



Thank you for subscribing to my newsletter. Please share it with any of your friends who might be interested in the county and what we can do to be helpful.

With fall on us, the winds will likely pick up. If you live in high fire zones, like most of the Third District, please take steps to harden your homes against fire threats and protect yourselves, your family, and your neighbors.

I'm looking forward to cooler temperatures and all the activities, celebrations, and events that fall has to offer!

### IN THE NEWS

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGREE ON SECOND ATTEMPT TO INVESTIGATE NON-HUMANS ON VOTER ROLLS

Santa Ana, CA – The Orange County Registrar of Voters is required to investigate whether its voter rolls contain animals by comparing dog licenses to the names and addresses of their potential owners.

The measure, authored by Supervisors Don Wagner and Janet Nguyen, passed with a 3-1-1 vote at today's Board meeting. Registrar Bob Page was questioned about his efforts to verify fraudulent votes and remove the records. This follows criminal charges earlier this month against a woman who registered her dog to vote and cast ballots in two elections.

The Supervisors are concerned about California's lax requirements for voter registration and lack of Voter ID with a pending special election on Prop. 50.

"Today, common sense prevailed" said Supervisor Wagner." I want to thank Supervisor Nguyen for her steadfast partnership in bringing this vital item to direct the Registrar of Voters to investigate, disclose, and remove non-human registrations from our voter rolls. The fact that a dog was registered and voted in two elections here in Orange County proves just how vulnerable our system is and why we need Voter ID laws in California. With the upcoming gerrymandering special election, it is absolutely essential that our voter rolls be clean, accurate, and trustworthy. In California, anyone eligible to vote should be encouraged to do so and no one, or animal, ineligible to vote should be on our rolls. I'm proud that a majority of this Board agreed with us today."

Supervisor Janet Nguyen stated in the Board meeting:

"How can we have a fair election if someone can stuff the ballot box with dogs? I want to make sure heading into the election that we all have confidence in it."

Besides dog voting, another problem is households receiving multiple ballots in the mail.

"We get voters who call our office and say, 'We got two ballots,'" Supervisor Janet Nguyen said. "We refer them back to the Registrar of Voters."

Page said he refers fraudulent voters to the District Attorney's Office. More than 2,600 Orange County voters lack identification, such as a driver's license or social security number, which is required in federal elections. The Board directed Page to mail a letter to these voters requesting identification information.

He is also directed to obtain license information on all Orange County dogs to compare with voter rolls. The license information is kept by the cities where the owners reside or with other animal shelters that contract those cities.

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REJECTS SUPERVISOR WAGNER'S RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE PROPOSITION 50

(Santa Ana, CA) – At the September 23 Board meeting, the Orange County Board of Supervisors rejected in a 3-2 vote Supervisor Wagner's resolution to oppose Governor Gavin Newsom's gerrymandering special election.

"Governor Newsom's off-year special election is going to cost Orange County taxpayers millions of dollars," said Supervisor Wagner. "The Board majority kept their statements brief, because they know how hard it is to justify this Proposition, when it is so blatantly obvious that this is a partisan power grab by Governor Newsom. Supporting an attempt to overturn an independent redistricting commission approved by the voters of this state twice, so that Sacramento politicians in back rooms can draw congressional lines for themselves, is an insult to the people of California."

In 2008 and 2010, California voters approved two ballot measures that delegated the drawing of both state legislative and congressional district lines to a nonpartisan Citizens Redistricting Commission. Since its implementation, the Commission has made district lines fairer and more balanced, following the census results and not halfway through the normal cycle, while also attempting to keep communities together.

