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DOUGLAS L. BARRY
Fire Chief

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETIREMENTS

Name: **STONE**, Greg, Captain II
Fire Station 98 "B" Platoon

Place: Forest Valley Country Club
19216 Singing Hills Dr.
Northridge, CA 91326

Date & Time: **Thursday, February 5, 2009**
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. —Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Buffet, \$45.00 includes tax, tip
and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 98 "B" (818) 756-8698
ALL ARE WELCOME



Name: **JOHNSON**, Jeremiah "J-bo", Captain II
Fire Station 63 "C"

Place: Marina del Rey Marriott
4100 Admiralty Way
Marina del Rey, CA 90292
Room rate \$128.00
Valet parking \$15.00 or \$6.00 across the street

Date & Time: **Wednesday, February 25, 2009**
("B" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour 6:30 p.m. —Dinner 7:30 p.m.
RSVP by February 18, 2009

Food & Price: Choice of Chicken, Salmon or Beef
\$65.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 63 (310) 575-8563
Craig Yamashiro (310) 850-9126
Monte Moore (951) 751-1393
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Name: **BUCHAN**, Ken, Captain I
Fire Station 74 "A" Platoon

Place: Knollwood Country Club
12024 Balboa Blvd.
Granada Hills, CA

Date & Time: **Saturday, February 28, 2009**
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. —Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Buffet, \$35.00 includes tax, tip
and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 74 (818) 756-8674
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Name: **WILKINSON**, Glen, Apparatus Operator
Fire Station 27 "A"

Place: LAPD Academy
1880 N. Academy Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Date & Time: **Wednesday, March 18, 2009**
Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. —Dinner: 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Chicken and Steak Fry
\$50.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 27 "A" (323) 962-0234
or (323) 962-3378
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Name: **COMFORT**, K. Frank, Captain I
Hydrants and Access Unit
Bureau of Fire Prevention and Public Safety

Place: Downtown Marriott
333 South Figueroa St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Date & Time: **Friday, March 27, 2009** ("C" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. —Dinner 7:00 p.m.
Dinner and Dancing: 7:00 pm —1:00 a.m.
RSVP and Payment by March 20, 2009

Food & Price: Choice of Chicken or Salmon
\$65.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Marylou Najera (213) 482-6538
Mary Taylor (213) 482-6523
Vicki Comfort (909) 228-0211
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Name: **LEE**, John A "Min", Firefighter III
FS 73, "A" Platoon

Place: Odyssey Restaurant
15600 Odyssey Drive
Granada Hills, CA 91344

Date & Time: **Tuesday, April 7, 2009**
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. —Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Buffet Style Dinner
\$50.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 73 (818) 342-3576 or
Fire Station 106 (818) 347-0543
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Name: KHITIKIAN, Mark, Captain I
Fire Station 14 "B" Platoon

Place: Taix Restaurant
1911 W. Sunset Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA. 90026

Date & Time: **Thursday, April 30, 2009** ("A" shift on duty)
Social Hour: 5:00 pm - Dinner: 7:00 pm
Chicken or Beef
\$50.00 includes tax, tip and gift
RSVP by April 24, 2009

Reservations: Fire Station 14 (213) 485-6214 or
(323) 231-8804
(323) 232-9403
ALL ARE WELCOME
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Name: WILSON, Tim, Captain/Paramedic
EMS 17, "C" Platoon

Place: Sage Brush Cantina
23527 Calabasas Rd.
Calabasas, CA

Date & Time: **Thursday, April 30, 2009** ("A" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6:00 pm - Dinner 7:00 pm
RSVP BY April 27, 2009

Food & Price: Buffet: Tex-Mex Buffet, includes:
Enchiladas, Taco Bar, BBQ Brisket, Ribs, Chicken and
several sides.
\$ 50.00 includes tax, tip and gift.

Reservations: EMS Battalion 17 Office (818) 756-8665
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Name: MOORE, Arthur "Doug", Fire Boat Engineer
FS 112, "C" Platoon

Place: Ports O Call Restaurant
Berth 76
San Pedro, CA 90731

Date & Time: **Tuesday, May 12, 2009** ("B" Shift on duty)
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. —Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Choice of Prime Rib or Roasted Chicken
\$50.00 includes tax, tip, and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 112 Grapevine
(310) 548-9929, (310) 548-9919 or
Andrea Everett FS 112 "C" Platoon
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Name: MARKOTA, Richard, Battalion Chief
Battalion 10, "A" Platoon

Place: Odyssey Restaurant
15600 Odyssey Drive
Granada Hills, CA 91344

Date & Time: **Thursday, May 21, 2009**
Social Hour 6:00 p.m. —Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Food & Price: Choice of Sirloin or Salmon
\$45.00 includes tax, tip and gift

Reservations: Fire Station 39- Grapevine (818) 997-9981
Business (818) 756-8639 or
Pat Perry (818) 756-8613.
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Name: SANDERSON, Gale (Sandy), Engineer
Fire Station 93 "A"
KOENIG, Bill Firefighter III
Fire Station 93 "A"

Place: Sage Brush Cantina
23527 Calabasas Rd.
Calabasas, CA.

