



30TH ANNUAL RECOGNITION DAY

One hundred eighteen LAPD officers were honored on May 15, 2010, during the 30th Annual Recognition Day Awards Ceremony. The event took place in the Ronald F. Deaton Civic Auditorium at the Police Administration Building. The auditorium was filled with Department Command Staff, family, friends and fellow officers. Each individual recipient was awarded a medal for distinguishing themselves by performing acts of bravery and heroism, saving or preservation of human life, exceptional

performance of duty and outstanding service.

Chief Charlie Beck presented the awards and shook the hand of every single officer who proudly walked the stage. "This is a great day for the Los Angeles Police Department, I am immensely proud of you, it is an honor to be your Chief and represent all of you," Chief Beck stated.

Most of the medals awarded were for rescuing victims in life and death situations. The heroic

acts varied from rescuing victims from burning buildings and vehicles, to saving a thirteen year old boy from drowning at a local beach by an off duty officer.

The different medals awarded included the Police Medal, Police Star, Police Life Saving Medal, and Police Meritorious Service Medal. Candidates are nominated by their supervisors, the nominations are sent to the Commission Board for review and then sent up the chain of command for Chief of Police approval.



(L-R) Officers Alex Archuleta and Ruben Cantu displaying their Police Star



Officer Rares Isai



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CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE (YEAR TO DATE – 3/27/10)

Homicide	-13.0%	Burglary	-12.0%
Rape	-16.7%	BTFV	-3.8%
Robbery	-13.5%	Personal/ other theft	-13.0%
Aggravated Assault	-16.2%	Auto Theft	-3.1%
Total Violent Crimes	-14.8%	Total Property Crimes	-8.0%
		Total Part I Crimes	-9.4%

BEHIND THE SCENES-THE HOMICIDE EXPERIENCE

The Los Angeles Police Department hosted the 2010 Annual Conference of California Homicide Investigators Association (CHIA) in Las Vegas, Nevada, March 2-5 2010, at the Palms Casino Resort.

The first-ever “Behind-The-Scenes: The LAPD Homicide Experience” displayed some of the most notable homicides and well known incidents which have taken place over the past 100 years in Los Angeles. The West Ballroom inside the Palms Casino Resort was transformed with exhibits of physical evidence that have been collected over the decades, making this conference unique. The displays were carefully designed so visitors could gain appreciation for the tragedy of homicides and the difficult job law enforcement detectives face when solving often very complicated cases. The conference also provided the

attendees with continuing education, training and networking opportunities. The teaching exhibit was opened to the public and thousands of guests stood in line for two hours to get a glimpse of Los Angeles history.

The partnership between LAPD homicide Detectives and the Los Angeles Police Historical Society provided an exciting look into L.A’s distinctive past. The Historical Society displayed vintage vehicles, memorabilia, photographs, documents and crime scene artifacts. Some of the most notable items on display were records and evidence from the 1963 murder of LAPD Officers in the famous “Onion Field” case. Also on display were pictures and videos from cases such as the homicides

involving Charles Manson, O.J. Simpson, the Black Dahlia and the Symbionese Liberation Army shootout. The suspect’s getaway car, as well as a bullet-riddled police car from the nation’s most notorious bank robbery and shootout in North Hollywood were also center stage.

CHIA was formed in 1968 when homicide detectives from Los Angeles and San Francisco met to discuss the “Zodiac Killer” investigation. Today, CHIA is the largest organization of homicide and death investigation professionals in the United States with more than 1,400 members which include law enforcement representatives from the United States and Canada.



Leather gloves presented as evidence during the O. J. Simpson trial



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Chief's Message... Charlie Beck, Chief of Police



Budget

The City of Los Angeles is currently faced with a tremendous budget challenge. The budget situation is volatile and changes daily, but as I have said before, our Department will do its part in shared sacrifice to help with the economic recovery of the City. I know that all of you, sworn and civilian are anxious about the decisions being made and the tough times that lie ahead with much uncertainty. As the situation is so dynamic and fluid, everyday there are new scenarios, options and recommendations posed to deal with the budget. I would be remiss in providing information to you as factual, when the budget situation is still being explored and likely to change by the time this message reaches you.

Our civilian workforce is affected and feels a great sense of uncertainty due to talk of layoffs and downsizing. My staff and I are working closely with the Mayor's Office, City Attorney's Office and the Personnel Department to maintain the best interest of the Police Department's civilian workforce. I have made it very clear how vital the civilian workforce is within the Department. The bottom line is that the civilian workforce is vital to the Department and we cannot effectively perform daily operations without them.

