



RELAC newsletter

Your Pension and Health Care Watchdog

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President's Message

by Dave Muir

My column in the last newsletter talked about the lack of retirement security facing most working class Americans who expect to retire in the next 10 years. Experts predict the vast majority of workers in the private sector will have only Social Security to live on, which averages a paltry \$16,000 per year. Experts refer to the coming pension crisis as the "silver tsunami." They point out that Social Security replaces only 40% of a worker's income, whereas 80% is needed to maintain the same standard of living.

State Senator Kevin de Leon (D-Los Angeles) in 2012 introduced legislation to create the "California Secure Choice Retirement Plan." With the Legislature controlled by Democrats, there's a good chance the legislation will pass this year. California would then become the first state to implement a near-universal retirement savings plan. It would be similar to a 401(k) plan, with workers contributing 2% to 5% of their pay into the state plan, which would be invested by professional financial investment managers. All employers with at least five workers would be required to make the plan available. Employees would be automatically enrolled by the employer unless the employee took affirmative action to opt out of the plan.

Senator de Leon states that "nearly 50% of middle-income workers are at real risk of sliding into poverty when they can no longer work." A Washington, D.C. think tank concluded that about 45% of private-sector workers do not have a retirement savings plan through their employment. The California Secured Choice Retirement Plan would fix that for an estimated 6.8 million California workers.

A consulting firm hired by the state estimated that if young workers started out saving 5% of their wages, the plan could provide about one-third of the funds they will need to see them through retirement. That, coupled with Social Security, would still not be enough to provide real retirement security. But, as noted by AARP, "It begins to put in the minds of many people that savings can be automatic."

Thanks again to all our readers for your membership in RELAC, your PENSION AND HEALTH CARE WATCHDOG.



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Long-Time Board Members Martin Golds and Mary Lou Bangar Pass

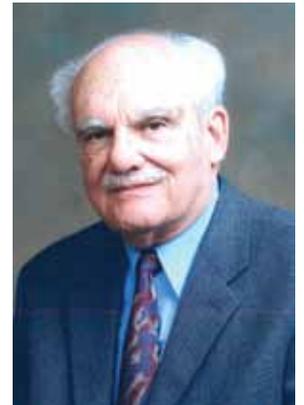
Martin Golds

(Martin Golds, a member of the RELAC Board of Directors for 20 years before health issues prompted him to resign last November, died unexpectedly on May 30. He was 86 years old. Golds was president of RELAC in 1994 and 1995 and editor of the organization's newsletter for 13 years. Bill de la Garza served on the Board with Golds for 17 years and wrote the following tribute to his friend and colleague.)

Remembrance of Martin Golds

by Bill de la Garza, Past President

RELAC is sorry to inform you that Martin Golds, former Board member and chairman of RELAC's Newsletter and Investment Committees, passed away on May 30. A 32-



Mary Lou Bangar

by Judy Hammond, Newsletter Editor

Mary Lou Bangar, a 25-year member of RELAC's Board of Directors who served as president in 1992 and 1993, has died.

Bangar began County service in 1945 working for Supervisor Herbert Legg. She then worked for Supervisor Warren Dorn, later becoming executive secretary for Jim Mize, the executive officer of the Board of Supervisors. Former Executive Officer Joanne Sturges said Bangar, who retired in 1987, was affectionately known as "the grande dame of the County."

She was a member of RELAC since retirement and served as executive secretary to the Board of Directors for two years. In 1991 she was appointed to the Board. During her years as a director, she chaired several committees,



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Thanks for New Member Referrals

Our appreciation to RELAC members who recruited new members in April and May. Thanks to (RELAC members in bold, new members in italics):

John D. Griffin, Thor Griffin, Health Services; **Bettie Lawrence**, Bonnie J. Riley, Health Services; **Shirley Donoho**, Diana Summerhayes, Superior Court; **Helen Ashley**, Cheryl Williamson, Probation; **Lorena Sanders**, Nina M. Sanders, Public Social Services; and Board Member **Judy Hammond**, Mike Lewis, Board of Supervisors.

Board Member **Jason H. Williams** recruited six affiliate (still working) members: Michele Victor, Auditor-Controller; Dellora Ellis-Grant, Public Social Services; Marsha Johnson, Child Support; Salinda C. Lopez, Child Support; Sandra Solis, Sheriff; La France Toliver, Public Social Services.

For membership applications and brochures, call (800) 537-3522, e-mail admin@relac.org or go online at www.relac.org. Remind the new members you recruit to put your name on their applications so we can thank you for the referrals. Keep RELAC strong; help us grow.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

April - May 2016

Assessor - John Zabinsky
Board of Supervisors - Michael Lewis
Chief Administrative Office - Katherine E. Ware
Children and Family Services - Deborah Cotton Thomas
County Counsel - Stephen Morris
Health Services - Dawood Nashant, Patricia Goya, Thor Griffin, Veda Griffin, Thurston Reese, Bonnie Jean Riley
Probation - Cheryl Williamson
Public Library - Velma Blue
Public Social Services - Margaret Colon, Debra Kissinger, David Kissinger, Nina M. Sanders, Shulau Thurm
Sheriff - Roberta Abner, John Hussmann, John Vargas
Superior Court - Diana Summerhayes
Department Not Designated - Arthur Blyford, Sharon Peacock
New Active Working Members - Darla Davis, Dellora Ellis-Grant, Larry Fobbs, Marsha Johnson, Salinda Lopez, Sandra Solis, La France Toliver, Michele Victor
New Associate Members - Philip Abner, Charles W. Dozier, Carol M. Hussmann, Eboni Johnson, Jacqueline Reese, Mark Snedden, Lydia A. Vargas

Membership Recruitment News

by Jason H. Williams, Chair
Membership/Recruitment Committee



Getting RELAC's Message Out

Over the past three and one half years, RELAC has worked very hard at getting out the message of what RELAC is as an organization, what we do for our members, what benefits we provide and most importantly why active and retired L.A. County employees should join RELAC. Our committee has developed a plan each year to grow our membership by first establishing membership goals and then implementing that plan for achieving those goals. Among the most important aspects of our plan is messaging -- getting our message out.

