

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Committee and Commission Member Appreciation Dinner

The City hosted a Committee/Commission Member Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, October 20th at the Placentia Senior Center to acknowledge and thank all of our City Committee and Commission members who volunteer their time and serve the community.



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 10/31/22 Placentia Community Foundation
- 11/1/22 City Council Meeting—CANCELLED
- 11/7/22 Veterans Advisory Committee
- 11/8/22 Park Arts and Recreation Commission
- 11/10/22 Veterans Day Observed—City Facilities Closed

For additional

information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

55-Hour Closure on Northbound SR-57 at Lambert

Caltrans is scheduled to conduct a 55-hour closure starting on Friday, October 28th at 10:00 pm and will reopen on Monday, October 31st at 5:00 am. Work is scheduled for the following areas with detours set for all directions:

- Northbound State Route (SR-57) Lambert on-ramp
- Northbound SR-57 Lambert off-ramp
- Northbound SR-57 Auxiliary Lane at Lambert

Electronic Changeable Messages Signs will notify drivers of the closure. The work schedule is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and materials, and construction-related issues. For more information and updates, contact (657) 328-6000.



Legacy Bricks Now Available!

The City is partnering with the Placentia Community Foundation to create an opportunity for the community to invest in this one-of-a-kind historic project by incorporating a legacy brick dedication program into the restoration of the Kraemer Park Memorial Fountain.

The City and the Foundation are now selling personalized commemorative bricks to the community for installation in the fountain plaza area as part of this legacy project. This will provide the larger community an opportunity to participate in this legacy project and be a part of Placentia's legacy! Brick sales are on sale now and cost \$130 each. Placentia seniors (65+) can purchase a brick for \$95. **The deadline to purchase a legacy brick is December 31st.**

For questions about the Legacy Brick Program, visit www.placentia.org/legacybrick or contact (714) 993-8232.

CITY OF PLACENTIA

LEGACY BRICK PROGRAM

BE A PART OF PLACENTIA'S LEGACY!

The City of Placentia is restoring the Kraemer Memorial Park Fountain and surrounding plaza. As a part of this project, the City and the Placentia Community Foundation are proud to offer Placentia residents, businesses, non-profits, and service groups a one-time opportunity to purchase a legacy brick, to be installed around the restored fountain, and become a part of Placentia's history.

- Bricks can be purchased for \$130 or \$95 for seniors (65+)
- Bricks will be 4 in x 8 in
- 1-3 lines of text will be allowed with 20 spaces per line
- Logos for businesses, non-profits, and service groups can be included for an additional fee
- Brick purchases are tax deductible
- The deadline to purchase bricks is December 31st

The deadline to purchase Legacy Bricks is December 31st

For more information or to purchase a legacy brick, please visit www.placentia.org/legacybrick

Commercial Sign Waiver Program

As part of the City's Buy Local Incentive Program, the Placentia City Council approved the Commercial Sign Waiver Program. This program allows the City to waive all planning and building fees, up to \$1,000 per business that is interested in upgrading their existing commercial building sign. Participating business must have an active business license.

The Commercial Sign Waiver Program will expire on **November 1, 2022.**

For additional information, please call (714) 993-8268.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Neighborhood Services Office will hold a Turkey Basket Drive on Tuesday, November 22nd beginning at 2:00 pm, while supplies last. Donations of Thanksgiving non perishable food items are now being accepted. The donated baskets will be distributed to families in need in the City of Placentia at the annual Turkey Basket Distribution Event. Donations of non perishable food items can be dropped off at the Whitten Community Center located at 900 S. Melrose Street. Please do not bring perishable food items at this time. Perishables will be accepted closer to the event date. For more information, please contact the Neighborhood Services Office at (714) 986-2333.

Holiday Toy Drive

The Community Services Department, Fire and Life Safety Department, and Police Department are hosting a Holiday Toy Drive. The Toy Drive will be held from October 10th through December 15th. Gifts will be distributed to families in need in Placentia and surrounding communities. For those interested in donating, please drop off a new unwrapped toy for children ages 0-18 at one of the locations listed on the flyer. To view the flyer, please [click here](#). For more information, contact the Neighborhood Services Office at (714) 986-2333.

