



HOLLENBECK STATION GRAND OPENING

After three long years of construction, Hollenbeck Area finally held the grand opening of their brand new, luminous state-of-the-art facility. The surrounding streets to the station were closed off to traffic, as city leaders, dignitaries as well as hundreds of community members were in attendance for the memorable ribbon cutting ceremony.

Even though the Station has been operational since July, the grand opening ceremony did not occur until September 19, 2009. As expected the ceremony was magnificent. From the red carpet rolled out along the side and front of the building to the array of ethnic food provided

by numerous neighborhood restaurants. Guests were also entertained by displays and props provided by different LAPD entities such as Air Support Division, Metropolitan Division, and Bomb Squad. There was also a display of historic LAPD squad vehicles that date from the 1800's to the present.

During the ceremony Chief William J. Bratton thanked the community for "giving the Los Angeles Police Department and officers one of the most modern, efficient police building that any police organization could hope for." Chief Bratton further stated the new building was extra special because it



represents the Department. "It has more glass and transparency than any other LAPD facility, with the exception of the new PAB."

After the cutting of the ribbon the attendees were further treated to an outstanding performance of a mariachi band. The front doors of the station were then opened to the public and a tour of the facilities was provided by Hollenbeck Officers.

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



When you love what you do, when you love the people you get to do it with, and when you love the way you do it there is never a good time to leave. But there is a right time and for me, personally and professionally, now is the right time.

Almost 7 years ago, I had the honor and privilege to be named as Chief of Police of the LAPD. It was a very troubled organization in what was arguably a very troubled City. Working with former Mayor James Hahn and former Police Commission President Rick Caruso we committed to do a number of things. We committed to reduce crime, fear, and disorder in this City because it had been increasing dramatically.

Today, now almost 7 years later, homicides are down 54%, overall crime is down 38%, violent crime is down 53%, gang crime is down dramatically, and homicides so far this year are down about 15%. We have met

those challenges.

We committed in this post 9-11 era to make sure this City would be safe against potential terrorist acts when there was so much concern about being targeted, and we have succeeded. When I say 'we,' I mean the political leadership, the Mayor, City Council, and certainly the men and women of the LAPD, both civilian and sworn, who I get to work with. The residents of Los Angeles have supported us with their tax dollars, votes, and activism. We are succeeding in making this City one of the safest in America as it faces the perils of terrorism. In doing so we established the LAPD as one of the most widely respected law enforcement agencies in the world on issues of counter-terrorism.

We also committed to deal with the issue of the Consent Decree, the largest Consent Decree ever agreed to in the United States. While it took us longer than anticipated, within the last several months we finally achieved compliance. In achieving that compliance we established many nationally recognized and emulated best practices, policies and procedures.

Mayor Villaraigosa can take great pride in his commitment to grow the LAPD. He has

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championed tirelessly growing this Department and resourcing it to make this a safer City. We will soon reach that 1,000 growth mark. It is an accomplishment this City is benefiting from everyday with reduced crime rates.

As we grew we were mindful to have the Department representative of the City it was policing. We are now a minority-majority Department. Our leadership team, our rank and file, and our civilian work staff reflect the many diverse races and ethnic groups of our City.

We also committed to do something about the issue of racial and ethnic tension in the City. We committed to bias free policing as reflected in the Harvard study, and a recent Los

Angeles Times poll, I believe we have turned a corner on this very critical issue, so much so that the LA Times Poll revealed “the strong endorsement of the LAPD cuts across racial and ethnic lines...with the percentages of Black and Latino voters who say they approve of how the police do their jobs almost as high as the level among White voters.”

In closing, a thank you to the men and women of the LAPD. Through your exemplary and extraordinary hard work and commitment, I believe we have achieved great things. I will not be riding off into the sunset as I will enjoy many more years of service but in a different capacity. You gave me an outstanding story to tell and I had the honor and privilege to tell it.

