



Since becoming CEO in May, I've received many comments, ideas and notes of support and congratulations from employees across the County. This has been very satisfying because I consider myself part of the County family with all of you.

I want every one of us to have the opportunity to embrace our workplace and be proud of the work we do. I will be meeting with small groups at various work sites to get a better sense of what matters to you, what makes your jobs harder, what we can do to make them easier and how we can improve the experience of public service.

Among the most pressing items on my list is to continue to earn

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Employee Profile: Diane Burnes Shares Personal Keys to Multitasking Success

Juggling is the ability to keep multiple objects in continuous, fluid motion and requires a keen sense of rhythm and timing. As a County employee, you probably juggle what feels like 100 different priorities and responsibilities throughout the workday.

Now imagine the amount of multitasking performed by our administrative assistant colleagues they juggle within their own assignments while supporting the full-time needs of some very busy



bosses. Case in point: **Diane Burnes**. In addition to her duties as executive secretary to Treasurer-Tax Collector (TTC) **Shari Freidenrich**, she also juggles the responsibility of serving as agenda staff report coordinator for the whole department.

In any given 10-minute period, Diane might take a call from a community member with questions about a property tax bill, post a new press release to the department's website, discuss a draft ASR with a division head who has just walked over to her desk, and remind Treasurer Freidenrich that she's due shortly in an important meeting.

"I use Outlook reminders and deadline charts to stay on top of things, but also keep a lot of lists in my head," Diane said. "I find that this forces me to stay sharp and strengthens my memory."

Diane shares that successful multitasking takes more than great organization skills. "It's about keeping a calm demeanor, taking challenges in stride and having perspective on what truly matters," she said. "We do the best we can with each new day, and never stop

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your trust, which is a two-way relationship. As I ask for that trust, I also want you to consider how effective you can be as a positive influence on our work culture. Calling out problems is one thing but solving them takes collaboration. I pledge my commitment to work with you to find ways of making our jobs more rewarding and the results more effective even as we enhance service to the public.

In June, I had the honor of speaking at the Passport to Your Future graduation. Pride defined the day, and I found myself wishing I could bottle that and share it with all employees. I'm counting on strong leaders and managers who share their commitment and ideas. We are building a succession plan focused on our current generation of leaders mentoring and encouraging the next generation.

Finally, congratulations to our National Association of Counties Achievement Award winners. These awards reflect the kind of hard work, team spirit and corporate success for which we can all be proud. Please be sure to see the list on page 5.

Thank you for your support,

Frank Kim County Executive Officer

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learning from every situation life presents us with."

Working in the public sector is a new experience for Diane, who joined the County in 2014. Her professional background includes serving as membership director/administrator at a local private country club.

"Adjusting to the world of government codes, rules and regulations has been a first for me," she said. "I sometimes wondered how I would ever get a handle on the sheer volume of information needed to understand the operations of my new department, manager and the County system of ASRs as a whole."

She credits the patient, approachable leadership style of the Treasurer with helping her adjust smoothly to the transition. "It's also been tremendously helpful to just ask questions of coworkers and people in other departments to get the broader picture of what's going on at the County. We're like one big puzzle – and the more you know about what others are doing, the quicker the pieces start to come together."

The Treasurer-Tax Collector department is responsible for collecting and investing public funds, and Diane is grateful to know that the work she does in support of Ms. Freidenrich ultimately boosts the office's efforts to provide outstanding customer service to taxpayers and public agency partners as a whole.

The 411 on Agenda Staff Reports (ASRs)

An agenda staff report, or ASR, is the procedural document used when any item is up for consideration by the Board of Supervisors. ASRs are written in a standard format that provides factual information like fiscal and staffing implications, historical background, and recommended actions to support an agency, department or office's position on the item. They are created, submitted, reviewed and approved through the <u>Comprehensive Agenda Management Solution</u> online system (CAMS). Once finalized, ASRs are included as attachments in formal meeting <u>agendas</u>. ASRs are also an important communication tool to involve the public in the process.

New to the world of agenda staff reports? Here are some helpful resources:

- Glossary of Agenda Terminology
- e-Agenda Library
- The County Executive Office conducts Quarterly ASR trainings, which are scheduled this year on July 29 and October 29 that are open to all County employees. To register, log on to <u>Training</u> <u>Partner</u> and search for "CEO Agenda Staff Report (ASR) Training."
- For any ASR-related questions, please email <u>CEO-ASR@ocgov.com</u>.

