



With Thanksgiving just around the corner, there is much to be grateful for this year.

Even as the year is winding down, my office certainly isn't. I'll be hosting my third annual Trout Fishing Derby at Irvine Lake on Saturday, December 7th. It is free to the public.

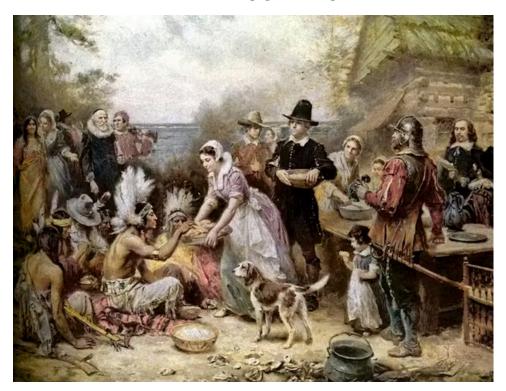
The Board will also be hosting our 2024 Orange County Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony next month. Nine more Orange County legends go into our hall of fame that day. We're all incredibly excited to honor those from Orange County who have exemplified the very best our community.

### IN THE NEWS

### Op-Ed: After Andrew Do: The County's Steps to Re-Establish Public Confidence

Click here to read my latest op-ed in the California Globe on the County's transparency efforts following Supervisor Do's resignation.

### THANKSGIVING



In 1621, 403 years ago, the Pilgrims celebrated Thanksgiving after their first harvest in the New World. This feast lasted three days and was attended by 90 Native American Wampanoag people and 53 survivors of the Mayflower.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a federal holiday by proclaiming it to be a day of "Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens."

As we gather with our loved ones this Thanksgiving, let us remember the origins of this holiday that brings family, friends, and loved ones together to thank God for all he has given us.

### IN THE COMMUNITY

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LEADERSHIP COUNCIL RECOGNITION OF GOVERNOR PETE WILSON



I recently joined my fellow Southern California Leadership Council (SCLC) Board Members in recognizing former Governor Pete Wilson's 20 years of dedicated service to the SCLC.

Alongside me and Governor Wilson are Governors Gray Davis and Arnold Schwarzenegger, Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, San Diego County Supervisor Nora Vargas, and Riverside County Supervisor V. Manuel Perez.

Thank you Governor Wilson for your decades of commitment to California.

# PACIFIC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA NEW CONDUCTOR CEREMONY







Supervisor Katrina Foley and I joined the Pacific Symphony at the Segerstrom Center for the Arts to welcome the Symphony's new Music Director, the renowned conductor Alexander Shelley.

Shelly will be replacing Carl St. Clair, who retires after 35 years of leading the Symphony.

We are grateful to Carl St. Clair for sharing his musical gifts with Orange County for the last 35 years, and are excited to see what Alexander Shelly has to offer in this new era for the Pacific Symphony Orchestra.

# WWII VETERAN ERWIN SOLLOWAY'S 100TH BIRTHDAY





World War II veteran Erwin Solloway celebrated his 100th birthday in style. A parade of family and friends, a big cake, and tributes from American Legion Post 838 were the highlights of the day.

As he reaches this milestone, he celebrates a century of steadfast commitment to his family, community, and the country he served.

Happy 100th birthday, Erwin! And thank you for your service!

# MISSION VIEJO VETERANS DAY CEREMONY





My Community Outreach Director, Saga Conroy, joined Mission Viejo City Council for its Veteran's Day Ceremony to honor our service members from the community.

Thank you for your service!

# OCFA DIVISION CHIEF SCOTT WIEDENSOHLER RETIREMENT



My Field Representative, Pat Buttress, presented a proclamation to Orange County Fire Authority Division Chief Scott Wiedensohler, for his service to the cities of Yorba Linda, Villa Park, Tustin and unincorporated canyons. Scott is

retiring after 20 plus years with OCFA and will be moving to Arkansas with his family.

Scott has been professional, responsive, and a pleasure to work with for the past several years. My staff and I wish him continued success in his future endeavors and thanking him for being a very helpful and enthusiastic resource for my office and the county.

# CONGRESSWOMAN YOUNG KIM ROUNTABLE DISCUSSION ON WILDFIRE PREVENTION





Congresswoman Young Kim recently hosted a roundtable discussion with Congressman Bruce Westerman, Chairman of the House Committee on Natural Resources, to discuss how we can better work together on wildfire prevention and mitigation.

My Field Representative, Al Tello, attended this meeting which also included Orange County Fire Authority representatives, U.S. Forest Service officials, and local canyon residents.

