

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

From: *Damien R. Arrula*

May 9, 2024



“Rich Heritage, Bright Future”

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Old Town LIVE! - Tonight with Fat Maggie!

Join us tonight for another Old Town LIVE event! These live music events are ongoing from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. every Thursday through June 20th.



Tonight’s live band will be Fat Maggie! Come by the 100 Block of Santa Fe Avenue to enjoy a variety of music genres from different artists each week.



The lineup for the rest of the series includes Night Breeze, Darden, One Last Shot, and much more! We hope to see you there! For more information, please contact kluoie@placentia.org.

City of Placentia Wins ACC-OC Golden Hub of Innovation Award

The City of Placentia was recognized with an Association of California Cities Orange County (ACC-OC) Golden Hub of Innovation Award in the category of Collaborative Community Development and Innovation for the City’s Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Packing House District Expansion project. This award category recognized initiatives that drive community investment, economic development, and innovation through effective collaborations



between public and private sectors. The TOD District plan transformed a formerly blighted area into an opportunity for high-density residential, mixed-use, and retail development centered around a future Metrolink Station. The TOD District plan also preserves and enhances the current historic properties in the area, such as the historic Packing House, while providing new opportunities for development.



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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 5/14/24 Planning Commission
- 5/16/24 Old Town LIVE! with Darden
- 5/23/24 Old Town LIVE! with Night Breeze
- 5/30/24 Old Town LIVE! with Matt Koerner
- 6/4/24 City Council Meeting

For additional

information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

A Message from City Administrator Damien R. Arrula on Public Service Recognition Week

Public Service Recognition Week is celebrated each year during the first week of May and is a time to honor the men and women who work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the smooth functioning of our city and the well-being of our residents. From our Police and Fire Departments who keep us safe day and night, to our Public Works teams who maintain our infrastructure, to our administrative staff who provide essential services, each member of our team plays a vital role in keeping Placentia running smoothly.

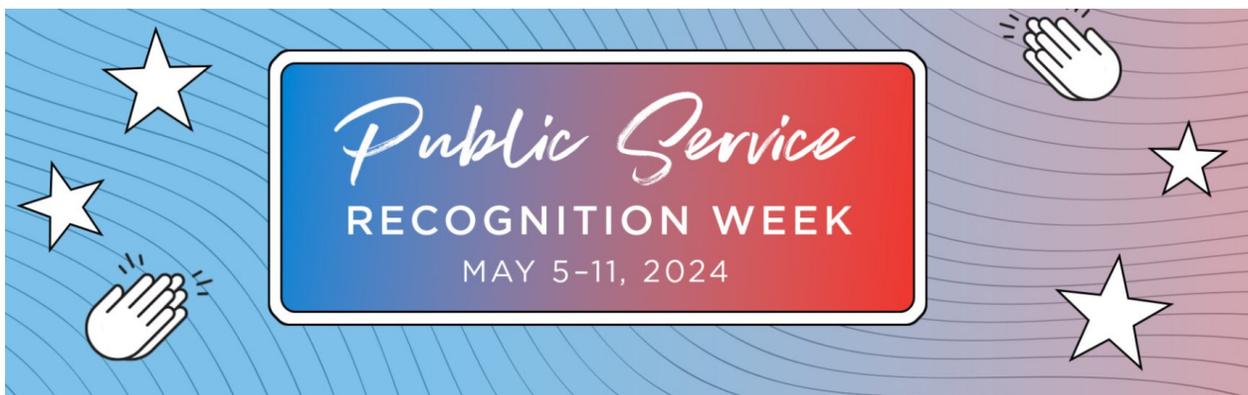
As we end Public Service Recognition Week, I wanted to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to our incredible City staff for their continued dedication and commitment to serving the Placentia community.

Every day, our City staff go above and beyond to address the needs of our community and enhance the quality of life for all residents. Whether it's responding to emergencies, maintaining our parks and streets, or providing vital resources and support to those in need, their dedication and hard work do not go unnoticed.

As City Administrator, I am continually inspired by the passion and professionalism demonstrated by our staff. Their tireless efforts ensure that Placentia remains a vibrant and thriving community for all who call it home.

To our community, I encourage you to join me in recognizing and thanking our city staff for their invaluable contributions to our community. Their commitment to public service truly makes a difference in the lives of each and every one of us.

