



For Retired Club Members

The Best Years

CITY RETIREE ASSOCIATIONS

Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI)



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Change of Address?

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Have News About Yourself?

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

Retiree Upcoming Events

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

- March 6:** LARFPA general meeting, Grace E. Simons Lodge
- April 11:** RLACEI general meeting, Friendship Auditorium
- TBD:** RLACEI golf tournament, date to be determined
- Aug. 8:** RLACEI picnic, Grace E. Simons Lodge
- Sept. 19:** RLACEI annual corporation meeting and elections, Friendship Auditorium
- Dec. 5:** RLACEI holiday party, 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 202 W. First Street, Suite 500, (LA Times Building), Los Angeles, CA 90012. Hours: 8AM-5PM. 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. www.lacers.org

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New Healthcare Law Is Focus of April 11 Meeting

2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



Ed Harding

By Ed Harding,
RLACEI President

Our newest RLACEI Director, Phil Orland, has been busy. He arranged a subcommittee meeting for Feb. 6 to find out how the new health care law would affect our retired Members and City retirees in general. Attending the meeting was Phil, three of our Directors, and Kaiser Administrator James Larrataeta-Moylan, Kaiser Executive Account Manager Ken Reiff, LACERS Chief Health Administrator Alex Rabrenovich and his assistant, Juan Garcia. What we learned

was very informative.

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) covers two categories of retirees: Retirees 65 and older on Medicare, and Retirees under 65 years old. Because LACERS' administrators retiree-only medical plans, LACERS is exempt from many of the provisions of the ACA.

Retirees 65 and older on Medicare who are on LACERS' medical plan will have little or no change to their ACA. Also, Senior Advantage programs will continue to be available in 2014.

Retirees under 65 who are not enrolled in LACERS' plan will have greater plan options through a health care exchange.

One provision that may impact the LACERS medical plan premiums is the excise tax on "Cadillac" plans. However, this provision does not take effect until 2018.

These are only a few items that we discussed. However, LACERS and RLACEI have teamed up to have a full presentation at our general meeting April 11 at the Friendship Auditorium to answer any questions of your health coverage and concerns as they pertain to you and your family. Please mark this date on your calendar for this very informative meeting. See you there.

LACERS' Is First in Retiree Health Funding



Michael R. Wilkinson

RLACEI Legal and Policy Issues
by Michael R. Wilkinson

We should all be proud that LACERS was just ranked first among large U.S. cities in retiree healthcare funding. While well-run pension plans have been properly funding their pension obligations for years, most cities and states have just been paying for retiree healthcare costs as it came up on a "pay-as-you-go" basis.

The latter process puts off the true costs and can lead to financial crises many years later since money was not put aside and invested at the time leaving the pension plan financially strapped

when the workers retire and need to use the health benefits.

Only in very recent years have a substantial number of pension plans adopted the proper actuarial funding (sometimes call prefunding) of retiree healthcare costs.

The Pew Center on the States issued a study that ranked 61 cities, each of them either with more than 500,000 population or the largest in a state, and found that the total shortfall (unfunded liability) for their retiree healthcare obligations was \$118 billion, far outstripping the funding deficit for pensions of \$99 billion.

By contrast to most of its peers, LACERS was a pioneer and has been putting away money for retiree healthcare for decades and boasted a 55 percent funding

level when reviewed by the study (based on the 2009 data, the most recent available at the time of the study). Now the actuarial funding level is 71.6 percent. "Far earlier than most, Los Angeles began setting aside money for retiree health insurance in 1987, and the city has been praised by the bond-rating agencies for this practice," according to the study.

By comparison, the level at three other large California was dismal: San Jose, nine percent; San Diego, three percent; and San Francisco, one percent. It is worth noting that each of those cities (except San Francisco) is dropping traditional pensions in favor of 401(k)-style retirement accounts for at least some of their new hires.

