



February 2017



## FRANKLY SPEAKING

A Message from  
**CEO  
Frank Kim**



Dear OC Employees,

It's hard to believe we're already through the first month of 2017. With rainstorms that required an EOC activation and continued progress on many projects, January proved to be a busy start to the year.

Each year, the CEO's office works with County Departments to assemble the **2016 Accomplishments and 2017 Goals** document. Looking back on all that we achieved in 2016 and the objectives set for 2017, I'm excited by what can be accomplished when more than 18,000 people work together.

We decided to post the **2016 Accomplishments and 2017 Goals** document online both on our internal Intranet and publicly on OCGov.com. It's important to remember that like gears in a system, each County department is essential to the smooth and successful operation of the County as a whole. Every gear relies on the rest to continue to turn, just like each Department relies on one another to keep the County moving forward to deliver excellence in public service.

I encourage you to take the time to see how your accomplishments have contributed to our success, and celebrate what your Department and the County as a whole have done.

This year promises to be another year of progress and innovation for the County of Orange. I'm looking forward to achieving our 2017 goals together.

Sincerely,  
**Frank Kim**  
*County Executive Officer*

## Stella Carruth: Serving the Community through Library Programs

Stella Carruth has spent most of her career working in libraries with books – but for Stella, libraries are about more than just books. Libraries are about providing an all-encompassing space for community, or as Stella puts it, “We’re really not in the book business; we’re in the people business.”

Stella’s people-focused philosophy is evident in her role as Adult Librarian for the Katie Wheeler Library, an OC Public Library location, where she has worked for the past three years. As Adult Librarian, Stella is primarily responsible for ordering and maintaining material for the collection and planning, arranging and facilitating all programming for adults.



OC Public Library's  
Stella Carruth  
Photo Credit: CEO Communications

“The first thing I did when I came to Katie Wheeler Library was to reach out to the community,” Stella said. “I talk to people. As I help them find materials, I want to know what they’re interested in, what they would like to see, what they need.”

Based on listening to community members and learning their needs, Stella has partnered with local and County organizations to plan and launch numerous programs at Katie Wheeler Library. The wide variety of offerings now include a book discussion group, parenting classes in both Farsi and English, English as a Second Language (ESL) classes, an annual poetry event, a writers’ group, a philosophy club and more.

“I’m always trying to find new ways to reach out and help people,” Stella said. “I’m most proud of the times when I can help someone beyond what they expect. When I can give above-and-beyond service, there’s nothing more satisfactory to me.”

For Stella, helping people has been a key element to her 28-year-long career with the County of Orange. She first worked for the Social Services Agency, working as part of the intake department at the Orangewood Children’s Home, and she has been working in various branches of the OC Public Library system since she started working at the Westminster Library in 1990.

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Over the years, OC Public Libraries has been continuously evolving to meet the needs and interests of their changing communities, Stella said.

One of the most widely-known OC Public Libraries programs since 2007 has been Literary Orange, Orange County's premier literary event. Hosted by OC Public Libraries, the annual event brings together authors, readers and libraries for a celebration of literature.

"I adore Literary Orange. I plan on offering to volunteer on April 1," Stella said, referring to the date of this year's event. The 2017 Literary Orange event will feature authors such as Fannie Flagg, Marcia Clark and Christina Baker Kline. Those interested in the event can find more information and register online at <https://literaryorange.org/>

Stella is also enthusiastic about the benefits of simply applying for and using an OC Public Libraries library card.

"Card holders have access to all our print materials, and we also have very exciting collections that are digital – databases that offer e-books, audiobooks, downloadable magazines, DVDs, music, digital homework resources – in addition to all the library programs," Stella said.

Applying for a library card is easy and can be done in-person at any OC Public Library location or online at <https://web.ocpl.org/n/LibraryCardApplication/>. OC Public Libraries offers e-reader open houses, and library staff are available to offer as-needed assistance for customers who need help with downloads.

"Do reach out and ask staff. We have wonderful, talented, committed, hard-working people who want to help the communities," Stella said.



Stella organizes the library's collection of books featured for the month of February, highlighting Black History Month  
Photo Credit: CEO Communications



Featured book collection focusing on Black History Month.  
Photo Credit: CEO Communications

Stella's role as Adult Librarian at Katie Wheeler is coming to a close, since she is taking on the role of Foothill Ranch Branch Manager effective February 3.

Whether at Katie Wheeler Library, Foothill Ranch Library or another area of the County, Stella embraces being part of the County of Orange.

"At OC Public Libraries, we're part of the County family. I always develop and promote the County culture," Stella said. "I direct people to the County websites, and I let them know about what the County has to offer. I make sure that everyone knows that we are part of the County of Orange."

#### PLEASE SEND PROFILE SUBJECTS FOR COUNTY CONNECTION!

Do you know someone who would make a good employee profile? We're looking for staff-level employees who love their job and carry the flag with enthusiasm both for their agency and the County as a whole.

Send submissions to [jennifer.nentwig@ocgov.com](mailto:jennifer.nentwig@ocgov.com).



## Board of Supervisors Elects New Chair, Vice Chair



Newly appointed Chairwoman  
Michelle Steel, Supervisor 2nd District  
Photo credit: Travis LaRiviere

On January 10, Supervisor Michelle Steel, Second District, was chosen unanimously by her colleagues to serve as chairwoman of the Orange County Board of Supervisors for 2017. Supervisor Andrew Do, First District, will serve as the Board's vice chair.

Supervisor Steel was elected in November 2014 and is the first Korean American to serve on the County of Orange's Board of Supervisors. Supervisor Steel previously served as Vice Chair of California's State Board of Equalization. She also served under President George W. Bush as Commissioner of the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders from 2001 until April 2004. Supervisor Steel holds a degree in Business from Pepperdine University, an Executive MBA from the University of Southern California, and is fluent in Korean and Japanese.

Supervisor Steel thanked her colleagues for their confidence and continued support. "I am very grateful to my fellow supervisors for electing me as chair and I look forward to working together throughout this year," she said. "It is my hope that we can make Orange County a great location for jobs. I look forward to highlighting our unique strengths here and bringing together the private sector with our county's skilled workforce to keep our talent local and improve our economy."

Supervisor Steel represents the residents of the Second District, which includes Costa Mesa, Cypress, Huntington Beach, La Palma, Los Alamitos, Newport Beach, Seal Beach, Stanton, the unincorporated area of Rossmore, and portions of Buena Park and Fountain Valley.

Supervisor Do is serving his second term on the Board. He represents the First District, which includes Garden Grove, Fountain Valley, Midway City, Santa Ana and Westminster. Supervisor Do previously served as Chief of Staff to Orange County Supervisor and now State Senator Janet Nguyen. His lifetime of community involvement includes service as President of the Asian Bar of California and President of the Vietnamese-American Bar Association of Southern California as well as service on the Board of Directors of the Orange County Bar Association.

"I am incredibly proud of what we were able to achieve this past year. There is still more work to be done and I am confident that we can continue to work together to deliver results for our County," he said.