Q+A with CFO Michelle Aguirre – A Professional Path Fueled by Psychology

Michelle Aguirre's first job title with the County was office assistant. That was in 1989, and the job was in the then-General Services Agency. Her duties varied – from serving as an agency volunteer coordinator and providing reception desk coverage to conducting analyses toward finding cost-savings and improving organizational efficiency.

Fast-forward 26 years to June 2, 2015, when Michelle was officially named CFO – chief financial officer for the County of Orange. As CFO, she is responsible for the offices of Budget, Procurement, Public Finance and Risk Management. Sounds like a big job, so County Connection staff talked with Michelle about her journey to CFO.



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Michelle Aguirre

Q When you got your first County job, what did you envision for your career?

A Something very different from where I am! I took the job because I needed to work to pay for college. I was a psychology major, and back then I envisioned being a clinical psychologist. But my path changed when I took a course in the Industrial Organizational (I-O) Psychology program. It was about the psychology of the workplace, and I met a professor who inspired me. The I-O program was a recent addition to the college, and the professor was about 24 years old and had a Ph.D. I thought, 'Wow!' she is already accomplished, must know what she's doing, and I want to be a part of that.

Q What drew you specifically to the finance/budget emphasis?

A It was a combination of opportunities to grow as a professional and a number of interactions I had with people at the General Services Agency. I loved new challenges on the job and was fortunate to work with people who were willing to provide me with opportunities for growth and took the time to train me. Plus, I realized that working with the budget is very much linked to working with people. I figured my psych background could play a role helping me work successfully with people as we collaborated on the challenges in the budget and finance arena.

The Annual Budget Cycle in Brief			
In these months:	Here's what happens:		
DECEMBER	CFO's office presents Strategic Financial Plan to BOS		
NOVEMBER - FEBRUARY	CFO's office releases Quarterly Reports		
MAY SEPTEMBER			
JUNE	BOS holds budget hearings and adopts final budget for coming fiscal year		

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Q Which is the greater challenge for a CFO – the amount of money in the budget or the mechanisms and operations for executing it?

A Definitely the amount of money in the budget. The operational policies, procedures, protocols, requirements; we can work through those, and we have really good people involved with executing the budget.

Q To what degree is it a challenge that budget and finance issues can be very complicated, yet "non-finance-oriented" people have to understand the situation?

A It is a challenge best met through effective, meaningful communication. We try to focus on communication that does not use budget jargon and work to communicate in ways that clearly link the County's strategic plan, mission and goals with the budget. We try to be especially clear and transparent in explaining that a majority of the County budget is restricted for things like the mandated programs and services provided on behalf of the Federal and State governments. Let's face it, \$5.8 billion sounds like a lot. But when the dollars have an explicit purpose and can only be used to fund that purpose, it should be explained in a way that everyone can relate to and understand.

Take a Spin Through the County's Finances and Budget

Dollars

2B

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Budge

2012-13 Actual 2013-14

2013-14

Did you know that you can look inside the County's finances in just a few clicks? Last year the CFO's office launched <u>OpenGov</u>, an interactive data tool available to employees and the general public. View, explore, research and analyze data – current and past – with graphs and charts. Visit <u>OpenGov</u>.



OC Community Resourt

OC Waste & Recycling

More (24 grouped)

2014-15

Budge

OC Public Works
 John Wayne Airport

OpenGov Data Tool

This web-based financial transparency tool provides annual and current year reporting of the County's revenues and expenses. This site is designed to help you understand how the County spends and receives money. Start exploring and learn about your government.

CONGRATULATIONS! Ten County Programs Receive 2015 NACo Awards National Association of Counties

The Voice of America's Counties

Recipients of Achievement Awards presented by the National Association of Counties (NACo) have created and implemented innovative programs that modernize county government and increase services to county residents. This year, all 10 of the 10 programs submitted by County agencies were selected for awards.

"I believe in the talents and productivity of our employees and as CEO it feels great to have leaders outside of County government acknowledge our collective hard work, which directly benefits the residents of Orange County," CEO Frank Kim says. "NACo awards are particularly gratifying because they shine a national spotlight on our efforts. Congratulations to all who played a role in creating and implementing these award-winning programs."

Below is a list of the award-winning agencies and program titles. To see the program descriptions, click here.

