

## President's Message

By Diane Sandoval



Marsha Richter, LACERA's Chief Executive Officer, was the featured speaker at RELAC's Annual Installation and Awards Luncheon held at the Quiet Cannon in Montebello. As your President and the Master of Ceremonies, I had the privilege of introducing her. Over 400 members attended the Luncheon and enjoyed listening to Mrs. Richter cover a range of interesting and timely topics

relating to our retirement and medical benefits. She assured those in attendance that our retirement benefits are guaranteed and that the Fund is financially sound.

Be assured that RELAC continues to actively represent you at LACERA Board meetings and testifies on your behalf. On January 15, I attended the LACERA Board of Retirement meeting to speak in favor of appointing an Alternate Retired Board Member. Several other RELAC Board Members joined me to speak in favor of the alternate retired board position.

### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

The appointment of an Alternate Retired Board Member benefits all retirees in the event the regular retired board member is absent from a board meeting for any cause. I'm sure you remember that retirees were without representation for over ten months during Bob Stotelmeyer's illness and subsequent demise.

I am pleased to say that the Board of Retirement voted unanimously in favor of adopting Government Code Section 31520.5, which provides for the appointment of an alternate board member.

Needless to say, your retiree representative, Mr. Bill De La Garza, played an important role in the successful passage of this important legislation.

### RELAC's Upcoming Events

On a different note, I hope you are planning to attend our next General Meeting in Temecula on March 17. Our speaker will be Mr. Wendell Ott, Museum Services Manager of the Temecula Valley Museum. He will discuss the fascinating history of the Temecula Valley. I look forward to seeing you there.

For those of you in the Carson area, mark your calendars for June 15. RELAC has scheduled a General Meeting at the City of Carson Community Center. In addition to the Carson meeting, a Regional meeting is scheduled on March 31 in Antelope Valley. Additional information on the Antelope Valley meeting will be found on page 2.

I look forward to a challenging 2004 and pledge to do my best as your RELAC President.



Relac members and guests at the Annual Installation Luncheon are seen paying close attention to the affair's featured speaker, LACERA's CEO Marsha Richter

Photo by Sol Fingold

## LACERA Board Approves Addition of Alternate Retired Member

By Bill de la Garza

I'm pleased to report that at its January 15th meeting, the LACERA Board of Retirement voted to add an Alternate Retired Member to the LACERA Board of Retirement. The legislation (AB 1665 and AB 1587) which allows California 37 Act Counties to add an alternate retired member is permissive; it allows the County Retirement Boards the option of adding or not adding an Alternate Retirement Member. After clearing many legal obstacles and continued lobbying efforts by RELAC and CRCEA (California Retired Employees Association) an alternate retired member will soon be added to the LACERA Board of Retirement.

The addition of an Alternate Retired Member to the LACERA Board is considered a big victory for RELAC. What this means is that we will always have a retired voting member on the Board should the regular member be absent from a meeting due to sickness or death. You may recall that when Retired Member Bob Stotelmeyer passed away, we retired members were not represented on the LACERA Board for over 12 months.

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## Retirement Board

By Bill de la Garza



## REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

Alan Chancellor  
Chair, Regional Support



## North County Luncheon

"EGG"stravaganza  
by Donna Livermore



We are planning a "gathering" for all of the "Good Egg" retirees in the North County area! Share old friendships, good food, and a few laughs at our March 31st luncheon. I am trying to obtain a special speaker who has just become one of US and can describe her thoughts with humor!! We will, also, have a Board Representative to share the very latest happenings in RELAC and LACERA; (investments, health benefit changes, legislature developments, etc). There will be no candling at the door, so all eggs are welcome!

Dear Friends:

I recently attended a LACERA sponsored Educational Seminar for members of the LACERA Board of Retirement and Board of Investments. With all the recent controversy concerning the passage of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 and the double digit premium increases in retiree health care programs, it is no wonder that a major portion of the seminar workshop was devoted to healthcare - specifically, the status and future of LACERA's Health Care Benefits Program. Statistics verify that premiums for employer sponsored retiree health care programs rose 13.9% between 2002 and 2003, the third consecutive year of double-digit increases. Couple this with large budgetary State cutbacks to cities, counties and special districts makes you wonder where we are heading and how we are going to survive during these turbulent times.

As County retirees, you need to understand that a good percentage of the cost of your health care benefits is paid for by the County of Los Angeles. The County contribution is based upon a retiree's years of service, plan and coverage elected. It is not my intent to alarm or worry you regarding the financial hardships facing the County and the rising cost of our medical plans, both for active and retired members. My intent is to keep you informed and alert you to the fact that in the future and if the trend continues we may see a movement to more cost sharing initiatives (e.g. increase in office visit and prescription drug co-pays).