**"I am very grateful to my fellow supervisors for electing me as chair and I look forward to working together throughout this year," she said. "It is my hope that we can make Orange County a great location for jobs. I look forward to highlighting our unique strengths here and bringing together the private sector with our county's skilled workforce to keep our talent local and improve our economy." - Chairwoman Michelle Steel**

## Supervisor Do, Supervisor Spitzer Take Oaths of Office

Supervisor Andrew Do, First District, and Supervisor Todd Spitzer, Third District, took their Oaths of Office during a swearing-in ceremony in the Board Hearing Room on January 10, marking the start of their next terms.

Supervisor Do was sworn in by his wife, the Honorable Cheri Pham, a judge for the Superior Court of California – County of Orange.

Supervisor Spitzer was sworn in by Justice Kathleen O'Leary, the presiding justice of the Fourth District, Division Three of the California Court of Appeals.

Both Supervisors Do and Spitzer were reelected on Nov. 8, 2016, for an additional term serving as part of the County of Orange Board of Supervisors. This is Supervisor Do's second term, and it is Supervisor Spitzer's second consecutive term after having previously served as a Supervisor from 1997 to 2002. Based on the length of their current terms, Supervisors Do and Spitzer are projected to hold their positions as Supervisor through January 12, 2021.



Vice Chair Andrew Do, First District. Photo credit: Travis LaRiviere

**Supervisor Andrew Do**, First District, recites the Oath of Office during a swearing-in ceremony in the Board Hearing Room on January 10. The oath was administered by his wife, the Honorable Cheri Pham, a judge for the Superior Court of California – County of Orange.



Supervisor Todd Spitzer, Third District. Photo credit: Travis LaRiviere

**Supervisor Todd Spitzer**, Third District, recites the Oath of Office during a swearing-in ceremony in the Board Hearing Room on January 10. The oath was administered by Justice Kathleen O'Leary, the presiding justice of the Fourth District, Division Three of the California Court of Appeals. Supervisor Spitzer's wife, the Honorable Jamie Spitzer, and their daughter, Lauren, (shown in photo between Supervisor Spitzer and Justice O'Leary) stood nearby to witness the oath.



## Treasurer Shari Freidenrich Named Among Orange County's Most Influential Business Leaders on the "OC 500 List"

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Treasurer-Tax Collector Shari Freidenrich

Treasurer Shari Freidenrich has been listed on the inaugural "OC 500" list compiled by the Orange County Business Journal in 2016 in the civic leaders' category. The Orange County Business Journal's first-ever "OC 500" features the 500 most influential business people and opinion shapers in Orange County. It includes people driving economic growth in the area, the most powerful business people and those in government, philanthropic, religious and other civic representatives that contribute to the business of community in Orange County. The list was selected after months of research in the various categories.

Some of the key facts identified in her selection were that Freidenrich has been Treasurer of Orange County for six years and previously was the Huntington Beach Treasurer for 15 years, that she had business experience at Boeing Corporation and Deloitte & Touché, that her office invests public funds for safety and liquidity and that she also collects and distributes property taxes for 200 OC agencies. It was also noted that she received the 2013 award for fiscal responsibility from OC Taxpayers Association and that she has a bachelor's degree from Washington State University.

"I am honored to be selected for this prestigious list due to my private and public sector work that have streamlined business operations here in Orange County" states Treasurer Freidenrich "and I will continue to bring Common Sense Changes and fiscal accountability to government to save taxpayer dollars." Shari saved over \$15 million while she was the elected Treasurer for the City of Huntington Beach and has already saved taxpayers over \$825 million since being elected in 2011 as the Orange County Treasurer. Shari is a leader in the municipal treasury area having served as the President for the California Municipal Treasurers Association and the President of the Association of the Public Treasurers of the US and Canada. Shari is currently serving as the Sergeant of Arms for the California Association of County Treasurer-Tax Collectors. Shari recently received the Leadership Award for Public Service from the Orange County Business Council and had previously received the "Rose Award" from the Orange County Taxpayers Association for her work in streamlining business processes and transparency of public records. Collections of secured property taxes are at record levels with FY 2015-16 collections at 99.26%. Property tax payments made using the popular free eCheck program (online payment by bank account) have doubled under Shari's stewardship and are the most efficient and cost-effective way for the County to process these tax payments. For more information about Shari and her work, go to [ttc.ocgov.com](http://ttc.ocgov.com).

# HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES

## News You Can Use

### NEW EMPLOYEE PRESENTATIONS

New employees are invited to attend an Employee Benefits Orientation conducted by the Office of Human Resource Services, Employee Benefits Division. This presentation provides important information on health plan options, requirements, and the enrollment process and covers health benefit programs as well as 457 Defined Contribution Program, Health Care and Dependent Care Reimbursement Accounts, and the Employee Assistance program.

New Employee Benefits Orientations are scheduled for the first Monday of each month, unless it is a holiday.

All new hire orientations will be at 8:45 a.m., at 333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Planning & Commission Room, Santa Ana, California 92701.

New employees are encouraged to attend and stay for the Countywide New Employee Orientation immediately following our presentation.



### NEW RETIREE PRESENTATIONS

Prospective or new retirees are strongly encouraged to attend a New Retiree Benefits Orientation conducted by the Office of Human Resource Services, Employee Benefits Division. This presentation provides important information on retiree health plan options, requirements and the enrollment process. It explains what prospective or new retirees need to know and what they need to do to ensure a smooth transition from active employee status to retiree status. A representative from Empower Retirement will be in attendance to discuss the County's 457 Defined Contribution plan and the resources available for retirement planning.

The Retiree Benefits Orientations are scheduled for the first Monday of each month, unless it is a holiday. Retiree Benefits Orientations are conducted at 1 p.m., at 333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Planning & Commission Room, Santa Ana, California 92701.

If you are unable to attend either one of the orientations, they are posted on the Employee Benefits website at:

[Benefits Orientation for New Employees](#) or [Benefits Orientation for Prospective Retirees](#).

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## Construction Impacts County Civic Center Parking

On January 13, the Hall of Administration parking lot was closed due to Building 16 demolition activities, and beginning January 14, the north portion of the lot was closed with intermittent full lot closures as needed moving forward.

The partial closure leaves 64 parking spaces available along the south side of the lot. American with Disabilities Act (ADA) access continues, with eight ADA-access parking spaces located within the HOA parking lot and an open pathway from those parking spaces to the existing ADA-compliant access ramp located at the northeast corner of the lot. Additionally, there are six metered ADA parking spots along Ross Street between Santa Ana Boulevard and Civic Center Drive.

To ensure availability of parking to Civic Center visitors, the County is redirecting drivers to alternate parking locations listed below:

- Parking Lot 5: Adjacent to the Old Orange County Courthouse, east of Broadway between Civic Center Drive and Santa Ana Boulevard.  
\*Enter lot from Civic Center Drive

- Parking Lot 8: Adjacent to the Health Care Agency building, west of Broadway between Santa Ana Boulevard and Fifth Street.

- Parking Lot 6: Adjacent to the State Building and Appellate Court, west of Ross Street on the north side of Santa Ana Boulevard.

- Parking Lot 3: Adjacent to the Santa Ana Public Library, west of Ross Street on the south side of Civic Center Drive.

