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Over 15,000 Lives Saved by County Employees



(L. to R. Front Row) Tom Schallert-Red Cross, Dr. Janice Nelson-LAC-USC Med. Ctr.; Robert Steiner-Malibu Municipal Court; Edgar Hayes-Director, Data Processing; Charlie Bedell-Data Processing; Jeff Terry-Data Processing.
 (L. to R. Second Row) Debra Myrick-Santa Monica Court; Paul Drozd-Deputy Director, LAC-USC Med. Ctr.; Carl Williams-Asst. Director, Hospitals; Dan Habel-DPSS; Eddy Tanaka-Director, DPSS; David Miyashita-DPSS; Ann McGowan-Assessor's Office.
 (L. to R. Back Row) Red Cross Representatives: Sonna Bell, Arlene Holt, Janeen Biehl, Keith Acker, Bill Masticola

Over **15,000 lives** were saved by County employees who, during the 1985 Countywide Blood Drive, donated 6,653 units of blood.

This unprecedented achievement was cited during the First Annual Blood Donor Awards Ceremony held at a recent meeting of the Board of Supervisors. Tom Schallert, the Associate Administrator of Regional Blood Services for the American Red Cross, presented awards to the winning departments in each of six groupings as well as an award to the hospital with the highest number of County employee donations.

The awardees were: Department of Public Social Services, Data Processing, Office of Assessor, Purchasing and Stores, Santa Monica Municipal Court, Malibu Municipal Court, and LAC/USC Medical Center-Department of Health Services. Also recognized with a plaque

of appreciation from the Red Cross was Supervisor Deane Dana.

Congratulations to all departments who participated in this vital program and thank you for your continued support.

Tracking a Mountain Lion



Agricultural Inspector
Bruce Cahill

Employee of the Month

Desire, determination, and enthusiasm as a loyal and productive employee were attributes used to describe Dorothy Petit who was chosen as the March, 1986 County Employee of the Month.



Dorothy Petit

In presenting a scroll to honor Dorothy's selection, Board of Supervisors Chairman Peter F. Schabarum expressed appreciation for her dedication and achievements.

Dorothy is a long-time County employee with over 30 years of service. Currently, she is assigned to the Hubert

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During normal working hours, Bruce Cahill is an Agricultural Inspector in the County Department of Agricultural Commissioner and Weights and Measures. As a part of his job responsibilities, he has specialized in the unique training of dogs used to track the location of predatory animals which may present a danger to County residents.

Because of his expertise, the department has allowed Cahill to work in adjoining counties under emergency situations. This was the circumstance

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Santa Monica Health Transit Project



Supervisor Deane Dana (right) greets driver before patients board van for return trip to the Santa Monica area.

A 90-day County pilot program to assess the transportation needs of patients from the Santa Monica area to Harbor/UCLA Medical Center was initiated March 3, 1986.

Under the new program announced by Supervisor Deane Dana, patients are being transported via a passenger van from two points in the Santa Monica area to the medical center for their clinic appointments. The program addresses the need for medical transportation improvements for the Santa Monica area since it does not have a county-operated hospital facility.

"Community groups have expressed concern that patients were foregoing needed health care because they could not afford transportation," Supervisor Dana explained. "This pilot program will give us an opportunity to assess usage and help guide future planning."

The 10-seat van will make two round trips Monday through Friday. Passengers will be picked up at either the Burke Health Center, 2509 W. Pico Boulevard in Santa Monica, or the Venice Subcenter, 905 E. Venice Boulevard.

To be eligible for the service, patients must have a confirmed appointment at a Harbor/UCLA clinic and they must be screened for financial need.

Reservations will be necessary 24 hours in advance since space on the van is limited. Additional information about the service and reservations is available at the Burke Health Center, (213) 829-2911, extension 255 or 272.

Master of Public Administration Program

The University of Southern California is offering a unique opportunity to County employees to become involved with the University's Master of Public Administration program. The usual requirements of grade point averages and GRE, GMAT or LSAT scores are generally expected. However, extra consideration will be given to County employees based on the level and complexity of assignments. In addition, the University is offering to pay for the first four units and the last four units of the program.