LACERA management is continuously working on your behalf to maintain the quality and affordability of your Health Care Benefits Program. A few of the programs that they have implemented on your behalf are:

- Disease Management Programs

Voluntary programs to assist members in managing specific diseases such as asthma, diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, coronary heart disease

- Pharmacy Management Programs

Pharmacists partnering with physicians to ensure appropriate prescription drug management

The information I have shared with you is not intended to alarm you but to keep you informed of what is happening in the health care arena. LACERA management recognizes the many problems associated with rising health care costs and is working very hard to protect your benefits without sacrificing the quality and integrity of your plans.

As your retiree representative, I will continue to keep you informed. As customary and until next time, I leave you with this thought:

"One of the best lessons you can learn in life  
is to surmount a fear every day.  
It will make you stronger and happier."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

### RESERVATION FORM

Wednesday, March 31, 2004 - 11:30 a.m.  
Lancaster Elks  
240 East Ave K, Lancaster, CA  
\$16.50 each -  
Includes Drink, Tax & Gratuity

Member(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Two Entree Buffet with all the Trimmings  
Make Checks to: Donna Livermore  
Mail to: 1135 Date Palm Drive  
Palmdale, CA 93551

**DEADLINE: Monday, March 22, 2004**

More Info: Lou Inga (661) 994-2738  
Donna (661) 947-4702



# LACERA To Implement Ventura Decision Retroactively

David Muir,  
Chief Legal Counsel, LACERA

The California Supreme Court has refused to hear the Ventura case. This means the trial court judgment requiring LACERA to implement the Ventura Decision retroactively is final and binding on the Board of Retirement. LACERA staff is working on an implementation plan that will soon be submitted to the Board of Retirement and the court for approval.

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Retirement allowances are calculated as a percentage of final compensation. A person's final compensation is equal to the average pensionable earnings during either a 12 consecutive month or 36 consecutive month period, depending on the member's retirement Plan.

Historically, LACERA excluded from final compensation many items of pay on the basis the pay items were not received by everyone in the same job classification. We will refer to these as "special pay" items. Examples are bonuses for utilizing a foreign language on the job, additional pay for working an evening shift, and bonuses for achieving certain certifications that evidence advanced skills applied on the job. This practice of excluding special pay items was followed by 19 other California counties that, like LACERA, operate retirement systems under the County Employees Retirement Law.

The practice of excluding special pay items was challenged in court by the Ventura County Deputy Sheriff's Association. That case was litigated all the way to the California Supreme Court, which held that the practice of excluding special pay items was invalid. The Supreme Court's decision, which became final in October 1997, came to be known as the "Ventura Decision."

LACERA implemented the Ventura Decision starting in October 1997 when the decision became final. From that date forward, LACERA has included the additional pay items in a member's final compensation. LACERA's refusal to apply the decision retroactively to members who retired prior to October 1997 resulted in the current litigation against LACERA. The court has now ordered LACERA to recalculate the final compensation for all members who retired prior to October 1997 and who received compensation under one of the special pay items. LACERA was further ordered to adjust each affected retiree's retirement allowance, going back to August 1995. Adjustments for earlier periods are barred by the statute of limitations.

## LACERA'S IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

The task of implementing the Court's judgment presents several challenges. The County has pay records going back only for about ten years. LACERA cannot ascertain whether a member who retired earlier than that received compensation under one of the special pay items.

Another challenge is determining whether and to what extent retirees and active members should be required to pay arrears contributions on the special pay items for the period prior to 1997. (LACERA has collected contributions on all special pay items since 1997.)

Faced with these difficult challenges, LACERA staff is working with the system's actuary to develop a process for implementing the judgment in

## Board of Directors Meetings & General Meetings

*Take particular note of the General Meetings (shaded) that are held at various locations. You are cordially invited to attend. Details on the location and program for the next General Meeting are listed on the back page of this Newsletter. A great deal of important information will be given. The Business Meetings listed are all held at the RELAC Office which is located at 1000 S. Fremont Avenue, Ste. 0101, Alhambra, CA. Telephone: (626) 308-0532 or (800) 537-3522 (CA only.)*

### GENERAL MEETING

March 17, 2004  
City of Temecula Community Center  
28816 Pujol Street  
Temecula, CA 92520  
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### BOARD MEETING

March 25, 2004 (4th Thursday)  
RELAC Office

### BOARD MEETING

April 22, 2004 (4th Thursday)  
RELAC Office

### BOARD MEETING

May 27, 2004 (4th Thursday)  
RELAC Office

### GENERAL MEETING

June 15, 2004 (3rd Tuesday)  
City of Carson  
Community Center, Hall B  
3 Civic Plaza (Corner of Carson Street & Avalon Blvd)  
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### BOARD MEETING

June 24, 2004 (4th Thursday)  
RELAC Office

### BOARD MEETING

July 22, 2004 (4th Thursday)  
RELAC Office

### BOARD MEETING

August 26, 2004 (4th Thursday)  
RELAC Office

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# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