- Parking Lot 2: Adjacent to the Superior Court-Central Justice Center, east of Flower Street between Civic Center Drive and Santa Ana Boulevard.

The Building 16 demolition requires the use of large excavators, dump trucks and other concrete-breaking equipment, so the County is advising that everyone stay out of the project area and observe all caution signs, fencing and personnel. Temporary fencing has been installed to ensure the safety of the public, County employees and project personnel.

Upon completion of the Building 16 demolition, the HOA parking will once again be fully open for public and employee parking until September/October 2017, at which time construction for the new Building 16 is expected to begin.

For more information on Building 16 demolition or parking, please contact OC Public Works at 714-667-9615 or [Parking@ocpw.ocgov.com](mailto:Parking@ocpw.ocgov.com).

### PARKING LOT CLOSURE

On Jan. 11, 2017, the Hall of Administration parking lot will be closed due to Building 16 demolition activities. Beginning Jan. 12, the north portion of the lot will be closed, with intermittent full lot closures as needed.



## County of Orange Responds to January Storms

Beginning January 19 through January 23, a series of three heavy storms hit Orange County. While the area was being hit with heavy rains (and even some hail), County of Orange employees were working around-the-clock to connect residents with services and ensure public safety.

The County of Orange began preparing days in advance, based on weather forecasts that projected the storms. Leading up to the storms, OC Health Care Agency Behavioral Health Services and OC Sheriff's Department (OCSD) Homeless Liaison Officers engaged with people along the Santa Ana River and offered transportation to shelters.

"Warning" signs were posted along the riverbed and flood control channels, along with three separate sets of overhead announcements from the OCSD helicopter cautioning of rain and increased water flow. The County announced that the OC Cold Weather Armory Emergency Shelters (armories) located at both Santa Ana and Fullerton would be open all weekend long (from Thursday, January 19, through the morning of Tuesday, January 23) to provide shelter during the storm.



County of Orange employees gather at the Emergency Operations Center.  
Photo credit: Supervisor Todd Spitzer, Third District

At 10 a.m. on Sunday, January 22, the Orange County Operational Area Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated, in preparation for the third and strongest of the storm systems. At the EOC, representatives from County departments monitored and coordinated responses to storm-related damage, road closures, evacuations and public safety issues.

The EOC issued a voluntary evacuation on January 22 for Silverado Canyon Area homes east of 30311 Silverado Canyon. A County evacuation center opened at the Silverado Community Center. At 2:36 p.m. a flash flood warning was issued for Orange County.



OC Public Works employees Sandra Ly, from left, Regina Hu, AJ Jaime and Co Phung, respond to the storm in Silverado Canyon.  
Photo credit: Mindy Schauer, Orange County Register/SCNG

For residents of the voluntary evacuation area with proof of address, OC Animal Care offered to provide boarding at no charge. OC Animal Care also pre-identified spaces for large and small animals in the case of mandatory evacuations.

During the storm, The Courtyard shelter in Santa Ana didn't turn anyone away, with the nightly population reaching as high as 469 people. Friday through Saturday, The Courtyard served 2,809 meals to people in need.

Throughout the weekend, OC Public Works worked tirelessly across the County to ensure that roadways and waterways remained safe.

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The OC Sheriff's Department (OCSD) Air Support Unit partnered with the OC Fire Authority swift water rescue team to conduct rescue missions during and after the storm. The team conducted approximately five missions, including a mission to rescue a couple stranded overnight in a green Ford Ranger stuck in two feet of mud in Trabuco Canyon.

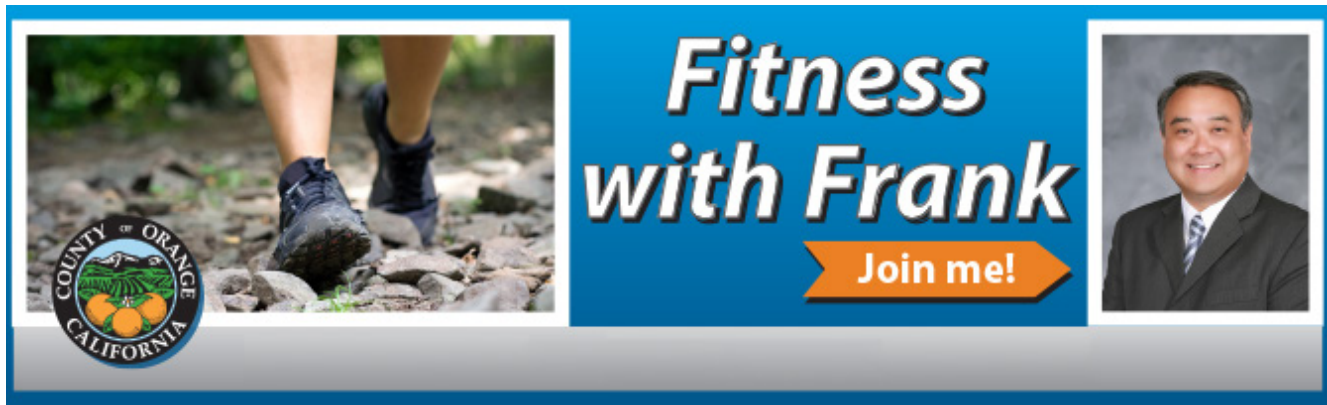
These are just a few examples of the County of Orange departments and employees who stepped up to respond January 19-23. Thank you to everyone in the County who helped ensure an effective response during the storms!



The OCSD Air Support Unit helped rescue a couple from this Ford Ranger stuck in Trabuco Canyon. Photo credit: OCSD



On Jan. 13, Stuart Goong of OC Public Works' Environmental Resources team participates in an interview with NBC4 Los Angeles, discussing water sampling at the San Diego Creek in Irvine following recent rains. Photo Credit: OC Public Works



**Fitness with Frank**

Join me!

The first Fitness with Frank event of 2017 is scheduled for Saturday February 25th at Clark Regional Park in Buena Park. We still are working on all of the details, but we will have access to the interpretive center following the hike. The interpretive center is home to an extensive fossil collection containing specimens that were recovered inside the boundaries of Clark Park, and from the development of the Coyote Hills area in northern Orange County. Check back for more details and RSVP on the [Fitness with Frank webpage](#). If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn McInerney at 714-834-4755 or [carolyn.mcinerney@ocgov.com](mailto:carolyn.mcinerney@ocgov.com).

## *Around the County* News, Events and Happenings



### **Clerk-Recorder Extended Hours for Marriage Services this Valentine's Day**

For those looking to tie the knot on Valentine's Day, Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen will be offering extended hours at his offices in Fullerton, Laguna Hills and at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana this Valentine's Day. The department will close at 5:30 p.m. instead of its normal closing hours of 4:30 p.m. to issue marriage licenses and perform marriage ceremonies.

Valentine's Day continues to be one of the busiest days of the year for weddings and this year will be no exception. Appointments will go fast. Couples are encouraged to make an appointment for a civil marriage ceremony due to the popularity of this day. Couples can make an appointment by visiting the Clerk-Recorder website at [www.ocrecorder.com](http://www.ocrecorder.com) and using the online appointment system. Walk-in couples are welcome and will be accommodated based on availability of ceremony rooms.

