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Retired Los Angeles City Employees, Inc. (RLACEI)



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If you change your address, notify Helen Salgado, Membership Chair, at (800) 678-4145 Ext. 713, or write to her at 8372 Arnett Dr., Huntington Beach, CA 92647. Also notify LACERS.

Have News About Yourself?

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

Retiree Upcoming Events

Reservation Lines:

RLACEI events: (800) 678-4145, ext. 701
DWP events: (626) 445-7376 (Dolores Foley)
LARFPA: (888) 288-5063

- March 5:** LARFPA general meeting, 10 a.m., Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park Dr. Los Angeles
- April 10:** RLACEI general meeting, 8 a.m., Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles
- June 4:** LARFPA general meeting 10 a.m. followed by annual barbecue (noon), Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park, Dr. Los Angeles
- June 5:** RLACEI 36th annual golf tournament, 7:30 a.m., Alhambra Municipal Golf Course, 630 S. Almansor St., Alhambra
- Aug. 14:** RLACEI annual picnic, Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park, Dr. Los Angeles
- Sept. 3:** LARFPA general meeting, 10 a.m., Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park, Dr. Los Angeles
- Sept. 18:** RLACEI annual corporation meeting and elections, 11:30 a.m., Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles
- Dec. 3:** LARFPA general meeting, 10 a.m., Grace E. Simons Lodge, 1025 Elysian Park, Dr. Los Angeles
- Dec. 4:** RLACEI holiday party, noon, Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Dr., Los Angeles
- Dec. 7:** LARFPA Christmas Party, 11 a.m., Sportsmen's Lodge, 12825 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks

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 the LA City Employees Retirement System

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

DWP Retirees Association



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RLACEI

April Meeting to Discuss Several Financial Topics

By Ed Harding,
RLACEI President



Ed Harding

I want to remind everyone that our April 10 general meeting at the Friendship Hall will not start at noon. The meeting is at 9 a.m. (Registration will run from 8 to 9 a.m.). Breakfast will be served.

At approximately 9:45 a.m., Director Phil Orland and Greg Spiker will introduce a financial group that will talk about "Managing Your Personal Finances." Some other topics are:

- Deferred comp.
- City of L.A. financial health
- Your pension and health benefits costs.
- Increasing costs of assisted living and various ways to pay for it (Medicare, liquid, long-term care insurance, home equity through reverse mortgage).
- Income distribution strategies, and supplemental retirement accounts (RMDs, avoidance of reverse dollar costs averaging, Roth conversions).
- Annuities and life insurance.

- Windfall elimination provision and the government pension offset, (non SS LACERS pension impact on Social Security benefits).
- Current market environment (equity and debt). What are current risks? Where are current opportunities?
- Estate planning, utilizing wills and trusts (the probate process, how often updated).

Don't forget this important meeting. See you at 8 or 9 a.m. April 10 at the Friendship Hall.

LACERS Releases Financial Report, Wins Award

LACERS Board Update
By Michael R. Wilkinson



Michael R. Wilkinson

LACERS recently released its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, and received an award of excellence in financial reporting from the Government Finance Officers of the United States and Canada.

With all the bad news you see in the press on pension plans, it is great to hear that LACERS is doing very well and better than other California pension plans. In the last fiscal year, the plan returned 14.3 percent, which brought the funded status of our plan to 68.7 percent.

While it may seem odd that

the funded status went down slightly (from 69 percent previously), even in a banner year for investment returns, this was caused by "smoothing" of investment returns from the down investment markets of 2008-09. The Postemployment Health Care Plan funded status increased from 71.6 percent to 71.9 percent and kept its place as one of the top funded plans in the country. The Pew Foundation recently ranked LACERS number one in big city pension plans for health-care funding.

Getting back to investments, the 14.3 percent investment return for the fiscal year put LACERS in the top 10 percent of pension plans, according to the Trust Universe Comparison Service. Over the last three years, LACERS returned 12.5 percent.

All of these return figures should be compared to the plan's budgeting number (Assumed Rate of Investment Return) of 7.75 percent. Finally, the calendar investment return number (not in the CAFR) was an eye-popping 18.94 percent (after investment fees).

