

City Administrator's

# Weekly Briefing



PLACENTIA  
California

*"The People Are The City"*

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January 15, 2015

## ADMINISTRATION

### ◆ 2014 Employee of the Year - Joe Higgins

The "George J. Koch Employee of the Year Award" annually honors an individual who best exemplifies "excellence and outstanding service among City Employees". George Koch was one of Placentia's earliest employees. He was a colorful and friendly individual who exemplified the qualities of an outstanding employee. Several years ago Koch Park was named in his memory. This award has been presented annually for the past 44 years.

The employee of the year is selected by a Committee consisting of three past recipients of the Award. This year's committee consisted of Maria Elena Maurer, Ward Smith, and Arnie Ruiz.

The criteria used for selection allows all past recipients of Employee of the Quarter to be included in the field of candidates, selection is then based on (a) performance of employment duties and responsibilities and (b) relationships with fellow employees and the public.

The 2014 Employee of the Year is Joe Higgins, Maintenance Crewleader in the Public Works Department. Mr. Higgins began his career with the City in the early 90's and has held various special assignments including street/asphalt crew, paint crew, and motor sweeper operator. Mr. Higgins is a person who cares for others and does whatever it takes to get the job done, has a high skill level, and completes work of the highest quality. Mr. Higgins also serves on the Employee Association Board of Directors. The City appreciates and acknowledges the hard work and dedication that Joe Higgins has provided to the City and is pleased to present this award to him.

### ◆ State of the City Address

The Placentia Chamber of Commerce will host Mayor Chad Wanke's State of the City Address on Thursday, February 26, 2015, at 11:15 a.m. at the Alta Vista Country Club, 777 E. Alta Vista St. For more information or to purchase tickets for this event, please contact the Placentia Chamber of Commerce at (714) 528-1873.

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### Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 1/19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day -  
City Facilities Closed
- 1/20 City Council Meeting
- 1/27 Economic Development Committee
- 1/27 Historical Committee
- 2/3 City Council Meeting

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## ADMINISTRATION

### ◆ Nutrition Classes at the Whitten Community Center

The University of California Cooperative Extension Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program promotes good nutrition and physical activity as a means of maintaining a healthy lifestyle free of chronic disease. They will be offering free nutrition classes every Monday, beginning on January 26th from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Whitten Community Center, 900 S. Melrose Street. The goal of this class is to help adults and their families establish and maintain healthy eating habits and physically active lifestyles. Participants will learn to plan nutritious meals, increase physical activity, practice safe food handling and prevent obesity through healthy lifestyle choices. To enroll in the class, please call the Neighborhood Services Office at (714) 986-2333. Please click on the [Nutrition Class Flyer](#) for more information.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

### ◆ Placentia Founders Society Chamber Music Concerts

The Placentia Founders Society will kick off their annual Concert Series on Sunday, January 18th at 3:00 p.m. in the Historic Bradford House, 136 Palm Circle. The Trio Janeiro will open the 24th concert season. The concert is free to the public. For more information, please visit [www.thebradfordhouse.info](http://www.thebradfordhouse.info).

### ◆ Placentia Library Lego Club

The Placentia Library Friends Foundation is hosting a new Lego Club on Tuesday, February 10th at 6:00 p.m. in the Placentia Library Meeting Room, 411 E. Chapman Avenue. For more information, please contact the Placentia Library at (714) 528-1906.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### ◆ Farmers Market Logo and Marketing Material

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant awarded the City a two-year grant of \$90,448 through the 2014 Farmers Market Promotion Program. The goal of this grant is to provide funds to promote the certified Placentia Farmers Market through staff support, marketing and promotion of the market, Electronic Benefit Transfer components, and community outreach and education to Placentia residents which directly align with the City's numerous "healthy living" initiatives.

The grant has funded the design of the Placentia Farmers Market brand and marketing materials to be printed and circulated in the next few weeks. In addition, the grant will allow the City to add free shuttle service for targeted senior apartments and low-income communities. Staff is working with the identified senior apartments and Placentia Yorba Linda Unified School District in implementing the shuttle service to and from the certified Placentia Farmers Market on Yorba Linda Boulevard and Kraemer Boulevard.

Placentia Farmers Market continues to expand and currently has 34 vendors. The certified Farmers Market will continue every Tuesday from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Placentia Town Center, located at the corner of Yorba Linda Boulevard and Kraemer Boulevard.





## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### ◆ Hit and Run Suspect Arrested

On January 7, 2015 at approximately 10:00 p.m., Placentia Police received a 911 call reporting a 2 year old child was struck from behind by a vehicle in the 900 block of Gonzales Street. Witnesses described one tire of the vehicle rolling over the child. The vehicle fled the scene and was last seen southbound on Gonzales Street. Witnesses described the vehicle as a dark green or black Ford Explorer being driven by a female adult driver. The injured child was initially treated at the scene by paramedics and was later transported to UCI Medical Center for treatment where he is expected to survive. Witnesses at the scene identified the driver and vehicle. Officers searched for the suspect in the surrounding area as well as at an address in Garden Grove where the vehicle was registered; however, the suspect and vehicle were not located.

