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WELCOME

Newsletter - November 2022

Thank you for your interest in the Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department's newsletter. We will be bringing you periodic updates on the latest news, information and events affecting the department. I am honored and privileged to serve as your County Clerk-Recorder. Please contact my office at (714) 834-2500 or visit us at OCRecorder.com for more information about the department and the services provided to the public.

Sincerely,

*Hugh Nguyen
County Clerk-Recorder*

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ORANGE COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER

CALL CENTER

**WE ARE HERE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS
MONDAY TO FRIDAY: 8 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.**

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Clerk-Recorder Set to Close Out the Year With Special Saturday Hours!

Beat the holiday rush and get the marriage and passport services you need! Plan now to take advantage of Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen's special Saturday hours set for Saturday, December 17, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana and at the department's branch offices in Anaheim and Laguna Hills. The department will be offering marriage services at all three locations. Passport services will also be available at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana and at the department's North County branch office in Anaheim. Please note, no passport services will be offered at the department's South County branch office in Laguna Hills. Appointments are highly recommended due to the demand for marriage and passport services during these special hours. Walk-ins are welcomed. For more information and to complete an online application for a marriage license, ceremony, or passport in advance, please visit us at [OCRecorder.com](https://www.ocrecorder.com).

"We always experience an increase for marriage services at the end of the year and I am sure this year will not be the exception," said Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen. "I am glad that I can make it convenient for busy families and individuals to come to our offices to get the services they need during the busy holiday season."

Another reason to join us during these special hours, the department has one of the lowest costs for a marriage license and a marriage ceremony in the state. In Orange County, 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 department processes new passport applications only. Passport photos are available for \$7 - which may be the lowest passport photo fee in the county.

Again, appointments are highly recommended due to the popularity of these special Saturday hours; however, walk-ins will be served on a first-come-first-served basis. No additional Clerk-Recorder services will be available during this special opening. To save time, marriage license, ceremony, and passport applications can be completed online in advance at [OCRecorder.com](https://www.ocrecorder.com). As an added convenience, passport photos are available on the spot for \$7. **Free parking will be available at all three locations.**

For more detailed information or to learn about the services available at the Clerk-Recorder Department, please visit [OCRecorder.com](https://www.ocrecorder.com).

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NEWS



Orange County Clerk-Recorder is Awarded the Leadership in Public Service Award by the Orange County Business Council

Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen was awarded the Leadership in Public Service Award by the Orange County Business Council (OCBC) during its 12th Annual Turning Red Tape into Red Carpet Awards. The award was presented to Clerk-Recorder Nguyen by the OCBC's President and CEO, Jeffrey Ball, and Board of Directors member, Mark Taylor.

Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen would like to thank the OCBC for this recognition and would also like to congratulate all the nominees and award recipients.

It has always been Clerk-Recorder Nguyen's goal to make the services at the Clerk-Recorder Department easily accessible, streamlined, and efficient for the public. He is also grateful to have a wonderful, hardworking staff that goes above and beyond to make every customer experience a great one. The department has achieved innovative and tax-cutting measures for the public such as its Hitched at Honda Center Marriage Services Program, reduced passport photo fees, and expanded its South County branch office to meet the growing public demand for services.

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If you plan on visiting Orange County Clerk-Recorder at our Santa Ana office, we recommend parking at Parking Lot P4. Parking Lot P4 is a quick, short walk to our office, which is located at 601 N Ross St, Santa Ana, CA 92701.

For more information, visit us at OCRecorder.com or give us a call at (714)-834-2500.

Parking Announcement

Orange County Clerk-Recorder



Our Location:
601 N Ross St,
Santa Ana, CA 92701



Parking Location



IF YOU ARE VISITING OUR SANTA ANA LOCATION, PARK AT

P4 PARKING LOT

**630 N BROADWAY ST,
SANTA ANA, CA 92701**

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NEWS

Did you know that every first Friday in November is U.S. National Jersey Friday? I encouraged my staff to come to work in full spirit in support of their favorite teams!



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

During the month of November:



Congratulations to the more than 40 graduates on completing the OC Made program hosted by America's SBDC. Over the holiday weekend, my staff joined other dignitaries to wish all the students the best of luck in creating a successful business in the years to come.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

During the month of November:



On November 30, I attended the Flag Raising Ceremony at the future site of the Veterans Cemetery in Anaheim Hills. It is an incredible honor for me to witness this tribute for the courageous veterans who defended our country and view this dedicated cemetery for veterans in Orange County.



AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



Each month we recognize an employee who goes above and beyond their normal duties and offers excellent service to our customers. The Employee of the Month receives a certificate of recognition, has their name placed on a recognition plaque, and may dress casual during their month of recognition.

It gives me great pleasure to announce April Meza as Employee of the Month for November.

Since joining the Clerk-Recorder department in May 2022, April has quickly adapted to her work environment and has become a well-rounded and valuable member of the department's Clerk Operations. April quickly and successfully completed training to become a passport agent. She goes above and beyond to ensure every customer is treated with respect and makes every effort to ensure customers leave our department with confidence in the submission of their passport application. April also has an excellent ability to ensure infants and children are at ease when taking their passport photos which is no easy task. Her error rate is extremely low which is valuable to both the department and our customers.

April's friendly and positive attitude in all circumstances is truly an example for all to follow. She approaches challenging tasks in a calm and meticulous manner. April demonstrates a clear understanding of the department's policies and procedures, and supervisors have noted her ability to assist the public in a clear, courteous, and professional manner.

April's positive contributions to our department are greatly appreciated by all. We are thankful to have April on our team.

Please join me in congratulating April on this achievement!

NOVEMBER IN O.C. HISTORY



Firefighters used Irvine Park as an operations center during the Green River Fire in 1948.

Historical facts provided by Assistant Archivist Chris Jepsen. Photo: Courtesy of the Orange County Archives.
Courtesy of the Orange County Archives, a function under the Office of Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen.

- Nov. 2, 1967** Yorba Linda became an incorporated city with a population of about 11,433.
- Nov. 4, 1841** The Bidwell-Bartleson Party arrived in California from Missouri, becoming the first of many emigrant wagon trains to arrive in California from the Midwest.
- Nov. 4, 1948** The week-long Green River Fire began near what is now Featherly Regional Park in Anaheim. The wildfire eventually burned more than 53,000 acres and destroyed 22 homes.
- Nov. 6, 1905** The Pacific Electric Railway officially opened its line from Watts to Santa Ana (with connecting lines making much of Los Angeles easily accessible). The first "Red Car" trolley in Santa Ana— a parlor car called "El Peregrino" — had arrived the day before. On November 22, Santa Ana celebrated the arrival of the trolleys with a "Parade of Products" through downtown with fireworks and a large banquet.
- Nov. 29, 1831** Pio Pico, Juan Bandini and Jose Antonio Carrillo lead a revolt against California Governor Manuel Victoria, who quickly resigned.

OUT AND ABOUT



One of my staff took this shot of the Crowley Lake Columns during a trip to Bishop, CA. The columns appear to be related to a large volcanic explosion that took place about 760,000 years ago.

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