Award-winning Agencies and Program Titles		
Clerk Recorder	Special Saturday Hours - Increasing Access to Better Serve the Public	
Health Care Agency	Waste Not OC	
 Health Care Agency and Probation 	Providing Effective Behavioral Health Treatment and Resources in a Probation Setting	
John Wayne Airport	2013 Annual Report – Impressive from all Angles	
 OC Public Works (two awards) 	OC Public Works Department Operations Center Redesign and En- hancement Program	
	Environmental Resources Data Portal	
OC Waste & Recycling	Landfill Good Neighbor Policy	
OC Public Libraries	OC Stories - An Online Digital History	
OC Community Services	Veterans Resource Directory	
OC Parks	OC Parks Archery Program	

O.C. History 101

Journeys Through Orange County's Origins, Obstacles and Opportunities

The Rancho Era in Orange County By Chris Jepsen



Vaqueros at Roundup; painting by James Walker

The ranchos of early California are part of our everyday lives. To begin with, you may actually live on one of them. Also, some roads follow the old rancho boundaries. The entire city of Irvine is laid out cockeyed, having inherited the alignment of the Rancho San Joaquin. And the dissolution of the ranchos led directly to the founding of many of our cities.

The names of ranchos like Bolsa Chica, La Habra and Mission Viejo still grace our landscape. And the names of rancho owners, like Yorba and Forster, are known to most. Even a few of their homes still stand, like the Serrano Adobe in Lake Forest and the Ramon Peralta Adobe in Anaheim.

During Spanish rule in California (1769-1821), the King of Spain claimed all the land but occasionally granted grazing rights to retired soldiers. But beginning in the mid-1830s, after California was under Mexican control and the missions were secularized, the government began giving land to private individuals. In many cases, land was granted to the same families who'd held grazing rights under Spain. But new names were added to the map as well. Any citizen could apply for a grant of what had once been mission grazing land – so long as they were Mexican citizens, Catholics and agreed to occupy the land and use it for agricultural purposes.

The hide and tallow trade expanded under this Mexican rancho system, and most of the land was used for running cattle. Beachfront property was no good for cattle and was of little value.



Orange County's ranchos

Between 1834 and 1846, 18 ranchos were created by land grants in what would eventually become Orange County. Most were sprawling, but they ranged from the tiny 500-acre Potrero los Pinos in the Santa Ana Mountains to the 75,000acre Rancho Santiago de Santa Ana, which now encompasses the cities of Santa Ana, Costa Mesa, Orange, Tustin, and more. Some of our other ranchos included:

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- Boca de la Playa Now includes Capistrano Beach and part of San Clemente.
- Cañada de los Alisos Includes Lake Forest.
- Cañón de Santa Ana Bernardo Yorba's rancho, which includes part of Yorba Linda.
- La Habra Unsurprisingly includes La Habra.
- Lomas de Santiago Stretches from Irvine to the point where the Santa Ana River enters Orange County.
- Mission Viejo Also called Rancho La Paz.
- Niguel Later became the Moulton Ranch, including Laguna Niguel.
- San Joaquin Was later combined with other property to become the Irvine Ranch.
- San Juan Cajón de Santa Ana Includes Anaheim, Fullerton, Placentia and Brea.
- Trabuco Takes in parts of the cities of Mission Viejo and Rancho Santa Margarita.

Mexican land grants that carried over from earlier Spanish concessions included the Rancho Santiago de Santa Ana, and the vast lands Manuel Nieto had held grazing rights to since 1784. After Nieto's death, in 1834, his lands were split into five ranchos belonging to various heirs. These included:

- Las Bolsas Includes Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, Garden Grove and Westminster. (A small portion of this rancho was later carved out to form the Rancho Bolsa Chica.)
- Los Alamitos Includes Seal Beach, Los Alamitos, and part of Cypress.
- Los Coyotes Includes Stanton, Buena Park, and another part of Cypress.
- Santa Gertrudes Barely overlaps into Orange County, in La Habra.

Some grants weren't really ranchos, like the Rios Tract, granted to Capistrano justice of the peace Santiago Rios. And several ranchos to the northwest, including La Puente and Rincon de la Brea – only have small corners that overlap into Orange County.

