



GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW POLICE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING



Photo by: Alexis Hawkins

On Saturday, October 24, 2009, downtown Los Angeles skyline witnessed the grand opening of the New Police Administration Building. Participants of the prestigious ribbon cutting ceremony included, city officials, law enforcement dignitaries from outside agencies, and dozens of uniformed Police Officers.

The event was initiated with the presentation of colors by the

LAPD Honor Guard, followed by a touching rendition of the National Anthem performed by the Los Angeles Police Concert Band. Without a doubt the highlight of the event was a presentation of LAPD's SWAT unit, descending down the side of the ten story building, as the American flag unfurled down from the rooftop.

Attendees of the event had the opportunity to meet many of

the officers that patrol the Downtown area and view displays of the Department's specialized units such as K-9, Detective Bureau, Bomb Squad and SWAT. Guests also enjoyed samples of some of downtown's finest eateries whom provided the food for the event. As a reflection of the diverse communities the Department serves, entertainment performances included

Chief's Message... William J. Bratton, Chief of Police



In this message I will discuss the new Use of Force Policy and give you a status update on the Department building program. Use of Force Policy and Department facilities are unlikely partners in a Chief's message, except that both had been long overdue for a comprehensive review. Both are now ready to serve you in the years to come.

Use of Force Policy

From the very first days of the Academy, police officers are reminded that they are entrusted with some awesome responsibilities and none more awesome than those related to the use of force. With the best of intentions, our policies and procedures pertaining to the use of force evolved until they existed in at least 18 different directives and manual sections. The fact that these policies and procedures were disjointed was only the beginning of the

problem; they were also inconsistent with prevailing case law and lacked clarity for such an important policy.

We owed it to the officers and to the community to make sure that the policy was clear, concise, consolidated and consistent with prevailing law. Using our methodology of "best practices," we reviewed use of force policies across the United States and Canada. We examined applicable case law and the California Penal Code. After years of work, on July 14, 2009, the Police Commission approved Special Order No. 36, 2009, which will codify the Use of Force Policy entirety in Department Manual Section 1/556.

As many of you already know through your e-learning or through roll call training, the 1989 Supreme Court decision "Graham vs. Connor," established "Objectively Reasonable" as the standard courts use to judge the lawfulness of a use of force. It is on this foundation that the new policy is based.

I care about your safety and your careers. So please take some extra time to fully understand the new policy. The potential that you would use force on a human being is, after all, one of the most awesome responsibilities entrusted to you by the people of Los Angeles.

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Fiesta Group Folklorico, and the Japanese Festival Sounds taiko drummers.

Chief Bratton expressed his pleasure in the overall design of the building from the openness of the landscape to the location of the building which faces City Hall. Chief Bratton expressed these features around the building are reflections of the transparency which now represent the relationship between the Department and the community. He further stated, "this building was consciously designed to be one, of the people, and for the people, this building is the people's house."

The new Police Administration Building is a 500,000 square-foot structure. The construction of the building was possible through funding from Proposition Q. It features an underground parking structure, a 400 seat auditorium, a 200 seat Café, scheduled to open in the spring of 2010, and a one acre public park. The event culminated the year-long celebration of the Departments 140th Anniversary.



members of the Japanese Festival Sounds



Fiesta Group Folklorico



LAPD SWAT unit



Mayor Villaraigosa, Chief Bratton, and city officials at the ribbon cutting ceremony

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The new Use of Force Policy is the result of outstanding leadership provided by Commissioners Anthony Pacheco and Alan Skobin, First Assistant Chief Jim McDonnell, Police Administrator Gerald Chaleff, Deputy Chief Sandy Jo MacArthur, Commanders Rick Jacobs and Richard Webb, Captains Carol Aborn, Scott Sargent, and Steve Zipperman, and City Attorney Debra Gonzalez. Los Angeles Police Protective League Attorneys Gary Ingemunson and Mike Stone were also a vital part of the process. I offer my heartfelt thanks to these leaders and all those who played a role behind the scenes. Job well done.

World Class Department – World Class Facilities

The billion dollar facilities update we are enjoying today is yet another vote of confidence in you by the people of Los Angeles. By the time this article is published, we will have constructed 11 new police facilities and renovated 12 others. Additional new facilities include the Emergency Operations Center, the Metropolitan Detention Center, Metro and Valley Bomb Squad facilities, the Operations-Valley Bureau Headquarters and Valley Traffic Division facility. With money saved during the building

program, the old Rampart Station will be renovated and commissioned for a much needed station for Metropolitan Division. There will be also be extensive remodeling of the Elysian Park Academy, including the addition of a new classroom.