2013 Looks Daunting for Public Finances



Michael Karsch

RLACEI Pension Law and Policy - Legislative Report
by Michael Karsch

In a January look at the City of Los Angeles' solid waste revenue bonds by the Fitch Ratings agency, several observations were made about the City that go beyond just the rating of those bonds (the outlook was "stable"). Fitch says the City still has an ongoing structural imbalance, despite cost control measures that have reduced the budget deficit gap. In addition, the pension reform already enacted by the City will help, but there is need for more pension and benefit reform to achieve out-

year budget balancing. The City's credit profile looks promising to Fitch due to the City's size and diversity. The City's revenue and property base growth is positive and should continue into fiscal 2014. Sales tax has increased nine percent year over year, and should grow another four percent in fiscal 2014. The property tax picture is improving, too. Taxable assessed valuation increased 1.3 percent in fiscal 2012, and 2.5 percent in 2013.

The unemployment rate remained at 11.4 percent in October, better than the peak of 14.7 percent in July 2010. Fitch notes that the decrease in unemployment was due to labor force declines and not employment gains. The City projects annual

budget deficits ranging between \$216 million to \$327 million for fiscal years 2014 - 2017. Addressing these continuing budget deficits will grow more difficult for the City, according to the Fitch analysis. The sales tax increase proposed for the March ballot would be a plus if passed by the voters, but Fitch speculates that there would be "considerable pressure" to use some of that increased revenue for service cut restoration and deferred infrastructure needs, instead of focusing on the reversal of the structural budget imbalance. On the pension plans, Fitch notes that LACERS and the FPPP were

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funded at 72.4 percent and 86.3 percent respectively, the latter being very good, and the former good. If the pension funds used what Fitch believes is a better discount rate of 7 percent, instead of their use of 7.5 percent, the funds' levels would drop to 70.1 percent for LACERS

and 82.5 percent for the FPPP.

Regarding the Governor's State of the State address, *Sacramento Bee* columnist Dan Walters warns that the pension crisis seems to be playing down by Gov. Jerry Brown. Walters sees the voter-approved state tax increases not being

devoted to the pension debts. *Los Angeles Times* columnist George Skelton similarly criticized the governor for ignoring the "enormous public pension liability... cost[ing] roughly \$500 billion more over the next 16 years than the retirement system has lined up..."

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LACERS Update



Mary Beetz

By Mary Beetz,
RLACEI Publicity Chair

**Moved?
Changed
Your Contact
Information?
Let LACERS
Know**

LACERS wants to make sure our Retired Membership database is up-to-date. If you've recently changed home or mobile phone numbers, added a new phone number, added or changed an email address, or simply moved, please let us know. If we need to send you essential LACERS information, we would like to have every possible means of contacting you. To update your contact information, please call LACERS at (800) 779-8328 or (888) 349-3996 (TDD).

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Account
Information
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MyLACERS is a service that allows you to securely view your account information online at

www.LACERS.org. As a Retired Member, you can view your 1099R information, current payment statements, designated beneficiaries, current deductions, and health deduction information. It's easy, fast, and informative. Just click on *MyLACERS* from the LACERS homepage and follow the directions to register for a *MyLACERS* Account. Once an ID and password are created, you can log-on to the secure website as often as you like. For more information or assistance with setting up a *MyLACERS* account, contact LACERS at lacers.services@lacity.org, or (800) 779-8328, or (888) 349-3996 (TDD).

**Rewards Program
Ends, but Thrive
Across America
Continues Until
September**

As part of the rewards program, the first 1,000 retirees who registered for *Thrive Across America* and completed the virtual route in December received a \$50 Visa reward card. Thirty-four percent of the retirees who registered for the program went on to complete the virtual route by the deadline and received a reward card.

Although the rewards program has ended, retirees can still use the

program to log their activity until September 30, 2013 and take advantage of the many features available to them on the *Thrive Across America* website. Visit *LACERSWell* at www.LACERS.org/lacerswell to register online.

**Article III
Officers and
Directors**

Section 2

The election of directors shall take place at the Annual General Membership meeting in ~~October~~ September with their installation at the Director meeting. The elected directors shall assume their offices on January 1.

Section 3

Six (6) Directors shall be elected at the ~~October~~ September Annual General Membership meeting each odd year. Seven (7) Directors shall be elected at the ~~October~~ September Annual General Membership meeting each even year. Directors shall be elected to serve two years or until their successors are elected.