"In the past, Valentine's Day has always been a great success," said Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen. "By opening until 5:30 p.m., more people will have an opportunity to marry on what many consider the most romantic day of the

year. I would like to thank my staff for volunteering to work and for making this possible for our customers."

The department would like to remind couples that Orange County has one of the lowest costs for a marriage license and marriage ceremony in the state. Couples can obtain a public marriage license for \$61 and a confidential marriage license for \$66. A civil marriage ceremony can be performed for an additional \$28.

The all-time record was set on Valentine's Day 2014. On that day, the department issued 310 marriage licenses and performed 266 ceremonies.

Please note that the department's Westminster location will only issue marriage licenses and will close at 4:30 p.m. To save time, marriage license applications can be completed online at [www.ocrecorder.com](http://www.ocrecorder.com) prior to visiting the Clerk-Recorder offices. For more detailed information, call (714) 834-2500.



## Health Care Agency Champion Moms Strive To Be Better

More moms in Orange County are becoming Champions for Change who encourage their families and community to eat healthy, be physically active and make lifestyle changes to prevent chronic disease.

The theme “Be Better where we eat, live, work, learn, work, play and shop,” became the focus of a workshop that encouraged moms to continue taking small steps to make healthy changes. Deputy Public Health Officer Dr. Helene Calvet recognized 12 new Champion Moms for their commitment and efforts to give their families and communities healthier, happier lives.



OC Champion Moms attend a workshop to learn how to make healthier lifestyle changes. Photo Credit: Health Care Agency

“It’s awe-inspiring to see the enthusiasm and passion these women have for this important work. In public health, we cannot do this work alone, but need the assistance of people like the Champion Moms to make real change in the community,” said Dr. Calvet.

During the event, attendees had the opportunity to learn how to:

- **Nourish Better:** Champion Mom Norma shared how the CalFresh program helped her family when the loss of employment changed their household income.
- **Play Better:** Padres en Acción partners demonstrated fun ways to keep children moving.
- **Prepare Foods Better:** Santa Ana Unified School District Food Service representatives showed how to cut back on salt without losing flavor by preparing a winning recipe from the “Cooking Up Change” contest.
- **Make Community Changes Better:** The OC Food Access coalition and Champion Mom Ana Lety shared how the Resident Leadership Academy can provide individuals with the skills needed to make changes in the community.



Dr. Helene Calvet recognizes a Champion Mom for her commitment and efforts to her family and community for efforts to several Zika scenarios. Photo Credit: Health Care Agency

Since 2008, HCA and its partners have been working together to recognize outstanding parents for being role models and leaders in their low-income neighborhoods. Thanks to the Parents for Healthy Neighborhoods workgroup, 90 Champion Moms from 16 cities throughout Orange County have been recognized and engaged in the battle to prevent obesity. For more information about OC Champion Moms, email Anna Luciano at [aluciano@ochca.com](mailto:aluciano@ochca.com) or click [here](#) to learn more about the statewide Champions for Change campaign.

### “Cooking Up Change” Winning Recipe: Moroccan Salad Serves 4

#### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup – red onion
- 1 1/3 cups – white vinegar
- 2 cups – carrots, shredded
- 12 oz. – 100% orange juice
- 2 tsp. – cumin seed
- 1 tsp. – cinnamon
- 1 cup – garbanzo beans, canned
- 2 1/2 tbsp. – canola oil
- 2 tsp. – cayenne pepper
- 2 cups – spinach, fresh

#### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350. Slice red onions and place into bowl to pickle in vinegar; set aside.
2. In saucepan, place carrots, orange juice, 1 tsp. cumin and cinnamon; simmer for 7 minutes to absorb juices. Remove from heat, let cool and chill.
3. In a bowl, mix garbanzo beans with remaining cumin, oil and cayenne. Place on sheet pan and bake for 15 minutes.
4. Chop spinach then toss with carrots and onions. Top salad with garbanzo beans.
5. Serve and enjoy!

## Health Care Agency Mental Health Services Act's Newest Housing Project Welcomes Occupants



Rockwood Apartments in Anaheim opened November 2016 to welcome occupants. Photo Credit: Health Care Agency

Rockwood Apartments in Anaheim became the ninth Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) housing project to open in Orange County that offers low-cost affordable housing and supportive services to those experiencing homelessness or living with mental illness.

Residents receive services that are individualized to each person's needs and may include psychiatric and medication management, case management, crisis intervention, community resource linkages, local medical resources and group activities.

Providers that include HCA's Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) team, Residential Services and the Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Association (OCAPIA) offer services onsite and are designed for residents to maintain their housing while fostering recovery through community integration.

"HCA recognizes the importance of supportive housing in a person's recovery," said Mary Hale, Behavioral Health Services Deputy Agency Director. "Housing provides an essential component to create an environment of safety and security for individuals to start or continue their journey toward wellness."



Attendees at the ribbon cutting ceremony included (left to right) Susan Price, Judy Iturriaga, Richard Sanchez, Kevin Fincher, Mitch Cherness, Tiffany Brown, Christina Shelby and Mary Hale. Photo Credit: Health Care Agency

## SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

### Employee Safety Webpage

Have you visited the [Employee Safety Webpage](#) lately? It's designed to be a resource for all employees to help you increase your personal awareness and to empower you to take command of your own safety. It includes links to general safety tips, training, an incident map, and important numbers. Take a moment to educate yourself and review the information on the page and then refer back to it for a refresher as needed.



### OC Animal Care Finding a Home for a Dog Left at Fire Station

OC Animal Care helped numerous animals find new homes over the holidays, but one pet had a particularly special story – an 11-month-old pit bull found and turned into OC Animal Care by Garden Grove firefighters.

As reported in an article in the [OC Register](#), Garden Grove firefighters found the pit bull on Christmas morning, dropped off outside its Acacia Parkway station with a red bow tied around its neck. The dog did not have a tag, and there was no sign of how he got there.

OC Animal Care received notification from the Garden Grove firefighters, and they picked up the dog that day. OC Animal Care waited the standard five days to see if owners would claim the dog, and then the dog was put up for adoption.

On Wednesday, January 4, the Garden Grove Fire Department announced that the dog had been adopted. Members of the fire station had been keeping track of the dog, since a paramedic had offered to foster the puppy if it was not quickly adopted from the shelter. Due to the work of OC Animal Care, though, the pit bull had quickly found a new family and a new home.

“OC Animal Care is committed to finding forever homes for all animals that enter our shelter. We encourage anyone who finds a stray animal to immediately turn it in to their local animal shelter, so these animals will have a better chance of being reunited with their families,” said



An 11-month-old pit bull found by Garden Grove firefighters on Christmas morning has been adopted. Photo Courtesy of Garden Grove Fire Department. Photo Credit: OC Animal Care

OC Animal Care Community Outreach Manager Sondra Berg. “Certainly if someone is not able to get to a shelter then a fire station would be a better alternative than allowing it to run the streets or being left in a remote area where it may not be found.”

