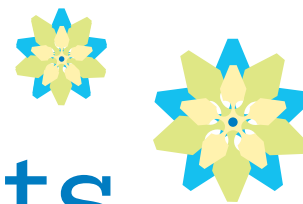


Life's Important Moments



Share your moments!

Did you get married? Have a baby? Get a promotion? We want to hear from you. Share your news with the world! Send all notices and high resolution photos with the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com or send paper notices and print photos to: *Alive!*, 120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Welcome New Members!

The Club gives a great big welcome to these new members, who recently joined the Club:

New Members



Airports

Dache Alexander
Rita Alvarez
Jason Boone
Lakeitha Brown
Otoniel Cabrera
Gloria Calderon
Norris Davis
Levar Doucet
Steve Jimenez
Matthew Kloiber
Alexander Limbo
Rosa Lopez
Randy Merriweather
Zubayr Muhammad
Anhquoc Nguyen
Frank Ramirez
Anthony Richard
Helena Sherman
David Silva
Janon Smith
Maria Vizcarra

Animal Services

Debbie Icenogle
Makoto Kerns

City Attorney

Colleen Smith

CDD

Tenesha Dorsey
Ryan Tyiska

Office of Finance

Antoinette Christovale

LAFD

Steve Addleman
Martin Blount
Anthony Cecola
Michael Coleman
Arturo Contreras
Diego Estrada
Craig Fujimoto
Vincent Gutierrez
Anthony Hardaway
Aaron Mann
Sergio Mayorga
Robert Miller
James OConnor
Jared Ritter
Shannon Saffo
Douglas Salvatierra
Brett Stevens
Gregg Sueda
Dimitrius Tsarofski
Devin Whitsell
Paul Williams
Donald Witty
Kevin Zaan

General Services

Matthew Doyle
Jack Callies Jr.
Marius Capra

Harbor

Rachel McPherson
Francisco Sanchez

Housing

Robert Hanks

Convention Center

Denis Raxtun
Thomas Turner

Library

Yvonne Garcia
Jose Pelayo

Personnel

Apryl Gallon

Planning

Melisa Johnson

LAPD

Joanna Angulo
George Bowens Jr
Maritza Cornell
Albert Flores
Gloria Garces
Dorian Henry
Cintia Hernandez
Rares Isai
Rachel McClain
Adrian Quiroz
Jose Rodriguez
Andre Silva
Matthew Spillane
Tia Teixeira

PUBLIC WORKS

PW-Contract Administration

Todd Eller
Charles Gannon
David Miles

PW-Sanitation

Emilio Banuelos
Aleisha Cooley
Michael Espinoza
Israel French
Christopher Garrison
Hugo Gutierrez
Torrey Harkness
Kenneth Haynes
Fernando Huizar
John Livingstone
Eduardo Magallanes
Ernesto Mena
Lester Moore
Henry Nieto
Emil Polk
Ronald Pyles
Marieta Ravelo
Martin Rodriguez
James Smith
Mario Trigueros
Javier Vega

PW-Street Lighting

Brandon Lacy

PW-Street Services

Javier Barajas
Charles Campbell
Roger Everett

Rec and Parks

Tysheena Allen
Jeannette Banuelos
Mayra Centeno
Jose Duenes
Pearl Lopez
Emma Luna
Kari Morales
Jose Rivera

Transportation

Mark Allen
Fernando Barboza
Yolanda Burson-Williams
Hector Chun
Hugo Condo
Dawon Davis
Jamilla Davis
Kimberley Ellis
Shantay Garbutt
Leon Gibson
Ruben Gilbert
Diana Gordon
Joaquim Haywood
Markaiya Johns
Andrew Lee
Vito Maciel
Erick McCrady
Kenneth Nowling, Sr.
Gabriel Perez
Marlene Prado
Yvette Pruitt-Polar
Jessica Rodriguez

Eder Romero
Letitia Simon
Walter Stebok
Richard Sullivan
Laquonita Sweney
Ronald Tribble III
Maria Valdez

DWP

Enrique Diaz
Pedro Duarte
Lori Ann Gray
Stanley Hall
Bryan Holloway
Leticia Lara
Ramon Perez

Other

Maretha Adams
Ernesto Aguilar
Richard Alarcon
Kristopher Baliton
Russ Blevins
Sergio Brito
Yoshiko Brown
Priscilla Chaudhary
Armando Contreras
Robert Cover
Rachael David
Ethel Davis
Juanita De La Cruz
Beatrice Dotson
Evelyn Drinkard
Serene Ductor

