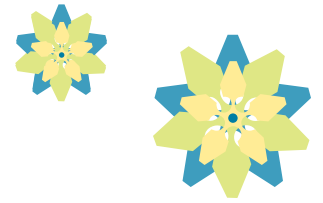




Life's Important Moments



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

Allen Anderson
Mayra Cisneros
Synthia Lee
Joey McRivers
Carmen Palomar
Ricardo Perez
Julia Rose
Shaun Shimoda-Kobayashi
Zain Williams

Building and Safety

Daniel Gonzalez
Vanessa Taylor

City Attorney

Figueroa Alan

Finance

Miguel Rivas

LAFD

Armando Diaz
Edward Larini
Ronnie Matsuo
Ricardo Mena
Antonio Navarro

General Services

Alberto Castanon
Dina Cordova
Jon Johnson
Geoffrey Lewis
Fernando Pinon
Ronnie Aragon Jr.

Harbor

Alfred Guerrero

Housing

David Barron
Tylon Coleman
Christopher Ewing
Da Liu
Juan Medina
Irene Rubio

ITA

Francisco Aguilera
Donna Arrechea
Eduardo Nunez
Octavio Saucedo

Library

Hisashi Kobayakawa

LAPD

Patrick Aluotto
Lucio Arreola
Eduardo Bermudez
Jeffery Burnley
Victor Campbell
Ricardo Cepeda
Alfonso Cisneros
Miguel Contreras
Jose Diaz-Ibarra

James Dickson III
Ron Foxhoven
Shaun Gajich
Jennifer Giggles
Cody Halchishak
Keith Hunter
Stephanie Hurtado
Larry Johnson
Grace Kelly
Hector Marquez
Juan Martinez
Nayeli Medina
Gina Mendoza
Sylvia Moreno
Ronald Owen
Maricela Pacheco
Lai-Kia Phillips
Alicia Pinedo
Esmeralda Ramirez
Perla Rodriguez
Timothy Ruiz
Rodolfo Sarmiento
Joel Trask
Leonid Tsap
Neil Warren
Terrill West
Jason Whittenton
Fred Williams

PUBLIC WORKS

PW-Contract Administration

Luis Amado
PW-Engineering
Ricardo Acosta
Rick Andelin
Armond Badkerhanian
Massoud Chadorch
Anita Chou
Katrina Forbes
Noelia Gonzalez
William Knight
Jennifer Rhaburn

PW-Sanitation

Jonathan Alvarado
Jose Ambriz
Patrick Batiste
David Bautista
Vincent Kwok
Angel Villafana
Man Woo
Marcelino Zuniga-Garcia

PW-Street Lighting

James Quigley

PW-Street Services

Scott Harmon

Rec and Parks

Ron Alcala
Dominic Flores
Mirna Garcia

Herbert Hernandez
William Lopez
Oscar Martinez
Felipe Pina
Mary Helen Rodriguez

Retired

David Ballenger
Edna Lang

DWP

Janea Albright
Raul Arroyo III
Alfonso Carrillo
Michael Fentriss
Ronald Jefferson
Patricia Johnson
Armando Navarro
Ignacio Ochoa
Greg Settle

Other

Michael Arguelles
Michelle Dulalia
Jay Horlick
Jonathan Mangubat
Monique Merriweather
Jason Milar
Dianah Scates
Leticha Toney
Vivian Vasquez

Alive! in the Military

Does someone in your extended family serve their country as a member of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard? Send to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com

Peace of Mind

by Tiffany Sy
The Club's Peace of Mind Expert



Making Sense of Your Deductions

Contact me at
TSy@cityemployeesclub.com

The City Employees Club offers you a multitude of options when it comes to billing, including payroll and pension deductions. The benefit of automatic deductions from your paycheck offers the convenience of not having to write and mail a check every month. What happens when you accrue so many deductions that you've forgotten what you've signed up for? For starters, you can contact the City Flex office or DWP benefits office for clarification.

