

City Administrator's

Weekly Briefing



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"Rich Heritage, Bright Future"

ADMINISTRATION

2015 City Employee of the Year: Mateo "Red" Pineda – Facilities Maintenance Technician

City of Placentia employee Mateo Pineda, Facilities Maintenance Technician, has been selected as the City's 2015 Employee of the Year. Mateo was presented the award at the Annual Employee Holiday Luncheon on December 17, 2015 by Mayor Yamaguchi, Mayor Pro Tem Green, and Interim City Administrator Arrula. The "George J. Koch Employee of the Year Award" annually honors an individual who best exemplifies "excellence and outstanding service among City employees." This award has been presented annually for the past 45 years.

Mateo joined the City's workforce in 1986 as a part time laborer. Mateo has progressed from a laborer to a Maintenance Worker in 1987. Mateo worked in the parks department mowing the medium islands on arterial streets. Mateo began overseeing the maintenance of Arroyo Verde Park, Gomez Park, Kraemer Park, and the Placentia Champions Sports Complex. In 2005 Mateo was promoted to the position of Facility Maintenance Technician. Mateo has a can do attitude and is positive, proactive, and professional employee.



He is more than a public servant; this employee is truly a servant leader. After a close to 30 year career with the City, Mateo retired effective December 31, 2015. The City family truly appreciates the countless contributions of 2015 Employee of the Year Mateo "Red" Pineda and wish him the very best in his retirement.

Follow Us At:



Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 1/11 Financial Audit Oversight Committee Meeting
- 1/11 Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting
- 1/12 Planning Commission Meeting
- 1/12 Cultural Arts Commission Meeting
- 1/12 Special City Council Meeting

For additional information or questions about this Weekly Briefing, please contact us at administration@placentia.org.



City Employee Service Recognitions

On Thursday, December 17, 2015 the City Council and the Interim City Administrator recognized City Employees who had reached service milestones (5 years of service or more).

The City leaders are proud of the outstanding service that these employees continue to deliver to the community and look forward to their continued contributions in the years ahead. The list of employees who were recognized includes:

5 Years of Service

Eric Hendrickson
Jamie Wong

Senior Accountant
Accounting Technician

10 Years of Service

Jonathon Ainley
Brian Drew
Manuel Tovar

Police Officer
Police Officer
Maintenance Worker

20 Years of Service

Joel Cardenas
Janet Juarez
Santos Rubalcava

Public Works Superintendent
Office Assistant
Community Services Officer

25 Years of Service

Raul Madrigal
Eric Point

Police Officer
Police Lieutenant

35 Years of Service

Matthew Reynolds

Management Analyst

Placentia Founders Society Chamber Music Concerts

Join the Placentia Founders Society and Placentia Chamber of Commerce in an afternoon of music on Sunday, January 24, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. at the Bradford House, 136 Palm Circle. The program will feature the Arroyo String Quartet and admission is free to all attendees. This concert is part of a series of concerts held on the third Sunday of each month. For more information for this event, please contact the Placentia Chamber of Commerce at (714) 528-1873 or visit their website at www.placentiachamber.com.

Local History Lecture Series: *The House That Bradford Built*

The Placentia Library Friends Foundation and the Placentia Historical Committee hosted the most recent local lecture in the series entitled, "*The House that Bradford Built*" on Monday, January 4, 2016. The next lecture in the series entitled, "*Love Connections: The People and Marriages that Shaped Our City*" will be held on **Monday, February 1, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Placentia Library Community Meeting Room, 411 E. Chapman Avenue. For additional information, please call (714) 528-1906. To catch up on previous lectures, [click here](#) for more information.



State of the City Address

The Placentia Chamber of Commerce will host Mayor Jeremy Yamaguchi's State of the City Address on Thursday, February 25, 2016, at 11:15 a.m. at the Alta Vista Country Club, 777 E. Alta Vista St. For more information or to purchase tickets for this event, please contact the Placentia Chamber of Commerce at (714) 528-1873 or visit their website at www.placentiachamber.com.