By Bill de la Garza

Dear Friends,

I would like to acknowledge and thank my good friend and colleague George Shoemaker, Chairperson, Legislative Committee, California Retired County Employees Association (CRCEA) for his timely article in the Jan/Feb RELAC Newsletter on why the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision need to be eliminated. I'm pleased to report that support for the House repeal bill (H.R.594) now has 285 co-sponsors, a bipartisan super-majority of House members. Retirees with internet access can learn more about how these pension offsets unfairly reduce Social Security benefits of retired public employees by logging on to the National Education Association website at: <http://capwiz.com/nea/issues/alert/?alertid=209>. This web-site also shows you how to contact your congressman just by entering your zip code. We urge you to get with the program and help us and yourself with this important legislation that restores full social security benefits to retired government employees.

AB979: LACERA and RELAC have taken a support position on AB 979 sponsored by CRCEA and SACRS (State Associations of County Retirement Systems.) This legislation:

- Allows retired members of 37 Act Retirement Systems, who marry after retirement to purchase an optional survivor benefit for their new spouse, at no cost to the retirement systems.
- Codifies the rights and privileges, such as training and compensation, that are currently provided to alternate members of retirement boards by some 37 Act systems.
- Authorizes the board of retirement to elect to provide a post-retirement death benefit through a group life insurance policy if the cost of that policy to the system, county, or district is equal to or less than the cost of other methods of providing the benefit.

AB 979 passed out of the Assembly Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security Committee, by consent, on January 21, 2004. It is expected to be out of the Assembly and into the Senate Committee by the first week in February. It is anticipated that the bill could be to the Governor's office by mid February 2004. I'll keep you posted.

Your RELAC legislation Committee, along with an appointed Ad Hoc Committee has not forgotten about our top priority of getting our retiree spouse survival benefit increased from 60% to 65%. You may recall that this benefit was given to active employees, but eliminated retired employees in June of 2002. The original State Legislation permitted the 5% increase for both active and retired employees. Through negotiations, SEIU Local 660 and County Management got together and eliminated retirees from this benefit. We have not forgotten about this injustice and will continue our efforts towards obtaining this benefit for our deserving retirees.

Until next time, I wish you good health and happiness.

## Hollywood Park RELAC Day at the Races

By Lorraine Colley

### *Tell a Friend*

Note your calendars for a day at the races at Hollywood Park this June or July, 2004. We will be meeting in the "Finish Line Cafe" where we will have an outstanding view of the racetrack. Date of event will be in the May/June Newsletter issue. A TV monitor will be on every table.

An "All American Barbecue" buffet with several choices available will be provided. The food is excellent. Your ticket will include a second stub for your lunch. The back of the ticket will give the address and directions to the racetrack.

A race will be named in RELAC's honor and RELAC members will be selected to have their picture taken with the winning horse.

Self-parking is free.

Hollywood Park Race Track is located at 1050 S. Prairie Avenue in Inglewood, next to the Great Western Forum.



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The first Alternate Retired Member will be appointed by the LACERA Board from a list of names submitted by qualified retiree organizations whose membership contains a majority of retired members of the retirement system. RELAC will be sending a nomination to the LACERA Board. This appointment is scheduled to take place around the first part of April 2004. Future three year terms for the Alternate Retired Board member will be through the election process. Retired voters will get the opportunity to vote for the regular retired member and the alternate retired member.

RELAC would like to thank the LACERA Board of Retirement for adding an Alternate Retiree item to their Board.



# For Sale

**North West Arizona.** 40 acres. 4,000 ft. elevation. Some improvements. Centrally located - 2 miles north of Highway I-40, 20 miles Kingman, 60 miles Laughlin/Bullhead City and Colorado River, 120 miles Flagstaff, 135 miles to Las Vegas, 350 miles L.A. area. \$52,500.00 terms. Vito Adragna, vito@citlink.net - (928) 692-8027.

**Rose Hills Memorial Park.** Garden of Affection. Graves 1, 2, 3 & 4. Lot 618. Will sell all together or in pairs. \$1500 each plus transfer cost. Call (806) 538-6354.

**160 acres. Land for sale - \$165K.** Three miles from Yreka, CA. Has power, spring water, county roads, multiple building sites with spectacular views of Mt. Shasta/Trinity Alps. Contact Ken at (530) 346-2175.

**Inglewood Park Cemetery.** Los Angeles. Two plots in beautiful location. Will sell for \$5,200. You pay for transfer fee. Call (323) 293-7327.

**Maui Condo.** Kihei, 2 Bdrm, 2 BA, oceanfront, immaculate and fully equipped. Lanai faces Maui sunsets and is close to ocean. Access to terrific swimming pool, gas barbecues and shuffleboard. Not a time-share, but privately owned. Available from April 4, 2004 to December 15, 2004. Daily rate \$105 for 2 people and \$120 for 3 or 4 people. Call Bob or Chris at (805) 929-6900.