Date & Time: **Tuesday, May 26, 2009** ("B" Shift on Duty)
Social Hour: 6:00 pm - Dinner 7:00 pm
RSVP BY April 27, 2009

Food & Price: Tex-Mex Buffet
\$45.00 includes Tax Tip, and Gift.

Reservations: Fire Station 93
(818) 342-1645
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WEEKLY UPDATE

ASSIGN HIRE AND OUT-OF-RANK HIRE UPDATE

The following is a record of the amount of Citywide assign hiring and out-of-rank hiring for the last three months.

Oct. 2008 **9** Assign Hires- 6 Firefighters & 3 Paramedics
3 on weekends, 4 on Halloween
65 members worked out of rank
3 Captain II
2 Captain I
8 Inspectors
36 Engineers
16 Apparatus Operators

Nov. 2008 **6** Assign Hires- 4 Captain I, 1 Engineer, no
FF's & 1 Paramedic
0 on weekends, 6 on Thanksgiving Day
35 members worked out of rank
2 Captain II
2 Captain I
4 Inspectors
21 Engineers
6 Apparatus Operators

Dec. 2008 **59** Assign Hires- 2 CII, 7 CI, 10 Eng, 3 AO, 9 FFs &
28 PMs 9 on weekends, 20 Christmas Eve, 21
Christmas Day
134 members worked out of rank
1 Captain II
4 Captain I
29 Inspectors
55 Engineers
45 Apparatus Operators

The ability to hire an out-of-rank member for unfilled vacancies continues to reduce the need to assign hire.

An expanded out-of-rank hiring trial program began on November 22, 2007, allowing Captains to volunteer to work a vacancy or alleviate an assign hire on a fulltime rescue ambulance or as a Staff Assistant. Captains and other rated members may not work overtime on Variably Staffed BLS Ambulances.

QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT STATISTICS

During the months of July, August and September of 2008:
The twenty busiest fire stations were:

1. Fire Station 57	52 responses per day	2,064 emergency hours
2. Fire Station 9	51 responses per day	1,547 emergency hours
3. Fire Station 64	51 responses per day	1,662 emergency hours

4. Fire Station 33	48 responses per day	1,725 emergency hours
5. Fire Station 46	46 responses per day	1,690 emergency hours
6. Fire Station 66	45 responses per day	1,668 emergency hours
7. Fire Station 11	38 responses per day	1,286 emergency hours
8. Fire Station 89	36 responses per day	1,529 emergency hours
9. Fire Station 27	36 responses per day	1,400 emergency hours
10. Fire Station 65	35 responses per day	1,555 emergency hours
11. Fire Station 94	34 responses per day	1,501 emergency hours
12. Fire Station 61	34 responses per day	1,546 emergency hours
13. Fire Station 68	34 responses per day	1,444 emergency hours
14. Fire Station 26	33 responses per day	1,239 emergency hours
15. Fire Station 98	32 responses per day	1,255 emergency hours
16. Fire Station 39	32 responses per day	1,133 emergency hours
17. Fire Station 60	32 responses per day	1,392 emergency hours
18. Fire Station 3	30 responses per day	1,208 emergency hours
19. Fire Station 81	30 responses per day	1,200 emergency hours
20. Fire Station 10	29 responses per day	1,078 emergency hours

The number of responses, and emergency hours worked, were the total for the fire station, and included any Engine, Light Force, Squad, Paramedic RA, BLS RA, EMS Battalion Captain, Battalion Chief and Division Chief assigned to the station.

During the months of July, August and September of 2008, the following first-in districts had the most emergency incidents. These incidents included the total of all EMS and fire incidents:

First-in districts with the most emergency incidents:

1. Fire Station 9	31 incidents per day
2. Fire Station 64	30 incidents per day
3. Fire Station 66	27 incidents per day
4. Fire Station 57	26 incidents per day
5. Fire Station 46	24 incidents per day
6. Fire Station 33	21 incidents per day
7. Fire Station 11	20 incidents per day
8. Fire Station 39	19 incidents per day
9. Fire Station 61	19 incidents per day
10. Fire Station 94	18 incidents per day
11. Fire Station 89	18 incidents per day
12. Fire Station 27	18 incidents per day
13. Fire Station 65	16 incidents per day
14. Fire Station 68	15 incidents per day
15. Fire Station 26	15 incidents per day
16. Fire Station 37	15 incidents per day
17. Fire Station 60	15 incidents per day
18. Fire Station 58	14 incidents per day
19. Fire Station 3	14 incidents per day
20. Fire Station 91	14 incidents per day
21. Fire Station 98	14 incidents per day
22. Fire Station 13	13 incidents per day
23. Fire Station 35	13 incidents per day
24. Fire Station 7	13 incidents per day
25. Fire Station 6	13 incidents per day

INFORMATION

LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Dear Chief Barry:

I wanted to write to you to express my deep appreciation for the outstanding service of Assistant Chief Craig A. Fry of the Los Angeles Fire Department, Bureau of Fire Prevention. As you know in this difficult economic climate we are in the final stages of completing our development on Wilshire Blvd. and Western Ave., the Solair, which is a \$160 million mix-use development. Assistant Chief Fry has consistently provided excellent

service to expedite the inspection process, as well as, providing us with cost effective solutions to making sure that our building is safe for the Public.

I believe that any future consideration for Assistant Chief Fry would be a tremendous benefit to the City of Los Angeles and its Citizens. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Christopher C. Pak, AIA

Dear Chief Barry:

I lived in the Oakridge mobile Home Park and would like to say Thank God for the Firemen from LA County Fire Department for the outstanding work they did saving 127 homes, including mine during the Sayre Fire.

They went into the park at 2:00 am and fought the fire until 9:00 am under extreme conditions and threat to their own lives. They were brave and determined to save as many homes as they could even though the fire was like a tidal wave with thick black smoke and almost no visibility.

Thank You to the LA City Fire Department for their effort to save lives and homes. No lives were lost because of LA City Firemen.

The Los Angeles Police Department did a wonderful job in the evacuation of its residents. They are responsible for getting us all out in a calm, safe and orderly manner. They came into the park in force checking all the homes and making sure we were all out. Thank You.

I have the deepest respect and admiration for all these different agencies who helped.

Loretta Terranova

Dear Chief Barry:

I am the Career Advisor at Hamilton High School in Los Angeles. In my position, I seek out presenters/speakers from all walks of life to visit our students and expose them to different careers and employment opportunities. In this regard I contacted Fire Captain Jobe Leon at Fire Station 47 a few years ago to visit Hamilton High.

In doing so I hit the jackpot. Captain Leon has visited our school on numerous occasions in talking to students and promoting the Los Angeles Fire Department enthusiastically. Additionally he promotes the Explorer program, which he sponsors, and recruits new applicants. He is always accommodating, gracious, upbeat, and a great role model; he is a good teacher, and more importantly, a good person.

This last fall, he extended his efforts by bringing a fire truck and other fire fighters to promote your department and the profession of fire fighting. The students loved seeing a fire truck and being able to put on fire gear. I always look forward to having a real professional come and visit our school and Captain Leon is on the top of my list.

Need I say more, you can be proud that you have a leader like Captain Leon promoting your department. I commend you for budgeting representatives to visit high schools. The benefits and payoff are well worth the expenditure. If you should ever need further information, my telephone number is (310) 280-1436 and e-mail is aojena@aol.com.

Art Ojena,
Career Advisor

INFORMATION (Continued)

**COME AND HONOR THE 2008
FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR**

Battalion Chief John L. Nowell

Thursday, March 12, 2009 at 12 Noon

at the

Omni Hotel

251 S. Olive, Los Angeles

Pleas RSVP to (213) 386-3316 by

March 09, 2009

Tickets are available for \$40.00 per person

Tables of ten are available for \$360.00

**NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR,
ONLY PICKED-UP**

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHECK OUT TO THE
LOS ANGELES CITY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION**

MAIL CHECK TO:

LAFFA

6963 W. 85TH PLACE

LOS ANGELES, CA 90045

ATTN: DAVID FRELINGER

Grand Opening Ceremony

*The City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles Fire Department invite you to the
Grand Opening and Dedication Ceremony of your*

New Fire Station #13

Saturday, February 28, 2009

10:00 am

*2401 Pico Boulevard
Pico Union/Koreatown*



*Antonio R. Villaraigosa
Mayor
City of Los Angeles*

*Douglas L. Barry
Fire Chief
Los Angeles Fire Department*



*Ed Reyes
Councilmember
1st District*

***** Fire Station Tours *** ***Jumper*** *** Music *****

***** Food *** ***Refreshments*** ***Face Painters*****

***** Wilshire the Fire Dog *** *** Static Displays *****

***** Helicopter Flyover *****

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