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CRIME WATCH CITYWIDE (YEAR TO DATE—9/26/09)

Homicide	-15.4%	Burglary	-6.1%
Rape	-9.1%	BTFV	-4.6%
Robbery	-6.5%	Personal/ other theft	-3.0%
Aggravated Assault	-10.8%	Auto Theft	-18.7%
Total Violent Crimes	-8.7%	Total Property Crimes	-7.6%
		Total Part I Crimes	-7.8%

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The new “green facility” is the latest facility completed and built by funds provided by Proposition Q. The building is energy efficient, and equipped with the latest technology available to the City of Los Angeles. Natural sunlight enters through the numerous windows helping to preserve energy and 126 new trees adorn different areas surrounding the building.

All green products were used in the construction of the building and no harsh chemicals were used. Green products will also be used for the maintenance and upkeep of the facility. The new Hollenbeck Area Police Station is located at 2111 East 1st Street and houses approximately 300 patrol officers, support staff and detectives.



(L - R) Chief Bratton, Captain Ortega, Captain Hernandez

SUNSHINE KIDS NAMED HONORARY OFFICERS

For the fourth year, the Los Angeles Police Department honored twenty seven Sunshine Kids at the Sheraton Universal Hotel. “Sunshine Kids” are young cancer patients with opportunities to participate in positive group activities which promote self-esteem, personal accomplishment and just plain old fashioned fun! The Sunshine Kids Foundation provides many programs and national and regional events. The twenty seven Sunshine

Kids came from different parts of the nation to participate in this special LAPD event. Despite all they go through day after day the kids felt like movie stars when they walked down the red carpet to receive their honorary LAPD police badge.

Assistant Chief Jim McDonnell welcomed the children as they took front stage. He stated, “Nobody ever calls the police when things are going well, it’s when things are upside down and someone’s world is inside out, they call you to come out and fix it. We see an awful lot of negative, so to be able to be able to participate

in a day like today where it’s all positive and to see people like yourself who have the courage that you have, it’s a great feeling.”

The children were given an honorary ID, badge and a handmade quilt made by volunteers. After the ceremony the kids were transported by LAPD Reserve Officer’s Code-3 to Raleigh Studios. They viewed a screening of the television series “The Closer” and finished the day off with lunch.



2009 WOMENS LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE ONCE AGAIN A GREAT SUCESS



LAPD female Command Staff with Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa

The yearly awaited event once again took place at the Hilton Los Angeles Universal City on September 9th. As expected the event was packed with more than 1,000 attendees. Like in previous years the conference was so popular there was a waiting list of approximately 200 hopeful guests.

The Conference's mission is "To develop the leadership skills of women, as we impart knowledge through vision, enhance their promotability and empower them to be successful in various aspects of their lives." During the welcoming remarks, Assistant Chief Sharon

Papa stated, "I would like to convey to you the enormous pride I feel when I observe the strides women are making in today's workforce. Today we will also celebrate our leadership of tomorrow."

The theme "Leadership Through Vision," was most appropriate; all the guest speakers are extraordinary women whom have excelled in their field of work. Featured speakers included first female SWAT Officer Jennifer Grasso, LAWPOA Detective III Deborah Gonzales, Metropolitan Division, Lieutenant II Ann Carter Senior Management Analyst Terry Carter and

Commercial Crimes Division Detective III Kimberly Jones-Harris. The panelists have been successful and recognized in their field. They did not only encourage women to pursue their career goals, but also explained the foundations that helped them advance in their careers. Some of the foundations included having great mentors, education, hard work, and family support. Each of the panelists also mentioned how their careers have affected their lives, and of the obstacles they have endured in trying to maintain a balance between a successful career, and for most of them also raising a family at the same time.

The Chiefs of Police Discussion Panel was composed of Kathleen Sheehan, Chief of Police of Bishop Police Department, and

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LAPD Honor Guard

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LAPD Baker to Vegas Running Team

Dianne Burns, Chief of Police, of Barstow Police Department. Chief Sheehan who previously served 25 years with the LAPD, is the author of the West Point Leadership Program for Law Enforcement, and has worked for the United States Department of Justice. Chief Burns served the LAPD for 20 years before becoming Chief of Police in Barstow. Chief Burns was twice elected to two terms in the New Hampshire House of Representatives and served on the House Judiciary Committee.