Life on the ranchos continued largely as usual when California became part of the United States in 1848. But the Gold Rush of 1849 changed everything. Instead of minimal profits from hides and tallow, rancheros could now get top dollar for cattle thanks to legions of hungry miners. A market for beef brought sudden wealth to Southern California, and this is the image usually portrayed of the ranchos: Wealthy Californios dancing at extravagant fiestas, lavish hospitality, fine clothes made of imported fabrics – the good life. The 1850s would prove to be the golden age of the ranchos. But floods, drought and legal problems in the 1860s would prove their undoing, setting the stage for modern Orange County.

Next month: The fall of the ranchos and O.C. becoming part of the United States.

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The EOC Wants You – Train to Serve as a Disaster Service Worker



Whether for a real disaster or an exercise (pictured), employees from throughout the County bring their on-the-job skills and expertise, emergency management training and their desire to help to the Emergency Operations Center.

The impact on the community of such disasters and emergency situations as extreme heat, flood, fire, power outage or earthquake can be devastating. It takes a team of dedicated professionals functioning together to lessen the effects of the disaster and to help rebuild the area.

County employees are one of the most significant resources during a disaster. It's during times of duress when the County's ever-ready, trained disaster service workers are needed most. Training opportunities are available to acquaint employees with the County's Emergency Operations Center, the California State mandated Standardized Emergency Management System, as well as each County employee's specific role during emergencies and exercises.

A description of the courses and the current training schedule are now available on the Training Partner web site at http://trainingpartner.ocgov.com. In the Course Catalog section, the courses are listed under Countywide Training – Sheriff/Coroner. Call the Sheriff's Emergency Management Division at (714) 628-7054 with any questions.

Corporate Communications Toolkit Now Available on Sharepoint

A new County of Orange Corporate Communications Toolkit is available on Sharepoint. From the <u>IntraOC home page</u>, hover your mouse on Information Central, and you'll see the link to <u>the Toolkit</u> in the dropdown under Resource Library.

The Toolkit provides fingertip access to tools, resources, guidelines and standards that contribute to best-practice communication efforts throughout the County, including a Copy Style Guide, PowerPoint templates and more.

If you have questions or need a tool/resource that is not available through this site, or if your agency department is not yet up and running on Sharepoint, contact **Ruth Wardwell**, corporate communications manager, at <u>ruth.wardwell@ocgov.com</u>



Congratulations! 171 Employees Complete Passport to Your Future



Pictured are some of the 171 very happy and proud County employees who graduated from the Passport to Your Future program on June 3. Program participants Heather Balcom, Health Care Agency, and Joe Urbano, OC Public Works, addressed their fellow graduates at the ceremony. Balcom spoke about her own leadership journey, from line staff through her promotion to service chief, and she acknowledged her mentors and supervisors for contributing to her professional growth. Urbano likened the Passport experience to a "refinery" process, which turns raw material into something of enhanced value.

SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

Top-Three Personal Safety Tips

1. Be aware of your surroundings.

Personal electronic devices, such as cellular phones, tablets, or other technology devices, can focus our attention away from our surroundings. Don't lose that focus and find yourself caugh off-guard.

2. Mix up your routine.

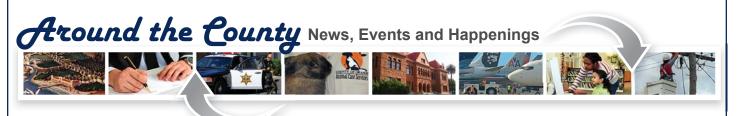
The danger in having a set schedule of day-to-day activities is that a pattern can be established as to movements and actions. Though your work arrival and departure times likely won't vary, you can vary the routes you take to and from your vehicle if equally safe alternatives exist.

3. Walk in pairs or groups.

When possible, walk to and from your vehicle or other form of transportation in groups of two or more. Statistically speaking, people who walk in groups tend to be targeted as victims of crimes far less often than those who walk alone. If you do walk alone, have a plan in mind. Eliminate distractions that can hinder your awareness, and have your car keys ready to use.

ALSO – Though this Safety Spotlight column focuses on workplace safety and security, here's a link to some apps you might want to check out for your personal safety.

FINALLY – Always remember: if you **SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.** Civic Center Hotline – (714) 834-2051. Sheriff's HOA Kiosk – (714) 834-2250.



