

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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March 16, 2023



“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Placentia Post Office Renaming Ceremony

This week, Mayor Ward Smith and Council Member Rhonda Shader participated in a ceremony for the renaming of the Placentia Post Office, 1400 N Kraemer Boulevard. The Post Office was renamed the “PFC Jang Ho Kim Post Office Building” in remembrance of Jang Ho Kim, who on November 13, 2006, was killed alongside another soldier during a combat operation in Baghdad when a roadside bomb exploded near their vehicle. Jang Ho Kim, who attended Valencia High School in Placentia, was 20 at the time of his death. The bill was cosponsored by all members of the California congressional delegation and unanimously passed the Senate.



3rd Annual Wedding and Event Expo

The Chamber of Commerce is hosting their third annual Wedding and Event Expo on Sunday, March 26th from 1:00 pm—4:00 pm at the Placentia Round Table Women’s Club, 901 Bradford Avenue. They will have a large assortment of vendors to fit all occasions, not just weddings! Admission is free. For more information, a list of vendors, and to register, please [click here](#).

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 3/18/23 Santa Fe Park Ribbon Cutting
- 3/21/23 City Council Meeting
- 3/27/23 Placentia Community Foundation
- 3/28/23 Historical Committee
- 4/1/23 Easter Eggcitement Event

For additional

information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Now Hiring for Summer Employment!

Looking for something fun to do this summer while also making money? The City is currently hiring for a variety of part-time jobs for the summer. We are looking for enthusiastic and responsible people to work in our upcoming Summer Program! Applicants must enjoy working with the public and be available to work from June - September. Don't wait; apply today! We are currently hiring for:

- Instructor Guard/Senior Instructor Guard
- Lifeguard
- Community Services Leader

There are also a number of full-time positions that we are recruiting for. For more information on open positions, please visit www.placentia.org/jobs.



71/91 Interchange Project Construction Updates

Nightly closures of lanes, ramps, and connectors on the 71 and 91 are planned for crews to safely begin work in the center median and continue roadway excavation and earthwork.

Highway and Express Lane Closures:

- Thursday, March 16th, 9:00 pm – 5:00 am and Friday, March 17th, Midnight—6:00 am, Southbound 71 single lane closure between Butterfield Ranch Rd./Euclid Ave. and the 91. No detour required, since other lanes will remain open
- Thursday, March 16th, 10:00 pm – 6:00 am and Friday, March 17th, Midnight – 7:00 am, Eastbound 91 various lane closures between the County Line and east of Green River Rd. No detour required, since other lanes will remain open

Connector and Ramp Closures:

- Thursday, March 16th, 10:00 pm – 6:00 am and Friday, March 17th, Midnight – 7:00 am, Eastbound 91 Green River Rd. on-ramp closed. Use Green River Rd. to eastbound Palisades Dr. to northbound Serfas Club Dr./Auto Center Dr. to eastbound 91
- Thursday, March 16th, 9:00 pm – 5:00 am and Friday, March 17th, Midnight – 6:00 am, Southbound 71 to westbound 91 connector closed Use eastbound 91 to Serfas Club Dr./Auto Center Dr. off-ramp to westbound 91

Schedule is subject to change, based on weather and other factors.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Summer Volunteer Program

Join the Community Services team this summer! The Community Services Department is pleased to announce the Summer Volunteer Program. Junior High School and High School students, aged 13-16, who need volunteer service hours for graduation are encouraged to apply to assist the Community Services staff with multiple activities throughout the City. Participants will gain valuable on-the-job training skills, while being a part of a dynamic team this summer! Volunteers assist with youth sports, P.A.R.K.'s programs, special events, senior programs, and excursions. Applicants must be 13 years of age by June 1, 2023 and reside within the City limits of Placentia or attend a Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District school. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2023 at 5:30 pm. For more information, please [click here](#) or contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Theft from Motor Vehicle—Attempt to Identify/Locate



