

City Administrator's Weekly Briefing

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"Rich Heritage, Bright Future"

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

The City is Hiring Police Officers!

Are you ready to serve and protect your community? The City of Placentia is excited to announce that we are hiring Police Officer Academy Graduates and Lateral Police Officers. We are looking for dedicated and courageous individuals who are committed to making a difference in our city. Join our team and take the next step in your law enforcement career with Placentia's Police Department. For more information and to submit your application, visit www.placentia.org/jobs.



Fall 2024 CERT Course

Throughout California, we have seen the catastrophic devastation that often occurs from large-scale natural and human-induced disasters. The immediate confusion and destruction that typically arise from these events initially overwhelm the local first responders. Still, the shining light in these incidents is the many volunteers arriving to help their neighbors and community. When large-scale emergencies occur throughout the nation, we often find that the non-traditional first responders are neighbors helping neighbors; therefore, it is the mission of the City of Placentia to provide consistent training and resources to the members of our community to ensure that in an emergency, our neighborhoods and communities can quickly recover from a disaster. In Emergency Management, many officials term this act of kindness and self-sustainability as the Whole Community Approach to disasters. In Placentia, we believe the Whole Community Approach is critical to our city's resilience.

To ensure that our residents are ready for a large-scale emergency, the City offers CERT training to develop a city-wide group of volunteers trained and willing to respond to large-scale emergencies in their neighborhoods throughout Placentia and Orange County. Trained members of CERT often assist their neighbors and communities in many ways, and each person truly provides invaluable support during large events and emergencies. To sustain and increase our level of preparedness, free CERT courses are offered several times a year. The CERT course provides training in fire suppression, terrorism, search and rescue, disaster medical operations, and disaster psychology. Upon completing the CERT training, each participant is given the option and resources to further their training to serve their neighbors and neighborhoods. Fall 2024 CERT training courses are planned for Wednesday nights in September and October. Tentatively, September 11th, 18th, 25th and October 2nd, and 9th. To sign up for the Fall 2024 CERT course, contact (714) 993-8214 or email ppowers@placentia.org.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 7/25/24 Concerts in the Park—33 Thunder
- 7/26/24 Movies in the Park—Lilo and Stitch
- 8/1/24 Concerts in the Park—Soto Band
- 8/6/24 National Night Out
- 8/8/24 Concerts in the Park—Soto Band

For additional information or

questions about this

Weekly Briefing, please email:

CAWeekly@placentia.org



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Blessed Sacrament Visit

This week, Officer Irvine and K9 Enzo visited Blessed Sacrament Children's Learning Center with the 2, 3, and 4-year-old preschoolers.

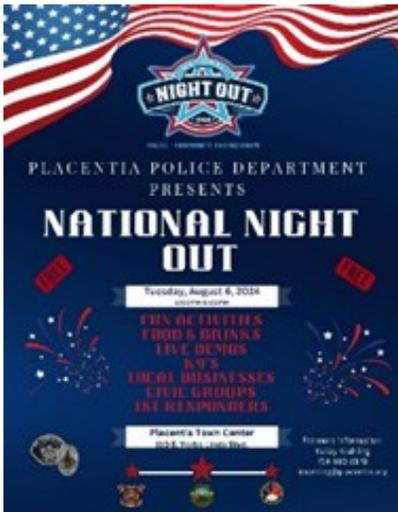
Officer Irvine introduced the kids to K9 Enzo and talked to them about his work, where Enzo came from (Germany), and how his nose is so powerful it can smell a pizza from a mile away. Then, with the kids' help, he had Enzo find an item he had hidden earlier. The visit ended with a tour of the police car!



Officer Irvine and K9 Enzo enjoy these visits and the opportunity to spend time with our young community members. Thank you for having us; we can't wait to see you again!

National Night Out 2024

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, visit www.placentia.org/NNO or contact kkrahling@placentia.org.



Police Department Citizen Academy

The Placentia Police Department is pleased to announce our upcoming Police Department Citizen Academy for interested members of the community. The academy is a ten-week course designed to provide community members with a better understanding of their Placentia Police Department and to help foster better communications between police personnel and citizens. The Academy will include instruction in the following areas: structure of the Placentia Police Department, investigations, traffic enforcement, accident investigation, driving under the influence investigations, gangs, narcotics, crime prevention, crime scene investigation, police K-9 program, and volunteer programs. There will also be a tour of the police facility, patrol vehicles, and equipment used by the department.



Academy graduates will receive a Placentia Police Department certificate of completion at the end of the program. For questions, please contact Officer Daniel Lee at dlee@placentia.org or Kelley Krahlung at kkrahling@placentia.org.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Movies in the Park

The Movies in the Park series is back this summer at Placentia Champions Sports Complex, 505 Jefferson St. The next feature presentation of the season will be **Disney's Lilo and Stitch on July 26th**. Movies begin at dusk, and participants are encouraged to bring a lawn chair for comfortable viewing. Admission to the Movies in the Park series is free all summer long. Snacks and light refreshments will be available for a nominal fee.