One can specialize in several areas: Development Administration, Administration of Justice, Labor Management Relations, Public Personnel Management, Training and Human Resources Development, Public Policy Analysis and Management, Health Services Administration, Public Financial Management, and International Financial Management. Also, dual degrees are possible.

For further information, as well as submission of applications for the program, contact your Personnel Officer by April 25, 1986.

Asian-American Employees Association

The Los Angeles County Asian-American Employees Association is holding its 14th annual installation and awards dinner on Saturday, May 17, 1986 at 6 p.m. at the Golden Shark Restaurant in Monterey Park.

The Association is honoring Michael Woo, the first Asian-American elected to the Los Angeles City Council, as their "Person of the Year." The Master of Ceremonies will be the celebrated television personality, Mario Machado. Polynesian entertainment will highlight the evening's program. The Association's outgoing president is Baldwin Tom. The new officers for 1986-87 include: President, Esther Lee; Vice-President, Jennifer Tom; Treasurer, Andrea Alfonso; and Secretary, Beverly Wong.

For further information and reservations, please call Ed Lee at (213) 974-7566.

Bruce Cahill

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when the California Department of Fish and Game and U.S. Department of Agriculture requested Bruce's assistance in tracking the mountain lion which had recently attacked a five-year old child.

Participating on the search team, Bruce's dogs eventually treed the animal, which was then shot with a tranquilizer gun. Not responding to the drug, the lion escaped and the chase was on again. The lion was eventually trapped and killed when it appeared lives were endangered.

This request made of Agricultural Inspector Bruce Cahill and the operation's success indicate the benefits of his ability to respond to emergencies of this nature. Our thanks to Bruce for making our County a safer place in which to live.

Join the Team!

MARCH OF DIMES "WALKAMERICA DAY"

Saturday, April 26, 1986 - Registration: 7:00 - 8:00 a.m.

PRIMARY WALK SITE — FRANK G. BONELLI REGIONAL PARK
120 Puddingstone Drive, SAN DIMAS, CALIFORNIA (714) 599-8411

CONGRATULATIONS RETIREES . . .

We extend best wishes to the following people who retired last month with more than 25 years of service. (Continued from the April 3 list of retirees.)

Beaches and Harbors: Victor Adorian.

Children's Services: Emma F. Morthel, Mildred G. Palmer.

Comm./Sr. Ctz. Srvs.: Hisa Sakiyama.

Data Processing: Thomas J. Lawton.

District Attorney: Gloria Silva.

DPSS: Vessa Jones, Bruce Chinn, David E. Fulbright, Ivan V. Larson, Doris J. MacDonald, Paul V. Weaver, Grace I. Wheeler, Ellee White.

Facilities Management: Charles Anderson, Hudie E. Davison, George L. Edwards, George Gross, Richard L. Petersen, Roy F. Warden, Billie D. Wilcox.

Fire: Vernon D. Edmondson, Willis E. Haddox, Ronald Fields, Raymond E. Gusky, Roy O. Quance, Jr., Vincent Shortland, Albert W. Todd, Nathan J. Wilson.

Health Services: Raymond R. Boeding, Carrie B. Bays, William Breckinridge, George Day, Helen G. Felciano, Paul M. Hinshelwood, Betty D. McCown, Mary K. Noyes, Louise Odom, Eunice M. Randle, Kay Seki, James T. Sobka, Alfonso C. Soto.

Municipal Courts: Marian J. Castle, Mary A. Winnie.

Probation: Ella N. Collins, Willie Jackson.

Public Defender: Milton M. Relin.

Public Works: Iver G. Boyum, Stanley D. Massey, John F. McElroy, Jimmy Wong.

Retirement Administration: Margarete Campbell.

SCAQMD: William S. Foltz.

Sheriff: Roy A. Anderson, Ollie R. Baker, Elaine F. Slagle, Charles G. Asendorf, Bernard S. Budge, Byron J. Gayer, Carl J. Kennedy, Jr., Albert J. Loreto, Marcella R. Mengs, Robert C. Shumate.