PLACENTIA

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BRAD BUTTS, Chief of Police

401 East Chapman Avenue, Placentia, CA 92870

Theft From Motor Vehicle – Attempt to Identify/Locate

BULLETIN DATE: 3/15/2023

DR 23-00878, 23-00888, 23-00889



Valparaiso Dr Susp



Hoover Pl Susp



Valparaiso Dr Susp Veh

ACTIVITY: Theft From Motor Vehicle

LOCATION: 1200 block of Valparaiso Dr N, 1700 block of Hoover Pl

SUSPECT 1 (S1): Male, light-skinned, 20-30 years old, average height/weight, wearing a dark-colored gaiter style mask, black jacket, blue jeans, and white shoes.

SUSPECT 2 (S2): Not seen, driver of suspect vehicle.

SUSPECT VEHICLE (SV): Unknown color (possibly silver), older model Chevrolet Avalanche.

DETAILS: On Thursday, March 9, at approximately 0025 hours, the SV depicted/listed above was seen driving slowly down the street on the 1200 block of Valparaiso Dr N. The SV then stopped at the curb and S1 could be seen walking down the other side of the street. S1 then entered the driver's seat of a vehicle parked on a driveway and searched inside the vehicle. He then exited that vehicle and attempted to enter a vehicle parked next to it, but the vehicle was locked. He then walked out of view being followed by the SV. On Monday, March 13, at approximately 0320 hours, S1 was seen attempting to enter vehicles on the 1700 block of Hoover Pl, which is approximately 2 miles away. S1 appeared to pause while attempting to enter the vehicles as if he was in possession of a device that might unlock the vehicles. No other suspect/suspect vehicle was seen.

If you have any information that might assist this investigation, please contact Placentia Police Department Investigator K. Flood at (714) 993-8298, or kflood@placentia.org.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

OC Waste and Recycling Compost Giveaway

JOIN OC WASTE & RECYCLING TO PICK UP **FREE COMPOST** WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

Compost Giveaway

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

BEE CANYON GREENERY AT FRANK R. BOWERMAN LANDFILL
11002 BEE CANYON ACCESS RD., IRVINE

VALENCIA GREENERY AT OLINDA ALPHA LANDFILL
1942 N. VALENCIA AVE., BREA

CAPISTRANO GREENERY AT PRIMA DESHECHA LANDFILL
32250 AVENIDA LA PATA, SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

- Proof of Orange County residency is required.
- Residents should **bring a shovel and container/bag to fill** at Irvine and San Juan locations.
- Only prefilled bags available at Brea location while supplies last.
- Quantities are limited.
- Staff will be on-site.

Event subject to weather conditions, check website for updates.



OCLandfills.com/compost-events

Upcoming City Shredding and E-Waste Recycling Event

The City of Placentia invites Placentia residents and businesses to participate in a free community Shredding & E-Waste Recycling Event Saturday, April 15th from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at Placentia Civic Center (401 East Chapman Avenue). Paper Depot will be present at the event to destroy confidential documents on-site. Limit four (4) banker box-size containers from each household or business located in Placentia. Residents are asked to please place items in the trunk for easy access, and if material is in a 3-ring binder, please remove before shredding. Attan Recycling will be present to collect e-waste. For more information about accepted e-waste items, please contact Cathy Nguyen, Environmental Services Coordinator, at (714) 993-8123 or cnnguyen@placentia.org.

SB 1383 Mandatory Compliance is Coming to Placentia!

Beginning Summer of 2023, Placentia residents will be able to divert food scraps from the trash bin to reduce the amount of organic waste sent to local landfills. Single-family residences will commingle food scraps with yard waste in the brown bin. Multi-family residences will obtain designated receptacles for organics and recyclables. As of now, there is no change to current waste disposal for residents, with the exception of residents in the Hamer Island neighborhood, whose organics recycling program went into effect in July 2022. Hamer Island residents can already dispose of food scraps in the brown bin. Organics recycling service is currently available to businesses. To enroll, contact Republic Services at (714) 238-3300. The City will continue to provide updates on the implementation of organics recycling services citywide. To learn more about SB 1383, visit www.placentia.org/SB1383. For SB 1383 or waste-related support, please contact Environmental Services Coordinator Cathy Nguyen at (714) 993-8123 or cnnguyen@placentia.org.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Proposed Senior/Community Center Project Information and Upcoming Community Meetings

