that you would like to share with our readers, send it to: Mary Beetz, 137 Westmont Dr., Alhambra, CA 91801, mbeetz4841@aol.com

Show Us Your Grandkids!



Retirees: *Alive!* wants to show off your grandkids! In an upcoming issue, we intend to begin running a small section of retirees and their grandkids. So send 'em in!

Here's how:

1. **Make sure to have permission from their parents.** If you send in a photo, *Alive!* assumes you have already received that permission.
2. Photos with you in them are better... but if not, that's okay, too.
3. **Make sure you list the names of your grandkids.**
4. Tell us, in a sentence or two, a little bit about them – their school, their accomplishments, what they love to do, how proud you are of them, etc.

5. Digital photos are best! Send them to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Print photos can be sent to:
Grandkids
City Employees Club of Los Angeles
120 W. Second St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(800) 464-0452

If you want the print photo returned, make sure you write your name and phone number on the back.

For Retired Club Members

Meet Our New Director, Phillip Orland



Phillip Orland

Phillip attended Fullerton College, earning an associate degree in liberal arts before continuing on to California State University, Long Beach, where he obtained a bachelor of arts degree in recreation. He is a volunteer for Bell Preservation Committee.

His career at the City began in Rec and Parks as a Recreation Assistant in 1972. He worked in various positions before, retiring under the ERIP program in January 2010 as a Principal

Recreation Supervisor.

Born in Los Angeles and having lived in Southern California for 65 years, he resides with his wife, Penny, in Brea. They have four adult children: Jennifer, Brandon, Kolby, and Colleen, and three grandchildren, Logan, Rowen, and w.

He served in the United States Navy from 1966 to 1971, and earned the Vietnam Service Medal.

Orland serves as a board member for the Retired Senior Volunteer

Program of Orange County. He is on the Board of Men in Leisure Service (retiree program), working on an outdoor studies scholarship program at California State University Long Beach and has been designated as an ambassador at large for the Korean Friendship.

Orland is eager to put his experience and knowledge toward programs for our Retirees.

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Legislative Report

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Michael Karsch

56 percent; West Virginia, 58 percent; New Hampshire, 59 percent; Alaska, 60 percent; and Hawaii, 61 percent.

The Los Angeles Daily Journal featured an article in June by a labor law firm (Robert Bezemek) that “post retirement health benefits are a promise of deferred compensation.” Citing a California Supreme Court ruling from 1917 in the case of benefits for a policeman’s widow, the article traces the beginning of California’s treatment of promised retirement compensation as a contractually protected vested right, not as a gift which could be subsequently reduced or eliminated. They cite subsequent court decisions in 1936 and 1947 establishing retirement benefits as an integral portion of public employees’ expected compensation. In 1974, the Court ruled retirement pension as a fundamental right. More recently, however, a law professor (Dr. Amy Monahan) at the University of Minnesota writing in the *Iowa Law Policy* on June 25, 2012, that the 1917 Supreme Court ruling did not make pension plans equivalent to a binding contract. There thus appears some room to argue that our vested pension plans might be changeable by our employing agencies, but it would be subject to strong dissent by labor groups relying on considerable precedent cases to the contrary.