Nancy Eisenberg
Nicholas Ellner
Geraldine Foxall-Kater
Maryann Franklin
Cassandra George
Yadollah Hashmi
Gayle Hayes
Beverly Hinton
Mark Hughes
Samuel Jones
Michael Jordan
Richard Juarez
Vernell Klemm
Kalani Knox
Margaret Kochinas
Kayoko Kuroda
Kevin Landrum
Lincy Lazo
Tony Lee
Antoinette Lemos
Maria Levine
Tim Logan
Joyce Martin
Brendan Murphy
Gayle Owen-Smith
Albert Ponce
Charles Reagan
Carol Rolewski
Orlando Sanchez
Sharrlyn Sims
Barry Solon
Eleanor Thompson
Robin Weinstein
David Zeman

Military
 Special Achievements
 Weddings

Have a photo of a recent event? Send a high resolution photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Peace of Mind

by Tiffany Sy

The Club's Peace of Mind Expert



Short Term Disability Plans

According to the Social Security Administration, just more than one in four of today's 20-year-olds will become disabled before they retire. More than five percent of U.S. workers, or approximately 8.8 million disabled wage earners, were receiving Social Security Disability (SSDI) benefits at the end of 2012. In December 2012, there were more than 2.5 million disabled workers in their 20s, 30s, and 40s receiving SSDI benefits.

Did you know as a City or DWP employee you are not making contributions to California State Disability Insurance (CASDI), and most of you will not qualify to claim benefits from CASDI?

This month is open enrollment for City of LA employees to elect any benefit changes for the upcoming year by contacting

FLEX. It is a good idea to get a refresher on your current benefits in the event you need to make any updates. It is also the perfect time to check if you are insured with any disability benefits or determine your need for disability insurance.

Let's take a closer look at identifying short-term disability insurance (STDi). Benefits from STDi are temporary cash benefits paid up to 60 percent of gross salary to an eligible employee not able to work. Generally, payments will last up to two years maximum per incident. Most STDi plans will not pay until you have satisfied the waiting period, commonly referred to as the elimination period. The waiting period is a number of days you have to wait while being out of work for injury or illness before you can qualify and claim benefits.

Here's a hypothetical example of a short-term disability eligible claim: Mr. Smith suffers an injury while surfing and tears a ligament and requires surgery. He is insured with short-term disability and files a claim. His plan benefit coverage is \$2,000 per month, with a 14-day elimination period. Mr. Smith's doctor says that he cannot return to his duties until fully recovered, approximately six months. On the 15th day of being off work, Mr. Smith is entitled to receive a cash benefit for \$2,000 for each month he is off work. He will continue to receive this benefit until he can go back to work, or if out indefinitely, he can collect up to two years' maximum (whichever comes first).

If you currently do not have the Club's Disability plan, is your sick time enough for

you to sustain your lifestyle? Do you have a backup plan for your income if you cannot go to work due to an injury or illness?

This month until the end of the year, if you are a Club Member and work for City of LA, the Club is holding an exclusive event via mail invitation only for short-term disability insurance special enrollment. Benefits are guaranteed issue regardless of pre-existing medical conditions!

If you would like more details on any of our disability plans, feel free to contact me or your department's Club Counselor.

Contact me at info@cityemployeesclub.com





Births

Have a photo of a recent newborn? Send photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



"This is our beautiful first grandchild, Paige Anne Curtis. She is the light of our lives! A sweet, lovable little girl." Paige's grandparents are David Hadley, LAFD, Retired, 32 years of City service, and Cheri Hadley.



"Hello City Employees! My name is Gabriel Edward Teichman, and I was born July 8 to my mommy and daddy, Amy and Ben Teichman. My grandma is Linda Vigil, Assistant Chief Wharfinger at the Port of Los Angeles. I am her first grandchild and she says I am a true blessing!"



Justin Shervin Eghbal, born Aug. 25. He's the first child of Jasmine Dowlatshahi, Facility Director, Rec and Parks, and her husband, Amir. "We are completely in love with our little baby boy!"



In Memoriam

It's Time to

Tell Their Story

A new *Alive!* feature

Every month, *Alive!* publishes the names of those current or retired City Employees who have died. But who were they? Did you know them? If you worked with any of these people, knew a story or two about them or were related to them, consider writing to *Alive!* and letting us know. *Tell their story!*

- Write a few sentences or paragraphs
- Send in a photo, if you have one
- Let us know your name and connection to the deceased
- Send your memories to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com
Subject line: *Tell Their Story*



Our thoughts and condolences are with the family and friends of the following current and retired City employees who have passed away. The number after the name indicates years of service.