The City of Placentia and the Blue Ribbon Committee have embarked on a project to design a proposed new Senior/Community Center at Tri-City Park. The City Council formed the Blue-Ribbon Committee to assist the City in identifying the need and recommend design components of a proposed Senior/Community Center facility. The proposed facility will provide seniors and residents with a much-needed space to serve the needs of our residents and rapidly growing senior population by offering robust programs and services for all ages. The current Placentia Senior Center is located in the 100-year-old Edwin T. Powell building at 143 S. Bradford Avenue. Current programs include Bingo, knitting and crocheting clubs, exercise classes, movies, and social opportunities, all of which are limited by the size of this historic 4,500-square-foot building. The newly proposed Senior/Community Center is envisioned as a true civic destination in being vibrant, active, and rich with diverse resources, services, technologies, programs, and events, thereby addressing the needs of Placentia's growing senior population. Recently, the Blue Ribbon Committee held a joint meeting with the Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission, and the Senior Advisory Committee to review and discuss the project. The Commissioners and Committee members participated in a Needs Assessment exercise during the meeting.

The City and the Blue Ribbon Committee are now conducting the Needs Assessment Survey for the proposed Senior/Community Center. We would like your input on your priorities for community activities and spaces for the new facility, as well as on design values and key features. Please complete the brief survey by clicking the link below to share your ideas and help create the vision for this state-of-the-art facility! You may select as many options as you like for each question. Printed copies of the survey will also be available at City Hall at the Community Services Department, and at the Senior Center.

In addition to completing the Needs Assessment survey, you can also participate in one of the upcoming community outreach meetings to learn more about the project and provide your feedback.

For more information about the project, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232 or [click here](#) to view the upcoming meeting dates.

A graphic for the City of Placentia featuring the city seal, the text 'CITY OF PLACENTIA', and 'NEW PROPOSED SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER'. It includes a map of Tri-City Park with a 'PROJECT SITE' marked, a QR code for an 'ONLINE SURVEY', and contact information for the Community Services Department.

CITY OF PLACENTIA
NEW PROPOSED SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER

THE CITY AND BLUE-RIBBON COMMITTEE IS NOW CONDUCTING A NEEDS ASSESMENT SURVEY FOR A PROPOSED NEW SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER AND WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT ON YOUR PRIORITIES FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND SPACES FOR THE NEW FACILITY, AS WELL AS INPUT ON DESIGN VALUES AND KEY FEATURES. PLEASE COMPLETE THE BRIEF SURVEY BY CLICKONG THE LINK BELOW TO SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND HELP CREATE THE VISION FOR THIS STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY!

ONLINE SURVEY:


FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT (714) 993-8232.

[Click here to take the Survey](#)



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Spring 2023 Recreation Class Registration

Registration for spring programs began online and in-person on March 15th. Sports programs, fitness classes, virtual classes, science camps, and music and art classes will all be offered this spring. All programs and classes are filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. To browse the Placentia Palm Quarterly for available classes and programs, [click here](#). Complete your registration online by visiting www.placentia.org/classes. In-person registration is available at Placentia City Hall, 401 E. Chapman Avenue, between the hours of 7:30 am to 6:00 pm. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

Santa Fe Park Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The City is excited to announce a ribbon cutting ceremony on **Saturday, March 18th** at 11:00 am at Santa Fe Park to unveil the newly renovated playground equipment! In following, the Parks Initiative Plan, the Santa Fe Park playground highlights a railroad theme. The playground features a custom 5-12 year old train engine play structure, slides, an enclosed climbing spinner, a 2-5 year old train car play structure, four new shade sails for the park, and new rubberized surfacing with a railroad design. The City extends a sincere thank you to St. Jude Medical Center for providing \$75,000 in grant funding towards the purchase of the 2-5 year old play structure. For more information on the event, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

The City of Placentia Presents

Santa Fe Park

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Saturday March 18th • 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
550 W. Santa Fe Ave, Placentia Ca, 92870

Join us for the unveiling of the railroad themed playground and celebrate the renovation of our third park as part of the Placentia Parks Initiative!