In other financial news of interest, the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) beginning July 1, 2014, will be 1.1 percent. This figure is set by a government study of cost of living in our area for the preceding calendar year and will be voted on by the LACERS Board later. A few members who still have money in their "COLA bank" because of very high inflation decades ago should check with LACERS to see if they will be awarded a higher COLA (up to 3 percent).

Pension Reform Initiated May Be Postponed

Legislative Report: Pension Law and Policy
By Michael Karsch



Michael Karsch

Mayor Chuck Reed of San Jose announced his intention to challenge the State Attorney General's summary of his public pension reform initiative. The immediate effect of this move is that it will likely mean the measure will not be able to reach this November ballot, but more likely the November ballot in two years (2016). A legal action of this sort will understandably take several weeks, if not longer. Once the title and summary is settled, then and only then can the proponents solicit signatures for getting their initiative on the next general election ballot. The deadline for getting this on this November ballot is June 5. The Attorney General summarized the measure: "Eliminates constitutional

protections for vested pension and retiree healthcare benefits for current public employees..." Mayor Reed argues that amending the state constitution to allow local governments to alter future pension formulas for current employees is not an elimination of protections. Whether you agree with the Attorney General or Mayor Reed, the impact of this move by the proponents to sue the Attorney General will likely mean too little time to gather signatures by June 5.

A January article by CalPensions speaks to the federal action to limit military veterans' pensions versus the inability of local governments in California to do the same. The U.S. budget bill signed by the president in December cut cost-of-living adjustments in military pensions. This is also the core of the Reed initiative, to negotiate reductions in public pensions going forward

(ie, a local government employee earns his/her pension as he is paid, but if a fiscal emergency faced by the employer develops, then payment of salaries going forward, including pension vested rights, can be adjusted). The California "rule" is that a pension afforded at the time a person's first day of employment is a vested right that cannot be cut unless offset by a new benefit of comparable value. CalPensions reports that the Little Hoover Commission called for a change in this rule, as does the Reed initiative.

The California rule has been adopted by a dozen states, CalPensions reports, but two of those states, Massachusetts and Oregon, modified their rule to allow cuts without offsetting benefits. Since 2010, nine states have enacted pension cost of living adjustment cuts, but all are being challenged in court.

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 homes 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).

MyLACERS – View Your Retirement Account Information Securely

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@LACERS.org, or (800) 779-8328, or (888) 349-3996 (TDD).

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Life After Retirement

Happy 69th Anniversary!



Recently, I received a call from Terry A. Goldberg, a retiree from City Data Service Bureau. She said that her very good friends, one a former City employee, had just celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary and would like to share this with other City employees. She gave me their telephone number and I spoke to James and Dora Jean Smith.

James H. Smith, a 30-year Retired City employee from Public Works/Engineering, and his wife, Dora Jean Smith, a retired L.A. County employee, celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary Jan. 9. (Yes, you read it right.)

I asked James and Dora Jean where they met. James said that they met while playing baseball at a neighborhood vacant lot, where all the neighborhood kids got together to play. Dora added that they lived and remained in the same neighborhood and that they both attended the same grade school and high school.

James said that when he turned 18, he got drafted into the U.S. Army, and Dora Jean promised to write to him. In 1945, while on furlough, they got married on Jan. 9. That was 69 years ago and still counting.

I asked James and Dora Jean what it takes to stay married for 69 years. James said that their marriage had its up and down as all marriages do, but they seemed to iron out their problems. Dora Jean added that communication was the most important factor in their long marriage; when a decision has to be made and they have different opinions, they discuss it before a drastic mistake is made.

Congratulations James and Dora Jean! And happy belated Valentine's Day!

Life After Retirement



As a Reminder:

If you have news about yourself, family or other retirees that you would like to share with our readers, send it and we will publish it.

If you would like to contact a former City Employee that you met or worked with, send your contact information and we will publish it so they can contact you.

Note: Due to our confidentiality policy, we do not give out any information without authorization.