Tiny Tots - Session 4

Session 4 of the Tiny Tots program will be a “Winter Wonderland” and classes will be held from November 28th – January 19th with no classes being held from December 16th – January 2nd for the winter Holiday or on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The program focuses on introducing youth ages 3-5 years old to numbers, counting, colors, shapes, letters, vocabulary development, and following directions in order to gain valuable socialization skills and prepare them for kindergarten. The program is offered in 6-week sessions at the Koch Park Community Building. For more information, [click here](#) to view the flyer or call the Tiny Tots program staff at (714) 572-0467.

New Park Amenities at Goldenrod Park and Koch Park

The City Council approved the Placentia Parks Initiative Plan on June 1, 2021, a comprehensive master list of park and building projects. Projects were prioritized by safety, age of equipment, and funding sources. City park renovation projects are either funded through State Grants, Development Impact Fees, or Measure U funding. Goldenrod Park and Koch Park playgrounds have now been replaced. To finalize the renovation of Goldenrod and Koch Parks, the park amenities such as park benches, picnic tables, BBQ's and trash/recycling receptacles are now being replaced at both sites. The new amenities will be cohesive across all parks in the City with one universal design and will be much more durable and weather resistant compared to many of the wooden amenities once installed at the locations. The City's goal is to have every City park playground renovated within 2 to 5 years with amenity replacement to follow. For more information about the Placentia Parks Initiative, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Expand the Forest

The Expand the Forest Program provides residents and community groups with an opportunity to purchase and dedicate a tree to commemorate a loved one or special event. Planting a tree in a City Park is a special way to honor a loved one and also provides a gift to the whole community by contributing to the expansion of the City's Urban Forest.

The cost to purchase and plant a tree will be funded by the tree sponsor and is based on the current contract price paid by the City for 24-inch box trees. Residents can participate by completing an Expand the Forest Program application and submitting it to the Public Works Department via email at urbanforest@placentia.org or via mail at 401 E. Chapman Avenue, Placentia, CA 92870. The application is available online at www.placentia.org/urbanforest and at City Hall. For more information, contact (714) 993-8148 or urbanforest@placentia.org.



Free Compost Giveaway

Join OC Waste & Recycling to pick up FREE compost (while supplies last) on Saturday, November 5th from 9:00 am—3:00 pm at the following locations: Frank R. Bowerman Landfill, 11002 Bee Canyon Access Road in Irvine; Olinda Alpha Landfill, 1942 N Valencia Avenue in Brea; Prima Deshecha Landfill, 32250 Avenida La Pata, San Juan Capistrano. Proof of Orange County residency is required at these events and residents should bring a shovel and container/bag to fill. Each vehicle is limited to 60 gallons, while supplies last. County staff will be onsite to assist. For more information, please visit www.OCLandfills.com.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Placentia PD Attends JUSA Practice

On Friday October 14th, Placentia Police Officers and Detectives got the opportunity to attend a soccer practice and play a short game with the Junior United Soccer Association (JUSA) Top Dogs soccer team at Wagner Elementary. This is the second opportunity the Placentia Police Department has had the privilege of playing soccer and spending time with the Top Dogs and was a great time for all. These types of community interactions and engagements are extremely important to all of us and we look forward to continue building these important relationships.