During "The Future Leadership of the LAPD" presentation, Assistant Chief Papa expressed her pride and admiration for female LAPD Explorers. The five extraordinary females are part of the Explorer Command Staff which included Explorer

Chief Gloria Hernandez, Commanders Brittney Garza, Alma Martinez Julieta Moya and Lorena Peña. Also mentioned were Commanders Maria Cabrera and Jessica Moreno who were not present. Currently 40% of LAPD Explorers are females.

Also recognized were LAPD's current, sworn and civilian female Command Staff. The Command Staff is composed of one Assistant Chief, three Deputy Chiefs, six Commanders, and nineteen females at Captain level. The LAPD female Baker to Vegas Running Team was also recognized and praised for their overall superb performance.

Michaela Pereira, Co-Anchor on the KTLA Channel 5 Morning News was Mistress of Ceremony for a second consecutive year.



**LAPD EXPLORERS from left to right
Commanders Julieta Moya, Brittney Garza,
Alma Martinez, Chief Gloria Hernandez**

Her great sense of humor and upbeat personality kept the crowd entertained and laughing throughout the day. Pereira has become a favorite guest at the conference which prompted event coordinator Sergeant John Vasquez to publicly invite her to be Mistress of Ceremonies for 2010, Pereira happily agreed.

Special thanks and recognition go out to the Los Angeles Police Foundation, AT&T, Los Angeles Protective League, City Employees Club of Los Angeles and Los Angeles Police Federal Credit Union for their support in making the conference a success.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL WERE COMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY

CAPTAIN I

Richard Wall
Byford Whittingham

LIEUTENANT II

Victor Davalos
Ronald Dickerson
Sean Malinowski
Gina Sanders

LIEUTENANT I

Ricky Banks
Stephanie Moten

DETECTIVE III

Stan Morishima
Eugene Tapia
Karen Zuniga

DETECTIVE I

Eric Crosson
Sherry Le
John Tarankow
Grace Torres

SERGEANT II

Stephany Payne

SERGEANT I

Michael Guttilla
Amy Wong

POLICE OFFICER III

Deborah Aoki
Robert Beaty
Juan Ceja
Kenneth Cioffi
Carlos Diaz

Oscar Dueñas

Brian Lafferty

Noel Magpoc

Abel Muñoz

Erbie Phillips

Kenneth Price

Raul Rodriguez

Daniel Ruelas

Raymond Sanchez

Christine Stout

David Wade

POLICE OFFICER II

Arvin Asuncion

Rene Banuelos

Timothy Baucher

Franklyn Chamorro

Allen Cheng

Matthew Eastman

Raymond Flores

Michael Mazur

Nathan San Nicolas

Raymond Valderrama

Derek Vaughn

Raymond Flores

Michael Mazur

Nathan San Nicolas

Derek Vaughn

POLICE OFFICER I

Roberto Figueroa

Dean Kolstad

Ricardo Vega

Michael Wilson

ROLL CALL OF EVENTS

A Day of Heroes
September 16, 2009
0800-1700 Hours
Gibson Amphitheater
100 Universal City Plaza
Universal City, California 91608

Grand Opening of Hollenbeck Police Station
September 19, 2009
1800-2100 Hours
Hollenbeck Station
2111 E. First Street
Los Angeles, California 90033

Los Angeles Police Department Day
September 30, 2009
1130 Hours
Quiet Cannon Restaurant
901 Via San Clemente Street
Los Angeles, California 90640

**IN MEMORIAM (reported deaths)
September 2009**

Byung Sun Lee

Auditor I

IAID

Serial No. N4052

EOW 9/16/09

Yvette Jean Pierre

Police Officer Representative

Rampart Area

Serial No. C9780

EOW 9/23/09



DEBRA WONG YANG POLICE COMMISSION'S NEWEST MEMBER

Having been appointed by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and unanimously approved by the Los Angeles City Council, Debra Wong Yang assumed her post on the Los Angeles Police Commission in mid September. Commissioner Yang, who filled the spot vacated by former Police Commissioner Anthony Pacheco, attended her first Police Commission meeting on Tuesday, September 29, 2009. She is joining current Police Commission President John W. Mack, Vice President Andrea Sheridan Ordin, Commissioner Robert M. Saltzman, and Commissioner Alan J. Skobin on the Board.