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Health Care Subsidy Is Unknown Before July 1

LARFPA



Lee Kebler

**By Lee Kebler,
LARFPA Director**

As I was browsing through the newspaper the other day, I came across an interesting article by the Forbes Co. that stated the national average for the medical trend rate for health care was 3.3 percent, the lowest it has been in many, many years. Knowing that our medical trend rate has always been higher than that, I thought I had better check to see what our actual cost for health care will be this year. 2014's health care cost is 7.6 percent. This will be the lowest in the past five years. Our health care costs will have lost more than 11 percent of increases during this time due to the restriction in the

Administration Code of a maximum increase of 7 percent without special action of the Commission and the City Council. It could be less than 7 percent if the health trend rate was lower than 7 percent or the Fire and Police Pension Commission decided not to grant the full amount of the raise. Let's hope we receive the 7 percent increase July 1.

The health subsidy and the Pension Reform of 2014 are two of the many issues that are under continual attack to change our benefits. This is why we need to have competent, experienced representatives to care for our pension and health subsidy. The Fire and Police Pension System will be announcing the coming election for the Retired Police member to serve

on the Board of the Fire and Police Commissioners. I don't know how many retired Police Officers will file for the position, but I do know that Commissioner George Aliano will be running for his third term. He has done an exceptional job looking out for our members since the inception of a retired Police Officer being elected to serve on the Board. I recommend that you vote for George Aliano. If you want more information, George does have a Website (www.georgealio.com). Don't forget to vote!

President Ronald Reagan made a statement many years ago that fits today's world: "The most terrifying words in the English language are, 'I'm from the government and here to help'."

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.

Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System: (800) 779-8328

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

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- Kenneth Spiker: First Vice President
- Tom Stemmcock: Second Vice President
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- 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

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2010 Club Excellence Award Recipient



By Hal Danowitz, Secretary, RLACEI

Ireland and Scotland

Hal and Co. enjoy a cruise from London to New York, with plenty of stops.

PART TWO



My wife, Evelyn, and I have been to the United Kingdom many times, but we have always stayed around the London area. We found a cruise on the Caribbean Princess that left from London (Southampton) around the British Isles and then crossed the pond to New York City.

The ports were Southampton, Guernsey (Saint Peter Port), Cork (Ireland), Dublin (Ireland), Liverpool (England), Glasgow (Scotland), Belfast (Northern Ireland), Edinburgh (Scotland), Invergordon (Scotland), Le Havre (France), Southampton (England), Bergen (Norway), Shetland Island (United Kingdom), Faroe Island (Denmark), Akureyri (Iceland), Isafjordur (Iceland), Reykjavik (Iceland), Nanortalik (Greenland), St. John (Newfoundland, Canada), and New York City. It was two cruises back to back; the first part took 12 days, and part two took 16 days. We departed Aug. 14 and returned Sept. 15.

We will soon arrive in Dublin, Ireland. Princess Cruises has a shuttle from the port to the city center for \$16 round trip. It runs from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., which will give us enough time for seeing the city. Stopping in 10 ports in 12 days is not relaxing, but on the second part of our cruise we will have a number of sea days.

The night before at dinner we got the same personal treatment as we did in our first installment, but with a different waiter. They were having the chef's table, where diners get special treatment, in our dining area, and that made things a little tight. But we still got good service and food, with no waiting for a table.

After dinner we sat in the Explorer Lounge and listened to the ship's singer and dancers perform 1950s and '60s rock and roll.

I slept well last night, and the alarm woke us at 7 a.m. We had breakfast in the buffet, and I didn't like the way they made my eggs, but I have had this problem on all of our cruises; it just takes a little time for me to train the chef. I like them over easy, and they panned off some overcooked sunny side up on me. We will see what happens tomorrow.

Dublin is the capital of Ireland, an island just west of England. Until 1921 it was part of Great Britain. At that time the six counties of Ulster became Northern Ireland and remained part of Great Britain, while the rest of Ireland was granted independence. Ireland is a little larger than West Virginia, with a population of just more than four million. English is spoken widely, while Irish (Gaelic) is spoken mainly along the western seaboard. The country is part of the euro zone.