Cleanup Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea at Dana Point Harbor

More than 50 volunteer certified scuba divers and 30 landside helpers removed about 3,000 pounds of lost items from the waters at Dana Point Harbor in May. <u>OC Dana Point Harbor</u> (OCDPHD) hosts the Underwater Cleanup twice each year. This effort focused on a portion of the Harbor in the Dana West Marina. Prizes were awarded for the most noteworthy articles found, including:

- Most Hazardous Find: transmission
- Most Humorous Find: toy T-Rex
- Whale of a Find: large ballast (heavy material placed at the bottom of a boat to provide stability)
- Good Find: half of a bed frame
- Most Challenging Find: large net tangled with rebar

To learn more about OCDPHD's program to improve water quality, please click <u>HERE</u>.



Volunteers located and pulled dock carts, umbrellas, a swamp cooler, televisions, a marine toilet and many cans and bottles from the harbor water.

Boot Barn Shoots Catalog Images at Olinda Landfill

Boot Barn, a western-wear apparel chain headquartered in Irvine, recently staged a photo shoot at OC Waste & Recycling's (OCWR) Olinda Landfill for its new work wear catalog.

A located scout first visited the landfill, snapped pictures of potential settings, and submitted them to the Boot Barn creative team – who saw particular potential in the on-site Broadrock Renewables Power Plant. OCWR staff got the wheels rolling with permit applications, logistic discussions, and gaining cooperation from Broadrock to grant entry into the facility.



An image from Boot Barn's latest work-wear catalog featuring Broadrock Renewables Power Plant as its backdrop.



The photo shoot, which took place last month, wasn't the landfill's first. In 2011, the television show America's Next Top Model filmed an episode at Olinda in which designers used recycled materials to create stunning gowns.

Around the County continued

OC Parks Presents Vietnamese in Orange County Exhibition

OC Parks has partnered with the <u>Vietnamese American</u> <u>Oral History Project</u> and the <u>Orange County &</u> <u>Southeast Asian Archive Center</u> at UC Irvine to present a Vietnamese in Orange County exhibition.



This year marks the 40th year anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War and the arrival of significant numbers of

of the Vietnam War and the arrival of significant numbers of Vietnamese refugees and immigrants to this country, many who have made Orange County their home.

The interactive art and history exhibition will be free, open to the public and on display at the Old Orange County Courthouse in Santa Ana from July 17, 2015 to February 26, 2016. It will feature artwork, photography, and programming that includes speakers, performances and educational workshops. Please click <u>HERE</u> to learn more.

Clerk-Recorder Offers Extended Summer Hours

The Clerk-Recorder department will keep offices in Santa Ana, Laguna Hills and Fullerton open for an additional hour each Wednesday now through September 30, 2015.

This will give busy individuals and families an expanded time frame to obtain important services and documents such as passports, marriage ceremonies and licenses, birth, death and marriage certificates, fictitious business names and notary registrations this summer. Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more.

Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen Profiled in OC Register

Click <u>HERE</u> to read the compelling personal story of Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen and his search for his father recently featured in the Orange County Register.



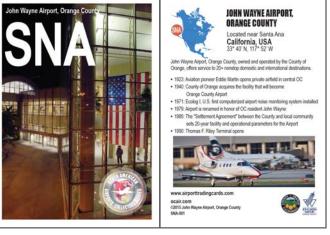
The Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana is one of three Clerk-Recorder locations that will remain open until 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays this summer.

John Wayne Airport Unveils Collectible Trading Card

John Wayne Airport (JWA) celebrated <u>National Travel</u> and <u>Tourism Week</u> in May with the debut of its first ever collectible trading card.

The "SNA" card, which reflects JWA's official airport code, is now a part of the North American Airport Collectors Series™ that was created to offer aviation enthusiasts a unique souvenir to commemorate their travels through participating U.S. and Canadian airports. Each card features the most recognizable images from some of the busiest airports in the world, with supporting history, facts and figures that describe just how important the airport is to the local community in which it operates.

To collect a SNA trading card of your own, just stop by any information booth located inside the airport during your next visit.



Human Resource Services News You Can Use

Participation in OC Healthy Steps Wellness Program Launches July 6



The County is partnering with Staywell® Health Management for the OC Healthy Steps Wellness Program, which includes improved tools and options on a personalized website to help employees complete their Healthy Steps and participate in optional online activities and challenges on a variety of health-related topics.

If you choose to participate and receive your Healthy Steps Wellness Credit for 2016, the

period to complete the Three OC Healthy Steps begins July 6, 2015 and ends August 21, 2015.

Additional communication in being mailed to employees' homes, and messages will be sent to work email addresses.

For more information about OC Healthy Steps, visit www.ocgov.com/hr/employeebenefits.