Refreshments & Giveaways!

For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232

Placentia Parks Initiative Plan

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Placentia's Voices—Sunday, March 26

On Sunday, March 26th, the Placentia Historical Committee and the Placentia Founder's Society are hosting an event from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The event is free to attend and will feature stories from longtime Placentia residents Mary Tolbert Castner and Irene Shiotani Roche. Come out to hear their experiences living among orange groves and on a truck farm, facing wartime challenges, and watching changes as the City of Placentia grew.

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT****Pending Development Projects**

Project Address	Project Description	Applicant	Project Status
SEC of Rose Drive and Alta Vista Street	Development of a 10,500-square foot commercial retail building and 54, single family detached residential homes located on an 8.45-acre lot.	SC Development, LLC, c/o M. Paul Conzelman and Shea Homes	All residential phases complete. Certificates of Occupancy issued. Awaiting Commercial building plan submittal
455 S. Van Buren Street	Development of 139, three-story townhome units on an approximately 5.57-acre site. Zoning of parcel to change from Manufacturing (M(O)) to High-Density Residential (R-3).	Toffoli Investments	Construction of Models and Phases I & II are complete. Construction of Phase III is in progress.
SWC of Orchard Drive and Highland Avenue	Development of four, three-story, multi-family buildings consisting of 16 residential townhomes located on a 1.24-acre unimproved vacant lot.	HQT Homes	Building Permits Issued. Under Construction
505 W. Crowther Avenue	Development of a five-story, 418 Unit apartment building with a seven-story parking structure on a 4.4-acre site.	JPI	Construction of parking garage complete. Construction of apartments in process
1474 N. Kraemer Boulevard (Phase II improvement)	Establish and operate a drive-thru for an eating and drinking establishment, in conjunction with a comprehensive façade remodel for the Village Plaza shopping center.	Maikel Faragalla, of Urban Dwell Architects	Under Construction
207-209 Crowther Avenue	The development of a mixed-use community including 189 mixed-income apartment units and 1,500 S.F. of retail on a 2.13-acre site on City owned property.	USA Properties Fund Inc.	In Plan Check
1314 N. Angelina Avenue	Development of an affordable senior housing project consisting of two, two-story buildings, one with 33 units and one with 32 units and a new parish hall for an existing church.	National Core	Building Permit Issued, Under Construction
NWC of E. Orangethorpe Avenue and N. Lakeview Avenue (Cobblestone Village)	A request to construct a 4,311-square foot multi-tenant commercial building with site improvements.	Maikel Faragalla, of Urban Dwell Architects	Ready for Building Permit Issuance

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT****Pending Development Projects**