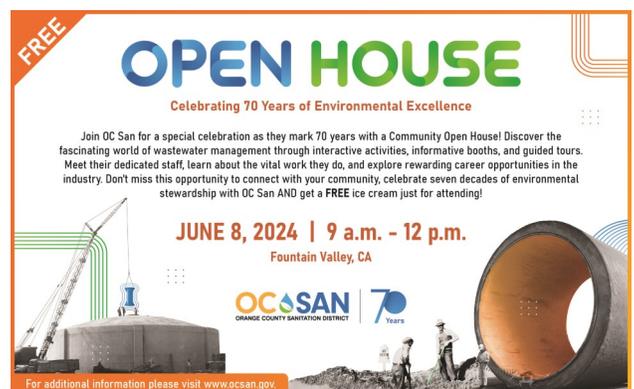
And finally, to our City staff, thank you to for all that you do, not just this week, but every day of the year.



OC San Open House—June 8th

Join OC San for a special celebration as they mark 70 years with a Community Open House! The event will take place on Saturday, June 8th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at 10844 Ellis Avenue, Fountain Valley.

Discover the fascinating world of wastewater management through interactive activities, informative booths, and guided tours. Meet their staff, learn about the vital work they do, and explore rewarding career opportunities in the industry. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with your community. For more information, visit www.ocsan.gov.





POLICE DEPARTMENT

Partnership with the Hope Center

The Police Department continues to grow our partnership with the Hope Center. The Hope Center aligns homeless outreach efforts and strategies to increase efficiency and provide more reliable relief and consistent support to individuals experiencing homelessness in North Orange County and assist them from the street to housing. This will also reduce calls to 9-1-1 and allow our Officers to respond to the calls that are true emergencies and require a police response. The Hope Center mantra is, "Right People, Right Resources, Right Now." Currently the Hope Dispatch Center, (657) 243-1884, is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and takes messages during times they are not open. Individuals can call the Hope Center Dispatch line to report non-emergent homeless concerns. You may begin seeing the Hope Center outreach vans and Homeless Liaison Officers in Placentia as we work with them to have non-emergent homelessness issues solved by them. We encourage everyone to utilize this valuable resource and report non-emergent homeless concerns to the Hope Center Dispatch line at (657) 243-1884.



National Night Out 2024

The Police Department is pleased to announce this year's National Night Out event will be held on Tuesday, August 6th from 5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. at the Placentia Town Center, 110 E. Yorba Linda Boulevard. We will be joined by Placentia Fire and Life Safety, Placentia Public Safety Communications Center, Lynch Ambulance, Placentia Police K9 Foundation, C.E.R.T., Community Services, and many more! There will be hands-on activities, live demonstrations, informational booths hosted by businesses and civic groups, food, and fun for everyone to enjoy. This a great opportunity to meet your First Responders, ask questions, try on gear, see equipment, and learn more about the different jobs performed by each Department. You'll also get to know what resources are in and around Placentia for you and your family. If you are interested in being a vendor at National Night Out, please visit www.placentia.org/NNO or contact kkrahlng@placentia.org.

Gun Buyback Event—May 11th

The Placentia Police Department is participating in a gun buyback event on Saturday, May 11th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Brookhurst Community Center, 2271 Crescent Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92801. This is an anonymous gun buyback event; no ID is required and there will be no questions asked. Those who turn in a firearm will receive a gift card in exchange.

How it works:

Bring your unwanted firearms: Firearms must be unloaded and in the trunk of your car or otherwise secured in the back of a vehicle.

Get a gift card: Gift cards are based on the type of firearm. Gift cards are limited and subject to availability.

No questions asked: Turning in firearms is anonymous with no identification or other documentation required.

This is a drive-up event with no walk-ups allowed. Expect a high-security environment with significant police presence and organization to ensure a safe event for everyone.

For more contact Anaheim Police Department Sergeant Jon McClintock at (714) 318-9897 or jmclintock@anaheim.net.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Parque de los Ninos Playground Renovations

The City is excited to announce that the playground renovation project at Parque de los Ninos is underway!

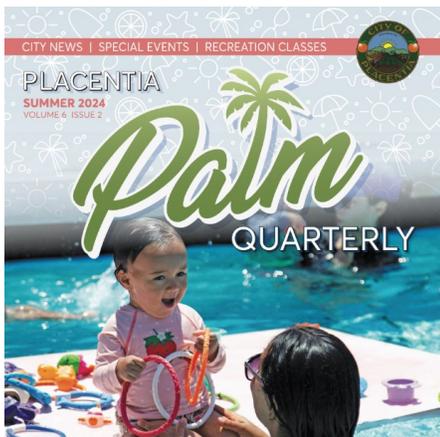
The renovation project is part of the Placentia Parks Initiative and will include removal and replacement of the existing playground structure, and new park amenities. In following the City Council's goal to create "destination parks" the new playground will feature a colorful dinosaur theme, complete with a rope spinner, new slides, incorporated shade, tower play structure, swings, and a T-Rex climber.