**En Abril Paintings.** 1) "Mendocino"- 21X36 - \$400.00. 2) "River Green"- 41X58-\$1500.00. 3) "Sunday Morning"- 41X58 - \$1200.00. Will send photos. (760) 945-8275.

**Forest Lawn-Hollywood Hills.** Cemetery plot, space #4, lot 1170 in a prime location, Eternal Love. \$3,000 and I will pay for transfer fee. (831) 633-9233.

**Rose Hills Memorial Park.** Whittier. Garden of Comfort. Lot #1126, graves 1, 2, 3, 4. Desirable hill-top overlooking cemetery. Park's price \$5800 each. Will sell for \$2900 each, processing fee included. Call Hope (626) 280-3672.

**Wheel Chair Recliner.** High-back. \$200.00 OBO. Call Fred Eisman (562) 695-0295.

**Rose Hills Memorial Park.** Garden of Affection. 3 grave sites. \$1,500 each plus transfer fee. Graves 5 & 6, Lot 5419; Grave 4- Lot 6419. Call Charlie (661) 272-0129.

**Juku Serger Sewing Machine.** \$125.00 cost \$400.00. Salton hot tray cart on wheels - \$35.00. Featherbed - \$30.00. 2 rattan chairs with fabric seats - \$20.00 each. Small round table with lace skirt 20" with glass top - \$15.00. Small decorative pillows to match - \$5.00 each. Ladies shoes - name brands - size 5 - \$5.00 & \$10.00. Ladies clothing - sizes 5, 7 & 9 hardly worn. Great condition. Call (818) 348-1968.

**Eternal Valley Memorial Park.** Newhall, CA. Garden of Serenity. Graves C and D, Plot 104. Park value \$2,595 each. Call (970) 241-0848.



## Valentine Drawing Winners 2004

ATANASOFF, Rutilia - Fuquay-Varina, NC

BEJARANO, Alex - Estacada, OR

BRENNAN, Marlene - Huntington Beach, CA

BYRNE, Julia S. - Pasadena, CA

DESLONDE, Hampton P., M.D. - Inglewood, CA

DIAZ, Eddie T. - Yuma, AZ

FULLER, John C. - Carlsbad, CA

GARDNER, Josie - Los Angeles, CA

GERVAIS, James B. - Springdale, AR

GREENBERG, Mary Jane - Palm Desert, CA

GRISMORE, Lynette - Arleta, CA

HERNANDEZ, Richard - North Hills, CA

JENKINS, Marilyn - Southfield, MI

KAHN, Sylvia - Port Jefferson, NY

KIM, Bette - Las Vegas, NV

KIRK, Lorraine B. - Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

MASSEY, Stanley - Henderson, NV

MILLAR, June R. - Phoenix, AZ

NIST, Norman W. - Garden Grove, CA

OSTROV, Donald - Beverly Hills, CA

OXFORD, Ivan - Edmonds, WA

PEREZ, Celia - Hemet, CA

RALPH, Helga - Dana Point, CA

RECORDS, Howard E. - Rogers, AR

RITCHIE, Mike - Palmdale, CA

SAN ANTONIO, Don C. - Walnut, CA

SIEBOLD, Anita - Turlock, CA

SMITH, Jennie - Los Angeles, CA

TALLMAN, Lillian - Balboa Island, CA

TANIMOTO, Tsutomu - Whittier, CA

URATA, Jane - Hacienda Heights, CA

WALSH, Catherine T. - Carson City, NV

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WATTS, Carol - Grass Valley, CA

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# Golf News



## RELAC Golf Entry Form

La Mirada Golf Course  
15501 E. Alicante Rd,  
La Mirada, CA 90638



**Monday April 5, 2004**

*Please Print*

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES: \$31 per golfer - Cart Not Included**

If possible, place me in a foursome with  
below listed golfers.

Addresses of all golfers must be included.

If possible, we would prefer  
an early \_\_\_\_\_ late \_\_\_\_\_ starting time.

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Member ☐ Guest ☐

3. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Member ☐ Guest ☐

4. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Member ☐ Guest ☐

*Note: Only one guest per member.*

Enclosed check for \_\_\_\_\_ golfers @ \$31 per  
golfer. Make check payable to RELAC  
GOLF. Mail to: RELAC GOLF, 1000 S.  
Fremont Ave., Unit 15 Alhambra, CA  
91803-8802

**ENTRY DEADLINE - March 15, 2004**

**For Office Use:**

Date Rec. \_\_\_\_\_

Amt\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Chk# \_\_\_\_\_

## SANTA ANITA GOLF TOURNAMENT

*By Ed and Cecile Barrios*

Santa Anita continues to be one of RELAC golfers most popular venues with 77 players participating. RELAC golf tournaments continue to be blessed with great weather, but Monday, February 9th, was absolutely glorious. Lorenzo Coney and Shig Yonamine shared honors for low gross. See you April 5, 2004 at La Mirada.