2016 Author's Luncheon with Lisa See

The Placentia Library Friends Foundation will be hosting the 2016 Author's Luncheon on March 5, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Alta Vista Country Club. The featured author is *New York Times* Bestselling Author Lisa See. Join in on the opportunity for a silent auction, door prizes, great food, and unforgettable memories! Tickets are \$55.00 and can be reserved by contacting Mariam Kalman at (714) 996-8682.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training in April

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) is a training program that prepares you to help yourself, your family, and your neighbors in the event of a disaster. During an incident, emergency service personnel may not be able to reach everyone right away. By getting trained in CERT, you will have the skills to help emergency responders save lives and protect property. As a member of a CERT team, you can respond to disasters, participate in drills and exercises, and take additional training. CERT teams are known and trusted resources to emergency responders and their communities. Register for the next CERT class to be held in April at the Whitten Center [here](#). For additional information about the CERT or emergency preparedness programs, please contact Sagar Patel, Management Assistant at (714) 993-8135.



COMMUNITY SERVICES

Getty Museum Excursion

On Tuesday, January 5, 2015, the Placentia Community Services Department held an excursion to the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles. The trip departed at 8:00 a.m. with sixteen participants on the City's passenger bus. Regardless, of the rainy day all of the exhibits were open and the participants were able to enjoy the various art exhibits. Everyone also enjoyed the trip to the Museum of Tolerance. The City of Placentia Community Services Department is proud to offer the community Cultural Arts excursions and will continue to pursue more of these activities over the course of the year.



Outdoor Exercise Equipment Grand Opening

The newly installed Outdoor Exercise Equipment at Kraemer Memorial Park was officially opened on Tuesday, December 15, 2015. Community members have already started to use the equipment and City Staff will be coordinating with St. Jude to offer demonstrations at Kraemer Memorial and McFadden Parks on the use of each component. The City of Placentia is very fortunate to have St. Jude Hospital as a partner and offers its



Neighborhood Services/Friendly Center

The City of Placentia Neighborhood Services Office partners with Western Youth Services to offer free parenting classes. The six week course teaches parenting techniques helpful for all. Dinner and childcare are provided. Classes are held Mondays from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Whitten Center. Classes are held in Spanish, but can be translated to English as well. For more information or to sign up, please call (714) 986-2333.

Placentia Youth Basketball Open Practice Time

Placentia Youth Basketball (PYB) practices have resumed from holiday break and the season is almost half way over. In order to help the kids polish their skills we are now offering an open practice time from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Oberle gym located at Melrose Elementary School. During these practice times, Community Services staff will be leading a series of drills. For more information please click [here](#) or call the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

Adult Basketball



The next season of Placentia Adult Basketball is scheduled to begin on January 19, 2016. The league fee is still \$300 and ten regular season games are offered whenever possible. The first eight teams to register and pay for the league will be guaranteed a spot. Discounts are available for returning teams who bring a new team into the league. For more information please, click [here](#) or call the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232. Teams can be registered online at www.placentia.org/classes.



CAPES Program Overview

The Cultural Arts Project for Every Student (CAPES) program is sponsored by the City of Placentia Cultural Arts Commission. The Cultural Arts Commission is comprised of five members:

- Chair Person - Sergio Hidalgo
- Vice Chair - Melanie Coward
- Commissioner - Nadine Laborde
- Commissioner - Richard Pana
- Commissioner - Devon Gray

In addition to other duties, the Commission provides grants to help teachers bring curriculum related art projects to life for K-12 students. CAPES funding is provided through opportunity drawings held during City of Placentia Concerts in the Park and through sponsorships.

All teachers in Placentia schools were invited to apply for a CAPES grant. To apply, teachers completed an application and a detailed budget of their project. To be considered, projects must be curriculum based and related to music, visual arts, dance, drama, poetry, photography or graphic arts. Winners were selected by the Cultural Arts Commission and judged on originality/ uniqueness, creativity, and student involvement with hands-on learning experiences.