Funding for the renovation project is part of the City's Capital Improvement Program budget and includes Measure U Funds and Grant Funds from the California Parks and Recreation Society/ GameTime. For more information on park projects, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

Placentia Community Chorus Performance on May 19th

The Placentia Community Chorus will have a performance on May 19th at the Nixon Library at 2:00 p.m. Admission is FREE and the community is invited out to come hear songs from your favorite artists and Broadway hits that will have you singing in your seats. For more information about the performance or if you would like to learn more and join the Community Chorus, please contact Ben Berkley at benber150@gmail.com.



Summer 2024 Recreation Class Registration

Registration for summer programs begins online at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, May 18th and in person on May 20th at 7:30 a.m. Day Camp, swim lessons, sports programs, fitness classes, virtual classes, science camps, music, and art classes will all be offered this summer! 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 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY DEPARTMENT

3rd Grade Visits

This week, Placentia Fire and Life Safety had the pleasure of providing a presentation and demonstrations to Ruby Drive Elementary third grade students as part of their annual class visits to the Placentia Library and City Hall. The crew demonstrated how to put on Personal Protective Equipment and provided them with an overview of the equipment on our Fire Engine. We look forward to continuing to meet more Placentia third graders during these annual visits!





DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Santa Angelina Senior Housing Development

Placentia's newest senior housing development, the Santa Angelina, will have its grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 13th, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. In attendance will be distinguished guests from the Orange County Board of Supervisors, the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Episcopal Dioceses of Los Angeles, as well as the National CORE organization. City of Placentia staff, City Council, and Planning Commission members will also be in attendance.

The Craftsman-style redevelopment of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament's parking lots features 64 income-restrictive units, amounting to 54,947 square feet of living space. Housing will be restricted to households earning less than 60% of the area median income (AMI) for Orange County, in accordance with the latest income guidelines established by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

This property is owned and operated by the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, located at 1314 N. Angelina Avenue. In partnership with the church, the National Community Renaissance of California (National CORE) will operate the senior housing. The scale of the architecture is not only compatible with the surrounding neighborhood, but the Craftsman-inspired design also pays homage to Placentia's historical architecture styles. This style is also compatible with the existing architecture of the church, which features a modernist gable-style roof, stone veneer façade detailing, masonry columns, and earth tone hues.

Additional onsite improvements included the demolition and replacement of the church's Parish Hall with a new 3,975-square-foot Parish Hall, a 544-square-foot covered porch, a new children's picnic/lunch area, and a courtyard gathering space west of the Parish Hall. Further improvements included a gathering lawn with benches, an outdoor terrace, and a memorial garden with accent trees between the existing Church building and the new Parish Hall. A new seating area north of the Church, along Angelina Drive and adjacent to the memorial garden, will soon welcome guests.

For additional information on this project or other developments in the City, please contact the Development Services Department at (714) 993-8124.



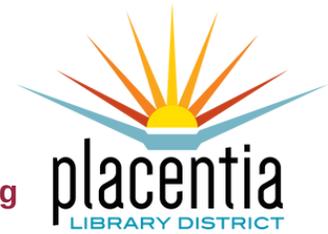
EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary: May 10-16, 2024

Storytimes, library events and more: calendar.placentialibrary.org



Adult Programs

Yoga at the Library

Saturdays in April and May 2024

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Placentia Library Lawn

This week: Saturday, May 11

Ages 14+, info: placentialibrary.org/yoga

Book Club

Second Tuesday of Each Month

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week: "The Holdout: A Novel" by Graham Moore on Tuesday, May 14

Virtual Meditation

Wednesdays in May: May 1, 8 and 15

7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Zoom Virtual Meeting

This week: Wednesday, May 15

Ages 14+, register at

placentialibrary.org/meditation

Teen Programs

De-Stress Fest

Thursday, May 16

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

Finals have you stressed? Stop by the library to let off some steam with activities and crafts designed to help relieve your stress! Open to all teens ages 14-18, no registration required.

Children's Programs



Storytimes

Join us at the library for three amazing storytimes for children of all ages and their caregivers:

- Luna, Luna Bilingual Storytime: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
 - This week: Wednesday, May 15
- Baby Giggles and Wiggles Storytime: Fridays at 9:30 a.m.
 - This week: Friday, May 10
- Family Storytime: Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
 - This week: Saturday, May 11

Check our website for more info!