RELAC has worked very closely with the following important organizations, each of which has played a key role in RELAC's messaging:

LACERA - Coordinates with RELAC on mailing letters to retirees, in which we encourage them to join RELAC;

Pacific Group Agencies - Provides our members with *supplemental membership benefits* -- popular and competitively priced group-discounted insurance products, such as dental, pet, vision, travel, identity theft, hearing aids, car and home insurance;

The Los Angeles County Management Council (LACMC) - Invites RELAC representatives to set up informational tables and speak at educational conferences, educational seminars and departmental staff meetings (See photo taken at conference);

The Los Angeles County Department of Human Resources (DHR) - Allows RELAC to get its message out by including interesting and timely articles about our organization in the Los Angeles County Digest, a monthly publication which is e-mailed to all active Los Angeles County employees.

Last year RELAC developed a glossy, three-fold brochure which explains, both with colorful photos and text, all about RELAC, "Your Pension and Health Care Watchdog." The brochure explains RELAC's mission, membership benefits, eligibility requirements, cost and how to join. In addition, at RELAC's general membership and regional meetings, a member of the Membership/Recruitment Committee gives a brief recap on recruitment activities. RELAC thanks all of the organizations above for their help in getting our message out.

In closing, our committee asks our readers to request membership applications from the RELAC office for referral to co-workers or former co-workers. You will find RELAC's contact information on page 7 of this publication. We thank you in advance for your referrals.



RELAC members Cynthia D. Banks, Los Angeles County's director of community and senior services (center), and Fred Hungerford, retired chief deputy County librarian (second from right), were among those attending the L.A. County Management Council's April 28-29 Educational Conference at Lake Arrowhead.
(Photo by Jason H. Williams)



George Hernandez Retires From RELAC Board

by Judy Hammond
Newsletter Editor

George Hernandez, a member of the RELAC Board of Directors since 2008, has resigned after relocating to Reno, Nev.



Hernandez and his wife, Laurie, sold their Rancho Cucamonga home and built a new one in Reno after deciding they wanted new challenges. "Life had just become too comfortable," he said. And, they look forward to living in a beautiful area with less traffic.

Hernandez retired in 1998 after 40 years with the County. He began his career in the Mechanical Department, took six-month tours with the Department of Parks and Recreation and Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center, and after 12 years transferred to the County Museum of Art. Six years later he transferred to the Department of Health Services Administration, then three years later to LAC+USC Medical Center, where he retired as director of facilities and engineering services.

Ten years into retirement, he joined the RELAC Board of Directors "hoping to bring new energy, new ideas and make a difference." He served as chair of the Program Committee and the Bylaws, Nominations and Elections Committee, and as a member of the Legislative, Investments, Benefits Study, and Regional Support Committees.

Hernandez said it was with regret that he submitted his resignation, which was effective May 31. "It has been a challenging and rewarding experience."

"RELAC has acquired some new progressive Board members and I am sorry that I will not be able to serve with them," he added.

RELAC President Dave Muir praised Hernandez for his service. "George was dedicated to helping retirees of the County enjoy their retirement. His many contributions to RELAC's operations and success are greatly appreciated."

"We look forward to occasional visits from George in the future."

RELAC "DAY AT THE RACES" SANTA ANITA PARK

Oct. 6, 2016

by Mary K. Rodriguez
Chair, Recreation Committee



Good News!

It is time to enjoy another exciting day at SANTA ANITA PARK for our annual RELAC "Day at the Races." This event is always enthusiastically attended by our members. The day provides a lot of enjoyment, the food is great and hopefully we will have a lot of winners. We will be seated in the Sierra Vista Terrace, a prime location that offers a great view of the track. This year our event will be held on Thursday, Oct. 6.

Santa Anita has raised the ticket price to \$53 per person. However, RELAC will be supplementing each ticket by \$4, so your cost for this year's event will be \$49. Your ticket includes park admission, parking, a racing program (available when you enter the park), and a great buffet lunch with soft drinks and dessert.

RELAC has made every effort to negotiate a better price, but to no avail. There has always been a good turnout for this event and we are hopeful that the price increase will not affect this year's participation.

Please fill in the coupon and send your check to RELAC as soon as possible. The reservation deadline is Sept. 22. Your tickets will be mailed to you on Sept. 27.

Come enjoy a full day - hope to see you there!

RELAC DAY AT THE RACES

Santa Anita Park

Thursday, Oct. 6, 2016

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone Number: (_____) _____

Number of Tickets _____ @ \$49 each

Total Amount Enclosed = \$ _____

Enclose a check for your total payable to RELAC and mail to:

RELAC
1000 S. Fremont Ave., #15
Alhambra, CA 91803-8802

Must be received by Thursday, Sept. 22, 2016

Like RELAC on Facebook

We have launched a Facebook page so you can keep up-to-date on the latest happenings in and around RELAC. By tapping the "Like" button, you will receive updates on recent postings. You can also post photos you take at RELAC events so your friends, family and fellow retirees will know what you are up to. Take advantage of this new way to stay in touch with new and old friends.



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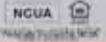


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Letters To The Editor Write On!

I was delighted to be included on a page of the RELAC newsletter with Carol Matsui. She was liaison between staff of the Board of Supervisors and the Department of Public Social Services, a delight to work with and incredibly good at it. One could count on her to solve difficult problems, and she was always cheerful to work with. One of the highlights of many years of working for the County.

Tom Hibbard, Loma Linda, Calif.

(Ed. Note: Hibbard and Matsui were featured in "Keeping Up With Retirees" in the May-June newsletter.)

Tried to get listing of "in memoriam" (on the RELAC website) and got a blank page and message that my browser does not have a listing for it. Please continue to put it in the newsletter. Also please schedule a general meeting in the Downey area.

Dave Feinberg, Bell Gardens, Calif.