### Flight "A" (0-19 Handicap)

- 1st Yonamine, Shig (68)
- 2nd Coney, Lorenzo (70)\*
- 3rd Brusher, George (70)\*

### Flight "B" (20-25 Handicap)

- 1st Martinez, Luis (64)
- 2nd Gomez, Bob (66)
- 3rd Lizakowski, Jim (67)

### Flight "C" (26-36 Handicap)

- 1st Hough, Steve (63)
- 2nd Maeda, Mike (67)
- 3rd DeHaan, Roger (67)

### Flight "D" (Calloway)

- 1st Martinez, Benny (71)
- 2nd Asuncion, Tony (72)
- 3rd Smith, Allen (73)\*

### Ladies "All"

- 1st Danbara, Sue (73)
- 2nd Hamasu, Lil (75)

### Closest to the Pin on 3 Pars

- Smith, Allen on #4
- Sims, George on #8
- Min, Ben on #12
- Lizakowski, Jim on #15

\*indicates tie broken by lower handicap

**NEXT TOURNAMENT**  
Monday, April 5, 2004  
**LA MIRADA GOLF COURSE**



## 2004 Golf Tournament Schedule

June 1  
Los Amigos

August 2  
Rancho  
Palos Verdes

October 5  
Lakewood  
Country Club

December 6  
Mountain Meadows



**Mark Your  
Calendars!**

## Contributors Welcome....

Your Newsletter is open to contributors from all our members. We do have limited space, so we ask that you limit your contributions to items which are about our retirees or matters which affect the quality of retirement living. **WE ARE NOT ABLE TO USE PARTISAN OR CONTROVERSIAL POLITICAL POINTS OF VIEW** because of our non-profit organization status. *If you have something of interest you'd like to share, send it to RELAC, 1000 South Fremont Unit 15, Alhambra, CA 91803-8802*



## Letters To The Editor



*LACERA Chief Executive Officer  
Marsha Richter gave the audience at  
RELAC's Annual Installation  
Luncheon an informative and  
entertaining review of the history and  
the current status of the Retirement  
Association.  
photo by Sol Fingold*



I hope this little greeting card finds each and every one of you Healthy and Happy. As for me at age 95 I am still doing quite well, have frequent shortness of breath spells, but with aid of 3 inhalers 3 times daily I manage to keep going. I live in my home with fulltime live-in care. I was invited to Christmas party last year and here was this jolly old Santa handing out gifts. It was so impressive and gave me the idea for this card. My son, Hugh, took the picture and typed my poem on back of card. Best wishes to all.

George W. Cox  
San Diego, CA

Best wishes for a happy, healthy New Year. Also, many thanks for your wonderful services you provide to us senior retirees. The Christmas meeting at St. Sophia was fabulous.

Lorraine Lipman  
Los Angeles, CA

Thank you much for remembering mom all the time. She will be 96 on the 10th of January and is now in last stage of the dreadful Alzheimer's disease. This is a horrible time for all of us, but our hearts go out to all people who are going through this too.

Jeanie Kidd for Katherine Ferrara  
Los Angeles, CA

I was delighted and surprised to learn that RELAC dues were cancelled for retirees of 80 years or older. I shall be 85 years on February 5, 2004. Until my husband's illness, I was active in the Prescott noon Lioness' and volunteered as a quilter at the Bashford House at Sharlot Hall Museum. I was also a replacement volunteer helping to serve meals at the Salvation Army dining room. I enjoy long walks of 3 miles or more. Also, reading and sewing. My husband's illness has limited our traveling.

Florence Riley  
Prescott, AZ

I attended the Installation banquet on January 9, 2004. It was one of the nicest I've been to for some time. The principal speaker was very informative and very educational. Keep up the good work. I am appreciative.

Garth G. Gardner  
Pico Rivera, CA

It seems that more of us who have been blessed to reach the Honorary age of 80+plus are appearing more frequently. Thanks for keeping us apprised of all that's happening that affect us. I certainly appreciate and am grateful for your kindness and your hard work. Happy New Year to all!

Stella Johnson  
Los Angeles, CA

Thank you for my pocket secretary. I really use it. This year I will put on the folder my daughter gave me. It is perfect fit. Thank you. Thank you. Also, I want to tell you I am now 80 years old. Was on March 26, 2003. I understand that RELAC cancels dues for members over 80. I sure do hope all of you had a very Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you all for what you do for us. May God Bless you all.

Mary L. Marino  
La Palma, CA

Living here in beautiful Colorado has made it impossible for me to attend the many educational and exciting affairs noted in the RELAC newsletters. However, the maps showing dates and times take me there in spirit. After spending 18 years with the Assessor's office, it's still nice to be remembered. Appreciate my new card "Honorary Member", pocket secretary and great RELAC newsletters. Thank you for everything.