“During our ‘Home for the Holidays’ event, 164 animals found new homes and a second chance,” Sondra noted. “Visit our shelter and find your furry best friend; we have lots of wonderful animals to choose from.”

For more information, visit [ocpetinfo.com](http://ocpetinfo.com).

### OC Community Services CID Collaborates with CEO on Grant Funding

The Community Investment Division (CID) within Orange County Community Services oversees the Domestic Violence Shelter-Based Program, which provides immediate shelter to victims of domestic violence and their children. In addition to immediate shelter for victims, the program provides 24-hour-per-day, seven-day-per-week shelter and crisis hotline services; temporary housing; meals; counseling; referrals to community resources; a drop-in center for victims who need support services; arrangements for school-aged children to continue their education while residing at the shelter and emergency transportation.

In March 2016, the County Executive Office (CEO) was notified of a new one-time grant opportunity through the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES) for the County Victim Services Program. The County Victim Services grant is an opportunity for expansion of services to domestic violence victims including assistance with criminal justice and legal proceedings, emergency housing assistance and enhanced mental health services.

CEO Budget worked with numerous County departments to prepare the County Victim Services grant application and in May the Board approved the application. The County received notification of funding in October 2016 and acceptance of the grant funds was subsequently approved.

The Domestic Violence Shelter-Based Program is executed by procured Orange County domestic violence service providers Human Options, Interval House, Laura’s House and Women’s Transitional Living Center. To implement the County Victim Services Program, CEO and CID have collaborated to expand services through the existing procured providers. On January 24, the Board of Supervisors reviewed and approved the recommendation for Human Options, Laura’s House, Interval House, and Women’s Transitional Living Center to receive the additional County Victim Services grant funds which total an aggregate amount of \$448,000 for this program year.

## OC Community Services OC Veteran Service Office Issues More than 2,350 Veteran Driver Licenses



An image of a driver's license with a "veteran" designation.  
Photo Credit: Department of Motor Vehicles

Veterans Day 2016 marked the first anniversary since the State of California started offering veterans the VETERAN designation on a California driver license or identification (ID) card, as a simple and official way of confirming military service.

During the first year of the program, more than 2,350 veterans visited the Orange County Veteran Service Office (OCVSO) to obtain the Veteran Status Verification form to apply for the special designation. Statewide approximately 7,400 veterans applied for the special designation. Orange County processed 32 percent of those issued statewide, which a remarkable achievement. Orange County has the 5th largest veteran population in the state.

To obtain the VETERAN designation, veterans can take the following steps:

**STEP 1** – Locate a certified copy of his/her military discharge certificate (DD214). For assistance in obtaining military records/copies, visit [www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel](http://www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel)

**STEP 2** – Bring a certified DD214 and valid government identification to the OCVSO and obtain a Veteran Status Verification Form (form must be obtained in person and can't be downloaded).

**STEP 3** – Visit [www.dmv.ca.gov](http://www.dmv.ca.gov) or call DMV at 800-777-0133 to make an appointment. Bring his/her Veteran Status Verification Form to the DMV. Complete the application, pay any fees including the \$5 fee to add the Veteran Designation.

The Orange County Veterans Service Office is ready to assist veterans at 1300 South Grand Avenue, Building B, Room 247, Santa Ana 92705. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday.

For more information please visit us at [www.veterans.ocgov.com](http://www.veterans.ocgov.com)

## OC Parks Commemorating MLK day with Interpretive Hike

On January 16, OC Parks Resource Specialist Laura Cohen led an interpretative hike at Laguna Coast Wilderness Park to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

More than 50 people participated in the hike, which took the hikers on a 2-mile round trip of Little Sycamore Canyon Trail. Along the hike route, Laura had positioned 11 laminated quotations by Martin Luther King, Jr., along with some prompts to encourage thought or conversation.

According to an [article](#) on the event written by OC Register reporter Theresa Walker, Laura views Martin Luther King, Jr. as a personal hero and someone whose peacemaking ways align well with the peacefulness of the Laguna Coast Wilderness Park.

"The holidays are a good time to get out and enjoy nature," Laura said. "Nature is peaceful. So he's a natural topic for a hike in nature. He was a peacemaker."



Participants in the MLK Day interpretative hike trek up a trail through Laguna Coast Wilderness Park, passing a Martin Luther King, Jr. quote posted by OC Parks Resource Specialist Laura Cohen.  
Photo Credit: OC Parks



## OC Sheriff's Department Crime Lab Technician Named Property Officer of the Year

OCSD's Legal Property Technician Raymond Frausto has been named Property Officer of the Year by the OC chapter of the California Association of Property and Evidence (CAPE).

Raymond received the recognition for his focus on customer service and problem-solving in his role as technician in the Evidence Control Section of the Orange County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab, according to a Behind the Badge OC [article](#) written by Lou Ponsi.

"What makes him unique is that he is very customer service-focused and very solution-focused. He is calm and methodical (about) how he does things," said Raymond's supervisor, Kim Brown.

Raymond has been working in the OCSD Crime Lab for about a year and a half, having transferred from the County of Orange Social Services Agency.

Now, as a legal property technician, Raymond is responsible for receiving evidence – which can include "blood, urine, narcotics and even vehicles" – and making sure the evidence gets to the right unit for analysis, moving and tracking the evidence, and making sure it is returned to the right agency.

"I just feel that it's really interesting," Raymond said. "It really grabs my mind. Even though we do the same tasks, there are new things coming in ... new challenges every day."

CAPE is an association of property and evidence officers from across the state. At the annual CAPE seminar in Anaheim, April 3-7, Raymond will be in the running for the title of Property Officer of the Year for the entire state of California.



Raymond Frausto displays his Property Officer of the Year award. Photo credit: Steven Georges/Behind the Badge OC

## RECURRING RESOLUTIONS - FEBRUARY

Every year, the Board of Supervisors approves a list of recurring resolutions. These resolutions commemorate or celebrate causes and/or organizational efforts on a monthly basis. Click on any of the recurring resolutions to the right to learn more about them.

**Black History Month**  
**American Heart Month**  
**Washington's Birthday**  
**Lincoln's Birthday**  
**National Freedom Day**

## OC Waste & Recycling Landfill's Gas-to-Energy Technology

When the Coyote Canyon Landfill Gas to Energy facility was first commissioned in the 1980s, it was the first such plant in Orange County, generating up to seven megawatts of electricity for approximately 5,900 local homes and businesses.

Now, in 2017, things are different. The landfill gas supply is diminishing as the decomposition of waste in the landfill slows down. The facility, itself, was close to the end of its useful life, and new technologies are now available that can utilize the methane gas more efficiently.

So the decision was made to remove the facility and make way for a greener future. What did that take?

For starters, OC Waste and Recycling's (OCWR) renewable energy team – Jeff Arbour, Mike Kashani and Peter Livingston – had to decide what would stay. The landfill gas collection system and flares would stay, along with the high-voltage interconnect structures.