# MISSION VIEJO PARTNERSHIP WITH DUTCH OLYMPIC COMMITTEE



My Community Outreach Director, Saga Conroy, presented a Certificate of Recognition to the Dutch Olympic Committee with Mission Viejo Mayor Trish Kelley, Councilman Brian Goodell, and Mission Viejo Recreation and Community Services Director, Mark Nix to recognize the City of Mission Viejo's new partnership with the Dutch Olympic Committee to serve as its primary pre-games training destination for their LA28 Olympic and Paralympic delegations.

Congratulations on this wonderful opportunity!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS







### **OPERATION SANTA CLAUS &**



Operation Santa Claus (OSC) and Senior Santa and Friends (SSF) annual gift drive begins on November 12 and ends on December 31, 2024. OSC provides gifts and toys to children who are in foster care as well as to children of families who are receiving services from the County of Orange. SSF is a similar program for low-income seniors and disabled adults.

### WAYS YOU CAN HELP

### DONATE

Please visit ssa.ocgov.com/operationsantaclaus/help for more information on how to donate new unwrapped gifts.

Checks and gift cards can be mailed to: **Operation Santa Claus** Social Services Agency PO Box 1077 Santa Ana, CA 92702-1077 Please make checks payable to either Operation Santa Claus or Senior Santa and Friends.



ssa.ocgov.com/DonateOSC



ssa.ocgov.com/DonateSSF

### VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed from November through January to assist the Operation Santa Claus team.

Sign up online at: signupgenius.com/findasignup. Enter operationsantaclaus@ssa.ocgov.com in the "Search for a Sign Up" field, then click on the Operation Santa Claus link. Note: Sign-ups begin Mid-November, volunteers must be 18 years of age or older.

### COORDINATE

Give back by coordinating an Angel Tag toy/gift donation drive for children and/or seniors in need of a holiday present.

For more information, call either Operation Santa Claus: 714-679-2438 Senior Santa and Friends: 714-825-3111

Questions? Contact OperationSantaClaus@ssa.ocgov.com or Senior.Santa@ssa.ocgov.com

Operation Santa Claus is a collaborative effort between the County of Orange Social Services Agency, Orange County (OC) Health Care Agency, OC Probation, OC Child Support Services and OC Community Resources.











6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADERS:

### How can you make a difference in your community?

Start with an essay to the 2025 National Civics Bee nationalcivicsbee.org

### Get Started! Visit ylccfoundation.org

Students who participate in the National Civics Bee® strengthen their civics, writing, and public speaking skills, and form friendships with other young leaders along the way. Finalists who advance from local and state rounds to the National Championship compete for cash prizes, trophies, recognition, and a \$100,000 529 plan.

### **How it Works**



#### Write an essay proposing your ideas for improving your community.

- · Use the 2025 Essay Guide to find the prompt, judging rubric, and tips on how to prepare your 750-word (max) essay.
- · Read the Contest Rules. \*\* Public, private, charter, and homeschool students in grades 6-8 who are residents of participating states are eligible.
- · You'll need consent from your parent or guardian to apply.



· The application opens in Fall 2024. Check nationalcivicsbee.org for the announcement...



Top-scoring essay finalists are invited to compete at local and state bees happening in Spring-Summer 2025. The top winner from each state receives a trip to Washington, D.C., to compete in the National Championship in Fall 2025.



To prep for local and state rounds, finalists receive a special study guide and complimentary access to Khanmigo, Khan Academy's AI-powered online tutor.

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#### PRIZES

### NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Place \$100,000\*

2nd Place \$25,000\* 3rd Place \$15,000\*

#### STATE FINALS

1st Place \$1,000\* 2nd Place \$500\* 3rd Place \$250\*

### LOCAL BEES

1st Place \$500\* 2nd Place \$250\* 3rd Place \$125\*

ounts shown are the minimum to be awarded. Finalists should reference the Contest Rules for full prize information

<sup>\*\*</sup>Full details on the entry procedure are described in the Contest Rules, which will be available on October 15, 2024 upon co



2025 NATIONAL CIVICS BEE

# Volunteer Essay Judge Opportunity

BEE CIVICALLY ENGAGED. BEE AN EVALUATOR. BEE A NATIONAL CIVICS BEE® ESSAY JUDGE.



The National Civics Bee\* is an annual competition that encourages young Americans nationwide to engage in civics and contribute to their communities. Students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades submit 750-word (max) essays explaining how they could improve their communities using civics.



#### THE OPPORTUNITY

Essay judges are critical to the National Civics Bee". As an essay judge, you would:

### Help select finalists for a national youth competition

Evaluate student essays during the judging window, for a total of 1-3 hours of volunteer time. Your scores determine which finalists advance to local live competitions.