Wilma C. Beauregard  
Grand Junction, CO

*We are delighted to receive so many letters from RELAC's members. Unfortunately, we are again unable to print them all. Those writers whose letters are omitted are:*

*Maudie Bedwell, Newhall, CA  
Philip Boulian, Cambria, CA  
Christine R.M. Charles, Lebanon, OR  
Edith Christensen, Glendale, CA  
Maidie F. Daniels, Los Angeles, CA  
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## Investments Board

*by Diane Sandoval*



### LACERA INVESTMENT NEWS

At the January 14 Board of Investments meeting, the first order of business for the year was to elect its officers. The Board elected the following officers:

Sandra Anderson, Chair Person

Estevan Valenzuela, Vice Chair

Bruce Perelman, Secretary

LACERA's actuary, Milliman USA, presented the June 30, 2003 Actuarial Valuation showing that LACERA's funded status has dropped to 87.2% compared to 99.4% a year ago.

### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Since our benefits are guaranteed and reserves are set aside at the time we retire, this for us is a non-event. We will continue to receive our promised benefits. Unfortunately, the financial burden to make up the decrease in the funded status falls solely on Los Angeles County. The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability at June 30, 2003 is \$3.91 billion and requires the County of Los Angeles to make additional payments to the Fund using a rolling 30-year amortization period. Their employer contributions will increase from 10.24% to 14.54% of covered payroll effective July 1, 2004. Contribution rates for active employees will not change.

LACERA's funded status in the 70's was considerably lower than the current 87.2% yet LACERA routinely met its benefit and administrative commitments each month. Consequently, as I've said before, our benefits are guaranteed. We are truly fortunate to have worked for the County of Los Angeles and retired with a benefit that is defined and protected by California Law.

### OF LOCAL INTEREST

The LACERA Board of Investments voted to urge the stores - Safeway Inc., which owns Vons and Pavilions; Kroger Co., the parent of Ralphs; and Albertsons Inc. to solve their dispute with the United Food and Commercial union. LACERA currently holds combined shares in the chains valued at \$25 million. California's largest pension fund, California Public Retirement Employees' Retirement System, also urged grocers to quickly resolve their dispute.

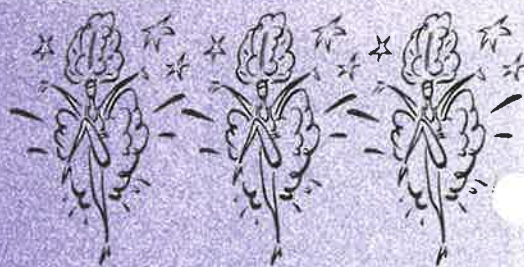
### INTERESTING STATISTICS

Since the last valuation as of June 30, 2002, the active member population decreased by 1.7% with an increase in the overall average age to 45.2. There are 87,720 active members. The number of retirees increased by 2.1% and now totals over 47,000. The average benefit payment increased by 6.1% to approximately \$2,518 per month. The average age of retirees increased by approximately one month to 70.4.

As always, thank you for your continued support and interest.



# Members Spotlight



## L.A.S.D.

23rd ANNUAL RETIREES' REUNION  
Monday, June 14 - Friday, June 18, 2004  
Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds  
McArthur, California

Located on Highway 299, approximately 70 miles east of Redding, this beautiful Valley between the peaks of Mt. Lassen and Mt. Shasta is a great location to gather together with other Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department retirees from all over the U.S. Bring your RV, tent or stay in one of the local motels in Fall River Mills. Full hook-up camping with cable TV, showers, laundry and 30/50 amp service at \$14.00 per night. The cost for the reunion is \$10.00 per person. (Includes one catered dinner and liquid refreshments for five days.) Paid at the campground. Activities include golf at a championship 18-hole golf course, horseshoes, lawn darts, card tournaments, potluck dinners, barbeque, fishing and sightseeing. Or just kick back and relax. Plenty of war stories. See old friends and meet new ones. Newly retired and surviving spouses are especially welcome! Adult participation.

If you would like to attend, you can call, write, or e-mail us with the number of persons in your party, and if you plan on staying at the RV park, motel, or other.

For additional information contact:  
Chickee and Norman Nelson  
15057 Sage Street  
Hesperia, CA 92345-3934  
(760) 244-0875  
Chickee1@netzero.com

Come out and have a great time!! Hope to see you there!!