On January 8, 2015 at approximately 11:30 a.m., a Placentia Motor Officer saw a vehicle matching the description in the 900 block of S. Placentia Avenue. The Police Officer stopped the vehicle and arrested Stephanie Morales, age 19, of Placentia for Hit & Run Causing Injuries. The Ford Explorer was also impounded as evidence. Morales was later booked at Orange County Jail with bail set at \$50,000.00.

Anyone with information concerning this investigation is encouraged to call Placentia Police Traffic Investigators at (714) 993-8157.

### ◆ Significant Events

#### **January 7, 2015**

A K9 Police Officer and K9 Habo assisted Anaheim Police Department at the termination point of a vehicle pursuit in the area of La Palma and Tustin. K9 Habo was used to search for an outstanding suspect who was ultimately taken into custody after a search.

#### **January 8, 2015**

A Police Officer arrested a male adult gang member for a probation violation. A K9 Officer arrested a male adult for under the influence who lied about his name. The male was fingerprinted and identified. An additional charge of providing a false name was added.

#### **January 9, 2015**

Placentia Gang Detectives arrested one of the outstanding suspects involved in the assault with a deadly weapon that occurred in La Jolla earlier this week.

#### **January 10, 2015**

Police Officers responded to an infant not breathing in the 200 block W. Santa Fe. An eleven month old girl showed no signs of life and CPR was conducted by Police Officers until relieved at a later time by the paramedics. The infant was transported to a local hospital, where she was declared deceased at a later time.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### ◆ Significant Events

#### **January 10, 2015**

A hit and run collision occurred in the area of Chapman and Oahu. The driver was located in the area of Chapman and Angelina and ultimately was arrested for Driving Under the Influence.

#### **January 11, 2015**

A 9 year old boy was reported missing from 310 S. Jefferson. Police Officers did a great job calming the mother, investigating the different apartments he could be at, and located the boy about a ½ hour later.

Police Officers conducted follow-up on a day watch assault with a deadly weapon on Harmony. The suspect was not there when day watch attempted to locate him, but the suspect was eventually located and arrested at the residence.

A residential burglary was interrupted by a homeowner on Sepulveda. The male suspect fled when he was confronted. The Placentia Police Department is activity investing this case.

## EXTERNAL COMMUNICATION

- ◆ Development Services Project List
- ◆ Orange County Fire Authority Weekly Executive Summary

## **Building Division Activity**

1. Tenant improvement plans for an existing commercial office building located at 601 E. Yorba Linda were approved by Building and Planning Divisions on 1/5/15. Scope of work includes adding additional office space and interior partition walls, ADA compliance (exits and restrooms), electrical, mechanical & plumbing fixtures. Cost of the construction is \$82,000.00
2. Solar panel installation plans and building permits were reviewed and approved by Building Division for total thirteen (13) single family homes on 1/6/15.
3. New tenant improvement plans for the existing bagel shop located at 170 E. Yorba Linda were approved by Planning and Building Divisions. Building permit was issued on 1/5/15. Scope of work includes additional space from adjacent vacant unit, ADA compliance for the existing restroom and minor electrical work for the new space.
4. Building plans and structural calculations for the revised Verizon Wireless site at 2101 Tuffree Blvd were approved by Planning and Building Divisions on 1/7/15. Scope of work includes structural changes for the roof framing and foundation plans.
5. Building permits for phase one of the Beazer Homes total eight (8) homes were issued on 1/6/15. Those eight homes ranging from 2,200 to 2,800 sq. ft. are single family detached homes with two car garages. There will be seventy-eight (78) single family homes in the development.

<b>PLAN CHECK TYPE</b>	<b># SUBMITTED</b>
Commercial Tenant Improvement	3
Cell Site	1
Residential Alterations	
Solar	23
Signs	
B & Z (Building & Zoning Application)	3
Home Occupation Permits	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>

<b>PERMIT TYPE</b>	<b># PERMITS</b>
Residential Alteration	7
Solar	17
Block Wall	
New SFR	8
County Sanitation	8
Patio	
Commercial Tenant Improvement	3
Sign	
Roof	9
Pool Demo	
Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical	80
Total	132



# Orange County Fire Authority

## *Weekly Executive Summary*

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### News & Events

The [7<sup>th</sup> Annual Best and Bravest Awards Dinner](#) will be held on January 29, 2015 at the Irvine Marriott. Please join the OCFA in recognizing the Best & Bravest. Your support is greatly appreciated! RSVP by 01/27/2015 to Olivia Covarrubias at [oliviacovarrubias@ocfa.org](mailto:oliviacovarrubias@ocfa.org) or call 714-573-6023.