(Ed. Note: Thanks for letting us know about the website problem. We fixed it right away. We do not plan to discontinue the deaths listing in the newsletter. We just added it to the website to provide more timely access. Your suggestion about Downey has been forwarded to our committee chair who schedules the membership meetings.)

Hi, everyone. Thank you so very much for the \$25 from the 2016 Valentine Drawing. It was a very nice and an unexpected surprise when I received it. Thank you so very much. Thank you for the newsletter as well. Best regards and most sincerely,

Grace Sanwo, Sacramento, Calif.

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Veteran's Corner

Cell Phone Discounts for Veterans

by Greg Wallia, Chair
Ad Hoc Benefits Committee

TO OUR VETERANS:

You may or may not be aware, but here is some useful information: Several **mobile** phone companies offer a 15% discount on your monthly cell phone bill. These companies are: AT&T, Sprint/Nextel, T-Mobile, U.S. Cellular and Verizon. According to our information, Cricket Wireless and Metro PCS do not offer such discounts at the present time.

If you subscribe to one of the companies that offers discounts, you will need to talk to their representative to file for their discount. Proper qualifying identification as a veteran would be required at the time of filing.

Thank you for your service to our country and being a RELAC member.



News From LACERA

by JJ Popowich
Assistant Executive Officer

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer as they read this article, and staying cool. Based on the temperatures in June, it will likely be another hot one.

Over the last few articles I've talked about some changes we've made to our Member Service Center operations. You may recall I've mentioned that for many years LACERA has met with members at our Member Service Center on a "walk-in – first-come-first served" basis. In late 2015, we made a commitment to change our Member Service Center operations to support an appointment-based operation to better accommodate members' busy schedules and as a way to address an ever-increasing volume of members, which was leading to an increased wait time. This month I thought I would give you an update on this project and share some of the successes we've had.

We began the planning for this process in October 2015. At that time we only offered nine appointments per day. The majority of members visiting the Member Service Center were walk-ins. In October, we saw 1,418 members, for an average wait time of 27 minutes. Granted, sometimes the wait could be a bit longer and sometimes it could be a bit shorter.

Between November 2015 and February 2016 we steadily increased the number of available appointments. We also set aside a specific lunch time for our staff, which allowed us to more efficiently manage the lunch and break schedule – making more staff available to meet with members during the morning and afternoon. From 12 noon to 1 p.m. our lobby is open, but we do not meet with members. Additionally, we did our best to distribute the appointments throughout the day to take better advantage of the morning and afternoon hours.

I am pleased to announce that the change in operations has been a success. Our most recent statistics are from April 2016:

	Total Members	Average Wait Time (MIN)
APPOINTMENTS	528	06:52
WALK-INS	487	26:59
DROP-OFFS	503	03:52
* Measured from the appointment time to the time member is served		

We feel the new appointment-based Member Service Center operations model allows us to provide a more consistent customer service experience for our members. If you plan on coming to visit LACERA for any of your service needs, I encourage you to take a moment and make an appointment. Appointments are available from 7 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. Monday through Friday. You can do so by visiting lacera.com or by calling our Member Services Call Center at (888) 786-6464. Of course, we still allow members to walk-in, but please be advised you may have to wait for a while to be seen.

Well, that's it for this month. Until we chat again, I hope you enjoy every day of your retirement. You earned it!



Golf News

By Gil Sandoval
RELAC Golf Director



Santa Anita Golf Tournament - June 13, 2016

Unfortunately the tournament was scheduled beyond the newsletter deadline. As a result, the tournament results will be posted on the RELAC website (RELAC.org) under the activities link.

We had 37 players scheduled to play at Santa Anita and we would like to invite more ladies to join us for our golf outings. So, I encourage you ladies to come out and have some fun!

The next tournament will be held at the Los Verdes Golf Course on Aug. 1. Entries must be received by July 14. NOTE: Only one guest per member. The registration coupon follows.

RELAC GOLF ENTRY FORM

LOS VERDES GOLF COURSE

7000 W. LOS VERDES DRIVE,
RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275

MONDAY, AUG. 1, 2016 8 A.M. START

1. Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Fees: \$32.00 PER GOLFER - CART EXTRA

2. Name _____ Member _____

Address _____ Guest _____

City _____ Zip _____

3. Name _____ Member _____

Address _____ Guest _____

City _____ Zip _____

4. Name _____ Member _____

Address _____ Guest _____

City _____ Zip _____

Early _____ Late _____ No Preference _____

NOTE: Only **ONE GUEST** per member. Enclosed check for _____ golfers @ \$32 per golfer. Make check payable to RELAC. Mail entry to RELAC, 1000 S. Fremont Ave., Unit 15, Alhambra, CA 91803-8802.

ENTRY DEADLINE - JULY 14, 2016

All checks must be in RELAC Office

FOR OFFICE USE

Date Rec _____ Amt _____ Check No. _____

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Guests/Names _____

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 1000 So. Fremont Ave., Unit 15
 Alhambra, CA 91803-8802

For Information: Phone: (626) 308-0532 (800) 537-3522
 Email: admin@relac.org

NO ADMISSION WITHOUT ADVANCE REGISTRATION

PICK UP TICKETS AT EVENT

RSVP by Sept. 28, 2016

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

by Don Fandry, Chair
 Regional Support/Special Events Committee



Las Vegas Luncheon Meeting - Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2016

The clock is ticking! Aug.19 is the deadline to make hotel reservations at the Orleans Hotel and Casino at the negotiated rate and Sept. 6 is the deadline for luncheon reservations. See the announcement on page 12 for further details and the luncheon reservation form.

Annual Picnic – Oct. 15, 2016

Our annual picnic held at the Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area in Irwindale is always a fun event and it is not too early to send in your check along with the reservation form located below. Reservations must be received no later than Sept. 28. The menu remains unchanged and the cost is \$20. Plan on attending. You will not be disappointed.