The remaining equipment and structures were demolished, including a 105-foot exhaust stack that was also home to several cellular antennas. OCWR's real estate specialist, Eli Esber, reworked cellular agreements to keep antennas at the site. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) expert John Arnau moved the demolition permitting along. Engineer Greg Garber assisted, and Project Managers Kevin Oxford and Chris Matthews oversaw the work of the demolition contractor for this nine-month project. What remains are three acres to host a new chapter for landfill gas to energy at Coyote Canyon Closed Landfill.

Watch a video of the exhaust stack being demolished by clicking on the video below.



An exhaust stack at the Coyote Canyon Landfill Gas to Energy facility, which was demolished in an effort to remove the facility and make way for a greener future. Photo Credit: OC Waste & Recycling





## Social Services Agency Japanese Delegation Visits SSA

During the week of January 9, 2017, the County of Orange Social Services Agency (SSA) had the honor of hosting a Japanese delegation of researchers and child welfare professionals. Previously, in October 2016, Division Director of Family Self-Sufficiency and Interim Division Director of Children and Family Services, Nathan Nishimoto, had the privilege of traveling to Japan to share information about SSA's child welfare programs and services to Japanese child welfare professionals. The visit was a great success and, as a result, a Japanese delegation traveled to Orange County to further learn about SSA's practices and see firsthand the many programs and services that SSA offers.

The Japanese delegation was comprised of two separate groups. One consisted of researchers who were interested in learning about the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) and General Relief (GR) public assistance programs. The researchers visited SSA's CalWORKs West office and Central Regional Office, as well as observed the outreach efforts of SSA's Mobile Response Vehicle (MRV) at the Courtyard in Santa Ana. They expressed great appreciation for the programmatic information and the opportunity to view real operational processes. The researchers further stated that the information obtained during their visit will have tremendous value for their future research and application of assistance programs in Japan.

The group of child welfare professionals, including two Vice Consulate Generals from the Japanese Consulate, met with SSA staff to learn more about SSA's success with family reunification efforts. They attended a seminar



Pictured from left to right: Perlita Flores, Taylor Adray, Tawnya Reveles, Edward Amador; Japanese Delegates, Maki Taniyama and Ruriko Yamashita; and Rashad Salaam. Photo Credit: Social Services Agency

at SSA headquarters as well as visited the Orangewood Children and Family Center where they toured the Child Abuse Services Team (CAST) program and joined the children on campus for lunch.

SSA is appreciative of all of the staff that took time out of their busy schedules to share information about their programs to the Japanese delegation; SSA received resoundingly positive feedback that the trip was informative, helpful and memorable. The County is proud of the work that SSA does to serve our community – and is exceptionally proud that this great work is recognized not just nationally, but internationally!



Pictured: The Japanese Delegation along with SSA employees; Division Director of FSS and Interim Director of CFS, Nathan Nishimoto, Deputy Director, Christine Smith Snapper and Senior Social Worker, Sayaka Hur. Photo Credit: Social Services Agency

# OC History

Journeys Through Orange County's  
Origins, Obstacles and Opportunities



## Glenn L. Martin *By Chris Jepsen*

Locals who remember the last half of the 20th century know Orange County was a major hub for America's aerospace design and manufacturing industry. Fewer know that the father of that industry built and flew his first planes here.

Born in Iowa in 1886 to Clarence and Arminta "Minta" Martin, Glenn Luther Martin was raised in rural Kansas and showed an early mechanical aptitude with farm equipment. He later became fascinated with constructing box kites, which taught him about aerodynamics, precision craftsmanship and – by selling kites to other kids – business. He later worked in a bicycle shop, gaining still more mechanical skills, before attending Kansas Wesleyan University for a couple years. When he was still a young man, his mother developed health problems that inspired her to move to warm and sunny California. Her family, including noted mama's boy Glenn, followed her to Santa Ana.

Working with auto mechanics in a vacant Santa Ana church building, Martin was only the third American to design, construct, and fly his own airplane. Around 1909 he built his first plane but destroyed it during an attempted flight from the top of Red Hill in Tustin. His second plane soon followed, in which he managed to make a more successful short flight.



James Irvine II (left) and Glenn L. Martin, circa 1913.  
Photo Credit: OC Archives

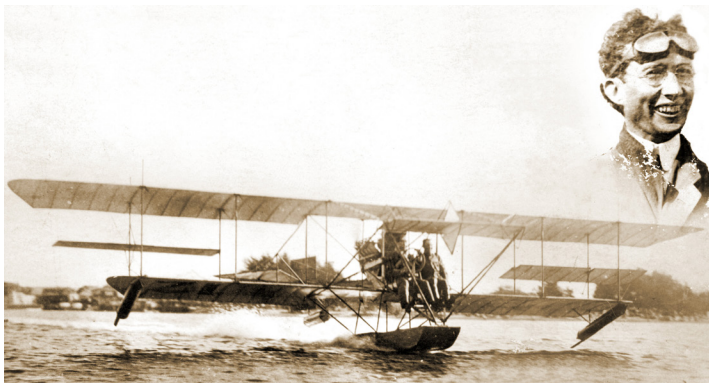
a brief partnership with the Wright brothers before successfully continuing on his own.

Martin even had a brief film career, starring in *A Girl of Yesterday* (1915) with Mary Pickford. He was more than prepared for his scenes as an accomplished young pilot, but he had to be arm-twisted into kissing a girl on camera.

Over the years, he employed many future innovators, entrepreneurs and stars of the aerospace industry, including William Boeing, James S. McDonnell and Donald Douglas. His company also built more than 80 kinds of aircraft, from the MB-1 bomber of World War I, to the B-10 bomber of the 1930s, to the iconic China Clipper flying boats. Martin later helped lead the country into the Space Age, building missiles, spacecraft and cutting-edge electronics.

Glenn Martin died in Baltimore in 1955, but his company kept marching along. In 1961, the Glenn L. Martin Co. merged with American-Marietta Corp., becoming Martin Marietta. After another merger with Lockheed in 1995, it became the Lockheed Martin Corp. As of 2014, this global company, based in Maryland, was the world's largest defense contractor.

And to think it all started in an abandoned Santa Ana church!



Martin's 1912 water-to-water flight. Photo Credit: OC Archives

In 1912, he completed the construction of a seaplane and flew it from Newport Bay (now Newport Harbor) to Catalina Island and back. It was the first water-to-water flight and broke the record for over-water flight.

That same year, he founded the Glenn L. Martin Co. and moved his plane-building operations to Los Angeles. There, here he had

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## Workplace Safety - Ladders and Workplace Injuries

Safety Alert! Every seven seconds workplace injuries occur, and according to the National Safety Council this equates to approximately 13,000 workers injured each day or 4,700,000 a year, which resulted in 99 million production days lost due to work-related injuries in 2014.