Upcoming Events





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Nicholas Chrisos County Counsel	Constance Rice Health Care Agency	Sandra Montoya Probation	Bruce Robinson Probation	Monica Nguyen Social Services Agency
30 Years Cheryl Foy District Attorney	Cynthia D'Arnaud	Nahed Girgis Health Care Agency	Bob Newtown Health Care Agency	Pamela Hostetler Probation
James Nolen Probation	James Rudy Sheriff-Coroner	Rebecca Ayon Social Services Agency	Diana Cruz-Toro Social Services Agency	Myrna Tapia Social Services Agency
Phillip Jones OC Public Works	Sonia Ortiz OC Public Works	5		5
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Sharmila Sanyal Assessor	Timothy Coalson OC Community Re- sources	Eric Frederickson OC Community Re- sources	Concepcion Perez OC Community Re- sources	Stefanie Marangi District Attorney
Angela Nguyen District Attorney	Scott Scoville District Attorney	Scott Simmons District Attorney	Jeanette Salvador Health Care Agency	Arghavan Rashidi- Fard Health Care Agency
Maite Sbabo Health Care Agency	Christina Valdez Health Care Agency	Hamid Abedzadeh OC Public Works	Bienvenido Bolisay	Guillermo Rico OC Public Works
Joe Batriz Sheriff-Coroner	Brian Bunn Sheriff-Coroner	Kenneth Burmood Sheriff-Coroner	Aaron Chamberlain Sheriff-Coroner	James Dahl Sheriff-Coroner
John Gomez Sheriff-Coroner	Steven Herrera Sheriff-Coroner	Roger Hilton Sheriff-Coroner	David Manos Sheriff-Coroner	Thomas Matsudair Sheriff-Coroner
Ira McCoy Sheriff-Coroner	James Nasser Sheriff-Coroner	David Njust Sheriff-Coroner	Sheryl Parent Sheriff-Coroner	David Pavlu Sheriff-Coroner
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Brian Peelle Sheriff-Coroner	Francisco Prado Sheriff-Coroner	Martin Ramirez Sheriff-Coroner	Robert Simmons Sheriff-Coroner	Brian Tunque Sheriff-Coroner
Raymond Ulmer Sheriff-Coroner	Martin Vaca Sheriff-Coroner	Elizabeth Arellano Social Services Agency	Marisela Avalos Social Services Agency	Rudy Banuelos Social Services Agency
Angie Fitzgerald Social Services Agency	Jo Anne Hussey Social Services Agency	Peter Luna Social Services Agency	Kenneth Santini Social Services Agency	Quynh-Anh Dinh Treasurer-Tax Collector
Albert Dantic				

OC Waste & Recycling

20 Years

Elizabeth Costello District Attorney	Tamara Orrill District Attorney	Andrea Benson Health Care Agency	Danielle Craycroft Health Care Agency	Mai Ho Health Care Agency
Karen Hoffman Health Care Agency	Katherine Minnicucci Health Care Agency	Tuan Nguyen Health Care Agency	Patricia Rozen Health Care Agency	Darlene Snyder Health Care Agency
Phuoc Ton Health Care Agency	Lynne Bailey Social Services Agency			

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 <u>Tracy.Ayres@ocgov.com</u>.

-PARTING SHOT



Welcome to Parting Shot, a feature designed to close County Connection with must-see visuals from Orange County. Click on photos to enlarge.

Nadine Romero, executive secretary to the CEO, captured this stunner from atop the Disneyland parking structure. No Disney magic here, although it certainly looks magical!



Jennie Phuong, Auditor-Controller accounting specialist, got this shot on her way out of the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center. She writes: "It reminds me of Schiphol Amsterdam Airport, where my transfer flight always stopped on my way to visit my mother's side of the family in Sweden."

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Jan Taraszkiewicz, deputy director, Social Services Agency administrative operations, management and support services, shot this from the 888 Main Street building. She writes: "It's nice to get to work early for some quiet prep time, but in doing so I discovered another benefit – seeing the sun come up over Saddleback Mountain.



Karen Ontiveros, Human Resource Services, administrative manager I, shot this from underneath the Huntington Beach pier at sunset.



Debbie Cavers, OC Parks, grants management, portrays ultimate serenity in this shot she took from the viewing deck at the Laguna Coast Wilderness Park Interpretive Center.

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 ruth.wardwell@ 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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