It is important to familiarize yourself with your deductions and what those acronyms represent on your paystub. For example, if you have insurance with the City Employees Club, you will see a deduc-

tion code of "LACEA 41." You are always welcome to contact us for clarification of your benefits and request a statement. The benefit statement will include a breakdown of your benefit coverage and monthly premiums. It is a good idea to do this as often as you receive a paystub or at minimum on a quarterly basis to assess sufficient coverage and protection for you and your family.

One of the issues I face every week is a lapse in coverage without the member's knowledge. This can be avoided by periodically checking your benefits. If we catch it in a timely manner, typically within 60 days, we can reinstate benefits. Unfortunately, when the benefits have lapsed and exceed-

ed the 60 days allowed, the plan will cancel permanently. To obtain your benefits again, you will have to reapply and be subjected to medical underwriting. Going through medical underwriting is an evaluation of risk taken by the insurance carrier. The carrier has the right to decline coverage if there has been debilitating changes to your health, and you will not be able to attain the benefits you once had. If your benefits are important to you, it behooves you to keep an eye on your deductions, especially if there has been a recent change in family or employment status.

Have you agreed to payroll deductions but wonder why you received a bill from

the Club? If you are out on leave, disability, have retired or transferred to another DWP or City department, you will experience a lapse in your deductions. You will have to contact each organization with which you have benefits (including the Club) to ensure appropriate billing. Also, if you recently made changes to your deductions, it will not reflect on your paystub until four to six weeks later. So, to avoid a lapse in your coverage, please make sure you follow up with our billing department if you are out on leave or have transferred.





Graduations



Jewel Ivory Thompson graduated from UCLA with a Master of science degree. She is the daughter of Paulette Mathieu-Stanton, PSR III, LAPD, 26 years of City service, Club Member. "Congratulations! All my love – Mommy."



Darryl D. Williams Jr. graduated from Saint John's University in Minnesota with a degree in business management. He's now working for Teach for America while pursuing other employment opportunities. He's the son of Kasondra Evans, Personnel.



Rachel M. Johnson graduated from Cal State Northridge with a Bachelor of science degree in public health. She's the granddaughter of John T. Hernandez, Public Works/Sanitation, Retired.



Valerie Williams graduated from Hope International University with a degree in marriage and family therapy. She plans to attend the Chicago School of Professional Psychology in pursuit of her doctoral degree. She's the daughter of Al Williams, General Services.



Cynthia Bailon graduated from Loyola Marymount University with a Bachelor's degree. At LMU she became a member of Lambda Theta Nu sorority. She plans to attend USC in the fall, pursuing a Master's degree. She's the daughter of Elvira Bailon, LAPD.



Matthew Medina Jr. graduated from California High School June 4 and plans to graduate from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Academy Explorer Class No. 92 in June. Matthew is the son of Matthew Medina, LAPD, and grandson of Red Medina, Public Works/Contract Administration, and Lupe Medina, Retired City Employees Club staffer. "Congratulations, Matthew! We are so proud of you."



Melanie Obregon graduated from Schurr High School in Montebello. She has been accepted at the American Academy of Dramatic Arts in Los Angeles, and plans to pursue a career in acting. She's the daughter of Nick Obregon, DWP, and Laura Obregon, DWP.



Jian Jefferson-Roberts graduated from New Millennium Secondary School in Gardena. He plans to attend Cal State Dominguez Hills in the fall, majoring in business/entrepreneurship. Jian is the son of Edward and Denise Jefferson-Roberts, DWP, Retired.



Christina Bailon graduated from Sacred Heart High School and plans to attend Mount St. Mary's College in Brentwood in the fall. She's the daughter of Elvira Bailon, LAPD.



Matthew Saxton graduated from Glendora High School and plans to attend Citrus College in the fall, pursuing the automotive program. He's the son of Cathy Bushey, LAPD, Retired.



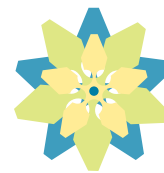
Rebecca Baggio graduated from SOAR Preparatory Academy Middle School. She plans to attend SOAR College High School in the fall. Rebecca is the daughter of Karen Baggio, Housing, and Vincent Baggio.