Our old friend “Parker Center” reached its service life a decade or two ago. We bid it a fond farewell. The new Police Administration Building (PAB) is a 10 story, \$437 million, 500,000 square-foot structure, with a 400 seat civic auditorium. The new PAB has *state of the art* technologies like fiber optic connections to computer servers, video conference rooms and a media room with live stream capabilities. One area in the new PAB that I hope is used to the fullest is the fitness center. Stay in shape for yourselves, for your families and for the Department.

There will be a new and fitting memorial to the LAPD Officers who gave their lives while serving the people of this City. The Los Angeles Police Foundation deserves a special thanks for championing the beautiful Memorial Sculpture and garden area located on the top tier of the plaza. All architectural work for the Police Memorial was provided pro bono by the

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iWATCH



I watch, you watch, we all watch. On October 3, 2009, LAPD launched the new **iWATCH** awareness program. **iWATCH** is a community awareness program developed by the Counter-Terrorism and Criminal Intelligence Bureau (CTCIB) designed to educate the public to be alert and to report to the LAPD suspicious activities and behaviors that may have a connection to terrorism. The LAPD is aware that many people see things, but don't know who to contact, or if they should even report what they see. Many don't want to call 911 if it is not an emergency, and may not know how to contact their police department without calling 911. This campaign

will solve that dilemma by providing an easy to use website for reporting suspicious behaviors and activities. It will also help the community learn about the specific behaviors and activities that are of concern to the Department. The public can learn more about the program and send reports at www.iWATCHLA.org

On the website, hosted as a page of LAPD Online, community members can watch a 10 minute educational film, short public service announcements, download a brochure, and read about the behaviors and activities that may have a nexus to terrorism. This program does not command the public to

act, but makes them a partner in the protection of our communities. As is evident from social media, people want to be involved and they want to be heard. This program lets them know the LAPD knows they have an important role to play in keeping LA safe.

The **iWATCH** program is also being introduced as a national model and has been structured in a format that allows other agencies to adopt and use the **iWATCH** name, logo and media materials so that they can quickly release the program to their communities.

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distinguished firm of Gensler. In a separate memorial, glass cases near the main entrance will display a replica badge for each of the fallen officers.

Thousands upon thousands will visit the new PAB in the years to come. Many of them will visit the memorials. Few will have the opportunity to express their gratitude for the job you do and the danger you face every single day.

2nd Annual Randy Simmons 5K Challenge Run

In the early morning hours of October 17, 2009, hundreds of runners gathered at the Los Angeles Police Academy in Elysian Park for the second running of the Randy Simmons 5K Challenge. The program commenced with the widow of the late Officer Simmons, Lisa Simmons, offering her sincere gratitude for everyone's participation and willingness to keep his memory alive.

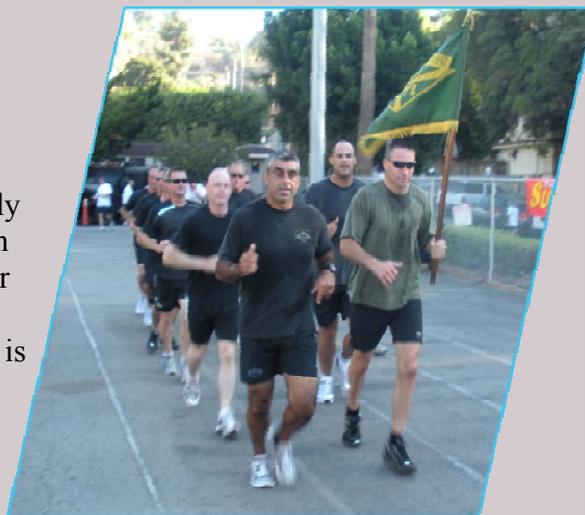
With the sound of the gun the runners began what would be a 3.1 mile trek through the hills behind Dodger Stadium. Runners consisted of family members and former co-workers of Randy, Department employees, Sheriff and Fire Department employees and civilians. Some of the

participants ran in "platoon" formation and carried their unit flag.

