

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Orange County Fourth District Kindness Awards

Supervisor Doug Chaffee’s office is now accepting nominations for the Fifth Annual Orange County Fourth District Kindness Awards. The Kindness Awards will honor individuals who have displayed exceptional kindness or community service in the Fourth Supervisorial District Cities on November 13th, which is observed internationally as World Kindness Day. If you know anyone who works, lives, serves, and/or volunteers in the cities of Brea, Buena Park, Fullerton, La Habra, Placentia, Stanton, portions of Anaheim, and unincorporated communities in the Fourth District who have displayed exceptional kindness or community service, nominate them for a Kindness Award.



There will be one award recipient from each City. Elected officials and organizations will not be eligible. Nominations will be accepted until Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 11:59 pm. To nominate an individual for the Kindness Awards, submit an application [here](#).

Nationwide EAS and WEA Alert—October 4th

FEMA and the FCC will conduct a nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) on **October 4th** at approximately 2:20 pm ET. The WEA portion of the test will be directed to all consumer cell phones. The EAS portion of the test will be sent to radios and televisions. FEMA and the FCC are coordinating with EAS participants, wireless providers, emergency managers, and other stakeholders in preparation for this national test to minimize confusion and to maximize the public safety value of the test.

Beginning at approximately 2:20 pm ET, cell towers will broadcast the test for approximately 30 minutes. During this time, WEA-compatible wireless phones should be capable of receiving the test message. WEA alerts are created and sent by authorized federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial government agencies through IPAWS to participating wireless providers, which deliver the alerts to compatible handsets in geo-targeted areas. To help ensure that these alerts are accessible to the entire public, including people with disabilities, the alerts are accompanied by a unique tone and vibration.

The EAS portion of the test is scheduled to last approximately one minute and will be conducted with the participation of radio and television broadcasters, cable systems, satellite radio and television providers and wireline video providers.

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ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Dinner with a Dispatcher Event

On Saturday, September 23rd, Public Safety Communications Center Dispatchers participated in the Pizza with the Police event with 'Dinner with a Dispatcher!' The event was a great success with City public safety personnel in attendance to meet and talk with Placentia community members. Dispatchers were able to engage with the Pepz Pizza customers, share information about calling 9-1-1, and speak about our services. A special thank you to Placentia PD inviting us to participate.



Metrolink Offering Free Rides on California Clean Air Day—October 4th

On Wednesday, October 4th, Metrolink is making it easy to take the train by offering free rides all day in celebration of California Clean Air Day.

California Clean Air Day is an annual call to action for California residents to do what we can to improve air quality and protect public health. With motor exhaust being a leading cause of air pollution in Southern California, we can take environmentally friendly steps to improve air quality and overall public health by using public transportation. Metrolink is committed to providing safe, affordable transportation for everyone.

On October 2nd, people who have downloaded and verified their account on the free Metrolink mobile app will receive a free round-trip ticket to be used on October 4th. For those who prefer a paper ticket, the promotional code CLEANAIR23 can be used on any Metrolink ticket machine on October 4th. Details can be found on the Metrolink website [here](https://www.metrolink.net). Contact Grayson Hahn at HahnG@scrra.net or (213) 452-0256 for any questions.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Fire and Life Safety Update

On Sunday, September 24th, Placentia Fire and Life Safety Truck 2 was honored to stop by Cora's Craft Party at Diamond 9 Sports Cards to show off the equipment and to meet the families in attendance. Cora's Crafts hosts parties and make bracelets for children battling cancer and other illnesses to spread hope and compassion. To learn more about Cora's Crafts, please visit www.corascrafts.org.





POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halloween Trunk or Treat

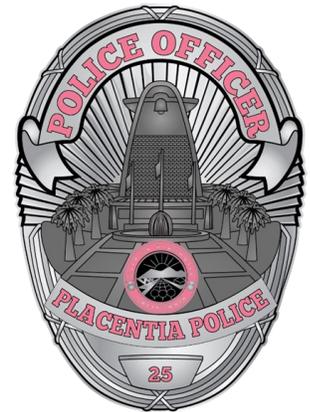
The Police Department is excited to invite all children 12 and under, accompanied by an adult, to our Trunk or Treat event on Thursday, October 26th, from 3:30 pm—6:00 pm in the Civic Center Courtyard in front of the Police Station. Wear your costume and be prepared for candy, tricks, and treats! Placentia Fire and Life Safety, Placentia Public Safety Communications (Dispatch), and Community Services will all be joining us for this haunting spooktacular! Don't miss out, it'll be a scream!



Breast Cancer Awareness Patches

The Placentia Police Department is proud to support breast cancer awareness by helping raise funds for cancer research. We are pleased to offer our official uniform shoulder patch with pink highlights and the breast cancer awareness ribbon, as well as a key chain with a smaller version of the badge, as collector's pieces to show solidarity with cancer survivors and those fighting this horrible disease.

In affiliation with the Pink Patch Project, all proceeds from this program will be donated to the non-profit organization Susan G. Komen of Orange County to support their efforts to save lives by meeting the most critical needs in our communities and investing in breakthrough research to prevent and cure breast cancer.



The pink patches and key chains are available for sale at the front counter of the Placentia Police Department during regular business hours for \$5 and \$10, respectively.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

The Placentia Police Department is pleased to be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, October 28th. This is a drive thru event in the parking lot of the Civic Center between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. The DEA and its partners will collect tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid forms of prescription drugs. Drug Take Back Day offers free and anonymous disposal of unneeded medications. Collection sites will not accept syringes, sharps, and illicit drugs. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain sealed in their original container. The cap must be tightly sealed to prevent leakage.

Unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply. Take-back programs are the best way to dispose of old drugs. If you cannot make it to the Drug Take Back event, below are some tips on how to safely dispose of prescription medications.

- Take the meds out of their bottles;
- Crush and mix them with something unappealing like used cat litter or coffee grounds;
- Seal them in a bag or disposable container and throw that away.

For more information about prescription drug abuse, go to www.dea.gov or to find year round drug disposal sites near Placentia, [click here](#).





PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Fall Shredding & E-Waste Recycling Event

The City invites Placentia residents and businesses to participate in a free community Shredding & E-Waste Recycling Event this **Saturday, September 30th**, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Placentia Civic Center (401 East Chapman Avenue). Shredding documents can help prevent fraud and identity theft. Placentia residents and businesses are invited to have their confidential documents destroyed on-site for free. A maximum of six (6) banker box size containers will be accepted from each household or business location in Placentia. We will also be collecting e-waste during the event. For a full list of acceptable items, please [click here](#) for additional details. No hazardous materials will be accepted at this event. At this drive-thru event, we ask that all participants stay in their vehicles and have their items in the trunk for easy access. For more information, call Environmental Services Coordinator Cathy Nguyen at (714) 993-8123.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

U-Haul Coming to Placentia

U-Haul has started the construction of two new industrial buildings located at 860 S. Placentia, which is South of W. Orangethorpe Avenue, and East of S. Placentia Avenue. The construction is for an approximately 23-foot, 9-inch high, 34,063-square foot maintenance building (Building 1) and an approximately 44-foot high, 33,219- square foot warehouse building (Building 2), including curb cuts, landscape upgrades, and various hardscape improvements. The project was presented and approved by the Planning Commission back in July of 2022, and has made significant progress since. With the completion of the base build of the maintenance building and they are now moving on to the sitework for the project. Along with the maintenance building, plans for the warehouse building are currently under review by the Development Services Department.



The final stages of construction are expected to be completed by early 2024. To receive additional information about the project, contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124 or Planning Manager Andrew Gonzales at Agonzales@placentia.org.





COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

2023 Heritage Festival

The 58th Annual Placentia Heritage Festival will take place on Saturday, October 14th and includes a car show, parade, live music, family-fun games, crafts, local vendors, food, beer, a business expo, and military appreciation! The City encourages all residents and community groups to enter the parade and showcase your group/neighborhood. Gather with friends, family, and neighbors and get creative! Enter your very own float, walking group, or ride your bikes down the parade route! All are invited to showcase your community pride!