“We are very excited that Debra Wong Yang will be joining us,” stated Police Commission President John W. Mack. “She brings with her a wealth of expertise, experience and enthusiasm, and she is committed to our civilian oversight role at the Los Angeles Police Department.”

Commissioner Yang is a partner in Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's Los Angeles office. She is Co-Chair of the firm's Crisis Management Practice Group and the White Collar Defense and Investigations Practice Group.

Commissioner Yang previously served as the United States Attorney for the Central District of California. She was appointed in May 2002 by President George W. Bush, who made her the first Asian-American woman to serve as a United States Attorney.

Prior to being appointed United States Attorney, Commissioner Yang was a California state judge. She was appointed to the Los Angeles Municipal Court in 1997 and became a member of the Los Angeles Superior Court bench in 2000. As a judge, Commissioner Yang acted as the Supervising Judge for the Hollywood Courthouse.

Prior to government service, Commissioner Yang was in private practice at law firms in Los Angeles and Chicago. Her practice focused primarily on commercial litigation and pharmaceutical defense.

Commissioner Yang has been an adjunct professor at the USC School of Law, where she taught trial advocacy. She has also been an instructor at the National Institute of Trial Advocacy and an instructor at California's Judicial College.

Commissioner Yang previously served as President of The Chinese American Museum in Los Angeles, where she played an



instrumental role in the creation of this new landmark for Southern California. Commissioner Yang was a founding member and officer of the first Asian American Bar Association in Chicago, and she has been an officer and board member of the Southern California Chinese Lawyer Association. In 2002, both the Inglewood Court and the Los Angeles City Council honored her for her long-standing commitment to victim's rights. The Asian Pacific Bar Association has selected her as the 2002 recipient of their Public Service Award. The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association selected her as the 2003 recipient of the Trailblazers award and in 2007, the Women's Leadership Award. In 2004, she was appointed to the President's Council for Pitzer College of the Claremont Colleges and was