## Retired Female Probation Officers

Retired female employees of the Probation Department are invited to join a social group, Sisters Together In Retirement (STIR). The group meets 4 times a year (over lunch) to discuss a variety of subjects and to re-connect with former co-workers. Next meeting:

**April 23, 2004 - 12:00 P.M.**  
**Sizzler Restaurant**  
**10315 Lakewood Boulevard**  
**Downey, CA 90241.**

More information, please call

Wivory Brandle - (323) 296-2370  
Katie Cochran - (310) 608-0687  
Helen Walker - (626) 335-6431

## LACMA Council Seeks Prospective Docents

The Docent Council of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art is seeking volunteers to lead school students in tours of the Museum's permanent collection and special exhibitions. An art background is not required; however, prospective docents should have an interest in studying art and being with people who share similar interests.

In addition to giving tours, docents enjoy special opportunities including behind-the-scenes tours at LACMA, invitations to view private collections around Southern California and to attend lectures given by leading scholars. Upon completion of the interview process, new docents have the benefits of a one-year training course in art history and touring techniques. Currently 350 LACMA docents tour and speak to more than 80,000 museum visitors annually.

Application information for the next docent training class can be easily obtained by e-mailing Admission2004@aol.com. Or, you can write to LACMA Docent Council Admissions, 5905 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, 90036. The phone number is (323) 857-6119.

Applications are due no later than March 5, 2004.

## MARRIED 60+ YEARS

Floyd & Virginia  
Bumgardner  
Married 60 years  
(10-02-1943)  
US Navy - WWII

Edith J. & Bruno R.  
Christensen  
Married 72 1/2 yrs  
(5-29-1931)

Robert & Lorraine  
Colley  
Married 60 years  
(7-25-1943)

Lillian (Bobby) &  
George Fletcher  
Married 62 years  
(3-1-1942)

Roy F. & Marjorie J.  
Griffin  
Married 62 years  
(1-3-1942)

Maxine M. & Dan F.  
Hays  
Married 63 years  
(1941)

Carl & Carol  
Hoffman  
Married 63 years  
(4-13-1940)

Ernie G. & Mary V.  
Sanchez  
Married 65 years  
(11-13-1938)



**Our Warmest  
Congratulations to:**  
Virginia & Floyd  
Edith & Bruno  
Robert & Lorraine  
Lillian & George  
Roy & Marjorie  
Maxine & Dan  
Carl & Carol  
Mary & Ernie



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a way that will avoid having to calculate adjusted allowances for each of the over 40,000 retirees potentially covered by the judgment. We are also seeking the actuary's advice in determining whether and to what extent arrears contributions should be required.

Any proposed implementation plan submitted to the Board of Retirement will first be reviewed with legal counsel representing the members in the litigation, and the plan ultimately approved by the Board of Retirement will have to be submitted to the Court for the Court's approval.

We know our retirees are anxious to receive any adjusted allowances they may be entitled to. LACERA is working diligently to complete this project at the earliest possible date.

*The above article is an edited version of the original. The entire article can be found on the LACERA website:  
[www.lacera.com](http://www.lacera.com)*

## NOTICE: ON ACCESS TO RELAC'S OFFICE

Because of a large construction project on the west side of Fremont Avenue, across the street from RELAC's office, the entrance to the visitor parking lot on Fremont will be closed, beginning in mid-March and for an indefinite period

If you are planning to visit our office after mid-March, we strongly advise that you call the office in advance and obtain directions with respect to the best route for approaching the complex which houses our office and how to drive into the parking lot.

RELAC's phone numbers are (800)537-3522 (California only) and (626)308-0532. Office hours are 9 AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday.

## RV Outing Notes

By Janell Clifton



*RVers Earline Powell and Flora Frazier displaying their quilting talents.*



Is your rig sitting around and not having fun? Take it out with your RV club five or six times a year. From Pismo Beach to Chula Vista and beyond, fun times are ahead for you. We play a lot of games, do potlucks one evening, go shopping, sightseeing, maybe a little golf and, of course, a lot of talking. Will we see you at our next campout?

In January we camped at Fiesta RV Park in Indio. A little rain and lots of sunshine made for a fun time. Material, thread and help from Earline Powell and Flora Frazier made a good start on the goal of twenty quilts for Sara's Kids at Casa. Lots of fun and it is an ongoing craft project for 2004. The club received a thank you note from Casa for the toys collected at the holiday party in December.

Was so good to see Joe Fiely and Robert Quinonez at the campout. J.T. Robinson was missed and hope to see him soon. There were a total of 18 rigs and the Powells and Murphs did a great job as wagon masters. Next campout is in Hemet with Sam and Pat Jackson as wagon masters.

Coupon below is for Flying Flags in Buellton, May 3, 4, 5, 2004. Deadline date is Friday, April 1, 2004. Always bring your own table service for all meals.