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**RETIREMENT
HELPLINE**

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. 709
- Neil Ricci Ext. 714
- Helen Salgado (membership) Ext. 713
- Ken Spiker Ext. 705
- Tom Stemmcock Ext. 708
- Michael Wilkinson Ext. 712

Questions: Ext. 0

RSVP: Ext. 701

DWP Retirement Plan Office (213) 367-1722

RLACEI:

Officers

- Edward Harding: President
- Kenneth Spiker: First Vice President
- Tom Stemmcock: Second Vice President
- Hal Danowitz: Secretary/Treasurer

Committee Chairpersons

- Mary Beetz: Publicity
- Hal Danowitz: Finance
- Americo Garza: Picnic, Holiday Party and Installation
- Neil Ricci: Health and Nominating
- Helen Salgado: Membership
- Ken Spiker: Legal and Legislative
- Tom Stemmcock: Audit and Golf

Directors

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**New AB 340 Pension Law
Doesn't Affect Fire, Police**



Lee Kebler

By Lee Kebler,
LARFPA Director

Recently, our retirees received their annual *Pension Perspective* from the Fire and Police Pension System. It is a really great issue full of information, and I recommend that you keep it for future reference. First, it introduces our electronically enlightened members to have their personal pension and benefit payments information available on the Internet 24/7. For those of us who are electronically challenged, there is a toll-free phone number to call for help. When you call, you get a very pleasant live person to help you with your problem. You don't get that voice prompt on what language do you speak – Esperanto, Pig Latin or English – and a dozen other questions. What a great phone system.

Other subjects cover our health subsidy, Medicare premium reimbursement, taxes and retired member death and survivor benefits. One of the most interesting articles is a 20-year history of the pension fund's

funding and the contribution rate for the City. Did you know that our pension fund was more than 100 percent funded for six years (1999 to 2004)? The communications section of the Pension Dept. did an excellent job on this issue.

At a recent meeting of the Fire and Police Pension System, the Benefits Committee approved the recommendation of the staff to establish "the annual maximum increase in the retired sworn non-Medicare health subsidy; the Board shall authorize the increase at the lesser of seven percent or the Board-approved Medical Trend Rate, as provided by the City Administrative Code." This is great news; these retirees have been losing more than two percent a year on their health subsidy until they became eligible for Medicare. This should get approval of the Board when it consideration.

Do you remember Gov. Jerry Brown's 12-point pension reform act? Well, it was modified by the State Legislature and signed into

law by the governor last September. This new law, AB 340, became effective Jan. 1 and affects most public employee pension systems, except those for charter cities and counties. The one provision that the legislature removed from Brown's recommendations was the defined contribution (DC) pensions for members of AB 340. This could be good news, because the reformers won't be threatening us with that type of pension in the future. New AB 340 members have to pay half of the annual pension contribution costs. Current members will have their contribution costs increased over a period of several years. I hope none of our politicians will want to consider this option. Our employees are already among those paying the highest pension contributions in the state. The good news is, AB 340 doesn't affect us, but we have to be aware of the trickle-down affect.

I'm looking forward to seeing more of you at our March 6 meeting at Grace E. Simons Lodge.

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Movie tickets in the City are at the Club!
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The Best Years

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By Hal Danowitz,
Secretary, RLACEI

Crossing the Equator

After a safari, Hal and Co. cruise from Cape Town to England.

PART FIVE



Evelyn and I took a 38-day trip, which included four days at the Botlierskop Safari Resort near George, South Africa; a 28-day cruise on the *Ocean Princess* from Cape Town, South Africa, to London; and four days in London at the end. Don and Myrna, our cousins, took the cruise with us.

The itinerary was as follows: Cape Town; Lüderitz and Walvis Bay, Namibia; Cotonou, Benin; Lome, Togo; Dakar, Senegal; Mindelo, Cape Verde Islands; Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands; Casablanca, Morocco; Cadiz, Spain; Lisbon, Portugal; Le Havre, France; and Dover, England.