The eight CAPES grants that were awarded to Placentia schools this year for unique art related projects, for a total of \$3,886.41 are listed below:

School	Project Title	Lead Teacher	Amount Granted
El Dorado H.S.	Children of Eden, Musical Production	Kathleen Switzer	\$500.00
El Dorado H.S.	Through the Lens	Amanda Wolf	\$500.00
Valencia H.S.	Cultural Conte' Drawings	Sherrie Olive	\$478.71
Tuffree M.S.	"Happy Anniversary"	Janmarie Halliday	\$498.20
Tynes Elementary	Musical Theater Production	Jannis Fredrick	\$500.00
Valadez M.S.	Lichtenstein in the Sports Locker room	Jeff Schumerth	\$432.50
Wagner Elementary	Annual Tulip Festival/ Mother Day Tea	Judy Lancaster	\$487.00
Kraemer M.S.	Embellished Coiled Baskets	Amy Blank	\$490.00
		Total	\$3,886.41

On January 19, 2015 the C.A.P.E.S. recipients will be recognized at the City Council Meeting. They will be provided with a Certificate of Recognition. The funds will be hand delivered to PYLUSD, then the School District distributes the money accordingly.



PUBLIC WORKS

Southern California Edison

Southern California Edison would like to remind residents that during heavy rain events, power outages, downed power lines or dangling wires may occur. Residents are advised to not touch or approach downed power lines. Please call 911 immediately. To report a power outage, please call Southern California Edison at (800) 611-1911.

Storm Season Preparation

The City and the Public Works Department are preparing for the upcoming storm season. Public Works crews cleaned a total of 536 storm drains to minimize potential flooding issues due to clogged storm drain lines. In the upcoming weeks, they will be performing tests and inspections of the City's water pump stations. Residents may pick-up sand bags at the City's Corporation Yard located at 2999 La Jolla St. from Monday through Thursday from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Residents will need to show identification to prove City residency and bring their own shovel to fill up the bags with sand. Each resident is allowed up to 10 sand bags. The Orange County Fire Authority also offers sandbags to residents at Fire Station 34 located at 1530 N. Valencia Avenue.

Public Works Updates

The Public Works Department performed maintenance activities throughout the City, including graffiti removal, sign replacement on Kraemer Blvd., Orangethorpe Ave. and Yorba Linda Blvd. The Patch Crew filled potholes on arterial streets and checked storm drains in their assigned areas. The Ball Field Maintenance Crew worked on infields at the Sports Complex, Tuffree Park and Tori Hunter field. The Facility Maintenance Crew completed work orders and inspected City buildings. The Irrigation Crew reset irrigation controllers on rain delay. The Maintenance crews cleaned the downtown area and checked storm drains in their assigned areas.

As a reminder to our residents, City staff is now assigned to remove the graffiti, pick up dead animals, maintain the downtown landscaping and make sure the OCTA bus stops thru out the City of Placentia are clean. The new phone number to report graffiti or dead animal pick up is (714) 993-8279.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

OC Animal Care Hours of Operation Change

In order to implement kennel cleaning protocols that are consistent with shelter guidelines and community expectations, OC Animal Care will be opening for public adoptions at 11:00 a.m., rather than 10:00 a.m. beginning January 2, 2016. The OC Animal Care hours can be found [here](#).

Hours for owner redemptions and delivery of found animals will not be affected and will continue to be 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. daily. Please feel free to contact OC Animal Care with any questions or concerns.



Significant Events

December 30, 2015

Officers located a parked stolen vehicle at a local motel. The Officers, conducted surveillance on the vehicle until two gang members entered the car and began to drive away. The suspects saw the police cars and tried to flee from the stolen car. The Officers successfully captured the two men.

December 31, 2015

At approximately 12:00 p.m., a roll over collision occurred in the 600 block of Sherwood. A male driver having unknown medical problems was driving east on Sherwood at a high rate of speed and swerved to the right of the roadway striking a pedestrian that was unloading items from his vehicle. The driver continued to push the parked vehicle approximately 60 feet before overturning trapping the driver inside the vehicle. The driver suffered minor injuries while the pedestrian suffered a major compound fracture to one of his legs. Both subjects were transported as trauma patients to a local hospital and were determined to have non life threatening injuries.