Project Address	Project Description	Applicant	Project Status
119 S. Main Street	Construction of a new two-story 2,870 square foot duplex, with a four-car garage.	Ernesto Ramos	Building permits issued and construction in progress
777 W. Orangethorpe Avenue	A 248-unit development consisting of a five-story, 249,557 gross sq. ft. residential building with 2,703 sq. ft. of ground floor commercial space and a seven-level, 151,900 gross sq. ft. wrapped parking structure located on a 2.72-acre lot.	Gilad Ganish, representing Orangethorpe Investment Partners, LLC	Under Entitlement Review. CEQA Review in progress.
860 S. Placentia Avenue	Construction of a new 34,275 square foot warehouse building and a new 34,063 square foot maintenance building at an existing 6.28-acre lot.	U-Haul Co. of Orange County	Demo permits issued with Building Permits ready for issuance
17000 La Paloma Avenue	Construction of three 2,532 square foot, two-story, single-family houses on three recently subdivided parcels	Elliot Barker	Site Plan Review approved. Awaiting plan check submittal
1804 N. Placentia, Unit A	A request to permit a Type 47 (beer & wine) alcohol license for an existing restaurant.	Van Nguyen	In Process
1952 & 1958 E. Veterans Way (346-337-33 & 35)	To permit the subdivision to establish 39, three-story residential condominiums on approximately 1.3 acres.	Toffoli Investments, Inc.	Tentative Tract to go to City Council 3/21/23.
500 S. Placentia Avenue	Construction of a new ground mount PV solar system, carport PV solar system, battery energy storage system and associated equipment to an existing commercial building.	John Bruce	Site Plan Review Approved 1/10/23. In Plan Check
503 & 513 S. Van Buren Street (346-164-23, 346-164-24)	To permit the development of two, three-story townhome buildings for a total of 12 condominium units on approximately 0.379-acre site.	Toffoli Investments, Inc.	In Plan Check
118 E. Orangethorpe Avenue	Subdivide an existing 2.37-acre property into two parcels measuring 0.68-acres (Parcel 1) and 1.81-acres (Parcel 2).	Mike Patel	Submittal deemed incomplete 12/5/22



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Pending Development Projects

Project Address	Project Description	Applicant	Project Status
341-501-01 through 341-501-65	To permit a new residential planned community consisting of 100 single-family detached homes.	Eric Everhart, Toll Brothers, Inc.	Under Entitlement Review
929 Gonzales Street	Construction of a new 2,166 square ft. single-family home with a 482-square foot, two-car garage on an approximately 3,673-square foot lot.	Emmanuel Gonzalez Guerrero	Under Entitlement Review
664 N. Rose Drive	A request to permit a Computer Code Programming Center, within an existing multi-tenant space within the Specific Plan 7 (SP-7) Zoning District.	Code Ninjas/Hani Amar	Deemed Complete
421 Nevin Place	A request to subdivide a 1.76-acre parcel into six parcels for the purpose of future single-family home development.	Blain Meith	Deemed Complete

Building Activity Report Ending February 2023

PERMIT TYPE	NUMBER OF PERMITS
Solar	44
Residential Alteration	43
Reroof	18
Commercial Addition/Alteration	6
Signs	2
Residential Addition	1
New Condo/SFR	1
ADU/JADU	1
Patio	1
Pools & Spa	1
Fence/Walls	1
TOTAL	115

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – March 17-23, 2023

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Children's Programs

STORYTIMES

Our storytimes are held in the Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove.

Family Storytime

Saturday, March 18 @ 10:00 a.m.

Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime

Wednesday, March 22 @ 6:30 p.m.

Miércoles, 22 de Marzo @ 6:30 p.m.

Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime

Thursday, March 23 @ 10:00 a.m.



STEAM LABS

Tuesday, March 21, 3:30 p.m.

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

Join us as we use simple household items to explore STEAM related topics through engaging discussions and hands-on activities! Space is limited. Open to children 7-12.

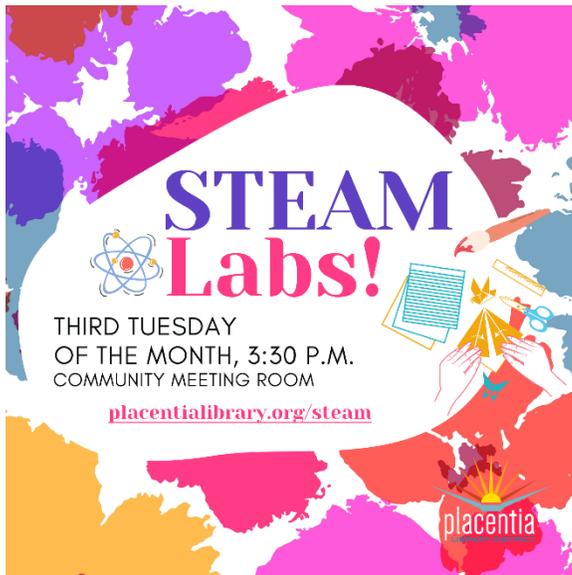
MORNING MEET UPS

Monday, March 20

Mondays, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Crossroads Corner

Join us in the Crossroads Corner area for play time and a chance to meet other families at the library! We will have toys, books, and learning materials available for your children. Encouraged for children 0-4 accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