The top three workplace injury incidences recorded were:

**1. Overexertion at 35 percent due to lifting/lowering and repetitive motions**

**2. Contact with objects/equipment at 25 percent**

**3. Slips, trips and falls at 25 percent due to ladders and housekeeping practices**

Looking at number three, we see that ladders have a dangerous nature to them. They are a basic tool, and often we do not realize how easily falls and serious injuries can occur. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics noted that 50 percent of all ladder-related accidents were due to individuals carrying items as they climbed. So before using a ladder for a work task, ask yourself if

- you need to hold heavy items while on the ladder
- the job requires a long ladder that may be unstable
- you will be working high up for long periods of time
- the job requires you to stand/shift your position on a ladder

If the answer is yes to any of the above, observe these safety tips before working on a ladder:

- Check for splinters on wood ladders and corrosion on metal ladders

- Look for missing/loose cleats at the bottom of the ladder as well as missing screws, bolts, nails and badly worn rungs
- Free up your hands before climbing a ladder by storing tools/materials in a tool belt
- Tether tools with a tool lanyard
- Ensure the base of the ladder is secured and resting on a level surface
- Make sure to extend the ladder before climbing up
- Lock or guard doors if a ladder needs to be placed near a doorway
- Wear non-slip flat shoes
- Always face the ladder
- Never stand on the top rung of a ladder

It stands to reason that you can fall when on a ladder and get hurt if safe practices are not followed. However, these injuries are preventable and together as a team we can make a difference!

**The CEO Safety and Loss Prevention Program  
714-285-5500**



## Cyber Security Awareness Training (CSAT)

The County of Orange launched its Cyber Security Awareness Training initiative on January 18, 2017. The training is in response to the growing number of cyber threats the County faces on a daily basis. The County recognizes employees are the first and last line of defense against Cyber Attacks. As such, the County has provided this online training to educate employees on good behaviors to protect the County's data, computer systems and networks.

The Cyber Security Awareness Training benefits users not only at work but also at home. Many of the same hazards the County faces, users also face at home. Personal email inboxes can receive the same phishing attacks or malware that threatens County systems. By practicing the same good judgment at home users learn in the Cyber Security Awareness Training, they can protect their personal data, financial data, pictures and other private data.

Login information emails were sent out on January 18 from "County of Orange <system@litmos.com>." If you completed the SANS Secure the Human training back in 2016, you are not required to complete this training.



If you have any questions or need help with any issues relating to the Cyber Security Awareness Training program, please email [SecurityAdmin@ceoit.ocgov.com](mailto:SecurityAdmin@ceoit.ocgov.com).

# Service Awards

for the month of January



## 35 Years

**Cora Gonzales**  
Assessor

**Margaraet McMicheaux**  
Auditor-Controller

**Mary Rodriguez**  
Child Support Services

**Arely Melendez**  
Social Services Agency

## 30 Years

**Lisa Poma**  
County Executive Office

**Kathy Aasen**  
Health Care Agency

**Elaine Martinez**  
Health Care Agency

**Thomas Fitch**  
OC Community Resources

**John Hambuch**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Bich Dao Le**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Thu H Ly**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Vickie Vincent**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Marie Vu**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Pamela Waters**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Jeffrey Eaton**  
OC Public Works

**Joseph Hunt**  
OC Public Works

**Leonard Narel**  
OC Public Works

**Ruth Dunlap**  
OC Public Works

**Manuel Rodriguez**  
OC Waste & Recycling

**Susan Trammell**  
Probation

**Troy Chavers**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Joseph Allemand**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Joseph Balicki**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Glen Collins**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Jason Pitts**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Adam Powell**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Linda Solorza**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Robin Dickson**  
Social Services Agency

**Kim-Don Nguyen**  
Social Services Agency

**Hao Pham**  
Social Services Agency

## 25 Years

**John Salgado**  
Child Support Services

**Rachel Garcia**  
Clerk-Recorder

**Mai Tang**  
Health Care Agency

**Terry Wellbaum**  
Health Care Agency

**Thea Bullock**  
OC Community  
Resources

**Kevin Kondru**  
OC Waste & Recycling

**Marguerite Grise**  
Sheriff-Coroner

**Christina Jennie**  
Sheriff-Coroner

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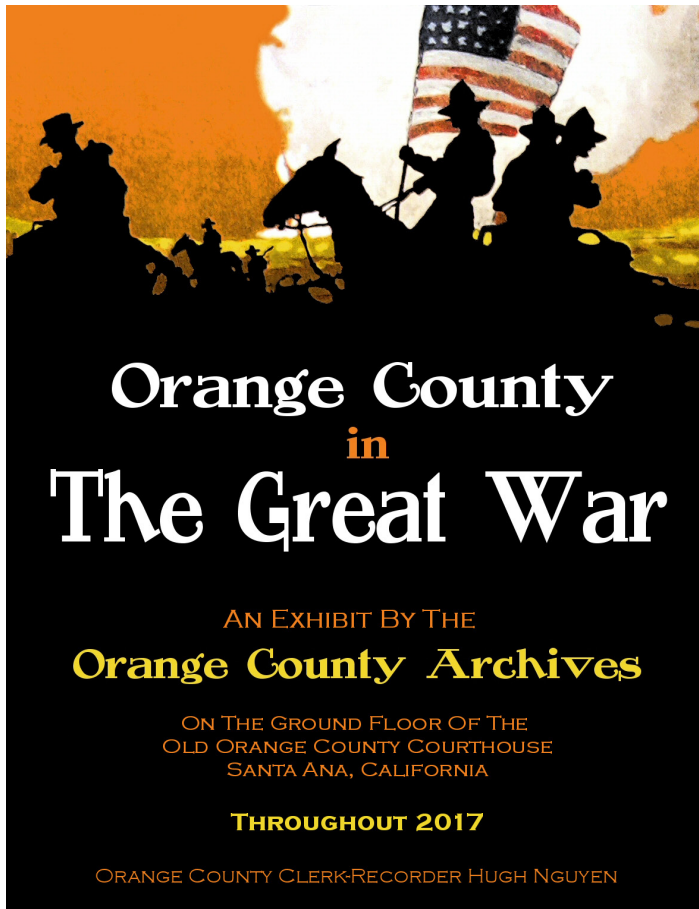
## 20 Years

<b>Eliseo Gillamac</b> Auditor-Controller	<b>Cam-Tu Ha</b> Auditor-Controller	<b>Vivienne Thornton</b> Auditor-Controller	<b>Jackqueline Ly</b> Child Support Services
<b>Irma Martinez</b> Child Support Services	<b>Robin Stieler</b> Clerk of the Board	<b>Aurora De Los Reyes</b> District Attorney	<b>Carol Mona</b> District Attorney
<b>Tanya Richards</b> District Attorney	<b>Luz Conde</b> Health Care Agency	<b>Christine Lane</b> Health Care Agency	<b>Carla Parmeter</b> Health Care Agency
<b>Michael Parra</b> Health Care Agency	<b>Diane Powell-Washington</b> Health Care Agency	<b>Richard Skaff</b> Health Care Agency	<b>Tham Tran</b> OC Public Works
<b>David Haller</b> Probation	<b>Stacy McCoy</b> Probation	<b>Dawn Wigand</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Mark Alsobrook</b> Sheriff-Coroner
<b>Dennis Breckner</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Vianey Castro</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Louann Clark</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Larry Costa</b> Sheriff-Coroner
<b>Carla Critz</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Cherry Del Campo</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Isaac Felter</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Mark Froome</b> Sheriff-Coroner
<b>Dennis Gabrielli</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Angel Guerrero</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Nereida Gutierrez</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Steven Hamill</b> Sheriff-Coroner
<b>Sean Hilliard</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>William Kenny</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Jose Manuel</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Timothy O'Neil</b> Sheriff-Coroner
<b>Lorena Papsis</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Ryan Root</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>John Scarbrough</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Jeffrey Smith</b> Sheriff-Coroner
<b>David Swaim</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Lavinia Vega</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Joe Vollmer</b> Sheriff-Coroner	<b>Benjamin Macias</b> Social Services Agency
<b>Michele Schmitz</b> Social Services Agency	<b>Surjiwan Sharma</b> Social Services Agency		

To view the January list in its entirety, which also includes recipients of 5, 10 and 15-year Service Awards, please click [here](#).

