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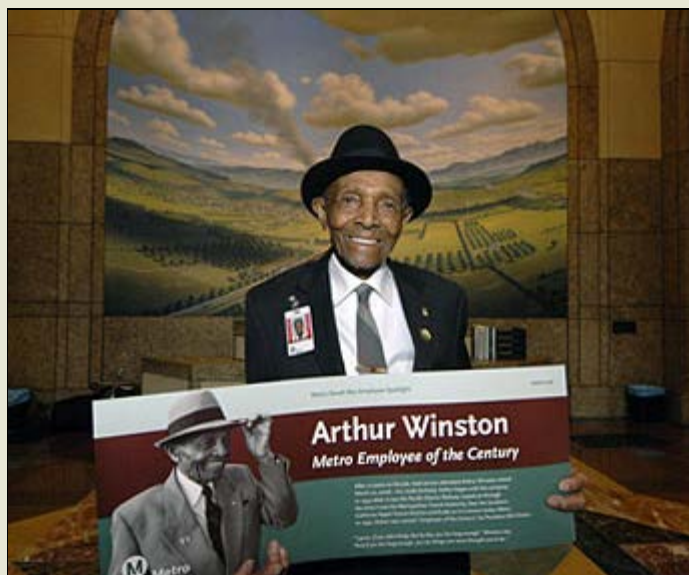
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Arthur Winston's Fond Farewell

- 'Employee of the Century' Holds Court at Metro in a Festival of Recognition, Honors, and Lots of Love
- Mayor Declares "Arthur Winston Day" for all of Los Angeles



You can chalk this day up as a winner for newly turned centenarian Arthur Winston.



Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa started the day on a very good note by declaring "Arthur Winston Day" at the Metro Board meeting. Said the Mayor: "One of the reasons we honor him is not just his longevity (76 years), but also his work ethic." (Photo by Luis Inzunza) Everything was uphill from then on...



Event coordinator Fran Curbello escorts Arthur Winston to place of honor amidst great cheer and applause from guests.



Metro South Bay GM Dana Coffee takes Arthur center court for an hour of presentations and other Metro delights.



The Metro Choir start the program with a musical tribute, "Total Praise."



Kindergarten students from the Gateway Child Development Center gave their own rendition of "The Wheels on the Bus."



CD Chivas USA group mascot and two of the "Chivas Girls" gave him a team jersey embossed with his name and the magic number 100.



"Arthur's Crew," performed a musical tribute to the honoree's famous work ethic. From left, Marie Tervalon, Alan Gee, Kenneth Allen, and Jacqueline Exeart.



LADOT Asst. General Manager James Okazaki to Arthur Winston: "You're monumental."



At the end of a table loaded with plaques and commendations, "Inside Edition" crew grabs an interview. Segment is expected to air Friday.



Human Resources Director Stefan Chasnov presents first of the redesigned retiree badges to Arthur Winston. (They're a little big, but at least you can see them)



CBS didn't get him out of bed like they did for his birthday party on Wednesday, but at least he was on the front page of the Los Angeles Times. But where will he put all of those plaques?

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