Active

Brown, Thornell, Rec and Parks, 12
Card, Timothy, Public Works, 2
Dodson, Humphrey, General Services, 9
Dziegiel, Robert, General Services, 1
Knox, Mark, DWP, 11
Mosby, Robert, Public Works, 2
Porta, Michael, Library, 11
Rhodes, Gary, DWP, 19
Robbins, Kenneth, DWP, 25
Wilson, Curtis, DWP, 14

Retired

Acosta, Maria, Library, 11
Alston, Wilbert, Transportation, 30
Aratin, Melvyn, Harbor, 32
Bazy, Amon, Public Works, 26
Berry, William, Public Works, 34
Chavez, Carlos, Rec and Parks, 11
Chips, Walter, Harbor, 14
Christel, Cathy, Zoo, 35
Cleveland, Jack, Public Works, 15
Clifton, Bruce, DWP, 24
Conner, Willie, DWP, 28
Cunningham, Ernest, Building & Safety, 10
Darnell, Larry, DWP, 21
Darter, Anna, Library, 13
Donaldson, L., Transportation, 30
Durham, Alma, LACERS, 30
Fookes, Darrell, DWP, 29
Fung, Chang, DWP, 16
Henry, James, DWP, 26
Hill, Ezell, DWP, 35
Hoodye, Andrew, Transportation, 16
Irvin, Burney, DWP, 8
Jacobs, Robert, Rec and Parks, 16

Kawasaki, Lillian, DWP, 5
Kilmartin, Robert, DWP, 14
Kimmick, William, Transportation, 35
Law, Catherine, Library, 32
Lee, Aage, Transportation, 37
Lomax, Barnard, General Services, 28
Long, Esther, Mayor's Office, 17
Longboy, Victor, Planning, 22
Manley, Ronald, DWP, 12
Matsuzaki, George, DWP, 24
Marcus, Albert, Public Works, 20
Mason, Karen, Rec and Parks, 28
Montoya, Daniel, General Services, 24
Moore, Lucile, ITA, 12
Nelson, Roy, DWP, 19
Nickles, Clarence, DWP, 28
Palacios, Raul, DWP, 10
Palazzotto, Judith, Transportation, 3
Poole, Tom, DWP, 36
Roberts, Brian, DWP, 34
Rudder, Georgiann, Rec and Parks, 38
Ryan, Susan, Transportation, 4
Sanders, Virgil, DWP, 30
Sansberry, Johnnie, Public Works, 29
Sies, Marvin, DWP, 26
Sperling, John, DWP, 32
Talifer, Henry, City Attorney, 25
Tarver, Lloyd, DWP, 22
Tipton, Cleveland, DWP, 35
Tokatlian, Kamik, Airports, 6
Triska, Del, Public Works, 30
Wang, Ti Mai, Public Works, 32
Wesson, Ralph, DWP, 33
Wilson, Lavell, DWP, 18
Zim, Floyd, DWP, 32



Graduations

Have a photo of a recent grad? Send photo and the appropriate information to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Chauntel Riser-Delgado graduated from the Chicago School of Professional Psychology with a Master's degree in industrial organizational psychology. Chauntel is pursuing her goal of becoming a more widely known international web talk show host. For the past three years Chauntel has worked in entertainment news, production, and learning and organizational development in corporate human resources. Chauntel hosts a web show on YouTube, "Ask Chauntel" (askchauntel.com). "Ask Chauntel" has more than 2,200 followers with more than 411,000 views. She's the daughter of Timothy Riser, Airports/Airport Police.



Let the Club family celebrate with you...

Send in your graduation photos!



Club members: Have you had a family member graduate from elementary school... high school... or college this summer? Send us a photo, and we'll publish it in *Alive!* Make sure you tell us:

- The name of the graduate.
- The school from which they graduated. If a college, tell us their major.
- Their future plans (briefly)
- The name and department of the Club member they're related to (and how they're related)

Digital photos are preferred. Send them to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com. If you have a paper print, send a duplicate (we prefer you not send the original)

to: **Grad Photos**
City Employees Club of Los Angeles
120 West 2nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Print photos will be returned within two months after publication if you request it, and if you write your name and address on the back.



Congratulations,
GRADUATES