Additionally, the parade will feature the Honor Convoy! A community participation event, with local residents driving their cars in the parade and escorting our Veterans and Active Duty down the parade route. The Honor Convoy is a moving experience for its riders as the parade attendees express their appreciation for their service and sacrifice. The Honor Convoy is looking for veterans and active duty to join them and be driven down the parade route in a classic car. To sign up and get a ride, email Kenny Binnings at KBinnings@PerimeterProtectionUSA.com. The Honor Convoy is also looking for classic car, jeep, and corvette owners to drive a veteran or active duty member in the parade. To sign up and drive, email KBinnings@PerimeterProtectionUSA.com.

Lastly, if you would like to participate in the event as a vendor at the festival or be in the Car Show, call (714) 993-8232 or visit www.placentia.org/heritagefestival.

Parque de Los Ninos Community Meeting

The City hosted a Community Meeting on Thursday, September 21st at the Gomez Community Center at Parque de los Ninos to discuss the upcoming playground renovations. The playground renovation is part of the Placentia Parks Initiative Plan (PPI). The PPI was approved by the City Council at the May 18, 2021 City Council Meeting and is aimed at improving and renovating aging park infrastructure and amenities over the course of the next five (5) Fiscal Years. The community meeting focused on finalizing the playground design with the community. Over 40 community members attended the meeting and provided valuable feedback. Those in attendance expressed excitement about the design and are looking forward to the renovations. Following the community meeting, the City Council approved the final concept design, which was recommended as their favored design by the community and the Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission. Construction for the project is anticipated to begin in Spring 2024. For more information on park projects, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



Wagner Park Playground Renovation Project

The City is excited to announce that the playground renovation at Wagner Park is underway! The playground is expected to be completed in late October. Most of the existing playground elements have been completely removed, with the exception of the two large “360 typhoon” slides, which are currently existing in the play area. In following the Parks Initiative Plan, the Wagner Park playground will create a unique play experience by featuring a nature theme, incorporating butterfly, caterpillar, and ladybug climber apparatuses, a new swing bay, and colorful slides. Additionally, the parks picnic tables, benches, and trash receptacles have already been replaced. For more information on the Placentia Parks Initiative Plan, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.





COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

1st Annual Prostate Cancer Awareness Community Bike Ride

Join Supervisor Chaffee for a free, fun, and family-friendly bike ride through Tri-City Regional Park and through some of the City of Placentia's beautiful neighborhoods. Stay after the bike ride to enjoy time outdoors at one of 16 OC Regional Parks. Resources and giveaways will also be available immediately after the bike ride.

The Community Bike Ride will take place on Saturday, September 30th, with registration beginning at 8:00 am and the bike ride beginning at 9:00 am. For more information on this event, please contact Jesus Gaona-Perez at (714) 834-3440 or jesus.gaona-perez@ocgov.com.

A colorful promotional flyer for a community bike ride. At the top, it says 'COME JOIN SUPERVISOR DOUG CHAFFEE' in a blue arch over a stylized blue bicycle. The background shows a landscape with green trees and a blue sky with birds. Below the bicycle, the text reads 'FOR THE 1st ANNUAL PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE ALL AGES WELCOME!*'. A text box contains details about the ride: 'Join Supervisor Chaffee for a free, fun, and family-friendly bike ride through Tri-City Regional Park and through some of the City of Placentia's beautiful neighborhoods. Stay after the bike ride to enjoy time outdoors at one of our 16 OC Regional Parks. Resources and giveaways will also be available immediately after the bike ride.' Below this, it specifies 'SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30' and 'TRI-CITY REGIONAL PARK' with the address '2301 Kraemer Blvd, Placentia, CA 92870'. It also includes contact information: 'For questions & information - 714-834-3440 • Jesus.Gaona-perez@ocgov.com'. At the bottom, there are logos for Supervisor Doug Chaffee, OneLegacy, and the City of Placentia, along with a QR code and the text 'SCAN HERE TO REGISTER!' with an arrow pointing to the QR code. A small disclaimer at the very bottom states: '*no training wheels, children must be accompanied by a parent, helmets are required.'/>

