



By Chief Parks



Seasons greetings to the entire LAPD family. The past year has given us all so much to be proud of. As we look back on another stellar year, we met our number one goal as a law enforcement agency in the year 2001; safeguarding the lives and property of the people we serve. And we did it during a year of extraordinary circumstances and events.

2001 will always be remembered as the year of the terrorist attacks, when on September 11th, police departments nationwide went on heightened states of alert as a result of incidents in New York, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania. Our response in protecting the City of Los Angeles on that infamous day was outstanding as officers mobilized to deal with possible terrorist attacks. Fortunately, no terrorist incidents occurred in Los Angeles. However, our response assured all those who we serve that their Police Department was on alert and prepared for any eventuality.

Another indicator of a truly outstanding year is the fact that in 2001, the Department has not suffered

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Fundraiser Assists Port Authority's Fallen Officers

By Officer Joe Buscaino

On Thursday, December 6, 2001, the Los Angeles Police Department held a fundraiser for the families of the 37 New York/New Jersey Port Authority police officers who died in the September 11th attacks. The event was held at Hollywood Billiards and featured cast members from "The District" and "NYPD

assisting the families of their fallen officers. "On behalf of the entire Port Authority Police Department, I want to express my sincere gratitude to Chief Parks and the entire LAPD for their kind gesture," said Hadinger.

Commemorative New York/New Jersey Port Authority T-Shirts are available for purchase in the Public Affairs Unit. All proceeds will benefit the families of the fallen officers. For more information please contact Officer Joe Buscaino or Officer John Long at (213) 485-3281



Blue" television shows.

LAPD officers and representatives from other local law enforcement agencies joined Chief Parks in a fun-filled night that included unlimited billiards and entertainment. Port Authority Police Officer Paul Hadinger praised LAPD's efforts in

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Chief's Holiday Party Expected to Attract 600

The Chief of Police Holiday Party has evolved from a small intimate gathering, to a large community celebration that embodies the phrase "giving back to the community."

Three years ago, the planning of the annual celebration was taken over by the Public Affaris Unit and spearheaded by Officer Sara Faden. Since then, attendance has risen from 300 to a record 500 guests. This year, the event is expected to attract 600 guests.

"We are expecting more guests this year and plan to offer a wonderful event featuring a grand illusion show, comedy relief and some outstanding gift give-aways," said Officer Faden.

The event is designed to foster camaraderie between Department personnel and community members they are sworn to protect and serve.

"This event gives the public a chance to see the human side of police officers and provides the Chief an opportunity to publicly thank everyone for their hard work during the year" said Faden.

The events of September 11th have had a negative impact on the spirit of the American public, but the holiday celebration is expected to lift spirits. "We think that people will want to come out to be with friends and family and embrace the holiday spirit" said Faden.

Future plans for the event include providing a number of complimentary tickets to each geographic division. "We want our guests to have a wonderful time and a renewed sense of pride about our City and our Department," said Faden.



Chief Bernard Parks and Bobbie Parks at Last Year's Holiday Party

Red Cross Blood Drive

This holiday season, the most simple gift could also be the most meaningful.

Remember, donating blood can save a life. If you can spend hours Christmas shopping at the mall, then ten minutes to donate blood is a walk in the park!

Where: Parker Center Auditorium
When: December 12 - 13
Time: 0630-1230 hours

The Red Cross of America thanks all LAPD employees for their continuous support and success of past blood drives.

Please call Marleen Caudillo of Medical Liason Section, Personnel Division, at (213) 485-4087 to make an appointment. For questions regarding donating blood, call (800) 843-2949 ext. 5521.

Thank you and have a happy and safe Holiday Season!



MSD Plants A Tree in Memory of Lori Gonzalez



On November 3, 2001, Management Services Division personnel (MSD) planted a tree in Elysian Park in memory of Lori Gonzalez, granddaughter of Chief Parks and Bobbie Parks, who tragically died on May 28, 2000, the victim of gang violence.

The tree, a Tebebebuia Ipe or Pink Trumpet Tree, was planted near the Old Lodge, the area now renamed Montecillo de Leo Politi. Lori's mother, Felicia Parks, and other members of the family were on hand for the presentation. Lieutenant Leonard Knight, representing Captain Thomas Runyen, gave welcoming remarks.