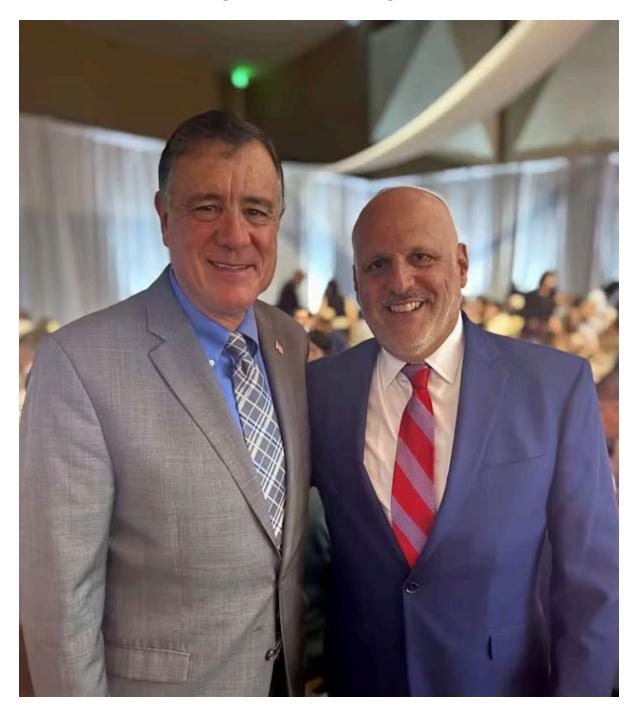
Proposition 50 would undermine 15 years of progress in ensuring that our congressional districts are drawn by nonpolitical actors, not elected officials who have a vested interest in their own political future.

"One of my colleagues," added Supervisor Wagner, "said Prop. 50 is in response to the redistricting efforts in Texas. But Texas was responding to litigation under the Voting Rights Act. Governor Newsom does not even have that fig leaf to hide behind. His is but a naked, partisan power grab. If what Texas is doing is wrong, as the Governor argues it is, we should not respond to Texas with our own wrong. Where Governor Newsom should respond to Texas is in the things Texas does to make itself more attractive as a place to live. People flee California because of our rapacious tax system, because we tolerate high crime and homelessness, because we are not business friendly, and because our education system fails too many of our children. People see Texas as a better place to live. Governor Newsom should respond to that and make us a golden state again. He cynically

does the exact opposite pimping for Prop. 50. It should be opposed by the Board of Supervisors, and everyone interested in a free and fair California."

## IN THE COMMUNITY

# SHARE YOUR LIGHT CHAI CELEBRATION



Earlier this month, I attended the Share Your Light Chai Celebration, hosted by the Merage Jewish Community Center.

The event honored individuals who have made a lasting impact through their dedication to the Orange County Jewish community and beyond.

Among the distinguished honorees was Rabbi Richard Steinberg, my appointee to the Orange County Human Relations Commission.

It was an honor to attend this lovely community event.

# BLAKE BILDER CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION



Earlier this month, I presented a certificate of recognition to UFC fighter Blake Bilder, who started the Suicide Sprint Challenge.

This movement was launched by Bilder, a Costa Mesa resident, in memory of his brother, and has grown into a viral campaign to challenge stigma, build community, and raise funds for suicide prevention, especially among veterans.

The Suicide Sprint Challenge invites participants to engage in a physical sprint challenge, nominate others on social media, and donate to organizations such as Angel Force USA, Irreverent Warriors, Challenged Athletes Foundation, Operation Rebound, and U.S. VETS, sparking a broad, grassroots movement similar in scale and spirit to the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge.

## MEETING WITH MEXICAN CONSULATE



I had the pleasure of meeting Maxaira Baltazar, the newly appointed Consul of Mexico in Santa Ana, who formally assumed her role on August 1, 2025.

As Consul, she is the official representative of the Mexican government responsible for strengthening ties between Mexico and the Orange County community.

Congratulations to her on the new role and I look forward to strengthening Orange County-Mexico relations.

## IRVINE FIESTA LATINA



Team Wagner attended the City of Irvine's 4th annual Fiesta Latina, held at the Great Park in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. The event featured a vibrant showcase of music, cuisine, and cultural traditions that honor the rich heritage of Hispanic and Latin American communities.

My Field Representative, Al Tello, was born in Mexico City and began learning English in kindergarten after moving to the United States.

He is pictured with Irvine Vice Mayor James Mai.

# 60TH ANNUAL MAYOR'S PRAYER BREAKFAST





Team Wagner attended the 60th annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast held at the Irvine Marriott Hotel.

The keynote speaker was Robert Pelinka, L.A. Lakers President of Basketball Operations and General Manager. A former basketball player with a law degree, Pelinka has negotiated some of the largest contracts in NBA history as a sports agent, guiding the careers of top players including the late Kobe Bryant. In his remarks, Pelinka shared how his faith keeps him grounded amidst life's pressures and reflected on the life lessons that he holds dear.

Pictured at the breakfast are Congresswoman Young Kim and my chief of staff, Tara Campbell.

