Good Going, Geraldine

Port Executive Director Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D., Club Member, wins prestigious award from USC.

Story courtesy Harbor

Harbor Executive Director Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D., has been honored by the University of Southern California Alumni Association with its prestigious Alumni Merit Award. Knatz earned a Master of science degree in environmental engineering and a doctorate in biological science from USC.

"I'm honored to receive this Alumni Merit Award from USC, without a doubt one of the best universities in the world," Knatz said. "It's humbling to be among the exceptional group of talented, accomplished Trojans past and present who have been honored with alumni awards."

"The Alumni Merit Awards are given to

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Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D.

individuals whose remarkable accomplishments speak well for the range and quality of a USC education," said Patrick E. Auerbach, the interim associate vice president for alumni relations. "Dr. Knatz's leadership and success as the head of the nation's largest container port exemplifies the level of achievement that the Merit Award recognizes."

Since 1932, the USC Alumni Association has paid tribute to distinguished alumni. Past recipients of the Alumni Merit Award include World War II prisoner of war survivor and Olympic athlete Louis Zamperini, famed architect Frank O. Gehry, Hollywood icon John Wayne and John Ferraro, the longest-serving City Council member in its history until his death in 2001.

Regards for Rick

Retired LAFD Captain wins annual photo contest for Firefighters.



Photo by LAFD Capt. Rick McClure, Club Member

LAFD

LAFD Capt. Rick McClure, Club Member, whose excellent work highlighting the heroism of the LAFD occasionally appears in these pages, has won a photo contest for Firefighters.

Announced this spring, the photo you see here won the recent 2012 photo contest in the *California Professional Firefighter* newspaper.

The photo was shot in March 2012. "It was shot at Venice Boulevard and Flower Street," Capt. McClure tells *Alive!* "One young adult male was trapped in his auto after it was struck by a train and pinned up against a pole."

Capt. McClure had 39 years of City service before retiring last year. Congratulations!

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Two Plays By the Sea

Annual Shakespeare by the Sea program returns to



Julia (Kristina Teves) and Proteus (Charlie Woods) exchange gifts in last year's Shakespeare by the Sea production of Shakespeare's Two Contempo of Versi

Voluntary Insurance Benefits

What are voluntary benefits?

VV Voluntary benefits are insurance products that employees may choose to purchase through their employer at rates that are lower than they could get on their own. A few examples of voluntary benefits are life, disability, accident, critical illness and cancer insurance. Many employers offer voluntary benefits to provide a more robust benefits package for employees.

How do voluntary benefits work for employees?

For an example of how voluntary benefits work, we'll need our good friends Gary and Greta. Tonight, they're going to a restaurant for dinner. Gary and Greta's entrées include soup and salad with the price of their meals. In this case, their meal is like their employer's health plan – they get what they want along with a few added extras. We hope their food tastes better than their health plan. critical illness insurance that will help offset loss of income if he is unable to work due to sickness or injury. He can choose supplemental insurance to cover copays, deductibles or other costs of care not covered by his regular health insurance. And benefits are paid directly to the employee, so Gary can use the money however he needs to.

Most consumers don't plan for loss of income, or for expenses like childcare and travel that are necessitated by illness or injuries but not covered by medical insurance. Yet studies show that unexpected illness and injuries account for more than 350,000 bankruptcies every year. By enrolling in these voluntary benefits, Gary is rewarded with greater peace of mind.

Pt. Fermin Park in June.

Love and power are in the air, as Shakespeare by the Sea celebrates its 16th anniversary in 2013.

The comedy *All's Well That Ends Well* and the rarely performed drama *The Life and Death of King John* open at Pt. Fermin Park in San Pedro in June. Shakespeare by the Sea is partially sponsored by Rec and Parks. Admission is free.

The City portion of the program's schedule is:

All's Well That Ends Well

A cautionary tale about a besotted young woman in shameless romantic pursuit.

At Pt. Fermin Park: June 6, 7, 8, 20, 22, 28, Aug. 10

The Life and Death of King John

A larger-than-life drama about a contention for raw power in Medieval Europe.

At Pt. Fermin Park: June 13, 14, 15, 21, 27, 29, Aug. 9

This year, the company will deliver 40 performances in 21 locations, beginning and ending with its hometown crowd at Pt. Fermin Park in San Pedro. The tour has become a much-anticipated event each summer, drawing an audience of more than 20,000 to enjoy Shakespeare under the summer sky each of

production of Shakespeare's *Two Gentlemen of Verona*, directed by Margaret Schugt. *Photo: Mickey Elliot.*

the past several years.

Founded in 1998, and funded entirely by donations and grants, Shakespeare by the Sea brings contemporary and classic works to under-served, culturally diverse audiences in order to ignite imagination, promote literacy and encourage artistic expression. This season's San Pedro performances are made possible in part by the City's Cultural Affairs Dept., and funds to support the tour have been committed from the Orange County Community Foundation, Union Pacific Railroad, Los Angeles County Arts Commission, Supervisor Don Knabe, and The Norris Foundation. Associate Sponsor PBS SoCaL is generously partnering with SBTS to promote the season in conjunction with their Shakespeare Uncovered National Community Outreach Initiative.

Bring your friends, pack a picnic and settle in under the stars this summer for Shakespeare's classic plays. It can get chilly by the sea at Pt. Fermin, so dress accordingly. Bench seating is available, but you are welcome to bring chairs or blankets.

Point Fermin Park is at 807 Paseo del Mar, San Pedro.

www.shakespearebythesea.org/

Anyway, tonight Gary and Greta want more than the basic entrée, soup and salad. They'd also like to order some appetizers, a bottle of wine and dessert. These extras are kind of like voluntary benefits - Gary and Greta get more than the basic offering, but only pay for what they order.

Like appetizers, desserts and wines, voluntary benefits come in many varieties that help protect your financial and physical well-being.

For example, for a little extra money that's simply deducted from his paycheck each month, Gary can purchase Now, what are the advantages for employers who offer voluntary benefits?

Offering voluntary benefits to employees provides a great incentive for people to stay with you. Your employees can receive more benefits. You're also helping your employees protect their health, their savings and everything they've worked so hard to achieve.

In Summary

Voluntary benefits allow employees to purchase additional insurance products through their employer at rates that are lower than if they bought them on their own. Premiums are deducted from the employee's paycheck, making payment simple and convenient.

Everybody wins when voluntary benefits are a part of a company's employee benefits package.

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