POLICE DEPARTMENT

Veterans Day Observance Ceremony

The City of Placentia will be hosting the 34th Annual Veterans Day Observance Ceremony on Friday, November 11th at 10:00 am at the Placentia Civic Center. The City is grateful for the many sacrifices made by the men and women who have served our Country. In their honor, we invite all residents, veterans, and their families to celebrate this Veterans Day with us. Special guest speakers, patriotic music, and the new Military Banner Recognition Program recipients will be included in the event program. In addition, the added service members to the veterans monument will be honored, and their name inscriptions will be unveiled. For more information, please call (714) 993-8211.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Hudson Townhomes Model Grand Opening

The City of Placentia is happy to announce that a new residential development, known as Hudson is now open for tours of the model homes. The sales office, located at 443 and 455 S. Van Buren Street is open for tours and inquires Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, and Wednesday from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The 139-unit residential development will consist of 22 separate three-story buildings. Six floor plans are proposed consisting of 25 one-bedroom units, 52 two-bedroom units, and 62 three-bedroom units. The unit types will measure between 762 square feet and 1,349 square feet in overall floor area and feature an attached one or two-car garage per unit.



The project has several amenities such as a tot lot, gated neighborhood, dog park, basketball court, BBQs, and fire pits. Join Landsea Homes as they unveil the beautifully decorated model homes at Hudson in Placentia. Email HudsonInfo@LandseaHomes.com for more information.

The project developer, a partnership between Toffoli Investments and Landsea Homes, will construct the townhomes, which is anticipated to continue for approximately 18 months. For information related to the construction schedule, please contact the Development Services Department directly at (714) 993-8124 or contact AGonzales@placentia.org.





FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

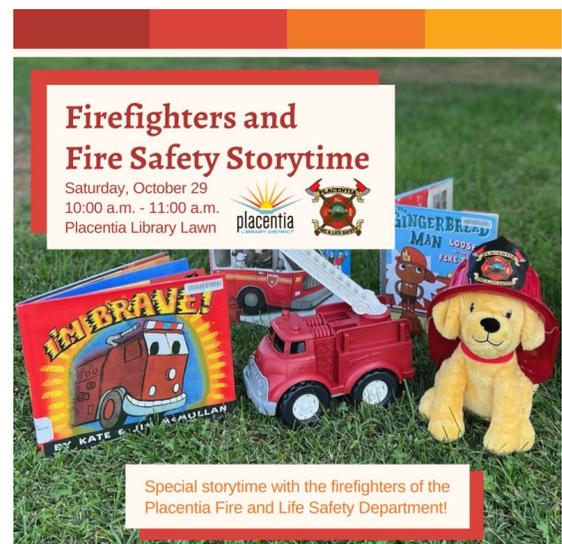
Red Ribbon Week at Golden Elementary

This week, Placentia Fire and Life Safety was pleased to join forces with Placentia PD to visit Golden Elementary School students for their Red Ribbon Week presentation. Fire and Life Safety crews displayed their apparatus to the students and talked to them about the importance of fire safety at home. We love being invited to community events. For future scheduling, please email fire@placentia.org.



Storytime at the Placentia Library

Please join the Placentia Fire and Life Safety Department for this week's Family Storytime at the Placentia Library! Fire and Life Safety personnel will be out on the Placentia Library lawn on **Saturday, October 29th** from 10:00 am – 11:00 am. The crews will be reading a few stories and displaying their equipment on the Fire Engine!



EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – October 28 – November 3, 2022

Follow us on social media!
Instagram: @placentialib
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Children's Programs

FIREFIIGHTERS AND FIRE SAFETY STORYTIME

Saturday, October 29, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Placentia Library Lawn

Want to learn what it's like being a firefighter? Come join us for a special storytime with the firefighters of the Placentia Fire and Life Safety Department! We'll learn about important fire safety tips and read aloud fun stories about firefighters and what they do! Plus, you'll get the exciting chance to see and touch a real fire engine up close! Join us outside on the Placentia Library Lawn on Saturday, October 29th from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



IN-N-OUT COVER TO COVER READING PROGRAM

October 1 - November 12

Sign up at the Information Desk

Read five library books and earn a free hamburger or cheeseburger! Ages 4-12.

IN-PERSON STORYTIMES

Our storytimes are held in the Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove. More info: www.placentialibrary.org
Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime – Wednesday, November 2 @ 6:30 p.m.

Once Upon A Storytime (Ages 0-3 with caregiver) – Thursday, November 3 @ 10:00 a.m.