Ken Spiker

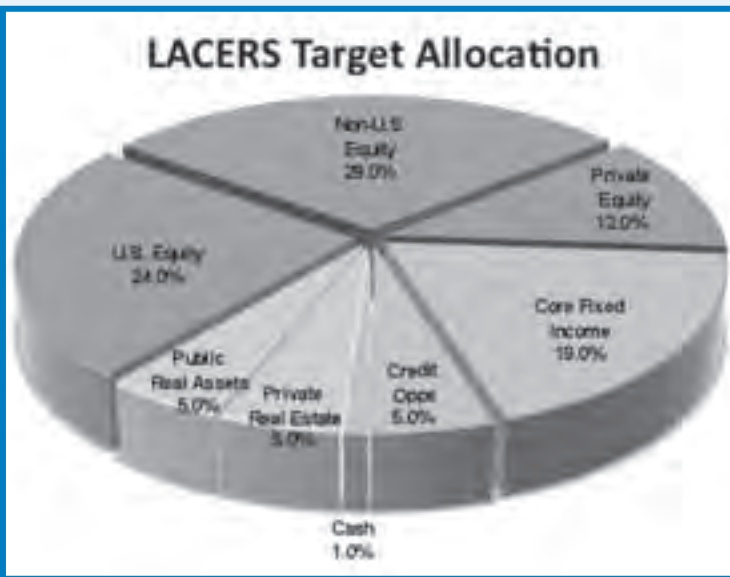
RLACEI Legislative Update by Ken Spiker

The core mission of a defined benefit plan is to fund the promised benefits to its participants. LACERS Board in January adopted a new asset allocation, the aim of which is to ensure the optimal diversification of investments across a range of suitable asset classes to provide the best risk-adjusted returns. Asset allocation is extremely important as it drives approximately 90 percent of a portfolio’s return. The optimal public pension fund portfolio is one that has the highest probability of funding all benefit payments at the lowest cost. To meet that goal, U.S. equities were reduced; taking into consideration the slowdown in the U.S. economy, with a shift in that portfolio to a larger passive (index funds) allocation which has substantially lower management fees (\$8.5 million less next fiscal year alone). The private equity allocation was increased for additional expected returns. In the non-U.S. equities sector, the portfolio is shifting from international regional mandates to an

overall global market focus. The fixed income portfolio will focus on a core component of managers and add a credit opportunities sector for expected additional return. The real assets sector (which includes real estate and other real asset opportunities) will be expanded. The chart below lists LACERS asset allocation targets:

One frequently asked question is

how LACERS’ \$10.4 billion portfolio has performed versus larger pension funds such as CalPERS and CalSTRS. An annual review of performance for the last 22 years indicates that LACERS has averaged a return of 8.93 percent; CalPERS, 8.95 percent; and CalSTRS, 8.84 percent. During 41 percent of the years reviewed, LACERS outperformed both CalPERS and CalSTRS.



What's your favorite ride at Disneyland?

Retirees Question of the Month:



“The Haunted Mansion.”
– Fred Hoeptner, Public Works/Engineering, Retired 1996



“All of them!”
– John Shadle, Building and Safety, Retired



“The Tea Cups.”
– Marguerite Shadle, wife of John Shadle, Building and Safety, Retired



“Space Mountain.”
– Ron Black, Housing, Retired 2010



“The go-carts.”
– Joyce Miller, Medical Services, Retired in 2009



“Mr. Toad’s Wild Ride.”
– Jerry Olea, Airports, Retired in 2010



“Pirates of the Caribbean.”
– Anita Olea, Personnel, Retired 1980



“It’s a Small World.”
– David Nix, ITA, Retired 2010

For Retired Club Members



Team 4A, from left: Diane Newman, 31 years of City service; Carmen Miraflor, 26 years, Club Member; Fred Ige, 27 years, Club Member; and Gerald Carrido, guest.



Team 3A, from left: Richard Hovious, 27 years of City service, Club Member; Bernard Anderson, 34 years, Club Member; and Tom Stenmck, 14 years, Club Member.



Team 2B, from left: Oliver Cunningham, 30 years of City service, Club Member; Billy Johnson, guest; George Walker, 30 years, Club Member; and Stephen Hill, 37 years, Club Member.



Team 16B, from left: Richard Telles, 35 years of City service, Club Member; Greg Telles, guest; Ray Reyes, guest; and Mike Reyes, guest.



Team 3B, from left: Richard Flores, 30 years of City service; James Gonzalez, 28 years, Club Member; Larry Echavirria, 33 years, Club Member; and Charlie Magdellano, guest.



From left: Mary Beetz, Director and Publicity Chairman, RLACEI, Club Member; Ed Harding, President, RLACEI, Club Member; and Cliff Cannon, Director, RLACEI, Club Member.



Team 5A, from left: J.R. Gomez, guest; Michael Koppenhaver, guest; Robert Gomez, guest; and Robert M. Gomez, guest.



Team 4B, from left: Leon Davis, 32 years of City service, Club Member; Ralph Esparza, 30 years, Club Member; Phil Meyerson, 24 years; and Mike Meyerson, guest.



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Retirees Tee It Up

RLACEI hosts annual summer golf tournament.

Story by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor; Photos by Angel Gomez, Club Sales Director

The Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI) could not have asked for better golf weather when they held their 34th annual invitational tournament June 7. The tournament took place at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course with enough members of the association and guests in attendance to create 21 teams!

A catered lunch and awards ceremony, held in a beautiful banquet room, followed the tournament.

Winners of the event included Glen Nave, Richard Lopez, Carmen Miraflor, Diane Newman, George Chapman, and Greg Telles.

Congratulations to the RLACEI on another successful golf tournament, and special thanks go to RLACEI President Ed Harding.



From left: Ed Harding, President, RLACEI, Retired, Public Works/Street Maintenance, 34 years of City service, Club Member; Alice Walder, Retired, Election Division, Club Member; Tom Stenmck, Chairman, RLACEI, Retired, Planning, 14 years, Club Member; and Michael Wilkinson, Retired, City Attorney's Office, 34 years, Club Member.