January 1, 2016

At 3:53 pm an Officer went in foot pursuit of a suspect with a No Bail felony warrant for Burglary in the area of Vincente and Van Buren. The suspect was captured a short distance away and was taken into custody for the warrant, resisting arrest, and giving false info to a peace officer.

An underground pipeline ruptured near the intersection of Alta Vista and Jefferson causing a large amount of oil to leak through the asphalt and spill into the roadway. Emergency notifications were made to the oil company who sent out a repair crew and clean up company to handle the incident. They estimated the repair and clean up would take approximately 24 hours to complete.

January 3, 2016

At approximately 10:12 p.m. Fullerton Police Department requested assistance at the Target shopping center where they had approximately 300 racers congregating and driving recklessly in the parking lot. One of the Fullerton Officers was surrounded by a large group of people when he made a car stop in the parking lot. Our entire shift responded along with Cal State Fullerton and the parking lot was cleared without incident.

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Building and Planning Division Activity

Orange County Fire Authority Weekly Executive Summary



Building and Planning Divisions

1. Precise grading and wall plans for a new second unit at Morse Ave. were submitted for review and approval on 12/14/15. This new second unit will be a two story, single-family house with an attached two-car garage underneath.
2. Building plans for a Use Permit application (UP 2015-10) at 111 W. Santa Fe Ave. were submitted to the Planning and Building divisions for review and approval on 12/15/15. The Applicants (Vintage Villa Banquet Hall) are currently seeking for liquor (beer and wine) sales permit and license.
3. Grading plans for the Placentia-Linda Hospital parking lot re-construction were submitted to the Engineering, Planning and Building divisions on 12/15/15 for review and approval. The scope of work includes new parking spaces/area and trailers for medical offices and equipments.
4. Thirteen (13) residential solar panel installation plans and structural reports were approved by the Building Division on 12/16/15. These are for residential single family detached homes only.
5. Building plans for a residential remodel and addition project located at Orange Grove Ave. were approved by the Planning & Building divisions on 12/16/15. This project includes a 200 sq. ft. bedroom addition on top of the existing garage; new storage rooms (2); and remodeling of the existing living room and kitchen. In addition, new plumbing, HVAC and electrical fixtures will be install
6. Tenant improvement building and structural plans for an existing pharmacy manufacturing company at 646 S. Jefferson St. were reviewed and approved by the Planning and Building divisions on 12/16/15. The scope of work involves new offices, operation room, electrical, plumbing and HVAC fixtures. The cost of the construction is \$150,000.00.



Number of Permits Issued - 12/14/15 - 12/17/15

PERMIT TYPE	# PERMITS
Residential Alteration	2
Solar	9
Block Wall/Fence	2
Storage Racks	0
Patio	1
Commercial Tenant Improvement	2
Sign	0
Roof	6
Pool Demo	0
Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical	27
TOTAL	49

Number of Plan Checks - 12/14/15 - 12/17/15

PLAN CHECK TYPE	# SUBMITTED
Commercial Tenant Improvement	0
Residential Alterations	0
Solar	12
Signs	0
B & Z (Building & Zoning Application)	2
Home Occupation Permits	2
TOTAL	16



Orange County Fire Authority

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News & Events

The 8th Annual Best and Bravest Awards Dinner will be held on Thursday, February at the Irvine Marriott. Please join in recognizing OCFA's personnel who have gone above and beyond the call of duty. The awards are for employees who demonstrate the spirit of the Best and Bravest on a daily basis, or contribute in an extraordinary way on an emergency response, project, or organizational issue. Your support is greatly appreciated! RSVP to Olivia Covarrubias, Tamy Rivers, or Paris Prophet.

The OCFA distributes a monthly video newsletter to all OCFA personnel to keep crews and staff up-to-date on recent incidents and current topics within OCFA. The [Video Newsletter for December 2015](#) is now available to view.