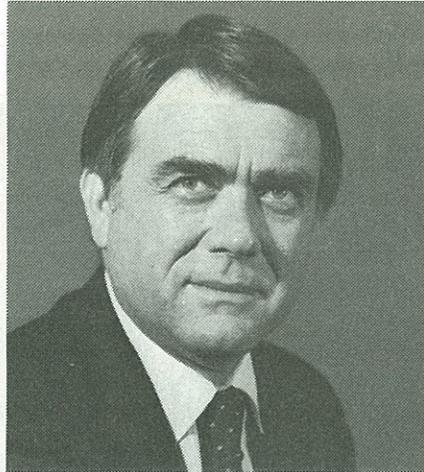
Superior Court/County Clerk: William R. Angels, Lewis S. Holton.

SECRETARIES WEEK

April 21 - 25, 1986

With Appreciation to All

New Director of Beaches and Harbors



*Ted L. Reed Director,
Beaches and Harbors*

The Board of Supervisors has appointed Ted L. Reed, Director of the Department of Beaches and Harbors, effective April 1, 1986, following the retirement of Victor Adorian.

The Department of Beaches and Harbors was created by the Board of Supervisors on May 11, 1982 to consolidate the functions of the former Departments of Beaches and Small Craft Harbors. The primary responsibilities of the department are to administer and supervise the development, maintenance and operation of small craft harbors, and the county beaches and shoreline areas bordering the Pacific Ocean, while providing for public safety.

Mr. Reed welcomes the opportunity to combine his commitment to effective County government and his personal interest in outdoor activities. Reed, who likes to camp and hike, has as one of his goals the upgrading of recreational van facilities at the beaches.

Voter Registration Deadline

May 5 is the deadline for registering to vote in the June 3 Primary Election.

To be eligible to register to vote in the June 3 elections, persons must be at least 18 years of age by election day and U.S. citizens residing in Los Angeles County in the districts or cities involved. May 5 is also the last day to re-register to be eligible to vote on June 3 if persons have moved or changed their names.

New Director of Military and Veterans Affairs



*Motomu Nakasako
Director, Military & Veterans Affairs*

On March 25, 1986, Motomu Nakasako was appointed to the position of Director of Military and Veteran Affairs, succeeding former Director Robert L. Kingsbury. Mr. Nakasako has represented the department in administrative and policy-influencing functions since March 1984. He has an exceptional background in veterans affairs and organizations on the local, state, and national levels, and has often served in a liaison, consultative, and advocacy capacity.

He is a native of Los Angeles and a product of local schools. His entire County employment, since 1975, has been in the Military and Veterans Affairs Department. Prior to assuming administrative responsibilities, Nakasako was Chief, Veterans Services Division.

Mr. Nakasako and his wife, Ruby, are the parents of a son Michael, and a daughter, Donna.

Los Angeles County residents desiring to register or re-register can obtain the location of registration-by-mail forms by telephoning the Registrar-Recorder's public information section.

In addition, residents can utilize the services of the County's deputy registrars, who are active at such public places as city halls, County buildings, parks, and shopping centers. Call (213) 721-1100 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays for further information.

Retirees . . .

Recent retirees with exceptional lengths of County employment are Rebecca Aguilar from the County Clerk's Office, Vernon Chung from Facilities, and Herman Haymond from Health Services, each with over 40 years of service. We commend them for their outstanding records and extend best wishes to them upon their retirement. The following retirees with more than 30 years of service will be missed, and we wish them well.

Agr. Comm/Weights & Meas.: Harold J. Miller.

Arboret: Rito Cervantes.

Chief Admin. Office: Sarah Chan.

Children's Services: Ethel J. Burroughs, Geraldine Crittendon.

Comm./Sr. Ctz Srvs.: Ray F. Davis.

District Attorney: Kermit T. Hon.

Facilities Management: Darwin L. Burkholder, Ruben V. Caceres, Milton Gaines, Dennis K. Irwin, John Kuether, Delmer E. Losson, Kenneth A. McDonald, Arturo Montes, Anthony A. Sclafani, Rayshon Wilson.