As we continue the story, we were in the middle of the cruise, spending four days at open sea heading north. That day included our tour of the ship's bridge, or control deck. It is always a great privilege to be invited to the bridge, because after 9/11 security became a major issue and all regular bridge tours were discontinued. Evelyn and I had done the tour before on the *Golden Princess*, but it was the first time for Don and Myrna. We were met and escorted to the bridge where the junior officer of the watch, Sebastiano, was our tour guide. He spent about 25 minutes explaining the various pieces of equipment used to navigate and maintain the safety of the ship. He was very young and very Italian, and to Evelyn and Myrna, he seemed quite "available." Capt. Carlo Servillo came in; we chatted with him for about 15 minutes and then took pictures. I think two of the primary duties of the captain are public relations and the ability to speak easily. He made us feel welcome, and we all enjoyed the conversation. Later on when we met him again at the Captain's welcome-aboard party, he remembered us.

We went to Friday night services. The service is always conducted by a passenger, although the ship provided the wine, printed Sabbath prayers (donated by a passenger on a previous cruise) and very good challah bread. The service was conducted by a doctor from Brentwood, who we met on the last cruise six months ago.

It was formal night aboard the ship, so we all dressed up, Don and I in tuxes and the ladies in dresses.

After dinner, we attended the Captain's welcome-aboard party and then stayed on for the show, a variety show by the cruise entertainment cast singing and dancing to songs of the '50s and '60s.

The sea days run as a routine: breakfast, bridge lesson, trivia, lunch, play bridge, dinner, show and to bed, with an adult beverage or two. The only change seemed to be where to eat: buffet, dining room or Bistro.

The weather continued to be great – warm, but not hot or humid. We were getting close to the equator, and you would think it should start getting warmer and more humid and possibly rainy.

Soon we were to cross the equator and



Hal and Evelyn with Capt. Servillo on the bridge.

there would be a ceremony for those they called pollywogs, someone, including us, who had not crossed the equator by ship.

We had a good run at bridge and when we returned to the cabin there was a note that the purser's office would like to see us. I was sure it has to do with the previous flood in our cabin. They offered to give us a credit on our bill and I accepted their apologies for the problems. We were inconvenienced for one night and the ship made everything right,



Don and Myrna, and Hal and Evelyn surround their bridge guide, Sebastiano.



Evelyn with the Mother's Day cake.

so I felt they did the right thing.

We had dinner in the Bistro, but I wasn't impressed. I had a steak, which was cooked right but didn't have much taste. We had noticed that they didn't season the dishes very much. It was only one meal, though.

The second night's entertainment was Brandi Chapman, a vocalist from the United States who we really enjoyed. She mentioned that she had worked with Roy Clark in Branson, Mo., and opened for many of the acts there.

We received a notice about the high crime areas in our next four African ports (Benin, Togo, Ghana, and Senegal). We also heard that there is pirate activity along the coast in this area, something new to worry about.

The next day was Mother's Day, and the ship had a special brunch, "Dolce Vita, in the dining room.

Both Evelyn and I walked the track that morning; I walked a mile and Evelyn walked

two. We had coffee in the buffet before the bridge lecture. Evelyn always gets a coffee card, which allowed her to get designer coffees at the coffee bar; I just like mine hot and strong.

After the lecture, we all had the brunch. It was the best food presentation I had seen on either this cruise or the last one. We sat at a table for eight with two other couples and had an enjoyable experience. My guess was that the majority of the passengers were

Our lesson started at 9:30 a.m., and the drill was set for 10 a.m.; playing bridge started at 2:30 p.m., and the equator ceremony was set for 2 p.m. We learned to be flexible.

After lunch we waited until 1:30 p.m. and then went to the pool area to watch the "Crossing" ceremony. It was interesting, with King Neptune renewing his vows with his wife "Double DD." Double DD was a crewmember wearing very large balloons (literally) in a wedding dress and wig. Then the pollywogs were covered with slime – whipped cream, pasta, chocolate syrup, eggs and anything else that was handy. There were seven volunteers who made the transition from pollywogs to shellbacks for all of us pollywogs. The Staff Captain and Cruise Director both ended up in the pool. The ceremony was really fun to watch; I didn't want to participate. We heard from other passengers that on other cruises random passengers along with crew and staff were thrown in the pool.

After the ceremony, Evelyn took a little nap and I laid out by the pool. The pool contained salt water, and the temperature of the air and water was the same, about 88 degrees. There were some broken clouds, and the seas were really flat.

We ate in the dining room and it was Italian night. I was trying to cut back because I think I gained a few pounds. Normally I would say that the salt air shrank my clothes, but we have been on too many cruises to believe that tale.