Annual Recognition Luncheon – Jan. 26, 2017

As I mentioned in my last article, the Annual Recognition Luncheon is once again being held at Almanson Court in Alhambra. I will share additional details in my next report. Mark your calendars!

As always, thank you for your interest and support.

For Sale

CEMETERY PLOTS - Two gravesites side-by-side, Rose Hills Whittier, Garden of Affection, Space 2 & 3, Lot 1655. I am selling each space for \$3,500 plus transfer fees. If purchased together, the price is \$6,000 plus transfer fees. Purchase and transfer will be at the title office at Rose Hills. Contact Myra at (951) 845-2197.

LOT FOR SALE - Lake County near Lucerne, CA, undeveloped subdivision in Clear Lake. Ideal for camping. Asking \$3,000. Contact Denis McGrath at (626) 794-8444 or mcgdenis@gmail.com .

TIMESHARE - One bedroom unit in the beautiful Lagonita Lodge in Big Bear Lake. Assessed at \$3,200. Asking \$500. Call Frank or Cheryl at (562) 595-6513.

SEINFELD DVD GIFT SET - Forty episodes, seasons 1, 2 and 3. New, still in unopened sealed box. Asking \$50. Call Laura at (760) 202-6362.

CEMETERY PLOTS - Two lots in the Valley View Lawn Section of Rose Hills. Older part of the cemetery. Asking \$4,000 each or both for \$7,000. You pay the transfer. Contact Darrel Taylor at (562)706-3901.

TRAVEL TRAILER – 18- foot HI-LO all metal pop-up, \$12,000. Trailer raises/lowers via an electro-hydraulic pump and can be stored in your garage if you have 7 ½ feet of overhead clearance. It has a little over 1,000 miles and comes with extras, including an electric trailer mover (Tesco Tote). Non-smoker. Must sell due to illness. Call Jim, LADA retiree, at (562) 941-4514.

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CEO Hamai Supports Funding For Retiree Medical Benefits

by Jason H. Williams
RELAC Board Member



L.A. County CEO Sachi A. Hamai answers questions from the audience at the L.A. County Management Council's Spring Educational Conference. Also shown is LACMC President Steven Golightly. (Photo by Jason H. Williams)

On April 28-29 the Los Angeles County Management Council (LACMC) hosted its Spring 2016 Educational Conference at the Lake Arrowhead Resort, which was attended by more than 165 L.A. County managers. The keynote speaker was L.A. County CEO Sachi A. Hamai.

Similar to the format of last year's Spring Educational Conference, Hamai was asked questions by LACMC President Steven Golightly, who is also director of the Child Support Services Department. When Golightly asked Hamai what her priorities are, she said that several areas stand out:

Implementing a Board of Supervisors-adopted plan to address the unfunded liability for retiree medical benefits. Hamai added that it's important for L.A. County to keep its promises regarding earned benefits both to retirees and future retirees.

Keeping L.A. County facilities safe, especially after the brutal slayings that took place last December in a San Bernardino County facility. Hamai said that her office is working with the Sheriff's and Internal Services Departments on costs and other factors to keep County facilities safe.

Consolidating County departments for greater efficiency, such as the recent consolidation of L.A. County's health agencies.

Implementing reforms in the Sheriff's Department.

Dealing with radio systems for communicating during emergencies, child protection, homelessness, a balanced approach to funding County programs and other important issues.

Celebrate L.A. County Day at L.A. County Fair on Sept. 11

by Judy Hammond
Newsletter Editor

RELAC members, family and friends are invited to participate in L.A. County Day at the Los Angeles County Fair on Sunday, Sept. 11, enjoying a reduced admission price and the comradery of former colleagues.

A County parade, featuring County elected officials, department heads and employees, will take place at noon, starting on Redwood Street by the Millard Sheets Art Center and ending in the same location. County department booths will be located across from the Millard Sheets Art Center, open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Using a special coupon, admission will be \$5, with nominal rates for children aged 6 and over.

To get the discount price, use the barcoded coupon below at ticket booths or go online and purchase tickets beforehand and present at any admission gate. To purchase online, go to LA County Fair.com/buytickets and enter the quantity of Community Day Admission tickets, using promo code "lacounty."

The discounted price is valid Sept. 11 only and is not valid with any other offers. Regular admission on Sundays is \$20, or \$15 if aged 60 or older. General parking costs \$15.

Fairplex is located at 1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona.

L.A. COUNTY DAY AT THE FAIR
presented by Wells Fargo

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

Exclusive offer: \$5 admission

Two ways to purchase tickets

1. Go to LA County Fair.com/buytickets. Enter the quantity of Community Day Admission tickets. Use promo code: **lacounty**
2. Present this discount coupon at any LA County Fair admission gate, Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016

\$5 Admission

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\$5 admission with online purchase using promo code, or at LA County Fair gates by submitting this barcoded coupon, valid Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016 only. Not valid with any other offers. No cash value.

Retirement is...

"Retirement is the beginning of life and contentment, not an ending."

Steve Duron, Retired March 2012
Regional Operations Manager, Parks and Recreation



Keeping Up With Retirees

We asked four RELAC members to let us know what they have been doing since retirement. Their articles follow.



JOHN SCHUNHOFF

I joined the County in 1987. In chronological order, I was assistant director and then director of the AIDS Program Office of the Department of Health Services (DHS); the acting director of public health programs and services; the chief of operations of public health, and then chief deputy when Public Health became a separate department. After that, I moved over as the chief deputy of DHS and served as interim director from May of 2008 until Mitch Katz (thankfully) accepted the job as DHS director in January 2011. I stayed a year to help Mitch get settled and then retired in February 2012.



John Schunhoff, left, with husband, Ken Titley.

I'm very happily retired. My only "official" involvement with the County these days is as a member of the DHS Ambulatory Care Network (ACN) Advisory Board. We've been following the significant progress of the ACN to create medical homes for DHS patients.

