Pacoima Middle School

Memorializes the 50th Anniversary of the Pacoima Plane Crash

January 31, 2007
3:15 p.m. on Athletic Field
Pacoima Middle School

Order of Ceremony

Presentation of Colors ................... California Cadets Color Guard
Col. Larry Morden, Commandant

Pledge of Allegiance ............................................. Daniel Valles,
Student Body Representative

Welcome and Introduction ............................... Paul Del Rosario,
Principal

Memorial and Tree Planting ............................. Ms. Linda Luttrell,
Valedictorian, Class of Fall 1956

"The Navy Hymn" .................................................. Jazz Band
Arrangement by G. Carcagnilla ............ Mr. Carganilla, Director

"There Is Always Hope" ................................. Pacoima Singers
Dr. Scott Mandel, Director

Closing Remarks .......................... Paul Del Rosario

"La Bamba", Arranged by Mike Story ............. Senior Band
Mr. George Carganilla, Director

There will be a reception in Room 24 immediately following the ceremony.

In addition to the tree that is being planted on the athletic field, a plaque will be placed adjacent to the tree. The inscription on the plaque will read:

This tree was planted on January 31, 2007 in memory of those who lost their lives due to the tragic plane crash of January 31, 1957 on this athletic field.

Because of Pacoima Junior High School's quick response to the tragic crash, the school was presented with the following plaque:

To the Staff of Pacoima Junior High School
For meritorious services rendered with the plane crash on the grounds of the school on January 31, 1957, wherein,

The actions of the staff in rendering first aid to the injured students in the many cases was instrumental in saving of life, and,

The intelligent handling of those seriously injured materially reduced shock, pain, and suffering resulting from these injuries, and the direct and spontaneous actions, which demonstrated the abilities of staff and students to react to emergency situations, with intelligence and discipline, gave confidence to the community that the schools are preparing daily for any disaster, and,

The subsequent control of students and parents brought order out of chaos, and demonstrated the effectiveness of preplanned measures of handling emergency situations. The Los Angeles Chapter of the American National Red Cross wishes to present this citation as an expression of confidence to those involved in these actions.