The City extends a sincere thank you to Republic Services for their generous contribution to the Movies in the Park summer series. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232 or visit www.placentia.org/movies.



Concerts in the Park

The Concerts in the Park series continues tonight and will be held at Tri-City Park, 2301 N. Kraemer Blvd. **The featured band tonight will be 33 Thunder, specializing in modern country music.** The Concerts series is hosted in partnership with the Placentia Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission. The Concerts will begin at 6:30 p.m., and admission is free. Light snacks and dinner options will be available for purchase. Please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232 for more information.

Free Recreation Swim

The Gomez Community Pool at Parque de los Ninos, 1701 Atwood Ave., is open this summer for **FREE** recreation swim. The pool is open Monday and Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Tuesday/Thursday/Friday/Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Please note, pool floaties are not allowed in the pool and all swimmers must wear proper swim attire to participate. For more information on recreation swim, contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.

City Cooling Center

With another weekend of high temperatures expected, the City will open a cooling center at the **Backs Community Building, 201 N. Bradford Ave.** The hours of operation will be Friday, July 26th and Sunday, July 28th from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tips on staying cool during extreme heat events include staying hydrated, staying in cool air-conditioned locations, wearing light loose-fitting clothing, and limiting outdoor activities during peak afternoon hours. Recognize the signs of heat illnesses, such as heavy sweating, weakness, dizziness, nausea, and headaches. If you suspect you or someone else may be experiencing heat illness, move to a cooler place, use cool cloths, and drink water. In cases of heat stroke or severe symptoms, call 9-1-1 immediately.

For information on heat safety, visit the American Red Cross at www.redcross.org. For information on the City's cooling center, please contact the Community Services Department at (714) 993-8232.



DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Ace Hardware Open for Business

The City of Placentia is thrilled to formally welcome the now-open Ace Hardware of Placentia! A community Grand Opening event took place earlier this month on July 13th.

Ace Hardware received approval on November 30, 2023 to establish a store at a 24,000-square-foot commercial retail space located at 1257 E. Yorba Linda Boulevard, in the Rose Linda Shopping Center. The store is also furnished with a dedicated garden center along the front of the store, together with a 1,995-square-foot outdoor retail sales area.

Ace is the City's first large-scale hardware store and represents a strong vote of confidence in the City's commercial market outlook. In addition to serving Placentia, Ace's location in the northern part of the City allows easy access for residents in neighboring Brea and Yorba Linda. Ace Hardware of Placentia is open Monday to Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Sundays from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



Westlake Ace Hardware is a 117-year-old company with 17 stores in California. Their parent company, Ace Hardware, has 373 locations in California, and more than 5,600 locally-owned stores in all 50 states and 70 countries. The company prides itself as being a positive community member and adheres to the "Ace Helpful Promise" to provide customers with reliable customer service, helpful advice, and products.

The City of Placentia looks forward to Ace Hardware's continued success and presence in the City. For more information on this and other developments in the City, please contact Development Services at (714) 993-8124.

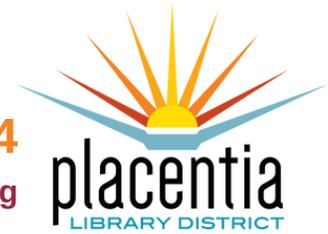
EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

Placentia Library District Weekly Summary

Placentia Library District

Weekly Summary: July 26 - August 1, 2024

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



Summer at the Library!

Summer Reading Program: Ticket to Read!

June 15 - August 10

placentialibrary.beanstack.org or the
Beanstack app

Sign up for Babies and Children, Teen or Adult reading programs on Beanstack and enter for chances to win one of these amazing prizes and more, free with your library card!

PRIZES!



Sewing 101: Adults and Teens

Adults and Teens: Saturday, July 27
and August 31

First Session: 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Second Session: 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Hangar DIY Lab

Get started with this hands-on overview of the sewing machine, including winding a bobbin, sewing a straight line, and other stitches. Materials will be provided for a starter project. Space is limited; first-come, first-served. Visit placentialibrary.org/the-hangar-diy-lab to learn more about our makerspace, The Hangar DIY Lab!

Lunch at the Library & Wild Wednesday

Wednesdays, June 19 - August 7
Lunch: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Community Meeting Room

Free Summer Meals
Join us for a free lunch, books, and a fun activity. All children 18 and under can receive a free meal at the library.
**While supplies last.*

Performance: 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Please visit
placentialibrary.org/lunch-at-the-library
for a list of dates and performers.

Lunch at the Library: Wild Wednesday!

Almuerzo En La Biblioteca Miércoles Enlocados

Show: 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Virginia and Norman Haussman Storytime Alcove

Lunch: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Community Meeting Room

This Week:

July 31: Mad Science – Fire and Ice Show

Performers are subject to change, check website for current details

Free lunches at the library for children and teens 18 years and under. Visit placentialibrary.org/lunch-at-the-library to learn more!

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