One of my great pleasures is lunches, dinners, and outings with other County retirees. My spouse/husband of 39 years, Ken Titley, is also retired. We live in the Miracle Mile area of Los Angeles with our three Pugs and two cats. We subscribe to the LA Philharmonic, other events at Disney Hall, the Broad Stage in Santa Monica, and the Geffen Theater in Westwood. We attend performances at the Wallis, the Center Theater Group and the LA Opera. On the road, this will be our 18th year in a row at the Ojai Music Festival and fourth consecutive year at the Santa Fe Opera.

We've traveled quite a lot since I retired. In recent years, we've been to London, Scotland, Paris, Provence, Berlin, New York City, Chicago, Portland (Oregon), and Santa Fe. When we're home I love to cook so I try new recipes each week, and I tend to the 70+ orchids in our orchid greenhouse.

PATTY PAUL

August 1969 started my County career as a health education assistant with the immunization project in the Department of Public Health. When Public Health, Hospitals and Mental Health merged several years later, I was selected as one of the administrative interns to participate in a one-year rotation in various locations in the newly merged Department of Health Services (DHS). After the rotation year I was hired in the central budget unit of the department.



Several years later I went to work in Medical Support Services at LAC + USC Medical Center. Then I became special assistant to Morrison Chamberlin, newly appointed director of DHS, and continued to serve in that role for Interim Director Sol Bernstein and Director Bob White. From there I went to Emergency Medical Services as assistant director for eight years, and then three years as administrator of quality assurance and risk management and special assistant to Medical Director Joseph Indenbaum. I moved on to the Department of Coroner as chief deputy for two years, then back to DHS to High Desert Hospital for two years and LAC+USC Medical Center for my final two years. I retired in 1996 with 27 years County service.

After retirement I traveled with my actor husband, Richard, to Memphis, Tenn., Oxford, Miss., and Washington, D.C. while he was filming "The People vs. Larry Flint," in which he portrayed Jerry Falwell. In 1997 Richard was diagnosed with cancer. Retirement allowed me to be there for his 20-month battle. Before he died we were able to fulfill his lifetime dreams of visiting Ireland and also see the Siegfried and Roy show in Las Vegas.

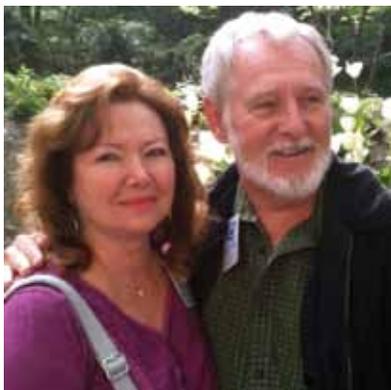
Following his death in 1998 I accepted opportunities as they presented themselves. I served on the Board of Directors of the Musical Theatre Guild for 10 years and remain a member on its Advisory Board. I produced eight staged concert readings of musicals at the Pasadena Playhouse, the Colony Theatre, the Alex Theatre and the Fred Kevil Theatre in Thousand Oaks and the Karen Carpenter Theatre at Cal State Long Beach. I auditioned and booked a Time Life commercial on the rock music of the 60's and served on the Board of Directors of the Academy of New Musical Theatre for two years.

I started a health ministry at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in North Hollywood in collaboration with the Providence Hospital System. I participated in other ministries at St. Charles and was a member of the Parish Council. I took the L.A. City Fire Department certification course in community emergency response training, the CERT program, to be of use in the community in the event of a major disaster.

I traveled extensively: a bicycle tour of the Loire Valley in France; flew from London to Australia, stopping in the Cook Islands, the Tahitian Islands, New Zealand and Australia; toured Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam; sailed down the Nile in Egypt; went on safari in Africa; spent two weeks in China; took a trip to Cancun, several to London and one to Paris; volunteered in Spain for a one-week total immersion into English program for Spanish managers; traveled to Spain twice; took numerous trips to the East Coast and to my favorite place, Yosemite National Park; visited New York City after 911 and then again later to watch a friend from Spain run the New York marathon.

My own health concerns have slowed me down a little and I stopped my volunteer activities, but increased theater-going. Life is good.

I am truly grateful to the County for all of the amazing experiences and people I met and worked with. It was a place of opportunity for me to grow and learn and share. And as most of my retired friends say, "I don't know how we ever got anything else done while we were working."



CONSTANCE PERETT

I began my County career in 1968 after two years in the private sector. I was quite young and absolutely thrilled to get a job as a typist clerk with the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS). Thirty-eight years later I retired from the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) as the administrator of the County Office of Emergency Management (OEM). What a wild and educational ride those 38 years were.

Many people supported me over the years, including Joe Guerra and Flo Washington, both bureau directors for DPSS. In the CAO I was fortunate to have the support of three amazing executives, our CAOs Sally Reed and David Janssen, and my day-to-day boss and mentor, Chief Deputy Sandy Davis. OEM was without a doubt the most incredible, stressful, responsible, exhausting, and wonderful job anyone could want. It was made all the better because of our excellent staff of professional emergency managers, IT managers, and wonderful secretaries. Words are inadequate to describe my heartbreak and our staff's grief when Carla Mahler, our

secretary and my dear friend of 14 years, was tragically killed in a car accident in 2007. She is loved and sorely missed.

I retired in 2006 feeling relief, sadness, happiness, and that great expectation that "time" was finally going to slow down. But, Ted (my wonderful husband) and I have been on a whirlwind ride ever since we both retired. Our blended family has nine grown children, 11 living grandchildren (we lost one), and a new great-grandchild. Some are out-of-state so we make several trips a year to see family. In addition we enjoy a week-long summer trip with the local grandkids to a different destination each year.

Ted and I have also done quite a bit of traveling on our own. We started with a month in the United Kingdom. Since then we have traveled to a number of European countries and seen a great deal of Canada. We haven't neglected our own beautiful USA either. We've traveled to many parts of the South; seen the fall colors along the eastern seaboard; enjoyed Alaska, Hawaii and the Pacific Northwest; relived President Kennedy's assassination in Dallas, and visited many wonderful American cities. We've traveled to most of the Civil War battle sites (Ted is a Civil War history buff) and seen so many presidential libraries and presidential birthplaces and homes that I've lost count.