The race concluded on the Police Academy athletic field where runner's times were recorded and their photo was taken. The top three runners from each category were awarded medals for their performance. Many of the participants took the time to meet with the Simmons family members in attendance. With a noticeably larger turnout for this event then last year, the memory of Officer Simmons is sure to live on for years to come.

All the proceeds raised from the event will benefit the Randal Simmons Foundation. The Randall Simmons

Foundation is a faith based non-profit organization dedicated to continuing the legacy of Officer Randal Simmons through empowering and encouraging families in underserved areas.



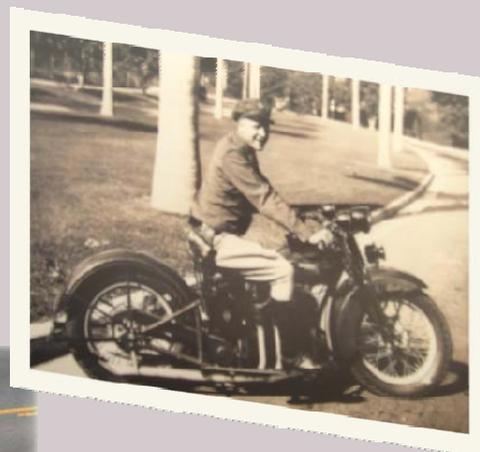
Lisa and Gabrielle Simmons

LAPD MOTOR OFFICERS CELEBRATE 100 YEARS



During the first weekend of October, LAPD motor officers reunited together to celebrate the past 100 years. On Friday October 1st, approximately 300 motor units assembled at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum to take photographs. Afterward they rode in formation to the Elysian Park Police Academy where they came to attention on their motorcycles. The LAPD Motor Drill Team performed in front of the awaiting audience. After the performance the officers demounted their motorcycles and enjoyed the various merchant and food vendors at the Academy. On Saturday, active and retired motor officers came together to celebrate their 100 year reunion.

a small unit of officers to ride motorcycles in 1909. An early Los Angeles Times article foreshadowed the actions of the Police Chief and Police Commission. The City Council inquired why the speed ordinance was not enforced against automobiles. Chief Auble stated the Police Department had no means of apprehending offenders and asked the City to provide them with two motorcycles of the best make for this purpose. 100 years later the Department is still holding up strong with more than 300 Motor Officers patrolling the City and enforcing traffic laws.



All this would not be possible if the Department did not put together



Left-Aerial motor photo by Marshall Laplant

2009 NORTHEAST COMMUNITY POLICE STATION OPEN HOUSE



On October 17, 2009, the men and women of the Northeast Community Police Station opened up their doors for their annual open house. Members of the community descended upon the station for an inside look at the facility many Department employees, both sworn and civilian, call home.

Booths were set up in the back of the station where people could receive information on the Police Reserve program, the Police Explorers, local

healthcare organizations, credit unions and the military to name a few. Perhaps the most popular booth was the “Pumpkin Patch” where children could design their own jack-o-lantern just in time for Halloween.

Local vendors were on hand and donated food which was given away free at the event. A stage in the center of the lot showcased performances from local talent which included school children and the Los

Angeles City Fire Department had fire trucks on display.

The annual Northeast Open House is designed to bring the community together in an effort to enhance existing relationships and develop new relationships within the community. The Department would like to thank the volunteers, donors, and community for helping make this event a tremendous success.

CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE (YEAR TO DATE—10/31/09)

Homicide	-18.4%	Burglary	-6.1%
Rape	-8.7%	BTFV	-5.3%
Robbery	-7.8%	Personal/ other theft	-2.4%
Aggravated Assault	-11.0%	Auto Theft	-19.4%
Total Violent Crimes	-9.5%	Total Property Crimes	-7.8%
		Total Part I Crimes	-8.2%

IN MEMORIAM (reported deaths)

Ed Wilson Lieutenant II Retired Serial No. 20029 EOW 10/3/09	Edward Pandolfo Police Officer Hollywood Area Serial No. 25989 EOW 10/29/09
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Brian Murphy
Detective III
Retired
Serial No. 11422
EOW 10/8/09

NEW POLICE MEMORIAL DEDICATION



In a dedication celebration to honor those officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty, the Los Angeles Police Department unveiled the brand new Police Memorial located at the new Police Administration Building.

“This is a fitting symbol of the trust and love we have for the fallen,” said Police Chief William J. Bratton.