### MARK PULONE RETIREMENT



My Field Representative, Pat Buttress, presented a proclamation to retiring Yorba Linda City Manager Mark Pulone.

Mark has served as City Manager of Yorba Linda for the past 12 years and under his leadership much has been accomplished.

His economic development initiatives included St. Jude Heritage Medical Center, a CostCo Gas Station, a new Maserati dealership and the revitalization of downtown Main Street, Target and Town Center featuring Bristol Farms and Regal Cinema.

In 2025, Mark was named City Manager of the Year by the Association of California Cities Orange County. He has given more than 35 years of service to various communities over his career.

We thank Mark for all his hard work in ensuring Yorba Linda remains the wonderful city it has always been, and wish him a wonderful retirement.

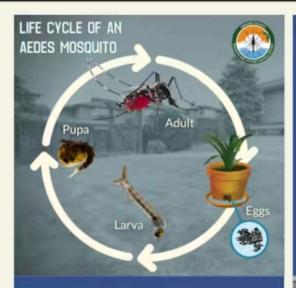
## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



## **MOSQUITO SEASON**

Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District ocvector.org





#### MAINTAIN YOUR DRAIN

It's crucial to keep your yard drain well-maintained if you want to avoid breeding Aedes mosquitoes in it. These mosquitoes are known for their ability to lay eggs in even the smallest water sources, and a clogged or neglected drain can easily become a breeding ground for them.

In addition to yard drains, other sources such as bird baths, flower pots and gutters should also be regularly cleaned and maintained.



#### MOSQUITOES IN ORANGE COUNTY

Are you tired of getting bitten by mosquitoes while enjoying a nice walk or relaxing on your porch with a cup of coffee? This mosquito is known as the ankle biter, also known as the *Aedes* mosquito. These black and white striped mosquitoes are known for biting during the daytime and can be found in every city in Orange County.

While the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District conducts wide area treatments, smaller sources of water around your patio, yard or indoor space can also attract mosquitoes. These insects only need a small amount of water to complete their life cycle, so it is important for every resident to take an active role in mosquito control.



#### **RESOURCES**

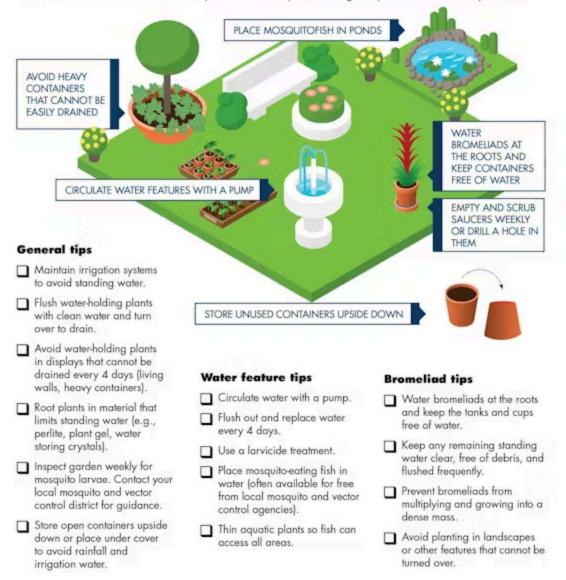
Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District (OCMVCD) provides a range of resources to help residents take an active role in mosquito control.

One of the resources offered is the DIY page. This page provides step-by-step instructions on how to control mosquitoes in your yard. You can learn how to identify mosquito breeding sources, eliminate stagnant water and use insecticides safely and effectively. Visit ocvector.org for more information.

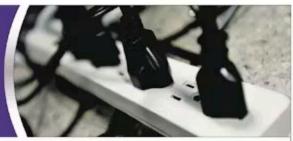
## **MOSQUITOES CAN MAKE YOU SICK!**

### Eliminate mosquito breeding in your garden.

Plants need water to grow. But water that stands for longer than 4 days can become a breeding site for mosquitoes. Water-holding plants can create hundreds of mosquitoes and increase the risk of mosquito transmitted diseases if a local outbreak was to occur. Use these tips to reduce mosquito breeding and prevent invasive mosquitoes.



## ELECTRICAL FIRE SAFETY



Home electrical fires are responsible for an estimated 80,000 fires and \$1.3 billion in property damage each year. Protect your family and your home by following these electrical safety tips.



Inspections by qualified electricians reduce fire risk and are required by many home insurance policies.

