

AIRPORTS

# Remembering Tommy Scott

**Airport Police raises \$2,100 for scholarships during Tommy E. Scott Memorial Ride.**

*Story courtesy Sgt. Karla Ortiz, Airport Police; Photo by Officer Darius Lewis, Airport Police*

Airport Police officers raised nearly \$2,100 from a memorial ride to donate to the Tommy E. Scott Scholarship Fund available to college-bound children of airport employees. The Third Annual Tommy E. Scott Memorial Ride was held April 27 in honor of Airport Police Officer Tommy E. Scott, who was killed in the line of duty April 29, 2005. The procession traveled from the Airport Police station at LAX to Officer Scott's gravesite in a Forest Lawn cemetery in North Hollywood, and then on to Malibu.

Officer Scott joined the Airport Police in 2001, and was 35 at the time of his death. He was the first Airport Police officer to be killed in the line of duty during the 59-year history of the force. Prior to joining the force, he served 15 years with Rec and Parks. Officer Scott was killed while stopping a suspicious man, William Sadowski, in a vehicle near LAX. Sadowski was convicted of carjacking and first-degree murder and was sentenced to life in prison without possibility of parole.



From left: Association of Airport Employees President Jimmy Sparks, Motor Officer Julio Aparicio and Motor Officer George Chen, as the proceeds are turned over to the Tommy Scott Scholarship Fund.

Airport Police Officers Julio Aparicio, George Chen, Paul Mosqueda, Robert Yanez, Rito Torres and Daniel Yu organized this year's event, which attracted 60 officers and civilians (on personal time) to ride or drive personal motorcycles or vehicles the 28-mile route. The number of participants was four times greater than last year's participation. A sum of \$2,095 was raised from donations, T-shirt sales, and raffles.

Officer Scott's parents, Hubert and JoAnn Carter-Scott, requested the funds be donated to the Tommy E. Scott Scholarship Fund, sponsored by the Association of Airport Employees (AAE), a nonprofit organization. Airport Police Motor Officers Julio Aparicio and George Chen presented a check to AAE President Jimmy Sparks during a recent AAE meeting.

## SEEN Around Town

By Jennifer Shackelford  
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### Bells of the Camino

Spend any time driving along our coast and you may one day look out your window and see a bell on a pole that

looks a bit like a Shepard's crook. That would be one of the bells of El Camino Real. Spanish for "The Royal Road" (and really any road that was under the Spanish crown was a camino real) it connected 21 missions, 4 presidios and several pueblos from San Diego to Sonoma. When Mexico won its independence from Spain, no road in California was a camino real any longer but with the Mission Revival movement of the early 20th century the name was revived and used.

In 1892, Anna Pitcher of Pasadena began a movement to preserve a part of the Camino Real. In 1902 the California Federation of Women's Clubs adopted the cause and decided to place distinctive bells along the route. The first of these bells was unveiled in 1906. There were 450 in all.

During a recent stop at a rest area in Gavito, I managed to get up close to one of these bells. There is a small plaque attached to the pole which reads "In 1906, guidepost bells were placed along El Camino Real to guide early travelers and to preserve this historic route which linked California's Missions beginning in 1769"

El Camino Real is a California Historic Landmark.



Along the guided tour.



Daniel Cervantes, Detention Officer, 6 years of City service, with (from left) Nathan, Nicole and Dylan.



From left: Ricardo Munoz, Acting Sr. Detention Officer, 18 years of City service; and Andrew Burkot, Detention Officer, 6 years.



Sgt. Joe Hernandez, 17 years of City service, with Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor.



From left: Reina Gomez, Detention Officer, 6 years of City service; and Andrea Noriega, Detention Officer, 13 years.



From left: Manuel Estrada, Custodian, General Services, 8 years of City service; and Zane Tarver, Custodian, General Services, 12 years.

LAPD

## A Glimpse of the Glass House

**LAPD Jail Division hosts open house of historical facility.**

*Story by Jackie Causillas, Club Counselor; Photos by Noelle Kauffman, Club Counselor*

On May 4, the Metropolitan Jail Section opened its doors to the LAPD's extended family members for a glimpse of the historic old jail, also known as the "Glass House," which was famous for hosting iconic inmates including O.J. Simpson, Charles Manson and the Night Stalker, and get a guided tour of the new state-of-the-art, 21st-century Metropolitan Detention Center.

Because this tour included an operational facility walkthrough, the tour hours were limited but packed with plenty of excitement, historical information and a rare opportunity to see first-hand the work areas where their loved ones spend their 12-hour shifts.

Thanks to Sgt. Hernandez and Sgt. Bobo for their invitation to the open house.



From left: Rose Munoz, Detention Officer, 7 years of City service; Officer III George Koval, 2 years; and Sergio Castrellon, Detention Officer, 22 years.



Along the guided tour.



From left: Lambert Aquino, Retired Sr. Detention Officer, 34 years of City service; Vic Layao, Retired Sr. Detention Officer, 31 years; and Levi Deguzman, Sr. Detention Officer, 23 years.



Capt. Dave Lindsay, 26 years of City service; and Sgt. Joe Hernandez, 17 years.



Rodolfo Castillo, Detention Officer, 11 years of City service.



Esperanza Torres, Sr. Detention Officer, 10 years of City service, with his family.