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25 YEAR SERVICE PIN AWARDED

POLICE ADMINISTRATOR I

D'ANNA MARKLEY
Records and Identification
Division

POLICE ADMINISTRATOR I

YVETTE SANCHEZ OWENS
Scientific Investigation Division

DIRECTOR OF SYSTEMS

JEFFREY JANTZ
Scientific Investigation Division

**CHIEF FORENSIC CHEM-
IST**

JOSEPH HOURIGAN
Scientific Investigation Division

CAPTAIN I

DAVID HANCZUK
Devonshire Area

PAUL SNELL
Office of Chief of Police

LIEUTENANT II

ERNEST ESKRIDGE
Mission Area

MARK ZIEMBA
Major Crimes Division

LIEUTENANT I

RICK BANKS
Public Information Office

**SENIOR MANAGEMENT
ANALYST I**

VIRGINIA ELLING
Professional Standards Bureau

SERGEANT II

JEFF HART
Criminal Investigation Division

RAYMOND JATKOWSKI
Internal Affairs Group

SANFORD ROSENBERG
Northeast Area

PAUL WEBER
Personnel Division

TAMARA VANDUYNE
Administrative Investigation
Division

MANAGEMENT ANALYST II

UTA HUGHEY
West Valley Division

SHEILA LEVY
Emergency Operations Division

ANDREA MOORE
Mission Area

CHIEF CLERK POLICE

DEBRA AVERY
Records and Identification Divi-
sion

SENIOR FORENSIC PRINT

SPECIALIST
ROSALY GARCIA
Scientific Investigation Division

MELISSA POPOVIC
Scientific Investigation Division

DETECTIVE II

CORILENE CHARLES
Internal Audits and Inspection
Division

JOSE DURAN
Juvenile Division

MARK HOLGUIN
Wilshire Division

MICHELLE ROBINSON
Robbery- Homicide Division

SERGEANT I
ORLANDO GREEN
South Traffic Division

DETECTIVE I
KYLE LEWISON
Detective Support and Vice Di-
vision

TAMMY THOMAS
Commercial Crimes Division

CRIMINALIST III
WILLIAM MOORE
Scientific Investigation Division

POLICE OFFICER III
ANTHONY FREEMAN
Harbor Area

RUSSELL FREEMAN
Training Division

MARK HABERMAN
Southeast Area

MARK HYLAND
Newton Area

FLORIO PINZON
Southeast Area

DOUGLAS TANAKA
Foothill Area

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SENIOR EQUIPMENT MECHANIC

RUBEN DELGADO
Motor Transport Division

STEPHEN STONE
Motor Transport Division

MANAGEMENT AIDE

SIMONE MCDADE
Personnel Division

SECRETARY

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77th Street Area

ROSA ORTEGA
Personnel Group

SALLY SINOHUE
Special Operations Bureau

DENISE VEKSLER
Community Relations Section

POLICE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE III

NALISIA BRADFORD
Communications Division

POLICE SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE II

DANA GILLET
Legal Affairs Division

JANET GRIMES
North Hollywood Area

ANDREA SHELTON
Mission Area

POLICE OFFICER II
ANGELA KRIEG
Air Support Division

TED WATSON
Devonshire Area

SECURITY OFFICER

JOSEPH RUSSELL
Training Division

SENIOR CLERK TYPIST

IDA BAHAM
Records and Identification

LUZVIMINDA BRAVO
North Hollywood Area

MARITZA CAMPODONICO
West Valley Area

TERESA CASAS
Public Information Office

CATHERINE EDGINGTON
Commission Investigation Division

PAULA GALLEGOS
Newton Area

RUBEN GARCIA
Records and Identification Division

RHONDA HARRIS
Wilshire Area

YVETTE MARTIN SPATES
Valley Traffic Division

JENNIFER RAMCLAM
Harbor Area

EQUIPMENT MECHANIC

WILLIAM ARNDT
Motor Transport Division

SAMUEL NAKATA
Motor Transport Division

LUIS TRINIDAD
Motor Transport Division

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77TH Street Area

MARTHA DIAZ
Records and Identification Division

LOURDES ENNIS
Harbor Area

IRENE GARCIA
Emergency Services Division

MONICA LEWIS
Training Division

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given their inaugural Distinguished Alumni Award. She was also recognized by the Inglewood Court as a champion of civil rights.

Commissioner Yang received her Juris Doctorate in 1985 from Boston College Law School and served as a law clerk to the Honorable Ronald S.W. Lew in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California.

RECENT ACTIONS BY THE POLICE COMMISSION

- September 1 Police Commissioner Alan Skobin attended the Citizen's Academy in Valley Bureau. He praised the organizers for reaching out to all corners of the Valley. Commissioner Skobin stated portions of the 10 week program were covered and televised by reporters from channels 2 and 9.
- September 8 The Commission received a verbal presentation from Deputy Chief Charlie Beck on the status of DNA backlog. Chief Beck informed the Commission that as of last week the current backlog of untested kits was 3,266, which represents a 57% reduction from 7500 untested kits from a year ago. Scientific Investigation Division will hire 16 more Criminalist this year and it is anticipated DNA backlog should be completely eliminated by 2011.
- September 15 The Commission approved the Northeast Area Gang Enforcement Detail Command Accountability Performance Audit. Three of the five objectives were met with a compliance rate of 95% or better. The two objectives not met were in the area of arrest reports and criminal complaint process. Captain Murphy met with the auditing staff to discuss the findings and then met with his supervisors to ensure training of each officer.
- September 23 The Commission named Police Officer II, Police Commission Employee of the Month for September 2009. Officer Garcia is a Veteran from military services and is an outstanding employee Commission Investigation Division.
- September 29 The Commission received a status report from Deputy Chief Charlie Beck and Chief information Officer Tim Riley on the In Car Video Project. The first set of cameras, which will be for the Southeast Senior Lead Officers, will be live on October 20th. By the end of the year, the entire South Bureau fleet of patrol cars will be functioning with cameras.



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