The crime declines of the last few years have proven that we are a Department ready to meet the challenges ahead and will continue to lead the nation in best practices in policing. Public safety remains the number one priority. To that end, a reorganization has been implemented and more changes continue in an effort to create a more efficient and effective Department. I have made additional changes in assignments, adding more deployable resources to the Areas and Geographic Bureaus to offset the \$80 million dollar cut in overtime. This cut is the equivalent of laying off approximately 600 officers. The impact of personnel reaching the 250 hour threshold will require

mandated time off (T/Os) which will take officers right out of patrol cars and off detective desks. I realize this has affected numerous personnel that would otherwise be assigned to specialized units, but I also recognize the need for us to work together more than ever, and shared sacrifices must be made.

I want to congratulate Jim McDonnell on his selection as Chief of Police of the Long Beach Police Department. I have had the pleasure to have worked alongside Jim for a long time. Jim is truly the epitome of an outstanding cop and family man. Jim will be greatly missed as a member of the LAPD family, but I look forward to partnering with him on the regional level.

Parole release

On January 25, 2010, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) instituted measures to reduce the State's prison population. Specifically, Non-Revocable Parole (NRP) was instituted under the authority of Penal Code Section 3000.03. By the end of 2010, CDCR estimates the prison population will be reduced by approximately 6,500 offenders through the implementation of NRP and enhanced early release credits. Los Angeles County is expected

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to have some 6,000 NRP prisoners by the end of the year; some who will represent a portion of the 21,000 supervised parolees expected to return to LA County during the year.

The NRP parolees are non-supervised, cannot have a parole hold placed on them pursuant to Penal Code Section 3056, and cannot be returned to custody for a parole violation. However, they are subject to the same search conditions as supervised parolees. Eligibility for NRP is based on the following criteria:

- Non-serious or non-violent offender
- Non-sex offender
- Non-validated prison gang

- Low or moderate risk offender; and,
- Individuals who have not committed a serious in-custody offense.

The CDCR will implement an upgrade to the parole Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) for law enforcement to assist with the tracking of all parolees. This database contains parolee information including photographs taken of inmates when they are released. The NRP parolees will be added to LEADS with their photographs and unverified address. Use of the LEADS system will continue to allow our Department to incorporate parolee information into our crime reduction efforts.

Reorganization is not the only way to put more officers in the field. I plan on holding several Captain and Commander positions vacant and have canceled all Chief of Police Formal Inspections for an indefinite period. Additionally, I have directed my staff to work with the Police Protective League to reduce the amount of mandated qualification requirements.

Budget cuts, the threat of layoffs, the release of thousands of prisoners and the threat of terrorism...these are indeed difficult times. But remember, difficult times call for understanding, resilience and character. I have no doubt that you, the men and women of this Department will not fail in our mission to protect and to serve.

In MEMORIAM

Christopher Allebe
Police Officer III
Retired
Serial No. 14647
EOW 02/11/10

Robert Murphey
Police Officer III
Retired
Serial No. 10758
EOW 03/03/10

Manuel Sierra
Detective III
Retired
Serial No. 10397
EOW 02/28/10

John Edward Hughes
Sergeant
Retired
Serial No. 4204
EOW 02/12/10

Merville (Pete) Boehm
Policeman III + 1
Retired
Serial No. 5312
EOW 03/12/10

Harry F. Jenkins
Policeman
Retired
Serial No. 4995
EOW 03/18/10

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL WERE
 COMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY**

COMMANDER

Michael Moriarty

CAPTAIN III

Kris Pitcher
 Steven Ruiz
 Donald Schwartz

CAPTAIN II

Rigoberto Romero

LIEUTENANT II

Donald Brady
 Ingrid E. Braun
 Andre Dawson
 John King
 David McGill

LIEUTENANT I

Armand Carranza
 Andrea Grossman
 Orlando Moreno
 Edward Prokop
 John Radtke
 Valencia Thomas
 Gerald Woodyard
 Susan Willis

DETECTIVE III

Lonya Britton
 Gilbert Escontrias
 Carmine Sasso
 William Sera
 Karen Zuniga

DETECTIVE II

Christine Beltran
 Michael Berretta
 Travis Coyle
 Robert Dinlocker
 Shondie Jackson
 Christopher Laurino

Antonio Lee
 Warren Porche
 Eric Spear
 Gregory Staats
 Chad Wetzel
 Michael Margolis
 Frances McBride
 Antonio Lee
 Jesus Linn