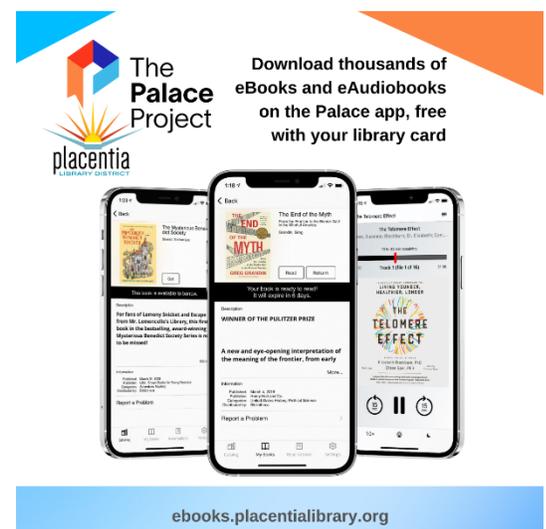


eBooks and Online Learning

THE PALACE APP

Palace is a free, easy-to-use e-reader app that lets you find, check out, and read or listen to eBooks and eAudiobooks from the library! To get started, download the Palace app on the App Store or Google Play, select Placentia Library District as your library, and sign in with your library card.

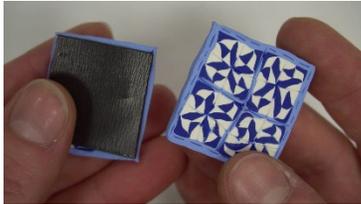
See a full listing of our online resources on our website at www.placentialibrary.org/ebooks-and-online-learning!



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

The Hangar DIY Lab

Come explore The Hangar: a do-it-yourself space to design, build, and create. Whether you want to learn a new skill, use our equipment, or just gain inspiration, The Hangar is the place for you! Curious about our space? Stop by during open hours for a tour, or [visit our page on the library website.](#)



ADULT & TEEN TAKE AND MAKE KIT PICKUP: POLYMER CLAY QUILT SQUARES

Pickup began March 1, while supplies last
Design your own patchwork using polymer clay for this quilted magnet. All the charm of a quilt, none of the sewing!

SUNDAY 1:00 - 4:30 P.M.
TUESDAY 12:00 - 7:30 P.M.*
THURSDAY 12:00 - 7:30 P.M.*
SATURDAY 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

**CLOSED 4:30 - 5:30 P.M.*

Occupancy limit and hours are subject to change.
Be sure to check for upcoming closure dates!

placentialibrary.org/hangar-diy-lab

Adult, Teen, and Literacy Programs



Yoga at the Library

with Good Moodra Yoga

SATURDAYS AT 10:30 A.M.
PLACENTIA LIBRARY LAWN

*Students of all levels welcome,
bring your own mat!*
Schedule: placentialibrary.org/yoga



PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL (PTAC)

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

Next Meeting: April 6

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

YOGA AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, March 18

Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.

Placentia Library Lawn

Discover yoga for your body and mind with Good Moodra Yoga. Relax and flow into each pose as you enjoy the sunshine from our library lawn.

Students of all levels welcome. Bring your own mat. Check website for cancellation notices.

BOOK CLUB

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

*Next Month: "The Enchanted April" by Elizabeth
Von Arnim on April 11*

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

LITERACY

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

Read, Write, Speak Club

Friday, March 17

Fridays, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

The Read, Write, Speak Club is an opportunity to chat with other English language learners in a relaxed and comfortable environment. Learn new vocabulary, improve reading and writing, and sharpen your pronunciation skills.