We purchased tickets for the Dublin Green Hop-on Hop-off bus. The ship is docked too far from central Dublin to walk, so we took the ship's shuttle to the downtown area. It dropped us off near Trinity College, where we caught the first hop-on bus of the day. It was very crowded, but we did have seats. The weather was a little damp, so we stayed downstairs under cover. I moved upstairs later because the view was better. The hop-on is a good way to get your bearing in a city. One of the highlights was the Guinness Storehouse. We got off at O'Connell Street,

a very wide street with lots of monuments commemorating many Irish heroes.

It was lunchtime, so we had fish and chips at Beshoff, a chain in business since 1913, which the founder came over from Russia. The fish was very well done and the chips were okay, but not as good as McDonald's.

After lunch, we walked the shopping area and we picked up a few gifts and souvenirs.

We walked back to catch the shuttle,



Belfast's dividing line.



Hal and Evelyn enjoy a beer in Dublin.

but before we left Dublin I wanted a pint of beer. We stopped in a pub and, in honor of my cousin, Don, I had a pint of Smithwicks, a dark beer, but not as dark a Guinness.

After dinner, back aboard the ship, we watched the Lairs Club in the

Explorers Lounge. Three cruise staff members gave definitions to words and we, as teams, had to decide who was telling the truth. We didn't get one right, but it was fun.

Having dinner at 7 p.m. was causing us to miss the regular entertainment in the Princess Theater. The performances were at 7, 8:15 and 10:15 p.m. We didn't finish dinner until 8:30, and the late show was too late. So far we hadn't missed much, though.

We docked in Liverpool early the next morning. Originally we were to leave by 3 p.m., but Princess changed our sailing time to 7 p.m. I'm glad they did because Liverpool was a very interesting city. We all were prepared to not like it, but it was great. We used the Hop-On Hop-Off bus, and the hour ride showed us the whole city. After going around once, we got off to visit the underground command center for the war in the Atlantic during World War II. It was very interesting. We then hopped back on the bus and rode to Chinatown. It was a big disappointment with only one street, and most of the stores were closed. From there we walked through a residential area to the Liverpool One, very

large upscale open-air shopping area. We had a quick lunch in a hamburger place. We stopped at the Starbucks to see if they had a Liverpool mug and to use the WiFi, but had no luck on the mug.

We walked back toward the ship and stopped at the Liverpool Museum and the Beatles Exhibit (also Elvis), where Evelyn was able to get a couple of magnets. Why Elvis is so popular is a mystery to us.

The weather was a little overcast in the morning, but by the afternoon it was sunny

and mild.

That day was Evelyn's birthday, and upon return the cabin door had a big sign and balloons. We were headed to Sabatini's, one of the specialty restaurants that night.

Dinner at Sabatini's was excellent. We left very satisfied, but not stuffed. I had my regular veal chop, and I thought it was the best I'd had on any Princess ship.

After dinner Evelyn and I actually took in the 10:15 p.m. show, which starred Laura Broad, vocalist, who was a winner of the British Who's Got Talent TV show. Her 45-minute show was a mixture of standards and covers from current artists. It was entertaining.

The next morning we docked in Greenock, the port for Glasgow, at 8 a.m. We didn't sail out that night until 2 a.m. because a large number of passengers went to the Edinburgh Tattoo, which is performed nightly during August. The Edinburgh Tattoo is a military ceremony performed annually. Tickets go quickly, and it is done after sundown, hence the late departure time. If you want tickets you need to reserve a year in advance.

We were to stop in Edinburgh in two days, so I don't know why they use Glasgow for the Tattoo. Evelyn and I made a decision not to go, but to go to Highclere instead. Highclere is the castle used for *Downton Abby*.

Greenock, the port, is 45 minutes from Glasgow. We had planned to take the train,



The welcome in Liverpool.



Chinatown in Liverpool.

but when we left the cruise terminal there were taxis that would take the four of us to Glasgow for £10 each (about \$60 total). It was still a lot less than the \$75 per person Princess wanted for their shuttle. The ride was pleasant and the countryside was very pretty. It was raining pretty hard when the taxi dropped us off at George Square at the city center. We found the Hop-On Hop-Off bus a short distance away. Because it was raining, we sat downstairs, but you don't see much from down there. As soon as it cleared I moved upstairs, where the view was better and it was a lot less stuffy.