Team 5B, from left: Dennis Vanderhook, 35 years of City service; George Chapman, 28 years, Club Member; Gil Garnas, 30 years, Club Member; and Frank Martinez, guest.



Team 18A, from left: Steve King, 27 years of City service, Club Member; and Gary Mattingly, 38 years, Club Member.



Team 16A, from left: Gail Draper, 40 years of City service, Club Member; Jim Hamilton, 32 years, Club Member; John Vacca, guest, 38 years of L.A. County service; and Dan Koenig, 35 years.



Team 17B, from left: Ed Itagaki, 32 years of City service, Club Member; Jerry Jesse, guest; Mason Beastro, 32 years, Club Member; and Al Tsuyuki, guest.



Team 18B, from left: Earle Gales, 34 years of City service, Club Member; Edward Gales, guest; Charles Clement, 38 years, Club Member; and David Cunningham, 13 years, Club Member.



Team 14B, from left: Evaughn Carr, 22 years of City service, Club Member; Dereke Carr, guest; and Ted Burton, guest, 7 years of L.A. County service.



Team 2A, from left: Mike Stawicki, 27 years of City service, Club Member; Robert Gomez, 31 years, Club Member; Hector Ramirez, 23 years, Club Member; and Jesse Molina, 29 years.



Team 18B, from left: Dominic Rescimoto, 33 years of City service, Club Member; Ralph Gutierrez, guest; Earl Tate, 39 years, Club Member; and Frank Jones, 26 years, Club Member.



Team 17A, from left: Richard Cooper, 11 years of City service, Club Member; Guy Leacher, 23 years, Club Member; Jack Reynolds, 39 years, Club Member; and Ron Hale, 36 years, Club Member.



Team 15B, from left: Richard Lopez, 37 years of City service, Club Member; Al Armijo, 26 years, Club Member; Steve Perez, 36 years, Club Member; and Randy Hee, 35 years, Club Member.



Team 14A, from left: Darrel Hans, 35 years of City service, Club Member; Glen Nave, 35 years, Club Member; Sam Furuta, 31 years, Club Member; and Gerry Takaki, 33 years, Club Member.



Team 15A, from left: Mike Cordova, 25 years of City service; Bernard Spears, 20 years, Club Member; Carlos Heron, 15 years; and Ben Aguilar, 42 years.



Team 13A, from left: Julian Campbell, guest, Club Member; and Jesse Barba, guest.



Team 1A, from left: Cathy Bushey, 30 years of City service, Club Member; Matt Saxton, guest; Betsy Melancon, 30 years; and Joe, guest.

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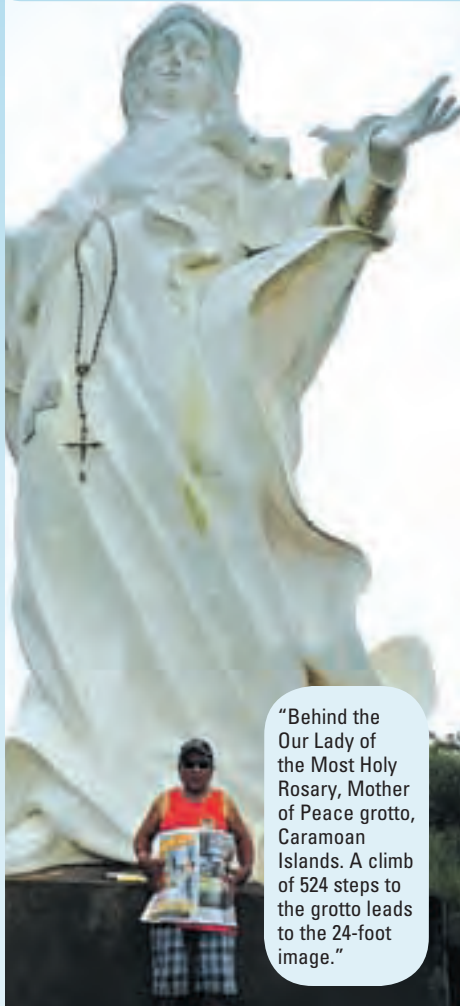
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Philippines



"Behind the Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, Mother of Peace grotto, Caramoan Islands. A climb of 524 steps to the grotto leads to the 24-foot image."



"The sandbar is visible only on low tide."



"The Mayon Volcano, Legaspi City, Philippines."



"Retired Employees Pablo Ninofranco and Romeo Martin, Harbor, in Sandbar, Caramoan Islands, Philippines."


"My dad, **Pablo Ninofranco** [retired City Employee], is at it again. He went to Caramoan Islands, Camarines Sur, Philippines."
- Phyllis Ninofranco, Harbor

Take the Club with you, wherever you go!

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