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SATURDAY | **TRI-CITY REGIONAL PARK**
SEPTEMBER 30 | 2301 Kraemer Blvd, Placentia, CA 92870
Registration - 8 am • Bike Ride - 9 am

For questions & information - 714-834-3440 • Jesus.Gaona-perez@ocgov.com

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Doug Chaffee
COUNTY OF ORANGE,
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4

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EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary – September 29 – October 5, 2023

Follow us on social media!
Instagram: @placentialib
Facebook: Placentia Library

Upcoming Community Events

PUMPKIN BOOK CHARACTER DECORATING CONTEST

Get ready for Halloween by showing off your favorite book character, in pumpkin form! This fun-filled contest is open to all ages! Decorate a pumpkin with non-perishable items to resemble your favorite book character for a chance to win exciting prizes!

October 21-22: Pumpkin Drop-Off*

October 23-26: Online Voting

October 27-29: Pumpkin Pick-Up

***All entries must be submitted by 5 p.m. on October 22.**

Entries must not be carved in any way to prevent rotting while on display. Visit our website for entry rules and details.



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS COMMUNITY ALTAR

October 16 – November 2

Placentia Library Lobby

Day of the Dead is a festive, commemorative holiday that celebrates life and the loved ones who have departed. The Placentia community is invited to engage with our community altar. You are welcome to leave a photo (limited to a 4x6 or smaller image) or decorate your own paper butterfly to share a memory in honor of your loved ones. Photos are required to be picked up by Sunday, November 5.



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS FAMILY LOTERIA NIGHT

Thursday, November 2, 6:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

Día de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead, is an annual traditional Mexican holiday celebrated in November that honors our departed loved ones. To celebrate this commemorative holiday, we will be playing the card game Lotería, much like bingo, complete with prizes!

Children's Programs

STORYTIMES

Our storytimes are held in the Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove. Visit www.placentialibrary.org for more info and our program schedule!

Family Storytime

Saturday, September 30 @ 10:00 a.m.

Luna, Luna! Bilingual Pajama Storytime

On break until Wednesday, October 18 @ 6:30 p.m. /

En descanso hasta el Miércoles, Octubre 18 @ 6:30 p.m.

Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime

Friday, September 29 @ 10:00 a.m.



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

MORNING MEET UPS

Mondays, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

This Week: October 2

Crossroads Corner

Explore 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.

READ TO THE DOGS

First Monday of the Month, 6:00 p.m.

This Week: October 2

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!

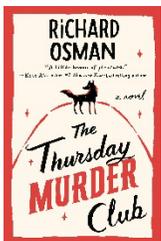
SAVE THE DATE: FIREFIGHTER STORYTIME

Monday, October 9, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Join us for a storytime with our Placentia Fire Department. Following the storytime, children will get to meet some of our incredible firefighters, and see the department's fire engine out on our Placentia library lawn!

Adult, Teen, and Literacy Programs



BOOK CLUB

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

Next Meeting: “The Thursday Murder Club” by Richard Osman on October 10

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

You're invited to our monthly book club! Our group is always open to new members, so stop by to share or listen! Selections include a robust mix of fiction genres, and selected titles are available for checkout at the library.

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM

Curious about Local History? Come explore the Placentia Library Local History Room at the library or on our website.

www.placentialibrary.org



LITERACY

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

PLACENTIA TEEN ADVISORY COUNCIL – PTAC

First and Third Thursday of Each Month, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

This Week: October 5

Placentia Library Community Meeting Room

The Placentia Teen Advisory Council is open to all high school students interested in gaining community service experience, volunteer hours, and leadership skills through planning and supporting library events.

The Hangar DIY Lab

Welcome to our all-ages makerspace! Work on a craft project, play with Legos, learn to stitch with a sewing project, create and print your own stickers on our Cricut machine, and more. So stop by and enjoy new activities each week! For more information and open hours, visit www.placentialibrary.org/makerspace.