With the sound of the Los Angeles Police Emerald Society Bagpipes and Drums in the background, the procession of family members of the fallen, dignitaries and invited guests made their way to the steps of the Memorial. As Chief Bratton and Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa laid a wreath at the base of the edifice, TAPS were played and a moment of silence was held.

Afterward, the family members of the fallen were the first to walk up and view the Memorial first-hand. Family members placed white roses beside the names of their loved ones, many of them still emotional.

The new Memorial stands 12 feet, 3 inches high and is 32 feet long. The design involves complex wall surfaces and edges and features 2,106 brass plaques. Of those, 201 are engraved with the names, ranks and the day each LAPD officer gave his or her life in the line of duty. The Memorial was generously funded by the Los Angeles Police Foundation.

The new Police Memorial is located on the east side of the

new Police Administration Building which is on First Street between Spring and Main Avenues in downtown Los Angeles.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL WERE COMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY

COMMANDER

Jose Perez

LIEUTENANT II

Andre Dawson

Jeffrey Paillet

LIEUTENANT I

Manuel Santoyo

Joseph Satow

DETECTIVE III

John Byun

Monique LeBron

Richard Mungia

DETECTIVE II

Lorenzo Barbosa

Stefanie Diaz

Vivian Flores

Rich Ishitani

Helen Papietro

Don Tsunawaki

DETECTIVE I

Michael Camacho

Barrett Halcromb

Juan Rodriguez

Dondee Stout

SERGEANT II

Steven Embrich

Brian Owen

Damian Velasco

SERGEANT I

Mark Griego

Michael Harrington

Steven Hwang

POLICE OFFICER III

Robert Barnes

Richard Bennett

Daniel Cotti

Matthew Courtney

Traci Grundland

Glenn Jackson

Gregg Jacobus

Michael Klee

Brian Lafferty

Thomas Luna

Roselena Mejia

Patrick Merrin

Victor Perez

Susan Pulley

John Richardson

Jerry Rodelo

Burton Strogatz

POLICE OFFICER II

Victor Abarca

Jose Arellano

Kendra Browne

Ian Erickson

Bryan Espinoza

Estevan Estrada

Guillermo Espinoza

Joseph Eubank

Elizabeth Felix

Sean Foote

Cory French

Joseph Gutierrez

Michael Marino

Ericka Martinez

Christopher Miller

Jonathan Moyers

Josue Osorio

Annabelle Padilla

Michael Quezada

Felipe Rodriguez

Mayda Zavala

POLICE OFFICER I

Samantha Townsend

ROLL CALL OF EVENTS

American Red Cross LAPD-Blood Drive

October 22, 2009

0900-1500 Hours

Parker Center Auditorium

150 North Los Angeles Street

Los Angeles, California 90012

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

October 24, 2009

0100 Hours

Police Administration Building

100 West First Street

Los Angeles, California 90012

14th Annual COPS 4 Tots Car Show

October 25, 2009

0800-1600 Hours

Elysian Park Academy

1880 North Academy Drive

Los Angeles, California 90012

AWARDED SERVICE PINS

45 YEARS

Automotive Supervisor

Robert Grissett
Motor Transport Division

35 YEARS

Lieutenant II

Ricardo Demartino
Jail Division

Andy Heredero
Operations-West Bureau

Emmanuel Hernandez
Gang and Narcotics Division

Senior Management Analyst II

Cheryl Jantz
Scientific Investigation Division

Detective III

Larry Broadhurst
Hollenbeck Area

Detective II

Raymond Conboy
Hollywood Area

Kent Ridenour
Major Crimes Division

Robert Smith
Wilshire Area

Eddie Solomon
Devonshire Area

Sergeant I

William Justice
Valley Traffic Division

Jeffrey Siggers
Central Traffic Division

Senior Management Analyst I

Loretta Payan
Communication System
Division

Detective I

Joseph Bagwell
77th Street Area

Mark Kislig
Major Crimes Division

Dan Welle
Mission Area

Forensic Print Specialist III

Sandra Claiborne
Scientific Investigation Division

Police Officer III

Rudolph De Leon
Metropolitan Division

Robert Donaldson
Metropolitan Division

Police Officer II

Ronald Ray
Detective Support and Vice
Division

Senior Police Service

Representative I
Spenser Leafdale
West Valley Area

Principal Clerk Police II

Pamela Franklin
West Los Angeles

Senior Equipment Mechanic

Michael Dey
Motor Transport Division

Senior Clerk Typist

Kathryn Rush
Foothill Area

Deborah McMahon
Records and Identification
Division

Mechanical Helper

Arturo Chasco
Motor Transport Division

Clerk Typist

Brenda Benton
Public Information Office

Carmencita Navarro
Fiscal Operations Division

Clerk

Michael Pell
Records and Identification
Division

30 YEARS

Commander

Stuart Maislin
Risk Management Bureau

Richard Webb
Internal Affairs Group

Lieutenant II

James Brady
Force Investigation Division

Leonard Cross
Personnel Division

Michael O'Donnell
Training Division

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Carlos Velez
Robbery-Homicide Division