Glasgow is a mixture of new and old, a lot like Liverpool, but I think we liked Liverpool

better. I'm not sure why. After getting off the bus, we walked to Buchanan Street, a walking street, with lots of shops and restaurants. We stopped at Starbucks so Evelyn could get a Glasgow mug, and we all used the free WiFi. We had lunch at a small eatery, Bread and Butter; it is a fixed price of £5 lunch with soft drink and £6 with beer. It was served cafeteria style and they had a number of selections, including sides and salads. The food was okay. I think they do a pretty good bar business in the evenings, although there were tourists and locals having lunch when we were there.

We did a little more walking. The weather was getting better, and I called the taxi company to come pick us up. We got back to the ship around 3 p.m.

The next day we docked in Belfast, Northern Ireland. We docked around 9:30 a.m. so we didn't get off the ship until after 10 a.m. The City of Belfast provides shuttle buses (free) to take us to the city center and the welcome center, about two miles from the port.



Evelyn in Glasgow.

We caught the Hop-On Hop-Off bus and took the 90-minute ride. Belfast at one time was where the world's primary ship builders were situated. *Titanic* was built here. The town is a mixture of new and old, as the city was heavily bombed during World War II and during what is called "the Troubles" – the unrest between Catholics and Protestant. There are still walls actually dividing neighborhoods, and the walls are covered with murals about the fighting. It's a little depressing, but I hear it's much better now than it used to be.

There is a very new *Titanic* Museum. Architecturally it is stunning. After the bus ride we had lunch in a pub and then did some shopping. There is still a lot of unemployment there, and we saw a lot of vacant stores. Even with that we saw a lot of people on the street, and everyone was friendly.

There is a lot of rivalry between the different parts of the United Kingdom. In Scotland they asked what the definition of a Scotsman is. The answer is an Irishman who can swim. Ireland is an island across from Scotland. That's very funny, I guess, if you are Scottish.

While we were walking around, Lanny bought a "pasty," which is a pie with either meat or fruits, which we enjoyed when we were back aboard the ship. The pasty was apple and currant, and we had tea by the pool and shared the pasty, plus a large plate of cookies and the ship's pastries.

We were to meet up in the Skywalker lounge before dinner. The treat that night was sushi.

The next day was to be a sea day and was also a formal night, and there was to be a party for the Captain's Circle members – someone who has sailed more than once with Princess.

Next time: More from Scotland, then on to France.

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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
Alvarez, Paula	Property Officer	LAPD	25	Garay-English, Olga	General Manager	Cultural Affairs	23
Austill, Tracy T.	Elevator Repair Supervisor II	Airports	30	Gardner, Thomas	Safety Engineer	General Services	13
Baskin, Mark L.	Bus Operator Supervisor	Airports	34	Garrett, Danny	-	DWP	-
Beaman, Gary	-	DWP	-	Goltz, Gregory	-	DWP	-
Beltran, Rigoberto	Tire Repairer	General Services	12	Gomez, Betty	-	DWP	-
Bentsen, Palle A.	Airport Police Officer II	Airports	14	Griffin, Dale	Heavy Duty Equip. Mech.	General Services	25
Blakley, Renee	-	DWP	-	Gurfinkel, Yefim	-	DWP	-
Bogeaus, Aydreia	Golf Starter	Rec and Parks	15	Gutierrez, Gloria	Book Repairer	Library	23
Bolder, Joe	-	DWP	-	Guzman, David	-	DWP	-
Boren, Ronald	-	DWP	-	Hanks, Regina	-	DWP	-
Brazile, Linda B.	Customer Services Specialist	Finance	13	Hernandez, Leopoldo	Parking Manager	Convention Center	32
Brown, Stephen	-	DWP	-	Herrera, Yolanda	-	DWP	-
Campbell, Rodney	-	DWP	-	Hesgard, Brian	-	DWP	-
Caplan, Richard S.	Equipment Superintendent	LAFD	35	Hidalgo, Gilbert	-	DWP	-
Carrier, Anthony J.	Cement Finisher	Airports	17	Houston-Swain, Regina	Exec. Director	Dept. on Disability	31
Carter, Micheal A.	Event Attendant III	Convention Center	9	Hurwitz, Scott Brian	Forensic Print Specialist	LAPD	28
Cazares, Mary E.	Event Attendant III	Convention Center	5	Jauregui, Heron	-	DWP	-
Cervantes, Daniel	Animal Control Officer II	Animal Services	25	Kang, Paul	Parking Attendant II	General Services	5
Clay, Arlecia	Pr. Clerk Police II	LAPD	16	Kellenberger, Michael	-	DWP	-
Clift, Stanley	-	DWP	-	Koskie, Diane L.	Animal Keeper	Zoo	21
Cooney, Bolinda L.	Sr. Gardener	Rec and Parks	26	Lamon, Marcia	Pr. Accountant II	Harbor	25
Cooney, Richard M.	Equipment Operator	Public Works	26	Lee, Hoi	-	DWP	-
Cortez, Raymundo L.	Event Attendant III	Convention Center	5	Lewis, Fred	Storekeeper II	General Services	14
Dietz, Patricia Ann	Management Analyst II	Public Works	17	Lewis, Maurice William	Motor Sweeper Operator	Public Works	25
Dixon, Teresa Kay	Sr. Management Analyst II	LAPD	32	Luevano, Anthony	-	DWP	-
Drew, Thomas C.	Communications Electrician Supv.	Convention Center	33	Male, Morley	-	DWP	-
Galvan, Irma	Sr. Clerk Typist	Fire Pensioners	10	Maningas, Casimiro	-	DWP	-