This week, OCFA Board Member Jeff Lalloway was named Chairman of the OCTA board. You can read more about the appointment [here](#).

### \*Weekly Media Clips

#### [OCFA Weekly Media Coverage](#)

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### Board Action

For Board agendas, please visit <http://www.ocfa.org> and click on "Board Agendas/Minutes."

### Weekly Update on Response and Preparedness

**Weather Outlook:** *Normal to Above Normal Temperatures for January 17 – January 24.* For more information, please visit the [National Weather Service Climate Prediction Center](#).

**Fire Outlook – Little/No Risk:** No fire activity is expected through the period. You can obtain a 7-day forecast, monthly and/or seasonal by clicking [here](#).



## Community Events

- Crew from Engine 57 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of Cub Scouts from **Aliso Viejo**. The program was on January 10 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 61 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of students from Centralia Elementary in **Buena Park**. The program was on January 13 from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 6 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of girl scouts from **Irvine**. The program was on January 8 from 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 51 (C Shift) attended the “Children Firefighters” event at the Pretend City Fire Station in **Irvine**. Kids were shown what firefighters do in a workday. The event was on January 9 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.
- Crew from Truck 4 (C Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of Cub Scouts from **Irvine**. The program was on January 11 from 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
- Community Education Specialist Polly Bowen provided a fire extinguisher presentation and demonstration to a group of employees from the Jupiter Corporation in **Irvine**. The presentation was on January 12 from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 6 (A Shift) attended a Team Kids event at Culverdale Elementary in **Irvine**. The event was on January 12 from 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 58 (A Shift) and Community Education Specialist Tasha Schilling provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Chaparral Elementary in **Ladera Ranch**. The program was on January 12 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 58 (B Shift) and Community Education Specialist Tasha Schilling provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Chaparral Elementary in **Ladera Ranch**. The program was on January 13 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 19 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of Daisy Scouts from **Lake Forest**. The program was on January 8 from 1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 19 (A Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Fusion Academy in **Lake Forest**. The event took place on January 12 from 12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 54 (B Shift) provided a station tour to a group from Guide Dogs of America so the dogs could become familiar with the Fire Engines and Firefighters. The tour took place on January 10 from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. in **Lake Forest**.





- OCFA Emergency Medical Services Section provided a presentation at Mission Hospital in **Mission Viejo** to the “Lung Club” – a local Pulmonary Rehab Group. The presentation took place on January 8 from 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 24 (C Shift) and Community Education Specialist Tasha Schilling provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Bathgate Preschool in **Mission Viejo**. The program was on January 9 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 9 (A Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Robin Hood Montessori in **Mission Viejo**. The program was on January 12 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 60 (A Shift) and Community Education Specialist Tasha Schilling provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Las Palmas Preschool in **San Clemente**. The program was on January 14 from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 60 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Las Palmas Preschool in **San Clemente**. The program was on January 15 from 11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 75 (B Shift) hosted an Open House at the Fire Museum for local residents in **Santa Ana**. The event was on January 10 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 43 (B Shift) provided a life and fire safety program and station tour to a group of Daisy Scouts from **Tustin**. The program was on January 10 from 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
- Crew from Engine 21 (A Shift) provided an engine visit for a Team Kids event at Veeh Elementary in **Tustin**. The event was on January 12 from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- Crew from Engine 21 (B Shift) provided life and fire safety program and engine visit to students at Lambert Child Development Center Preschool in **Tustin**. The program took place on January 13 from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.



## Significant Emergency Incidents

### Rancho Santa Margarita

**Remote Rescue – January 10** - At 3:23 p.m., a remote rescue response was dispatched to a hiker down near the Holy Jim Canyon Trail and the Main Divide. Helicopter 1 was able to locate the patient from the air and lower down a Truck 34 rescuer to evaluate the patient. He was flown to a nearby Landing Zone where paramedics were waiting to evaluate. The patient elected to be taken by private auto with a family member.

Incident Commander:

Chief Edwards, B7

### Santa Ana

**Refuse Fire - January 12** - At 3:47 p.m. a refuse fire response was dispatched to the area of East 6<sup>th</sup> Street and North Poinsettia Street in Santa Ana. While units were en route Santa Ana PD arrived in the area and advised OCFA that the fire had spread to the structure. With that information the incident was upgraded to a structure fire response and the additional units were dispatched. Once fire units arrived on scene they identified a warehouse type building was on fire and asked for the balance of the working structure fire response and those units were dispatched. The fire was declared under control along with the giving the primary all clear at 4:36 p.m. Edison was requested to assist at the scene.