La Verne has been home since 1984. It's a lovely community nestled in the foothills between Claremont and San Dimas. In 2013 we decided to move a whopping two miles from our old location so that the grandkids would have a pool. We needed a pool like "a hole in the head," but the kids love it and it turned out to be a great decision. We are currently knee-deep in a master bath remodeling project (sigh). Kind of like a pregnancy . . . the nine months seem endless, but the baby will be beautiful and worth the wait!

When not traveling, seeing family, and working on the house, I indulge in my lifelong passion – classic film. For those of you "in the know" about Turner Classic Movies, I want Robert Osborne's job! I will always be grateful to our County of Los Angeles for giving a young woman so many opportunities, including the opportunity to have a wonderful retirement!

RENE TOPALIAN

I retired in March 2004 after holding more than a dozen direct service and administrative positions in both appointed and acting roles with the County Probation Department and the Department of Health Services (DHS) from 1970-2004. I was recruited by the Probation Department from the California Youth Authority and had also served several years in the private mental health sector while working on my undergraduate and graduate degrees.

After four years with Probation, I spent 18 years in DHS alcohol and drug services. In addition to my regular work, I participated as a trainer and trainer of trainers in the Louis Allen Management Action Program in DHS. My last eight years were in human resources for DHS. Other than a little over one year as acting director of human resources near the end of my 34 years, I spent eight years investigating and "prosecuting" alleged malfeasance, discrimination and retaliation matters in DHS, including appearing before, and supervising staff who appeared before, the County Civil Service Commission in the presentation of cases.

Most interesting and unexpected to me, when I retired in 2004 I received a call from a person that I had years before previously "prosecuted" asking if I would consider quite the opposite: defending the person in another Civil Service matter regarding discipline. I declined initially. But after being persuaded to meet with the individual, I decided to take the case based on factual evidence I found deeply troubling. Ever since, largely by word of mouth, I established an administrative litigation and consultation practice mostly defending public employees who can present me with sufficient facts to persuade me to defend them against the action of the employer. I also have to tell many who seek my assistance that they were in the wrong and should not waste their resources in fighting an action but to alter their behavior to retain their employment or move on and learn from the experience.

So, one can say I have worked both sides of the aisle. It is interesting, to say the least, in two ways: 1) some excellent county mentors very early in my career encouraged me and counseled me to always be flexible while seeing the often more than two sides to any issue and then to act on the facts, and 2) it is cerebrally challenging. I also continue to do university teaching, facilitations and speaking engagements.

There is indeed much to do after one retires.



Rene Topalian, left, and RELAC friends Jeff Samsom and Barry Hunt admire Samsom's classic 1930 Ford Model A street rod at car show at Pomona Fairplex National Hot Rod Museum.

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year career employee of Los Angeles County, Martin retired in January 1992 as deputy director of personnel. He was a strong advocate and pioneer of diversity in the workforce, which was one of his highest priorities, and he assisted Los Angeles County departments in establishing and achieving policies toward this important goal.

To RELAC Board members, Martin was considered RELAC'S MVP (Most Valuable Player). This is because for 13 years he was the editor of RELAC'S Newsletter, which is distributed to all of our retired members throughout the County, United States and even foreign countries. The RELAC Newsletter is greatly admired and considered by many to be one of the best publications of County Retired Associations throughout the United States.

Being the perennial chairman (10 years) of RELAC's Investment Committee was also a very important assignment. This committee takes careful care of RELAC'S monies to ensure that they are properly spent and invested.

RELAC offers our deep condolences to Martin's widow, Miriam, his sons, Irwin and Howard, and their families.

We will miss you, Martin, but rest assured you will never be forgotten.

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including Management, Executive/Budget, Newsletter and Investments. She remained on the Board until her death.

She served on the Los Angeles County Criminal Grand Jury in 1994-95.

Bangar, 88, died May 31, several months after being diagnosed with cancer. She is survived by daughter, Diane; son, Robert; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and sister, Shirley Saavedra. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert.

"Mary Lou was greatly admired for her dedication to RELAC and its members," said RELAC President Dave Muir. "She was a fixture at RELAC membership meetings and well known to many who attended regularly."

Just Saying:

Quote of the Day

"While the right to talk may be the beginning of freedom, the necessity of listening is what makes the right important."

Walter Lippman

(Submitted by RELAC Board Member Bill de la Garza)

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Arkansas Rendezvous <i>Marlsgate Plantation - Garvan Woodland Gardens - Hot Springs - Speakeasy - Little Rock Touring - Clinton Presidential Center</i>	Sep 23, 2016 4 Day	\$926 (Land Only)
Classic Ireland <i>Dublin - Galway - Irish Countryside - Cliffs of Moher - Bunratty Castle & Folk Park - Ring of Kerry - Blarney Castle - Waterford - Kilkenny</i>	Oct 9, 2016 9 Day	\$1049 (Land Only)
New York Macy's Parade <i>Dinner at Carmine's - Broadway Performances (2) - Ellis Island & Statue of Liberty - Thanksgiving Dinner Cruise - Rockettes Spectacular - Guided Tours of NYC, 9/11 Memorial</i>	Nov 20, 2016 6 Day	\$3150 (Land Only)
Nashville Opryland New Years <i>Franklin Plantations Tour - The Parthenon - New Years Eve Party - Recording Studio - Country Music Hall of Fame - Johnny Cash Museum - Wild Horse Saloon</i>	Dec 30, 2016 5 Day	\$1425 (Land Only)
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July 2016

RV Outing Notes

Ed Clifton

Coordinator of RV Club
and Jeanne Klauk
Assistant Coordinator



From Jeanne: Yikes!!!! I forgot to mention that Max Georgi and Dulcy Gerdes came to our Banning campout. I don't want to get in trouble again, so here are the campers at our fabulous May, Buellton RV outing: Max Georgi and Dulcy Gerdes, Ed Clifton, Leon and Dian Stegall, Wanda and Dennis Klodt, Ron and Betsy Morgon, Mike and Veronica Reyes, Janet Cerato, Janice and Bill Hayhurst, Bob and Linda Reyes, Dorie Fregeau, and me. Margo Martinez, who was the wife of the first RV coordinator, Raul Martinez, and her daughter, Linda Gutierrez, joined us on Monday evening. Buellton is one of our favorite parks, and they are upgrading it even more, adding a second pool and more cabins to rent. So, if you don't have an RV rig, you can always join us in the park in a cabin!