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RETIREEES AROUND THE WORLD



1 Arizona



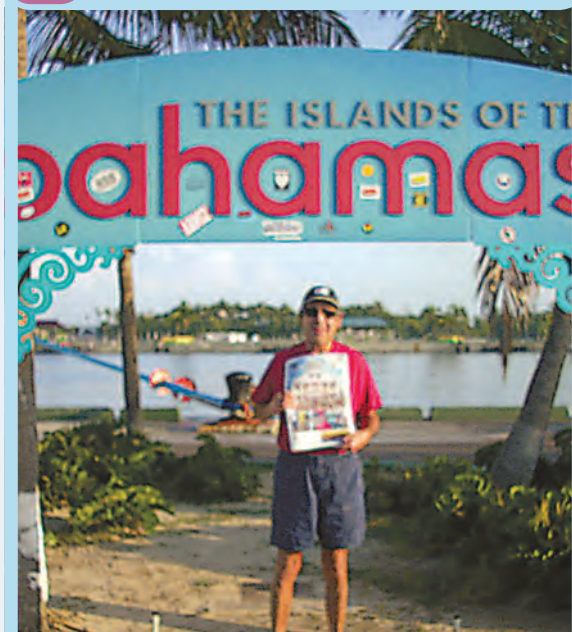
Here's **Sharyn Gunter, Retired, LAPD**, at White Stallion Ranch, Tucson, Az., with Stetson, getting ready for team penning, where the object is to cut three cows from the herd and corral them into a pen.

2 Mexico



Retired Sr. Construction Inspector Paul Hernandez and his wife, Lydia (not pictured), visited the Los 3 Potrillos Ranch in Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, where they meet the owner, Mexican singing icon Vicente Fernandez.

3 Bahamas



Here's a photo of **Art Aros, Building Inspector, Retired**, on a cruise to the Bahamas. He says he "got lost" and ended up in Nassau!