Rylan Nicholas Gray graduated from Haskell Middle School and plans to attend Gahr High School in the fall. He is active in leadership, runs track and looks forward to making the most of his high school experience. Rylan is the grandson of "proud Nani" Brenda Edwards, DWP.



Life's Important Moments



Weddings



Congrats, Jackie!

Congratulations to one of the Club's own!

Club Counselor Jackie Causillas married LAPD Municipal Senior Lead Police Officer Isaac Burciaga, May 30 in an outdoor ceremony at the Altadena Town and Country Club. They were joined by family and friends.

All the best to Jackie and Isaac!



Lupe and Juno Galvan, May 17. Juno is an Electric Service Representative, DWP. The couple honeymooned in Hawaii. Congratulations!

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



Births



Johan Ellis Moses, born March 26. His parents are Kelly Arthurs, Sr. Clerk Typist, Airports, and Kendrick Moses.

Have a photo of a recent newborn? Send to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



Special Achievements

Keely Chan has been accepted to the United States Naval Academy class of 2018, beginning as a midshipman in July. She hopes to major in electrical engineering. "I am so excited that after the next four years, I will be commissioned as a Naval Officer in the United States Navy. I want to give a big thank you to my supportive parents, teachers and friends who have been by my side from the beginning. I want to say that without your patience and support, I would not have been able to accomplish my goal of attending the United States Naval Academy. Special thanks go to the LAPD DAPS program at Central Division for teaching me good values at an early age. I would also like to thank both Sen. Barbara Boxer and Congressman Xavier Becerra for nominating me."

Keely is pictured (right) with Congressman Xavier Becerra. She's the daughter of Steven Chan, DWP.



Have you or your children recently achieved something special? Send to talkback@cityemployeesclub.com



In Memoriam

It's Time to

Tell Their Story

An *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

Beller, Shawn, DWP, 24
Camacho, Maria, General Services, 12
Cotton, Calvin, DWP, 27
Murga, Richard, Planning, 27
Radice, Joseph, Rec and Parks, 12

Retired

Aron, Laurel, CDD, 31
Baker, Walter, LAPD, 25
Benefield, Bessie, Public Works, 35
Borisoff, Alex, Public Works, 28
Bouk, Lloyd, Rec and Parks, 32
Boulware, Samuel, DWP, 24

Brookman, Thomas, Rec and Parks, 15
Brooks, Jane, Library, 14
Brown, Earl, Public Works, 19
Byrd, Loney, DWP, 30
Camarena, Rodolfo, Public Works, 33
Canales, David, Rec and Parks, 41
Canister, Sandy, LAFD, 41
Collins, Ike, Public Works, 32
Cridland, Dale, DWP, 24
Curran, Yvonne, Personnel, 19
Duplessis, Morris, Controller, 33
Emanuel, Anthony, Public Works, 21
Gardioli, Remo, DWP, 29

Garrett, Bobby, Public Works, 30
Glover, Elvin, Public Works, 18
Gomez, Paul, DWP, 37
Green, Andrew, Public Works, 30
Greenhoward, Joe, General Services, 29
Gulick, Barbara, City Attorney, 23
Hart, Henri, Transportation, 36
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Herrera, Yolanda, DWP, 34
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Hough, Arden, General Services, 25
Johnson, Charlie, General Services, 21
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Mollman, Grant, Airports, 26
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Nave, Jeanette, Public Works, 23
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Peckham, Larry, DWP, 31
Phillips, Stratton, DWP, 35
Savone, Ivonne, Harbor, 41
Shaw, Wrenrick, Housing, 6
Silver, Rose, DWP, 14
Stockton, Elsa, DWP, 35
Suzuki, Takashi, DWP, 36
Tagle, Gloria, Harbor, 32
Townsend, James, Harbor, 12
Updegraff, Robert, ITA, 30
Vidal, Louise, Building and Safety, 24
Wallace, Thomas, Public Works, 29
Walsh, David, Harbor, 31
Welsh, Clarence, Building and Safety, 12