Since 1979, more than 600 trees have been purchased and planted in Elysian Park by members and friends of the Citizens Committee to save Elysian Park (CCSEP) as loving memorials to friends and relatives.

In a cooperative effort with several organizations, supporting the Recreation and Parks Commission Fire Restoration Fund, memorial tree planting began after a devastating fire in Elysian Park on June 16, 1981.

If you are interested in joining the CCSEP or planting a tree, contact Senior Management Analyst Richard Lieboff at (213) 847-4882.

LAPD Employee Organizations Express Support for Chief of Police

December 10, 2001

Ms. Janet Clayton
Vice President and Editor
Editorial Pages
Los Angeles Times
202 West First Street
Los Angeles, CA 90053

Dear Ms. Clayton:

The men and women of the Los Angeles Police Department remain steadfast in our commitment to the service and protection of the people of Los Angeles.

We, a diverse coalition of leaders representing employee organizations within the Los Angeles Police Department, fully support Chief Parks, and solicit the public's continued support of his leadership and our efforts to serve the community with honor and distinction. We support and endorse his reappointment to a second term to complete the work that the people of Los Angeles have mandated.

Under Chief Parks' leadership, the Los Angeles Police Department has aggressively moved forward in providing quality service to our communities through continuous improvement in a number of areas. These areas include, but are not limited to:

- Community Policing
- Ethnic and Gender Diversity (At every level of our rank structure)
- Command Accountability
- Discipline
- Technology
- Christopher Commission Mandates Implemented

Despite recent claims from the Los Angeles Police Protective League (LAPPL), Chief Parks has been responsive to the individual and collective needs of our organizations. He has proven to be a leader capable of maintaining the delicate balance between the needs of Department personnel and the best interest of those we are sworn to serve. Over the past four years, Chief Parks has met quarterly with the employee organizations and provided an open forum of discussion and exchange of ideas. We have not only found him to be genuinely collaborative in his approach to leading the Department, but encouraging of a broad perspective of ideas and free-flowing opinion. We look forward to continuing this aesthetic working relationship with him to enhance working conditions and our service to the communities of Los Angeles.

In this time of national unity and civic service, we also challenge the LAPPL to put aside their embarrassing, divisive, self serving tactics predicated upon a media campaign bent at ensuring that Chief Parks is not reappointed to a second term by, "Any Means Necessary." Their inaccurate portrayals and unprofessional personal attacks on this Department and its leader has hindered progress and brought embarrassment to our organization.

We also challenge the Police Commission, City Council and Mayor Hahn to look beyond the self-serving rhetoric that has been espoused by the LAPPL thus far. Collectively our organizations represent a significantly larger membership comprised of both sworn, civilian and individuals from throughout our respective communities than the LAPPL and we deserve to be heard as well. The LAPPL is not the sole voice of the LAPD rank and file.

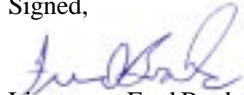
As an organization in transition, the Los Angeles Police Department has undergone monumental change over the past four years. The people of Los Angeles, those to whom we must ultimately be responsible, have mandated many of these changes.

Ms. Janet Clayton
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Chief Parks has never lost sight of this fact and has worked diligently to bring a more responsive community-oriented Police Department to the City.

We the undersigned, join together as a special coalition of leaders who represent thousands of women and men, both sworn and civilian from every ethnicity throughout this great organization. In so doing, we offer our unwavering support to Chief Parks for his vision, leadership and uncompromising commitment to a City and an organization that means so much to so many. Those who sow the seeds of division, and who through their constant and disparaging rhetoric, seek to tarnish the reputation of this Department do not speak for all of us. In offering our support for Chief Parks, we also acknowledge that although we are many, we are also a community of one, united with those we are sworn to protect and serve because it is in us that they place their faith and trust.