Supervisor Criminalist

Richard Maruoka
Scientific Investigation
Division

Detective III

Michael Barrios
Administrative Investigation
Division

Paul Chiaravalle
Major Crimes Division

John Clark
Commercial Crimes Division

Roger Gilbert
Gang and Narcotics Division

Joel Price
West Valley Area

Stanley Salas
Major Crimes Division

Kurt Wachter
Operations-West Bureau

Sergeant II

Richard Distefano
Northeast Area

Gary Holbrook
Air Support Division

Gregory Nichols
Recruitment and Employment
Division

C. Thiffault
Emergency Services Division

Porfirio Navarro
Major Crimes Division

Sergeant I

Roy Ballesteros
West Traffic Division

Blaine Blackstone
Foothill Area

Detective I

Brian Miyakawa
Northeast Area

Senior Management Analyst I

Sandra Johnson
Legal Affairs Division

Senior System Analyst I

Nancy Godfrey
Information Technology
Division

Management Analyst II

Brenda Thompson
Work Environment Liaison
Division

**Senior Police Service
Representative I**

Cathi Pearson
Communications Division

Forensic Print Specialist III

Peggy Fiderio
Scientific Investigation
Division

Police Officer III

Geoffrey Levey
Foothill Area

Angelo Morton
Metropolitan Division

Michael Shea
Hollywood Area

Gregory Southern
Southwest Area

Thomas Wong
Northeast Area

Police Service Representative

II

Deborah Malone
77th Street Area

Catalina Susim
Central Area

Detention Officer

Juanita Kepford
Jail Division

Senior Clerk Typist

Elizabeth Hernandez
Northeast Area

Denise Sinclair
Pacific Area

Elisa Torres
Hollenbeck Area

Rachel Valdez
Operations-Central Bureau

Clerk

Eleanor Santos
Detective Support and Vice
Division

Garage Attendant

Casey Gonzalez
Motor Transport Division

Clerk Typist

Diane Taylor
Southwest Area

RECENT ACTIONS BY THE POLICE COMMISSION

- October 6 Assistant Chief James McDonnell informed the Commission and command staff, he attended the International Association of Chiefs of Police annual conference in Denver, and a great deal of information was shared. He also reported Motor Officers celebrated 100 years of service in an event over the weekend which was well-attended.
- October 20 The Commission received the presentation on the status of the Law Enforcement Explorer Program. Assistant Chief Paysinger began his presentation praising the successes and attributes of the Explorer Program. Currently, the LAPD has approximately 1,000 Explorers who are spread out in all 21 Divisions. Chief Paysinger believes the program must continue on as it is extremely beneficial to so many youth in the community. However, the City Attorney stated that the City cannot continue its contractual relationship with Learning for Life due to its relationship to the Boys Scouts of America, which has a written policy outlining discrimination.
- Commissioner Mack welcomed all to the new Police Administration Building and the new Police Commission hearing room. Commissioner Ordin also expressed a welcome to all and added it was a marked improvement in terms of working conditions. Commissioner Robert Saltzman stated he was pleased to attend the most recent recruit graduation, which was also Chief Bratton's last graduation ceremony.
- October 28 Commissioner John Mack commended management, rank and file, and the Los Angeles Police Protective League for working in unison to approve a new contract. He stated that this partnership benefits the City in many ways. He also asked the Department to work with the Protective League in addressing the issue of personnel files and records being stored inappropriately at various police locations. Commissioner Mack asked the Department return in 30 days with corrective steps that have been taken to resolve this issue.
- Police Chief William J. Bratton announced this would be his last formal appearance in front of the Police Commission. He thanked the Commission for their support, guidance and leadership throughout his tenure and expressed the importance of civilian oversight to the continued success of the Department.



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