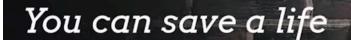
### 2 Gain insights from America's next generation of leaders

Learn about the community issues students care about most, and consider their unique solutions.

### Participate in a virtual community service opportunity

Complete your 1-3 hours of volunteer time on your own schedule, with 24/7 access to the online judging portal throughout the judging window. Receive training and materials online.

civics.uschamberfoundation.org



Come by to learn how to reverse an opioid/fentanyl overdose and receive a free box of naloxone.

#### Anaheim

Anaheim Alana Club 202 W. Broadway 1st & 3rd Friday 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Recovery Road, Inc. 2370 E. Orangethorpe Ave. Monday & Thursday 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

#### Costa Mesa

Celebrating Life Community Center 700 W. 19th St. Monday through Friday 8:30am to 8pm Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

#### **Huntington Beach**

Genesis New Beginnings Behavioral Health 17822 Beach Blvd., Suite 278 Monday 8:00 am to 11:00 am Tuesday 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm Friday 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm

#### Irvine

Celebrating Life Community Center 15875 Laguna Canyon Rd., Suite 250 Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

#### Laguna Hills

Twin Town 24953 Paseo De Valencia Building B, Suite 1B Monday & Friday 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Go to Building B, take elevator on first floor to the lower level

#### Mission Viejo

Celebrating Life Community Center 27800 Medical Center Rd., Suite 109 Monday through Friday 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Saturday 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm

#### **Newport Beach**

FentanylSolution.org 4063 Birch St., Suite 150 Monday & Wednesday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Located inside Whole Body Health Team

#### San Juan Capistrano

Mariposa Women and Family San Juan Capistrano 29222 Rancho Viejo Rd. Wednesday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

#### Santa Ana

Asian American Senior Citizens Services Center 400 W. 10th St. Tuesday 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm Parking location: 844 N Birch St.

Celebrating Life Community Center 1444 S. Main St. Monday through Friday 9:30 am to 4:00 pm Saturday 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

#### MECCA - Multi-Ethnic Collaborative of Community Agencies The Village Shared Spaces 1505 E. 17th St.

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Every Wednesday
4:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Call for a different day or time

Orangewood Foundation 1575 E. 17th St. Monday & Wednesday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am to 7:00 pm Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

#### Tustin

The Purpose of Recovery 131 N. Tustin Ave., Suite 100 Every Tuesday 9:00 am to 11:00 am Training offered in Spanish too



Be aware, be informed. Be safe. www.FentanylisForeverOC.org



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App Store



### DOWNLOAD THE OFFICE ON AGING'S FREE MOBILE APP

Search "OC Senior Resources" in the App Store or Google Play to download the app.





### SEARCH BY CATEGORIES & KEYWORDS

Search the directory of services available to older adults and their families living in Orange County.



### ACCESS OLDER ADULT SERVICES & RESOURCES

Easily access information related to disability services, caregiver support, employment, education, financial assistance, insurance, and more.



### **GET MAPS & DIRECTIONS**

View what programs and facilities are located near you.

For more information, call (714) 480-6450 or visit officeonaging.ocgov.com

Google Play



## **Daily Adoption Options**

### **Adoption Visits**



- Scheduled Adoption Visits available for the convenience of adopters
- Walk-in Adoption Visits welcome and provided next available time slot
- To pre-schedule a visit, call 714-935-6848
- · Phone line open daily from 8 a.m. 5 p.m.

### **Viewing Hours**



- OC Animal Care is open daily for visitors to drop by to walk through
- Visitors can view ready-to-gohome dogs and cats during Viewing Hours

At OC Animal Care, we know how important it is to get to know a pet before you make the final decision to adopt. That's why one-on-one "meet-and-greets" are a critical part of the OCAC adoption process.

OC Animal Care's mission is to provide refuge and care for animals, foster the human-animal bond, and promote safety in our community.

OC Animal Care | 1630 Victory Rd.Tustin, CA 92782 | 714-935-6848

### PET OF THE WEEK



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **CLICK FOR MORE**

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CITY OF IRVINE
CITY OF LAKE FOREST
CITY OF MISSION VIEJO
CITY OF ORANGE
CITY OF TUSTIN
CITY OF RANCHO SANTA
MARGARITA
CITY OF VILLA PARK
CITY OF YORBA LINDA
SILVERADO MODJESKA CANYON

#### LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL OC RESOURCES?

AIRPAWS PROGRAM JOHN WAYNE AIRPORT
OC BUDGET
CLERK-RECORDER HOURS + LOCATIONS
OC ANIMAL CARE PET OF THE WEEK
OC SHERIFF DISASTER PREP
OC JOB SEEKER SERVICES
OC RECYCLE GUIDE
ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

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