

LAFD Gets the Blues Treatment



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As the sun set over Hollywood this past Wednesday, scores of supporters of the Los Angeles Fire Department and Los Angeles Police Department queued up in front of noted nightclub, [Avalon](#), as a perfectly restored 1950s era Highway Patrol Buick screamed up Vine Street, rotary siren wailing. The car and Broderick Crawford impersonator [Gary Goltz](#) (based on the 50's TV show, [Highway Patrol](#)) spun the car between the crossed aerial ladders of Light Force 27 and 35 and dazzled the high-profile crowd as the doors to the nightclub opened.

It was interesting to see the mix of LAPD brass in their carefully pressed suits and the more casual LAFD members sharing stories and memories. Typically, these organizations operate their fund raising activities separately, but on this evening, it was a family affair - and it proved to be a good one. The concert by Dan Aykroyd, Jim Belushi and the Sacred Hearts supported the [Los Angeles Police Memorial](#) and the Los Angeles Fire Department Fallen Firefighter Foundations.

LAFD Thanks Aykroyd, Belushi - and Crawford?



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They more than rocked the house - they brought it down!

Well, maybe that's a poor choice of words to thank Dan Aykroyd, Jim Belushi & the Sacred Hearts - and yes, [Broderick Crawford](#) impersonator [Gary Goltz](#) for taking to the stage in support of our quest to complete a permanent memorial to our fallen colleagues...and it's taken us nearly two toe-tapping weeks to recover.

Words can't express our sincere appreciation for what they and the folks at [Avalon Hollywood](#) did [on April 5th](#), but if the rare joy experienced by the families and friends of fallen [Police Officers](#) and Firefighters was any indication, then they clearly belted this one out of the park 10-4!