Signed,



Lieutenant Fred Booker, President
Association of Black Law Enforcement Executives (ABLE)



Deputy Kenneth Lutz, President
Golden State Peace Officers Association (GSPOA)



Deputy Chief David J. Gascon, President
Hispanic Law Enforcement Administrators (HLEA)



Lieutenant Anita McKeown, President
Los Angeles Women Police Officers' Association (LAWPOA)



Sergeant Danny Wong, President
Law Enforcement Association of Asian Pacifics (LEAAP)



Detective Marcella Winn, President
Oscar Joel Bryant Foundation (OJB)



Reserve Officer Todd Silver, President
Shomrim Society of Southern California (Shomrim)

Chief Parks Is Professor For A Day

By Officer Joe Buscaino

Chief Parks paid a visit to future public relations professionals at California State University, Dominguez Hills last month and spoke about the importance of communications in law enforcement. The Communications students were provided an

opportunity to ask the Chief questions relating to the Department's relationship with the media.

The Chief currently sits on the Board of Directors for the University's Criminal Justice Advisory Board.



Chief Parks gives California State University, Dominguez Hills students pointers on public relations in a law enforcement environment.



Chief Parks with public relations students at California State University, Dominguez Hills.

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the loss of a single officer due to death in the line of duty. Although this year was remarkable for the absence of duty-related deaths, we must not forget the officers from previous years, and keep their memories alive for their families and our LAPD family as well.

This year, the Chief of Police Holiday Party once again promises to be a night to remember as we celebrate with friends and family. All Department personnel are invited to attend this event, which will be held on Saturday, December 15, at the Radisson Hotel at LAX. Tickets are available through the Public Affairs Unit.

Once again, to all of the men and women of the Los Angeles Police Department, I wish you and your families a happy and joyous holiday season. I look forward to working with you again in the year 2002.

Roll Call of Events

Dec. 2- Jack Webb Awards

Dec. 15- Chief's Holiday Party

Call Public Affairs at (213) 485-3281 for additional information.

The Following Commendations Were Signed in October By Chief Parks

MANAGEMENT ANALYST II

Harper-Paris, CeCe

POLICE OFFICER I

Jim Yung Yoo, Jimmy

POLICE OFFICER II

Alatorre, Ramon
Belsky, Alexander
Blomeley, Charles
Bruner, Eric
Chavez, Ruthann
Cohan, Mark Nathan
Conception, Lawrence
Dutta, Sunil
Ewert, Nathan
Koren, Brian
Lugo, Robert Mauricio
Luke, Wilfred
Macchiarella, John
Park, James
Pauley, Michael
Rimkunas, Patrick
Rodriguez, Gabriel
Shipstad, Brian
Stajcar, Anthony
Stranahan, Julie Ann
Stearns, Gregory
Strand, Ralph
Williams, Jeffrey

POLICE OFFICER III

Arellano, Ruben Jacob
Carter, Ronald
Childs, Randall
Cioffi, Kenneth
Collier, Malcolm
Corbet, David
Delorenzo, Joseph
Donaway, Sandra
Green, Adam

Herman, Thomas
Huerstel, Anthony
Gasca, Ulysses
Guillory, Ursula
Hart, Sean
Hernandez, Luis Jose
Lawson, Curtis
Lopez, Miguel
Lortz, John
Malloy, Thomas
Maytorena, Edward
Mendoza, Ralph
Mireles, Jose
Moody, James
Nee, Mark
Price, Auston
Ruggiero, Roger
Rubert, Joseph
Stice, Douglas
Valdez, Robert

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Packer, Yehuda-Lance
Arroyo, James

SERGEANT I

Benson, Lonnie
Carranza, Armand
Guitierrez, Karen
Kessler, Jace
Labrada, Alfred
Malinowski, Sean
O’Gorman, Timothy
Pesanti, Alan
Shortley, William
Solis, Elizabeth
Showler, Stephen

DETECTIVE II

Adair, Frank
Arujo, Manuel

Arzuman, Robert
Bolan, Francis Joseph
Coulter, Paul
Gonzalez, Cheryl
Hunter, Lynn
Ikuta, Yoichi
Kriha, Michael
Jenks, Daniel
Mounger, Francene
Navarro, Porfirio
Sanchez-Padilla, Lisa
Silva, Carlos
Sweeney, William
Velasco, Lilia

SERGEANT II

Gonzalez, Jorge
Grover, John Steven
Kato, Dennis
Linfield, Donald
Modrell, Paul
Spada, Francine

DETECTIVE III

Eagleson, William
Pau, Joseph
Koman, Steve

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