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



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Martinez, Ruben A.	Signal Systems Electrician	Transportation	16	Seals, Ardra	–	DWP	–
Matulich, Shirley A.	Librarian III	Library	14	Sears, Ronald	–	DWP	–
McHaffie, Michael	Refuse Collection Truck Op II	Public Works	26	Session, Sharon	–	DWP	–
McMillin, Dee A.	Arts Associate	Cultural Affairs	12	Shelton, William	Sr. Building Inspector	Building and Safety	27
Mejia, Antonio	Irrigation Specialist	Rec and Parks	29	Simonian, Robert	Sr. Construction Inspector	Public Works	23
Mendoza, Guadalupe	Event Attendant III	Convention Center	12	Smart, Barbara	–	DWP	–
Miller, John	–	DWP	–	Stringer, Roseanne	–	DWP	–
Momohara, Harold H.	Equipment Mechanic	General Services	28	Suh, Susan H.	Airport Guide II	Airports	6
Morales, Mark	–	DWP	–	Thomas, Dawayne	–	DWP	–
Motamedi, Siavosh	–	DWP	–	Tieu, Natalie Lam	Personnel Analyst II	Housing	33
Paniasigui, Alfredo	–	DWP	–	Tillett, Laurence A.	Reprographic Operator II	Public Works	13
Petrosyan, Rubina	Child Care Associate II	Rec and Parks	8	Torres, Antonio	Event Attendant	CAO	15
Pulido, Carlos	–	DWP	–	Ulrich, Anne	–	DWP	–
Ramhorst, Marc	–	DWP	–	Villaverde, Ricardo	–	DWP	–
Rastellini, Edward	–	DWP	–	Vonlichtenstein, Susan	Secretary	Airports	25
Reyes, Eduardo	City Planning Associate	City Planning	23	Wakamatsu, John	–	DWP	–
Rice, Thomas T.	Park Maintenance Supv.	Rec and Parks	29	Ward, Grace A.	Event Attendant III	Convention Center	5
Rigali, Patrick Joseph	Sr. Building Operating Engr.	Convention Center	32	Weiner, Miriam D.	Programmer Analyst V	ITA	15
Roberts, James	–	DWP	–	Williams, David	–	DWP	–
Roublow, Emma M.	Librarian III	Library	42	Zabala, Edilberto	Auditor	Convention Center	19
Ruiz, Yvonne Ann	Sr. Clerk Typist	LAPD	39	Zamudio, Carlos	–	DWP	–
Saldivar, David	Plumber	Airports	12	Zoller, William	–	DWP	–
Sandusky, Cindy M.	Accounting Clerk II	Finance	33				

36th Annual Retirees Invitational Golf Tournament



The 36th Annual Retired Los Angeles City Employees Invitational Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, June 5, 2014 at the Alhambra Municipal Golf Course with a “Shotgun Start” at 7:30 a.m. The course is located at 630 South Almansor Street, Alhambra, CA 91801. Check-in is at 7:00 a.m. **SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!**

- The tournament is open to retired and active employees and friends. The cost is \$67 for R.L.A.C.E.I. and City Club Members (\$77 for all others) and includes green fees, carts, prizes and lunch at the Almansor Court restaurant. Lunch only is \$25.
- Those interested in participating must complete the reservation form and mail it with their check payable to **“R.L.A.C.E.I.”** by **May 23th** to: Tom Stemnock, Chairman, 4040 Vineland Avenue, Suite 108, Studio City, CA 91604. For any questions, call Chairman Tom Stemnock at (818) 487-6789.

2014 Golf Tournament Reservation Form

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Amount Included \$ _____ \$67 for R.L.A.C.E.I. and City Club Members (\$77 for all others)

Luncheon Only: \$25

Make checks payable to R.L.A.C.E.I.

NOTICE: SOFT SPIKES MANDATORY!

FOURSOME	Member R.L.A.C.E.I.	Member City Club	Guest
Name			
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(check all that apply)

Reservation deadline: Friday, May 23th. Mail completed reservation form and check to:
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Show Us Your Grand-kids!



Retirees: *Alive!* wants to show off your grandkids! So send in those photos!

Here's how:

1. **Make sure to have the permission from their parents.** If you send in a photo, *Alive!* assumes you have already received that permission.
2. Photos with you in them are better, but if not, that's okay, too.
3. Make sure you list the names of your grand-kids.
4. Tell us, in a sentence or two, a little bit about them – their school, their accomplishments, what they love to do, how proud you are of them, etc.
5. Digital photos are best! Send them to: talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Send Prints To:
Grandkids
 City Employees Club of Los Angeles
 120 West 2nd St.
 Los Angeles, CA 90012
 (800) 464-0452

If you want the print photo returned, make sure you write your name and phone number on the back.