Fire: Ernest J. Schnakenberg, Jr., James A. Heckethorn, Robert McCone, Norman Wiggins, Everett B. Millican.

Health Services: June D. Green, Charles S. Williams, Celestine W. Lang, Lelia M. Malone, Dorothy McNeal, Gene D. Provinse, Annie M. Robinson, Kenneth H. Siemens, Olga Hayden.

Municipal Courts: Robert R. Clifford, Loretta Williams, George E. Gladstone.

Parks & Recreation: Rikio Izumi, Allen C. Peters.

Probation: George F. Murray, Dudley Seeman.

Public Defender: William B. Stoops.

DPSS: Gloria W. Stanford, Amanda B. Harris, Massie L. Hicks, George Jensen, Gloria J. Johnson.

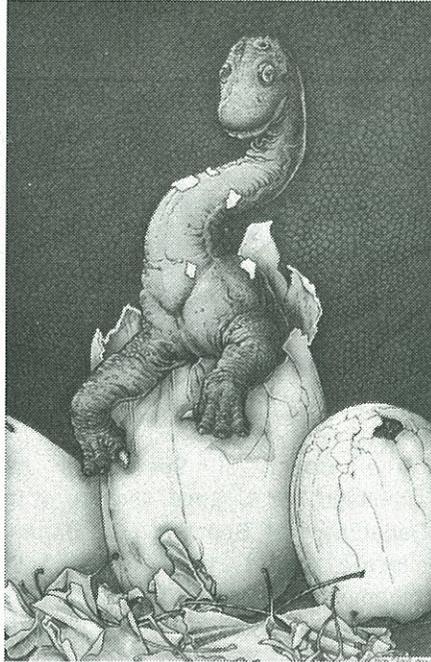
Public Works: Marshall A. Minard, Howard K. Willut, Paul E. Anderson, James G. Boyd, Stanley Gilson, Charles F. Harney, Gerald J. Klompenberg, Donald L. Royce, Floyd W. Russell, Richard O. Sadleir, Rudolph O. Taylor, Jimmie Yamaguchi, Albert S. Abe, Howard M. Davis.

SCAQMD: Irving Cherniack.

Sheriff: Edwin H. Sampson, Jerry W. Campbell, Florence Barclay, Clarence Caraway, Arthur B. Chance, Billy

Museum of Natural History

900 Exposition Blvd. just off Harbor
(110) Freeway — (213) 744-3426



"BABY" - Painting by artist William Stout

Dinosaurs are not extinct - at least not in the imagination of some very creative artists whose dinosaur art is on display at the Museum of Natural History.

— "Dinosaurs Past and Present" — through August 31, 1986. Visitors can see, through art, sculpture, and models how palentological research has changed our concept of the dinosaur. This exhibit, organized by our own museum, will tour Denver, New Mexico, The Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., and three Canadian museums in the near future.

— "Art From West Africa's Cameroons" — through May 25, 1986. A striking assembly of wood sculptures, masks, bowls, stools, drums, gongs, and royal regalia. Also, two slide shows with sound recordings.

Docekal, William Rosensteel, John H. Smith, James H. Warner, Marianne Ferguson, Bob L. Briley, Richard C. Poe, Melvin R. Poole, Jr., Robert L. Wood.

Superior Court/County Clerk: Frank McGaughran.

Dorothy Pettit

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H. Humphrey Comprehensive Health Center where she directs the activities of the Center's Medical Records Section.

Managerial activities and service on various committees bring Dorothy into contact with many other support groups where she is well known and respected. Her knowledge, expertise, cooperation, and willingness ensure that the medical records function is a productive one which operates at peak efficiency.

Dorothy and her employees have maintained high levels of productivity in the handling of approximately 40,182 medical records. Under Dorothy's leadership, her section has developed many clerical processes to assure smooth effective day-to-day operations.

Compassion for the needs of the patients is another commendable trait of Dorothy. On several occasions, she has gone out of her way during non-working hours to assist patients by delivering very important documents to their homes or by paying for a meal or transportation.

Dorothy has demonstrated excellent examples for others to follow and we congratulate her for earning this County-wide recognition!

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