That was our last day at open sea; the next day we were to dock in Cotonou, Benin. The day after that took us to Lome, Togo, and then Tema, Ghana.



Pollywogs cross the equator.



"King Neptune" and his "bride."

older than 60, and it was interesting how we had so much collective knowledge that we could solve most of the world's problems. We missed trivia and heard later in the day that because of us not being there, the remainder of our team lost.

After the brunch, Evelyn and I sat on our balcony and read until it was time for bridge. The weather continued to be great, with calm seas, low humidity with a temperature in the low 80s.

At bridge we again felt that we played well, but didn't have the results to show for it.

We ate in the dining room that night. We had early seating, but the service was quick and we could still be out before 8 p.m., which gave the staff time to set up for the late seating.

The next day we were to cross the equator. We were no longer to be pollywogs but become shellbacks.

After dinner, we decided to see the show, and Mr. Hilton was much funnier than his first show, so I'm glad we went. After the show, we listened to Sammy Goldstein, a piano entertainer, in the casino lounge. He tried to remember your name by association. I was "Hal the Computer" from the movie *2001*, and Evelyn was "Evelyn Keys" the movie star. Sammy was entertaining. We stopped by the "'50s and '60s Sock Hop Party" for a few minutes.

We did much better in bridge, coming in the middle of eight teams.

The next morning we crossed the equator, and in the afternoon there was going to be a "Crossing the Equator" ceremony. The crew asked for volunteers for the ceremony and, having been in the Army, I knew never to volunteer. Supposedly King Neptune and his bride would be there for the ceremony.

In the morning we had a piracy drill. There had been pirate activity in the Bight (Bay) of Benin in the Gulf of Guinea. We did this on the last cruise on the east side of Africa. When they announced "Tango PaPa," we knew that was the call sign for the drill.

These activities interfered with bridge.

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

The *Alive!* Newspaper

Your own personal edition of *Alive!*, delivered to you each month. (Sent to all RLACEI members in good standing). Stay connected to RLACEI, and to all your Retired City friends, read about exciting City projects, take full advantage of free *Alive!* classifieds, and much more.

For more information, contact the Club:

- talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
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Retirements

Here's a listing of all those who retired from the City this month. To all we say, welcome to the Best Years!

NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS	NAME	TITLE	DEPT	YEARS
Apodaca, Sandy	-	DWP	-	Howard, Mark	-	DWP	-	Plummer, Len	-	DWP	-
Arman, Danny	-	DWP	-	Jenkins, Patricia	Clerk Typist	LAPD	30	Pino, Donald	Build. Mech. Ins.	Building & Safety	7
Bankhead, Shirley	Clerk Typist	Transportation	33	Jordan, Novella	Clerk Typist	Personnel	32	Rhodes, Percy	-	DWP	-
Barroso, Eden	-	DWP	-	Klascious, Laura	Sr. Clerk Typist	Building & Safety	11	Rice, Albert	Librarian III	Library	15
Bazzaz, Jafar	-	DWP	-	Klyng, Robert	-	DWP	-	Riddle, Robert	-	DWP	-
Bedford, Marcus	-	DWP	-	Knight, Sabrina	-	DWP	-	Rodin, Jeri	Rec. Fac. Direc.	Rec and Parks	34
Benson, Rose	Security Officer	Airports	27	Kurowski, Daniel	-	DWP	-	Sandoval, Phillip	Cons. Inspector	Public Works	34
Bersales, Genoveva	-	DWP	-	Lavin, Glen	Sr. Property Officer	LAPD	32	Santa Cruz, Cheryl	Sr. Clerk Typist	Transportation	34
Bond, Gloria	-	DWP	-	Lee, Tony	Mech. Engr. As. IV	Public Works	25	Shimamoto, Karen	-	DWP	-
Cetina, Fausto	-	DWP	-	Lemieux, Alfred	-	DWP	-	Singley, Glenn	-	DWP	-
Damron, Susan	-	DWP	-	Lewis, Demitris	-	DWP	-	Sisson, Karen	City Adm. Officer	CAO	17
De Graffenreid, Gary	-	DWP	-	Litvinoff, Stephen	-	DWP	-	Sobalvarro, Vilma	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	26
Edwards, Sylvester	Child Care Assoc. II	Rec and Parks	10	Loaiza, Joe	Cement Fin. Supv.	General Services	12	Sperrico, Vincent	-	DWP	-
Elling, Virginia	Sr. Mgmt. Analyst II	LAPD	28	Lozano, Paul	Crossing Guard	Transportation	12	Smith, Patrick	Build. Mech. Ins.	Building & Safety	25
Espindola, Rene	Veterinary Tech	Animal Services	11	Lujan, Roy	Asst. St. Lig. Elect.	Public Works	9	Sumlin, Wilfred	-	DWP	-
Finley, Debra	-	DWP	-	Mack III, Augustus	-	DWP	-	Sutherland, Carol	Wrk. Cmp. Cl. Asst.	Personnel	30
Fritch, Heather	-	DWP	-	Mackowski, Mark	-	DWP	-	Tanaka, Sandra	-	DWP	-
Fuentes, Silvester	-	DWP	-	Maher-McGuirk, I.	-	DWP	-	Trejo, Jesus	-	DWP	-
Gary, Vera	-	DWP	-	May, Neal	Bck. Investigator	Personnel	9	Tumaliuan, Hermillina	-	DWP	-
Gebott, Minerva	Clerk Typist	Transportation	24	May, Steven	-	DWP	-	Vance, Darvell	Refuse Col. Supv.	Public Works	25
Gentry, John	-	DWP	-	Morgan, Glenn	Hvy Dty Equip. Mch.	Harbor	18	Vasquez, Virginia	Delivery Driver II	Rec and Parks	4
Giddens, Steve	Hvy Dty Equip. Mch.	LAFD	22	Nair, Devika	-	DWP	-	Walker, Gwendolyn	-	DWP	-
Godfrey, Stephanie	Custodian	Building & Safety	15	Newquist, Gary	Police Psych. II	LAPD	15	Wheatley, Gregory	Custodian	General Services	26
Greenough, Paul	-	DWP	-	Nuckols, Claude	Build. Mech. Ins.	Building & Safety	12	White, Susan	Cust. Service Spec.	Finance	31
Guerrero, Daniel	-	DWP	-	Oberfoell, Helmut	-	DWP	-	Wickham, Kathleen	Clerk Typist	Rec and Parks	1
Hatchett, Helen	Gardener Caretaker	Rec and Parks	28	O'Brien, Francine	Traffic Officer II	Transportation	13	Williams, Conney	-	DWP	-
Heath, Renee	-	DWP	-	Odencrantz, Susan	Librarian III	Library	16	Wright, Robbie	-	DWP	-
Hernandez, Juan	Equipment Mech.	General Services	25	Owens, Willie	Sr. Dete. Officer	LAPD	21	Wu, Chuck-Yan	-	DWP	-
Hinton, Albert	Building Inspector	Building & Safety	31	Padilla, Diane	-	DWP	-				
Howard, Amy	Mayoral Aide VI	Mayor's Office	8	Patterson, Deborah	Police Service Rep	LAPD	32				

**FORGET THE LINES!
CLUB-EXCLUSIVE PARTY
At Magic Mountain May 3!**

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The Best Years

RETIREES AROUND THE WORLD



1 Hawaii



Here's a photo of **Phil Reed, Retired**, after he finished the Maui Oceanfront Marathon Jan. 20.

2 Mexico



Here are **Judy Ramirez (left) and Olivia Alvarado-Ford, Retired**, whale watching at Los Arcos in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, during their Princess Cruise.

Take the Club with you, wherever you go!

Club members are a well-traveled bunch. Bring your recent copy of *Alive!* with you. Snap a **high resolution** photo with you **holding a copy**, send it in, and we'll publish it. Send to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

3 Hawaii



"At Pihlilau Army Military Camp, Oahu, Hawaii – excellent cottages, activities and great-tasting food."



"At Kilauea State Park, Hilo, Hawaii at the steam vents, an area of an active lava cauldron and lava tubes."



"At Hilo, Hawaii, on a black-sand beach. Large sea turtles come ashore to rest."

John Gale, Retired, Rec and Parks, recently took a trip to Hawaii.



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