Family Storytime – Saturday, October 29 @ 10:00 a.m. as Firefighters and Fire Safety Storytime

READ TO THE DOGS

1st Monday of Each Month, 6:00 p.m. Next program: November 7

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Open to children of all ages! Read to a trained, furry friend from The Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs, Inc. – because even dogs like to hear a good tail-chasing tale now and then! Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/read-to-the-dogs

MORNING MEET UPS

Mondays, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Next program: November 7

Crossroads Corner

The Hangar DIY Lab

Visit www.placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab for more info!



ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE KIT PICKUP: CUSTOM STAMP GIFT TAGS

Pick up beginning November 1, while supplies last

This season, give your gifts an extra personal touch no matter what holiday you celebrate. Learn to carve your own stamps - and ink them too.

Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-diy-kits



ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE KIT PREORDER: POM-POM REINDEER ORNAMENTS

Preorder November 1-7 to pick up in December

Once you see how easy these ornaments are, you'll make a whole herd.

Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/take-and-make-kit-preorder

Adult, Teens and Literacy Programs

Looking for a book or library item? Search our online catalog at catalog.placentialibrary.org.

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY WITH GOOD MOODRA YOGA

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. This week: October 29

Placentia Library Lawn

Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/yoga

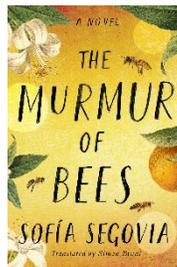
BOOK CLUB

2nd Tuesday of Each Month, 1:00 p.m.

November: *The Murmur of Bees* by Sofia Segovia on November 8

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/book-club



PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)

1st and 3rd Thursdays of Each Month, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. This week: November 3

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

Learn more at www.placentialibrary.org/ptac

LITERACY

Teach an adult to read. Become a Volunteer Adult Literacy Tutor. Get started at www.placentialibrary.org/literacy.

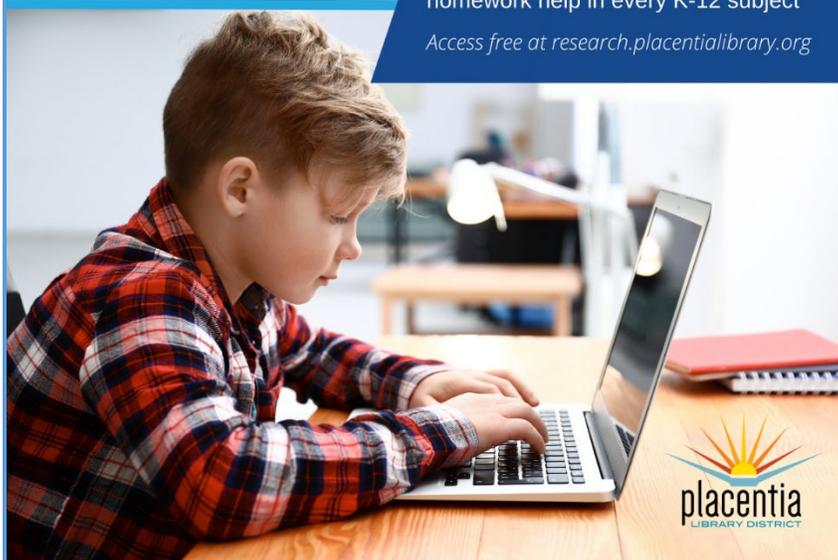
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California offers — at no cost to public schools, districts, local libraries or students — access to online educational content from Britannica, ProQuest, TeachingBooks and Gale for use by every public K-12 school and student in the state.

Access these resources with your library card at www.placentialibrary.org/k12-online-resources

CAREER PATHWAYS

The California State Library is providing free access to a number of digital platforms for workforce support: Coursera, GetSetUp, Job & Career Accelerator (EBSCO), LearningExpress Library Complete (EBSCO), LinkedIn Learning, Northstar, Skillshare, and VetNow.

Access these resources with your library card at www.placentialibrary.org/career-pathways

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