*Weekly Media Clips

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Board Action

For Board agendas, please visit <http://www.ocfa.org> and click on "Board Agendas/Minutes."

Weekly Update on Response and Preparedness

[Weekly Fire Activity Report](#): This is a regular status update of available OCFA resources and a list of OCFA out of County resources jurisdiction and a list of out of county resources.

Weather Outlook: *Normal to Below Normal Temperatures for January 8 – January 15.* For more information, please visit the [National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center](#).

Fire Outlook –Dry: Little or no risk of large fires in the absence of a "High Risk" event. You can obtain a 7-day forecast, monthly and/or seasonal by clicking [here](#).



Community Events

- Crew from Station 17 (A Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of Girl Scouts from **Cypress**. The program was on January 7 from 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.
- Community Education Specialists Christy Watson and Martha Espiritu provided a workplace fire safety presentation to a group of employees at All Green Electronics in **Tustin**. The event was on January 6 from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Significant Emergency Incidents

Laguna Beach

Remote Rescue – December 31 - At 12:40 p.m. Laguna Beach Fire requested units from OCFA to respond and assist with a Remote Rescue. Battalion 6, Engine30 and Helicopter 1 (with rescuers from Truck 34) responded to the area known as Lovers Cove. Laguna Beach Lifeguards were on scene of a male patient with a back injury after a 20' fall off a cliff. With the high tide there was no access for ground units. Once Helicopter 1 arrived overhead they inserted two rescuers and the stokes basket. While the rescuers packaged the patient Helicopter 1 flew to a near-by park and picked up a paramedic from Engine 30. They returned to the cove to perform a basket extraction of the patient. Once the patient was on board they flew direct to Mission Hospital Mission Viejo arriving at approximately 1:35 p.m.

Yorba Linda

Remote Rescue – January 2 - At 2:27 p.m. a Remote Rescue response was dispatched to the hills in the area of Hidden Hills Road and Fairwood Circle in Yorba Linda. Ground units were able to make direct access to the patient off the end of Hidden Hills road along the Bobcat Ridge Trail. The patient, an elderly male, had fallen off the side of the trail and gone down approximately thirty feet. Truck 34 was able to set up for a low angle rescue and with the personnel on scene they were able to get the patient back up to the trail. He was loaded into an awaiting ambulance and was transported to OC Global Medical Center.

Incident Commander:

Engine 53

Lake Forest

Traffic Collision Cut & Rescue – January 3 - At 7:45 p.m., a Traffic Collision Cut & Rescue response was dispatched to the northbound I-5/I-405 in Lake Forest. Units arrived on scene with a two car accident with one victim trapped. A Multi-Casualty was declared and the assignment was augmented with two additional medics and one additional engine. There were a total of five patients: one critical trauma, one moderate trauma and three Basic Life Support.

Incident Commander:

Chief Casario, B4

Buena Park

Swift Water Rescue – January 5 - At 9:49 a.m., a Swift Water Rescue response was dispatched to the flood control channel near Malvern and Dale in Buena Park. A nearby resident could hear a victim yelling for help and possibly being pulled down stream. Upon arrival units found the victim had self-extricated. He was transported Advanced Life Support to the hospital.



Stanton

Structure Fire – January 6 - At 7:07 a.m. units were dispatched to a structure fire on Yorkshire Avenue in Stanton with report of heavy smoke from the back of a house. Engine 46 arrived onscene and confirmed heavy smoke from the rear and requested a balance to a working structure fire assignment and established Yorkshire Incident Command. Engine 46 declared an interior attack of this vacant boarded up property. Battalion 1 arrived at 7:20 a.m. and assumed Incident Command. Fire was called under control at 7:24 a.m. Stanton building official and Red Cross was requested for one displaced elderly female.

Incident Commander:

Chief Spencer, B8

Cause:

Under Investigation

La Palma

Kitchen Fire – January 6 - At 11:19 a.m. units responded to a kitchen fire for a report of an oven fire at Los Coyotes School located on Moody Street in La Palma. Engine 61 arrived and confirmed light smoke and evacuation in progress, Engine 61 requested a balance to a working structure fire. At 11:26 a.m. Engine 61 confirmed the fire was out and could handle with Truck 61. County Health was requested and the scene was left with a superintendent.