### R.V. CAMPOUT RESERVATION

CAMPGROUND: Flying Flags RV Park & Campground  
180 Avenue of the Flags  
Buellton, CA 93427

DATES: **May 3,4,5, 2004**

NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Retiree Spouse

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
No. Street

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE: April 1, 2004**

Make checks for \$90.60 payable to Fred Humphrey and mail to:

Wagon Masters: *Fred & Claire Humphrey*

Address: *12441 Andy St., Cerritos, CA 90703*

Telephone: *(562) 865-5467*

Additional nights through Resort Office \$29.20 per night - Call in advance.  
805-688-3716

Office Use Only:

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*Senseless death will never be understood and good people will always be missed. Our sincere sympathy goes to the family and friends of LaMar and Ernestine Matthews.*



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## RELAC & FIREWORKS NIGHT AT DODGER STADIUM



It is time to think baseball for the year 2004. At least for the very important game between the San Francisco Giants and the Los Angeles Dodgers. This important game will take place on Thursday, July 1, 2004 at 6:10 p.m. at the Dodger Stadium. The price of the tickets is \$11.00 each in the reserved section on the first base side. This is the game where the most spectacular fireworks ever will take place. So, don't miss this great event. We ordered 300 seats in the reserved section.

### BASEBALL TICKETS

Game Starts at 6:10 P.M.  
Thursday, July 1, 2004

**DODGERS VS. GIANTS**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$11.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tickets will be mailed by June 17, 2004

Make checks payable to:

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

Enclose this coupon along with your check.

For Office Use:

Date Rec. \_\_\_\_\_ Amt \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_

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Don't forget to ask for your RELAC discount!

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San Francisco - Victoria - Vancouver

**7-Day Rail/Cruise/Motorcoach/Air Tour**

**Departs May 12, 2004**



**Tour Price Includes**

- Oneway Amtrak L.A./Oakland • 3 Night Cruise - *Sun Princess* (all meals and entertainment aboard ship) • Port Charges • Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation • Three Nights Hotel Accommodations
- 15 Meals: 3 Continental & 4 Full Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 5 Dinners • Guided Tours of San Francisco, Filoli Gardens & Vancouver
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**Inside From \$1199.00 Dbl. PP Outside From \$1229.00 Dbl. PP**



### Washington, D.C.

**6-Day Air/Motorcoach Tour**

**Departs June 20, 2004**

**Tour Price Includes:**

- Round Trip Air Ontario/Washington D.C. • 5-Nights Hotel Accommodations
- 8 Meals: 5 Buffet Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 2 Dinners • Monument Tours Including the New National WWII Memorial, White House Tour (if available) • Cruise to Mount Vernon • Annapolis Tour
- Admissions per Itinerary • Daily Services of a Professional Tour Guide
- Tax & Baggage Handling

**Dbl. Per Person: \$1599.00 • Sgl: \$1849.00**

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"Explore the mountains, wildlife and history of Colorado while traveling on five scenic train rides."

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- Visit to the U.S. Air Force Academy and its Cadet Chapel (if available)
- Visit to *Garden of the Gods Park* • Denver City Tour
- Transfers and Baggage Handling

**Dbl. Per Person: \$1699.00 • Sgl: \$2199.00**

# General Membership Meeting



Fred Miller  
Program Chairman

## RELAC'S 1st Temecula General Meeting March 17, 2004 (Wednesday)

CITY OF TEMECULA COMMUNITY CENTER  
28816 Pujol Street  
Temecula, CA 92520  
Date: Wednesday, March 17, 2004

Free refreshments and coffee will be served at 9:15 a.m.  
Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.

### SPECIAL SPEAKER

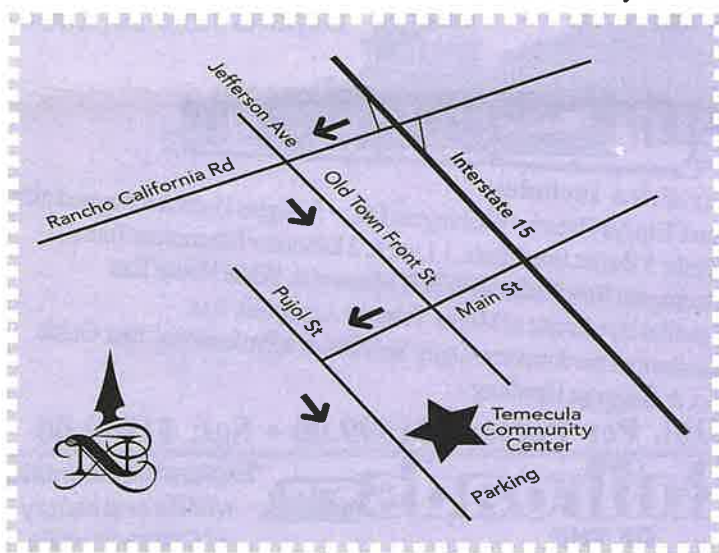
Mr. Wendell Ott, Museum Services Manager  
Temecula Valley Museum

Topic:  
History of Temecula Valley

In addition, retiree information  
update about your LACERA  
pension & medical plans

Door Prizes - Bring your  
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*Come and say hello to old  
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