On Sunday, most of us arrived, and began our visiting - with some of us watching the Dodger game - as it was on ESPN.

Monday began the official campout - lots of cards were played. After our pretty nice hors d'oeuvres, we held another whoopee game. I believe that Veronica won the most prizes, but we all had a great time. Margo and Linda also participated, as there was no opt-out option. Dorie and I joined Dennis and Wanda and watched part of the Dodger game in their rig. Not wanting to overstep our welcome, we left in the sixth inning.

Tuesday was a very busy day. The Morgons provided us with breakfast burrito fixings. Betsy bought uncooked tortillas, to the dismay of Mike Reyes, as he was tasked to cooking all of the tortillas - one by one for all of us. But, being unflappable, he mustered through and cooked all these tortillas - both mornings - quite a trooper! Betsy held another sewing event. Wanda, Dorie, Veronica, and Linda participated - with Dorie and Wanda creating Dodger masterpieces. Ron and I worked on our genealogy lesson (me the learner). We had a great potluck dinner. The Klodts won the gas card, and the Morgons won the 50-50 drawing. Ed, Dorie and I invaded the most generous invitation to watch the Dodger/Angel game, with Ed rooting (quietly) for the Angels in a Dodger environment. Kershaw pitched, and most of us were very happy.

On Wednesday, the Morgons provided breakfast again, with eggs, sausage, bacon and more of Betsy's excellent smoothies. The sewing projects were finished up. Cards were played. Some of us went on a trolley ride through the towns of Los Olivos, Solvang, and Buellton. We started out the trip with Dian tripping on the unmarked berms, and crashing to the asphalt, bashing her head, hand and knee, and breaking her prescription glasses as well. But, being a remarkable trooper, she continued on and we took the tour. Luckily, her wounds diminished during the night, and is hopefully on the mend. Wednesday night we went to Mother Hubbards for dinner, and were served very large meals, which most took home half. We left the RV Park on Thursday, and look forward to our next adventure!

From Ed: Our next outing will be Sept. 12-14 at the Chula Vista RV Resort in Chula Vista. Look for the coupon on the RELAC website www.relac.org or call the RELAC office at (800) 537-3522 and staff will be more than happy to send you one. As always, if you need more information or have any questions, give Jeanne or myself a call and we will do our best to answer them. Jeanne's number is (562) 896-8904 and for Ed (562) 428-3360. If I (Ed) am not home, leave a message and I'll get back to you as soon as possible. Again, stay safe and have a great summer.

RELAC HAS PLANNED A LUNCHEON IN LAS VEGAS

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Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2016

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Inside LA County

by Judy Hammond
Newsletter Editor



Supervisors are asking state permission to put a measure on the ballot to impose an income tax on millionaires to pay for homeless services. The tax would raise an estimated \$243 million annually, half of what the County says is needed to make a significant reduction in homelessness, now estimated at 47,000 individuals. Earlier this year supervisors approved \$150 million to reduce homelessness, but need a source of ongoing funding. Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas calls homelessness “the most compelling crisis that confronts us.” The L.A. Homeless Authority says homelessness increased 5.7 percent in the last year, and 12 percent the year before. Supervisors have also asked six departments to devise a plan to provide resources on an ongoing basis to house homeless children.

Tom Angel, chief of staff to Sheriff Jim McDonnell, resigned after it was revealed he forwarded e-mails which mocked Muslims, blacks, women and others while he was a top police official in Burbank in 2012 and 2013. Sheriff McDonnell said he now will randomly audit e-mails of his employees.

Assistant Sheriff Terri McDonald, hired three years ago to reform the jails, has resigned and is being succeeded by Kelly Harrington. ACLU legal director Peter Eliasberg credited McDonald, 52, for curtailing the worst abuses at the jails and making them more humane with her hands-on management, but some deputies complain inmates have been given too much power.

A civil grand jury report attributed problems in the Coroner’s Office to underfunding and suggested consolidation of the office with the Department of Health Services’ Office of Decedent Affairs. However, the grand jury said merging the two agencies should not be considered until the Coroner’s Office has enough staff to meet its current requirements.

The Museum of Art has \$275 million pledged toward its goal of raising \$600 million to construct a modernist building to serve as its new home, replacing four of its present seven buildings. Construction is targeted to begin in 2018.

Former County Counsel Mark Saladino has sued the County in an effort to get reinstated, alleging the Board of Supervisors broke the law when it decided in closed session to demote him without reporting the action in open session. Private attorney Louis “Skip” Miller, who was involved in the matter, contends the Board did not have to report the action publicly since Saladino was not terminated.

The addition of six more miles to the Expo Line means you can now go from downtown to the ocean (Santa Monica) on the transit line.

Supervisors have banned the use of solitary confinement for juveniles at youth camps and halls except for brief “cooling off” periods when behavior poses a serious and immediate risk of physical harm to another individual. Critics argue solitary confinement, said to have been a widespread practice in the County, is cruel, causes lasting psychological damage, increases recidivism and is unproductive.

Four County social workers have been charged with felony child abuse and falsifying public records in the case of an 8-year-old who was tortured and killed, allegedly by his mother and her boyfriend. The District Attorney’s Office said the workers for the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) should have removed the youth from his home after investigating allegations of abuse, but closed the case instead. DCFS Director Philip Browning said the employees were fired because they had failed to perform their duties. “I want to make it unambiguously clear that the defendants do not represent the daily work, standards or commitment of our dedicated social workers, who, like me, will not tolerate conduct that jeopardizes the well-being of children. For the vast majority of those who choose this demanding career, it is nothing short of a calling.”

