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On June 5, 2009, detectives assigned to the LAPD’s Robbery-Homicide Division arrested LAPD Detective Stephanie Lazarus for the 1986 murder of Sherri Rasmussen. In 2012, Lazarus was convicted of the 1986 beating and shooting of Sherri Rasmussen in her Van Nuys home.

Metropolitan Detention Center opened on February 3, 2011. Property Division moved into the basement of the facility in November 2010.

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In 2010, Gina Sanders was the first Asian Pacific Islander American female promoted to Captain.

On April 11, 2011, Crime Stoppers announced the launch of the “TipSubmit” mobile application which allows the public anonymously to submit tips to law enforcement agencies to help solve and prevent crime. This App augmented the existing program that allows tips to be submitted by phone, web or text.

On April 11, 2011, LAPD Officers cleared City Hall’s lawn of ‘Occupy LA’ Protesters. LAPD utilized approximately 1400 officers, resulting in numerous people being arrested during the course of the night.

On October 12, 2011, LAPD launched Facebook and Twitter Page in 2011.

The Department of General Services Police and its duties were absorbed into the LAPD in 2012. As a result, the General Services Police personnel were transferred to a new LAPD division, Security Services Division.

On February 3, 2013, a man and woman in Irvine, California, who were romantically involved, were found senselessly murdered near the condominium where they resided. Little did anyone know at the time that their tragic fate was the beginning of what Chief Beck would describe as a “reign of terror.” And so was the genesis of a murderous rampage by ex-LAPD Officer Christopher Jordan Dorner. Before Dorner would no longer be a threat, on February 12, 2013, he fatally shot four people and injure three others with gunfire.

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In 2010, the LAPD took Lonnie David Franklin Jr., better known as the “Grim Sleeper,” into custody for several murders over a 20-year period. Detectives post over 180 images recovered from the home of the “Grim Sleeper” on www.LAPDOnline.org. The site experienced a tremendous amount of activity.

The Space Shuttle Endeavor made its final historic flight over the City and several local landmarks prior to landing at LAX on September 21, 2012. On October 12, 2012, the Space Shuttle Endeavour embarked on its last mission, a two-day journey through the streets of Los Angeles and Inglewood to its final destination at the California Science Center.

LAPD’s Purple Heart award for meritorious service was established by the Board of Police Commissioners in May 2009.

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