***Service Awards are announced in each edition of County Connection in the month immediately following work anniversaries, not in the month of the anniversary.*** If you believe there has been an error or omission in reporting your years of service, please email [Navminder.Kaur@ocgov.com](mailto:Navminder.Kaur@ocgov.com).

## Events




# Orange County in The Great War

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## Mile Square Regional Park




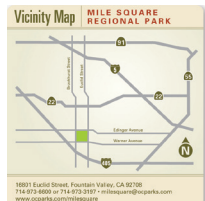
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### Eighth Annual Monarch Butterfly Day

Saturday, February 11  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mile Square Regional Park  
16801 Euclid St.  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

For more information:  
**(714) 973-6600 or email  
milesquare@ocparks.com**



OC Parks invites children and families to learn all about Monarch Butterflies and their natural habitat with an up-close look at the magnificent creatures at the eighth annual Monarch Butterfly Day!

The free event takes place in the Forest Shelter near parking lot C. Children can learn about planting plants to attract Monarch Butterflies. Participants can also go inside a netted butterfly enclosure.

Butterfly experts will be on-site to provide educational information and answer questions about the beautiful and unique specimens.

Additional activities include interpretive programs, children's crafts, face painting and a balloon artist.

Recommended for ages four to 12. Remember to bring your cameras!

Event is free. Parking is \$5 per vehicle.

[www.facebook.com/OrangeCountyParks](http://www.facebook.com/OrangeCountyParks) [twitter.com/OC Parks](https://twitter.com/OC Parks)



**Orange County Supervisor Lisa Bartlett  
In Partnership with the City of Lake Forest,  
The Pet Adoption Center of Orange County  
and Mount of Olives Church - Mission Viejo**

Invites Animal Lovers & their Pets to the 2017

## South County Pet Expo And Dog-a-Palooza!

Saturday, February 18 – 10 AM to 2 PM

Lake Forest Sports Park & Recreation Center  
28000 Rancho Parkway, Lake Forest, CA 92630

\*Featuring Special Guest: **W. Bruce Cameron**  
Author of the Bestselling Book and New Movie

### "A DOG'S PURPOSE"



Every dog happens for a reason.  
**W. BRUCE CAMERON**  
**A DOG'S PURPOSE**  
THE NEW YORK TIMES AND  
USA TODAY BESTSELLER  
NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE

\*W. Bruce Cameron will make a presentation at 10:30am in the Recreation Center about his book, "A Dog's Purpose". Arrive early as seating is limited & first come / first served!

At 11:30am, Cameron will provide and sign his books at the Pet Expo and will later MC the "Dog-a-Palooza" Pet Parade!

Mount of Olives Church will do a "Blessing of the Animals" for all pets at 1pm prior to the "Dog-a-Palooza" Pet Parade!  
Overflow parking & shuttles available at Saddleback Church!

**The Pet Expo will also feature:**

- FREE Admission, Parking & Shuttle Service!
- Rescue Groups with Loving Pets to Adopt!
- Fun and Exciting Canine Demonstrations!
- A Cornucopia of Pet Products and Services!
- Food Trucks, Music & Fun for Families & Pets!

For Pet Expo Info, contact Laura Lisack at [llisack@lakeforestca.gov](mailto:llisack@lakeforestca.gov)  
For Sponsorship Info, contact April Josephson at [april@adoptocpets.org](mailto:april@adoptocpets.org)



# PARTING SHOT!

Welcome to Parting Shot, a feature designed to close County Connection with must-see visuals from Orange County, captured through the lenses of County employees. Each month, one photo will be selected as the featured Parting Shot. Click on the photos to enlarge.

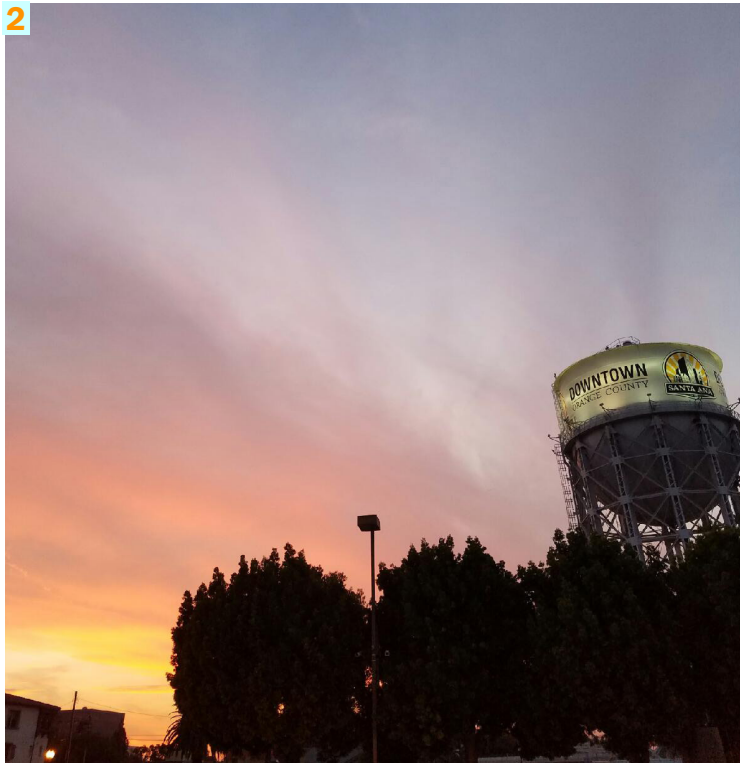


1. **Victor Castillo**, OCPC eligibility technician, captured this perfectly timed photo of a seagull at the Balboa Pier in Newport Beach. The onlook of the bird at the camera made for a once-in-a-lifetime shot!

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(Parting Shot continued)



2. **Nannette Espinosa**, District Attorney investigator, captured the sunset just behind the Santa Ana water tower. "The colorful sky and the lights on the water tower make an otherwise ordinary site extraordinary."
3. **Sandra Clardy**, Public Health Laboratory microbiologist, snapped a photo of the unique surfboard display in Huntington Beach while riding on the bike path.

Have you taken a photograph of something cool and beautiful in Orange County? Would you like to submit it to Parting Shot for consideration? If so, send it via email to [travis.lariviere@ocgov.com](mailto:travis.lariviere@ocgov.com). Please provide your job title and department and the details of the photo (location, what's happening, etc.) Please know that not all submissions will be used; decisions are at the discretion of the CEO Communications staff.

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