Incident Commander:

Captain Enterline, E61

Cause:

Under Investigation

Lake Forest

Swift Water Rescue – January 6 - At 12:03 p.m. units were dispatched to the Coyote Creek area of Cerritos Avenue and Los Alamitos Boulevard in Lake Forest for a second hand report from LAF PD of one person possibly in the creek and one person attempting a rescue. From the Cerritos overpass at 12:12 p.m. Engine 2 reported a low volume of water and per city maintenance crews working in the area there was nobody seen in the water. Engine 2 announced the incident was unfounded at 12:15 p.m. and all units were cancelled.

Santa Ana

Flood – January 6 - At 1:00 p.m. Truck 75 was dispatched to a flooding situation on East Russell Avenue in Santa Ana for report of a significant water flooding residence. ECC also took several other similar calls for houses in the immediate area; only a few districts apart. All these incidents were a result of heavy rains with serious downpours at that time. The incident on Russell was by far the most significant and resulted in an extended incident. Within minutes of arriving onscene at 1:07 p.m., Truck 75 requested Battalion 9 to respond and also reported the need for Santiago Crew to respond with sandbags and sand. At 1:25 p.m. Battalion 9 requested a Heavy Fire Equipment Operator to respond with equipment to preload sandbags and use the SkidSteer. Truck 75 assumed Russell Incident Command at 1:25 p.m. The hand crew put portable pumps into service and Battalion 9 requested Santa Ana public works to respond, when they responded it was with an order for emergency K-Rail placement. All ORC resources were committed to this incident into the night and were available at approximately 10:30 p.m. when the scene was released to Santa Ana public works.

Incident Commander:

Captain/Paramedic Ratcliffe

Incidents By Major Category
for Period: 12/21/2015 - 12/27/2015

CITY/JURISDICTION	FIRE	OVER - PRESSURE RUPTURE	EMS/ RESCUE CALL	HAZMAT	SERVICE CALL	GOOD INTENT CALL	FALSE CALL	NATURAL	OTHER	TOTAL
ALISO VIEJO	1	0	28	0	4	4	4	0	2	43
BUENA PARK	1	0	109	2	1	13	4	0	17	147
CYPRESS	0	0	32	1	3	2	2	0	6	46
DANA POINT	4	0	41	1	3	9	1	0	5	64
IRVINE	3	0	161	3	12	17	25	0	6	227
IRVINE - UCI	0	1	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	9
LA PALMA	0	0	16	0	1	2	5	0	0	24
LAGUNA HILLS	0	0	44	1	3	10	1	0	2	61
LAGUNA NIGUEL	1	0	73	1	5	10	4	0	7	101
LAGUNA WOODS	0	1	83	0	5	2	1	0	27	119
LAKE FOREST CITY	0	1	58	3	3	7	4	0	7	83
LOS ALAMITOS	1	0	11	1	0	6	2	0	0	21
MISSION VIEJO	0	0	113	0	11	13	8	0	16	161
PLACENTIA	2	1	37	1	9	1	0	0	4	55
RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA	0	0	41	1	1	2	5	0	2	52
SAN CLEMENTE	1	0	70	1	5	15	4	0	3	99
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO	1	0	48	2	6	16	3	0	1	77
SANTA ANA	7	0	325	3	11	45	18	0	35	444
SEAL BEACH	1	0	74	1	9	1	1	0	6	93
SEAL BEACH - NVW	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
STANTON	0	0	51	0	1	4	3	0	16	75
TUSTIN	3	0	91	2	5	15	3	0	0	119
VILLA PARK	0	0	9	0	1	2	1	0	1	14
WESTMINSTER	1	0	98	1	3	8	3	0	1	115
YORBA LINDA	1	0	49	2	5	9	9	0	12	87
UNINCORPORATED	3	0	95	4	9	10	6	0	15	142
TOTAL	31	4	1759	31	116	223	124	0	191	2479