DETECTIVE I

Gene Arreola
 Walter Boyle
 Ryan Cooper
 Alex Nurse
 Daniel Robinson
 Ryan Verna

SERGEANT II

Barbara Barrist
 Vance Bjorkland
 Joseph Kuns
 John Russo
 Craig Valenzuela

SERGEANT I

Juan Franco
 David Hoskins
 Steven Lurie
 Habib Munoz
 Matthew Plugge
 Steven Roussell

POLICE OFFICER III

Glenn Adams
 Kathy Bell
 Jose Camacho
 Cesar Chavez
 Vivian Chester
 James Chong
 Michael Friesenhahn
 Robert Frutos

Rodolfo Rodriguez
 Robert Ruiz
 Anthony Smith
 Douglas Tanaka
 Clement Toscano
 Celestino Villatoro
 Lorena Walsh
 Matthew McNulty
 Vivian Chester
 Frank Garcia
 Victor Suapaia
 Gina Chovan
 Amanda Serrano
 Julie Munson
 Elizabeth Reyes
 Victor Renzelman
 Maurice Hallauer
 Damien Hernandez
 Keith Hopkins
 Roselena Mejia

POLICE OFFICER II

Peter Acosta
 Fernando Avila
 Nathan Baez
 Dexter Barras
 Daryl Blackhall
 Randy Blandford
 Joshua Bohm
 David Bunch
 Kevin Campbell
 Anibal Carrasco
 Rodginald Cayette
 Mark De La Torre
 Ralph Emard
 Robert Ferrer
 Cesar Flores
 Travis Fuller
 Juan Garcia
 Rudy Guzman
 Robert Harrell
 Robert Solorio

Matthew Stuart
 Bryan Sudbery
 Van Thompson
 Jerry Torres
 Konrad Vollmer
 Kevin Webb
 Juan Zelaya
 Luis Machuca
 Mark Horton
 Eddie Diaz
 Robert Deamer
 Alfredo Lamas
 Robert Martinez
 Edward Morales
 Christine Moselle
 Derek Mousseau
 Robert Paterson
 Paul Razo
 Blair Roth
 Ranferi Sandoval
 Matthew Shafer
 Alexander Hernandez
 Eric Herrera
 Shawn Hetherington
 Mark Hubert
 Marvin Jones
 David Kater

POLICE OFFICER I

Meghan Booth
 Michael Crane
 John Kirkham
 Gregory Papik
 Kenneth Shute
 Hugo Villagrana

CHIEF CHEMIST I

Doreen Hudson

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ROLL CALL OF EVENTS

LAPD and LAFD St. Baldrick's

March 20, 2010
0800 Hours
Fire Station 112
444 S. Harbor Boulevard
San Pedro, California 90731

LAPD Centurions vs. Central Texas Wolfpack

March 20, 2010
1400 Hours
Salesian High School
960 South Soto Street
Los Angeles, California 90023

Fight For Life

March 26, 2010
1730 Hours
Quiet Cannon
901 Via San Clemente
Montebello, California 90640

Fun Run with Deputy Chief Diaz

March 31, 2010
0900 Hours
Central Area Police Station
251 East 6th Street
Los Angeles, California 90014

PERSONNEL COMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY..Continued from page 6

SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANALYST
Teresa Dixon

SENIOR POLICE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE I
Andrea Sansone

SENIOR DETENTION OFFICER
Earnest Truesdale

CRIMINALIST 2
David Purdy

POLICE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
Virginia Arujo

SPECIALIST RESERVE OFFICER
John Guerin

RECENT ACTIONS BY THE POLICE COMMISSION

March 2 The Police Commissioners unanimously approved granting the Police Commission Distinguished Service Medal to outgoing Inspector General Andre Birrote. Each Commissioner shared stories and praised Mr. Birotte, they all wished him the best in his new post as United States Attorney for the Central District of California. In turn he thanked his staff profusely for their total dedication to the goals and objectives of the Office of the Inspector General.

Received a verbal presentation and discussion from Police Administrator Maggie Goodrich relative to the current status of the Digital In-Car Video Camera System field test and the overall status of the entire Operations South Bureau. Two problems the system encountered were synchronizing the time on the in-car system to show consistency and the other problem was the quality of the video.

March 9 Police Commission President John Mack announced Django Sibley will serve as the Acting Inspector General until the position is permanently filled.

March 30 Police Commission President John Mack requested a moment of silence in honor of Officer Robert "R. J." Cottle, who was killed while serving with the United States Marine Corps in Afghanistan. Officer Cottle was assigned to the Department on September 10, 1990. He was last assigned to Metropolitan Division, "D" platoon, Special Weapon Tactics (SWAT). President Mack commented, "He will be remembered with the greatest amount of respect, affection, and gratitude. He was and will always be, a true hero at the Los Angeles Police Department."



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