Incident Commander:

Chief Phillips, B9

Cause:

Under Investigation

### Irvine

**Kitchen Fire – January 12** - At 7:26 p.m. a kitchen fire response was dispatched to Ranchgrove Drive in Irvine. Units arrived on scene to find light smoke coming from a single family dwelling and began to investigate. They found a fire in the kitchen and asked for the balance of the working structure fire response. A civilian with burns to the hands was identified at the scene, treated and transported to an area hospital for treatment.

Incident Commander:

Engine 26

Cause:

Mechanical Failure

### Tustin

**Structure Fire – January 13** - At 1:59 p.m., a structure response was dispatched to San Juan Street in Tustin. After receiving multiple reports, the assignment was upgraded to a working structure response. Engine 21 arrived on scene at 2:04 p.m. with smoke showing from a two-story single family residence. A well involved garage fire had extended into the 2<sup>nd</sup> story. At 2:06 p.m., a 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm was requested. The fire was knocked down at 2:35 p.m. and was reported under control at 2:43 p.m. The Red Cross responded to assist with three displaced residents.

Incident Commander:

Chief Roberts, B3



### **Irvine**

**Structure Fire – January 14** - At 2:26 p.m., ECC dispatched a structure response to Spring Valley in Irvine. At 2:34 p.m., Truck 43 arrived on scene and reported, “2 story single family residence, investigating.” At 2:35 p.m., Truck 43 requested a working structure response for heavy smoke in the residence. Edison Co and Irvine PD also responded to assist with the utilities and crowd control. The fire was declared knocked down at 2:59 p.m.

Incident Commander:

Captain Kurtz, T43

Cause:

Accidental – Electrical Failure

### **Laguna Niguel**

**Structure Fire – January 14** - At 8:38 p.m., ECC dispatched a working structure response to Moulton Parkway in Laguna Niguel. At 8:43 p.m., Engine 39 arrived on scene of a 2 story apartment complex with heavy smoke showing. An ambulance was started time of dispatch. At 8:50 p.m., Engine 39 requested a code 3 ambulance for a burn patient who had been removed from the residence. At 8:54 p.m., Battalion 4 assumed the Palm Incident Command. The patient was rescued and transported with Medic 5 to WestMed Santa Ana at 8:53 p.m. At 8:57 p.m., Battalion 4 reported, “2 story 4 unit complex, checking for extensions, fire was on the bottom floor.” At 9:01 p.m., Battalion 4 reported secondary all clear with no extensions. Battalion 4 cancelled the incident timer and released Engine 58 and Truck 22. The fire was placed under control at 9:01 p.m. Assisting Agencies consisted of Orange County Sheriffs for traffic control, Edison Company for utilities and a Building Official was requested to the scene.

Incident Commander:

Chief Nevarez, B4

Cause:

Under investigation

**Incidents By Major Category  
for Period: 12/29/2014 - 1/4/2015**

CITY/JURISDICTION	FIRE	OVER - PRESSURE RUPTURE	EMS/ RESCUE CALL	HAZMAT	SERVICE CALL	GOOD INTENT CALL	FALSE CALL	NATURAL	OTHER	TOTAL
ALISO VIEJO	1	0	30	1	0	2	5	0	8	47
BUENA PARK	1	0	73	0	6	16	3	0	41	140
CYPRESS	0	0	46	0	4	3	2	0	11	66
DANA POINT	1	0	44	0	5	7	1	0	9	67
IRVINE	7	1	146	1	12	12	22	0	36	237
IRVINE - UCI	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	4	9
LA PALMA	0	0	22	0	1	3	1	0	0	27
LAGUNA HILLS	0	0	44	0	1	4	2	0	8	59
LAGUNA NIGUEL	0	0	49	0	3	10	2	0	4	68
LAGUNA WOODS	0	0	72	0	2	4	0	0	14	92
LAKE FOREST CITY	1	0	47	2	6	9	7	0	20	92
LOS ALAMITOS	2	0	19	1	3	1	3	0	1	30
MISSION VIEJO	0	0	83	1	7	6	6	0	15	118
PLACENTIA	1	0	30	0	7	2	4	0	15	59
RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA	2	0	38	3	7	4	1	0	1	56
SAN CLEMENTE	2	0	74	0	7	6	8	0	5	102
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO	0	0	50	0	2	4	6	0	8	70
SANTA ANA	5	0	265	6	15	38	12	0	77	418
SEAL BEACH	2	0	52	0	11	5	0	0	9	79
STANTON	0	0	43	1	2	2	0	0	7	55
TUSTIN	2	0	77	2	4	8	8	0	5	106
VILLA PARK	0	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	4	10
WESTMINSTER	1	0	110	1	7	12	5	0	20	156
YORBA LINDA	2	0	45	0	3	4	1	0	12	67
<b>UNINCORPORATED</b>	2	0	89	5	11	19	16	0	36	178
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1553</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>2408</b>