#### Appliances

- Always plug major appliances directly into wall outlets
- Unplug small appliances when they are not in use.
- Check electrical cords on all appliances regularly. Replace any cracked, damaged, or loose cords. Never try to fix them yourself.
- Place lamps on level surfaces, away from things that can burn.
- Always use bulbs that match the recommended wattage for each lamp or fixture.

#### Outlets

- · Never overload wall outlets.
- · Insert plugs fully into sockets.
- Install tamper-resistant electrical outlets if you have young children.

#### Extension Cords, Power Strips, and Surge Protectors

- Replace worn, old, or damaged extension cords right away.
- . Only use extension cords for a short period of time.
- Do not run electrical cords across doorways or under carpets.
- Do not overload power strips.
- Use surge protectors, not power strips, with electrical devices that require a lot of electricity to operate.

#### **Electrical Fire Warning Signs**

- Frequent problems with blowing fuses or tripping circuit breakers
- · A tingling feeling when you touch an electrical appliance
- · Discolored or warm wall outlets
- · A burning or rubbery odor coming from an appliance
- Flickering lights
- Sparks from an outlet



Orange County Fire Authority

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### LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES



In today's technology driven world, lithium-ion batteries are powering electric vehicles, cell phones, e-bikes, laptops, toys, smoke alarms and power tools. These batteries can be dangerous if they overheat, and can cause a fire or explosion. Keep yourself and your family safe by following these safety tips.



According to the Data Bridge Market Research, the global lithiumion battery market was valued at 6.70 billion in 2021 and is expected to reach 26.28 billion by 2029.



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#### Lithium-Ion Battery Fires:

- · Emit toxic gasses within seconds
- · Burn hotter and faster than others
- · Can't be smothered like other fires
- Can cause explosions within seconds
- Can reignite up to 21 days later!

#### Safety Tips

- Purchase batteries that are listed by a Nationally Recognized Testing Lab (NRTL)
- Know the manufacturer instructions and safety information for use, storage, charging and maintenance
- Never overload your outlet when charging any device with a lithium-ion battery
- · Never place the batteries in direct sunlight or a hot vehicle
- Store batteries in a cool, dry location

#### Charging and Disposal

- Charge the device properly and only with the cords that came with the device
- · Unplug the device once it is fully charged
- Do not charge batteries when the environment is below freezing (32°F) or too hot (130°F)
- · Never charge the device under a pillow, on your bed or on a couch.
- Keep lithium-ion batteries away from combustible materials when charging.
- Never throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash
- Contact your local recycling center or waste management department for proper disposal
- . Do not put discarded batteries together in a container or pile

#### Warning Signs

- Unusual odor
- · Change in color
- . Too hot to the touch
- · Change in shape
- · Not keeping a charge
- · Smoking or sparking when plugging in
- Unusual Noises (popping, hissing, buzzing)
- Leaking of liquid

#### If You Have a Fire From a Lithium-Ion Battery

- Leave the area immediately as the batteries emit toxics gasses and burn extremely hot, with explosions occurring in seconds
- Call 9-1-1
- · DO NOT try to fight or extinguish the fire

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## SCAN THE QR CODES TO DOWNLOAD THE APP









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.

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#### **GET MAPS & DIRECTIONS**

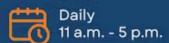
View what programs and facilities are located near you.

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



## **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**



Daily 2 - 5 p.m.

- 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

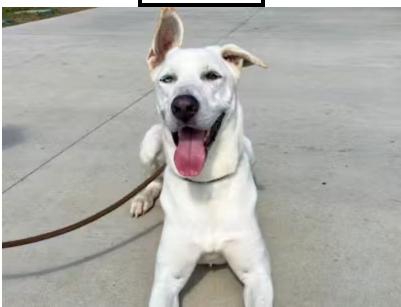
At OC Animal Care, we know how important it is to get to know a pet before you make the final decision to adopt. That's why one-on-one "meet-and-greets" are a critical part of the OCAC adoption process.

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

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## PET OF THE WEEK

**Meet Shamroc** 



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **CLICK FOR MORE**

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#### 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

Supervisor Wagner is proud to serve approximately 630,000 residents at the Board of Supervisors in the communities of Anaheim Hills, Irvine, Lake Forest, Tustin, North Tustin, Orange, Mission Viejo, Rancho Santa Margarita, Villa Park, Yorba Linda, the Unincorporated Canyon areas.

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