

REC AND PARKS

A Whale of an Opportunity

Cabrillo Marine Aquarium seeks volunteers for its whale-watching program.

The Cabrillo Whalewatch program is looking for enthusiastic volunteers college-aged or older to act as naturalists on whale-watching trips and provide whale lectures at schools.

Beginning Oct. 2, Whalewatch training classes will be given in the John M. Olguin Auditorium at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Classes will be held every Tuesday from 7 - 9 p.m. through the end of March. Upon successful completion of training, volunteers will be officially certified whale watchers to share information about gray whales and other marine life.

Beginning the day after Christmas, the volunteer naturalists will sign up for a schedule of whale-watching boats departing from local landings in Redondo Beach, Long Beach and

San Pedro, as well as on-site visits to school classrooms.

The Cabrillo Whalewatch program is co-sponsored by the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium and the American Cetacean Society/Los Angeles Chapter. The Cabrillo Whalewatch volunteer training classes are free. The only requirements for volunteers are an interest in the ocean and whales, the desire to learn, and the ability to share their knowledge with others.

The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium is at 3720 Stephen M. White Dr. in San Pedro and is a Rec and Parks facility, with support from FRIENDS of Cabrillo Marine Aquarium. Information: Larry Fukuhara, Program Director, at (310) 548-7562 x223.



Seeing whales up close is a strong feature of the Baja whale-watching trip.



Cabrillo's Larry Fukuhara on a whale-watching adventure.

PUBLIC WORKS

Investigators Step Up

Street Services Investigators graduate from LAPD Academy, become peace officers.



The graduating class of Public Works/Street Services Investigators.

Story and photo courtesy Street Services

On Nov. 29, 13 Public Works/Street Services Investigators graduated from the LAPD Level III Reserve Peace Officer Academy.

The 13 graduating Investigators were: Constancio Abracia, William Cadena, John Courtney Duncanson, Dortheney Henry, Marsha Jackson, Peter James Kurt, Blanca E. Madero, Stephanie McFaddin, Angelo Miller, Manuel Perez, Anna P. Robinson, Debra Scott and Donnette Wilson.

The ceremony was held at the Board of Public Works Hearing Room, and presentations were made by City Attorney Carmen

Trutanich; Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Club Member; Board of Public Works Vice President Capri Maddox; LAPD Deputy Chief Terry Hara; and Street Services Director Nazario Saucedo.

This occasion marks the successful completion of an intensive 146-hour program certified by the State of California Commission on Peace Standards and Training and provided by the LAPD. The graduates have now satisfied the requirements to exercise the arrest authority of a peace officer.

Congratulations to the new Street Services Investigators!

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ZOO

Snow Days!

Zoo hosts annual Snow Days weekend.

Story by April Spurlock, Zoo; Photos by Tad Motoyama and Jamie Pham, Zoo

Early weather reports predicts snow at the LA Zoo in February!

You're invited to enjoy the rare experience of seeing the American black bear, Sumatran tigers, snow leopard, giant otters, and harbor seals play in the snow Feb. 9 and 10. The Zoo will transform its habitats into snowy winter wonderlands with icy treats and frosty enrichment. Visitors will also have an opportunity to meet and take photos with a snow princess.

The event takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Normal Zoo admission is required, \$17 for adults and \$12 for children ages 2 to 12.

The Zoo and Botanical Gardens is at 5333 Zoo Dr. in Griffith Park.

Information: (323) 644-4200 or www.lazoo.org.



A Sumatran tiger with a brave snowman.

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