The case prompted the Board of Supervisors to ask for reforms to the County Civil Service Commission, which ordered the reinstatement of

one of the supervising social workers who had been fired. (The commission’s decision was overturned by the Superior Court, which ordered a new hearing.) Already concerned that the commission had overturned the termination of several sheriff deputies, the Board said it wants to review developing panels of subject-matter expert hearing officers, establishing a civil service division within County Counsel, and revising the selection, qualification and training of civil service commissioners and hearing officers.

Supervisor Sheila Kuehl and former Supervisor Gloria Molina Deputy Jackie Goldberg are featured in a new documentary, “Political Animals,” that tells the story of the first four openly gay Sacramento legislators.

The County is considering a business registration program in unincorporated areas after learning about half – approximately 8,000 – of businesses are not licensed with the County. Supervisors say they are concerned not only about public safety, but also compliance with the new minimum wage and wage theft ordinance.

The County and local philanthropic institutions have launched a jointly funded Center for Strategic Public-Private Partnerships to focus on child welfare. Kate Anderson, a longtime child advocate, is head of the office and reports to Michael Nash, director of the County’s Office of Child Protection.

After nearly 57 years, the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena has closed to make way for a \$250 million soccer stadium featuring 22,000 seats, a museum, restaurants, and retail and office space. The L.A. Football Club will debut as a major league soccer franchise in 2018.

For the first time the 1.6 million residents voting by mail in L.A. County received an “I Voted” sticker with their ballot.

Supervisors are requesting the federal government allow Medi-Cal health care benefits to be provided to persons in jail who have not yet been tried. Federal law bars the use of Medi-Cal funds for persons in jail, but the County argues that these inmates haven’t been convicted yet so shouldn’t be punished.

Recruitment is under way for the County’s first chief sustainability officer, who will lead the effort to make the County greener, and save money by creating efficiencies in water use and energy consumption.

RETIREMENTS: Wayne Doss, former director of the Bureau of Family Support, Child Support Services; Dr. Peter Kerndt, acting director of the TB Control Program in Public Health; Assistant Treasurer-Tax Collector Mark Oune; Glen Dragovich, administrative and training division director, Sheriff; Karen Harris, executive assistant to DA Jackie Lacey. Among those taking deferred retirements: former Supervisor Pete Schabarum Chief Deputy Mike Lewis, former Supervisor Deane Dana Deputy Gaye Williams; former

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Probation Department Chief Deputy Marcus Allen.

DEATHS: M. Nate Viswanathan, 86, former judge pro tem at L.A. Superior Court and Pasadena Municipal Court. Former L.A. Superior Court Commissioner Roberta Lee, 77. Former Fire Capt. Lawrence R. Daedler, 80. Dr. Leonard Haber, 89, former chief of medicine and cardiology at Olive View Hospital, where he developed the first heart catheterization lab. Elaine Biewer McElhinney, 68, former regional administrator for the Department of Children and Family Services. Hayward “Kelly” Fong, 91, who in 1948 became the first civil engineer of Chinese ancestry hired by the Road Department. Retired Sheriff’s Capt. Louis V. Portesi, Jr.; Lt. John Macis; Sgts. Jack Buehn, Robert Hanley, James Kaylor, Arthur Robinson, Jr., and Johnny Rodriguez.

Parks After Dark Program Expands

The County will expand its “Parks After Dark” program from nine parks to 20 this summer. The program offers free activities that include concerts and movies, cooking classes, public health outreach, health and social service resource fairs, and organized sports.

Programming will be offered Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at these parks: Bassett, Belvedere, City Terrace, Obregon, San Angelo, Salazar, Athens, Bethune, East Rancho Dominguez, Helen Keller, Jesse Owens, Roosevelt, Ted Watkins, El Cariso, Adventure, Mayberry, Pamela, Loma Alta, Sorensen, and Val Verde. For more information, go online to parks.lacounty.gov.



Finding Love – 51 Years Later

by Marilyn Lewis Green

Marilyn Lewis and Dallas Green shown in Agricultural Commissioner staff photo, circa 1958. Marilyn is in the bottom row, third from right. Dallas is in middle row at left.

I was just 20 in 1958 when Dallas Green came strolling into the office. I had gone to work just after high school as a secretary in the Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner’s Office, and he was a newly hired inspector just out of Cal Poly, Pomona. I did think he was really cute, but he was married.

Five years later he left the department to take a job with a European company in the agricultural field and we never saw each other again. Until 51 years later.

Recently widowed, Dallas heard through a mutual Agricultural Department friend that I, too, had lost my husband a few years earlier. Out of the blue this mutual friend phoned me at work and asked me to give Dallas a call. He said Dallas needed some cheering up. Well, I did, after the second reminder, and we met for lunch.

That was in 2014. On Oct. 5, 2015 we were married. Life is full of surprises.

Now we spend time between my Eagle Rock home, his Julian cattle ranch and home in Lake Havasu, five timeshares and seven children to visit.

After 37 years working for the County and 14 years with RELAC, getting married was an unexpected blessing, and I am very happy to share my life with Dallas.

(Marilyn Lewis Green was RELAC’s office manager when she retired in 2014. She worked for the Agricultural Commissioner, Music Commission, Board of Supervisors and Coroner’s Office while employed with the County.)

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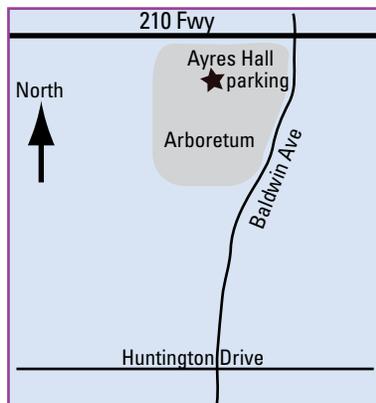
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