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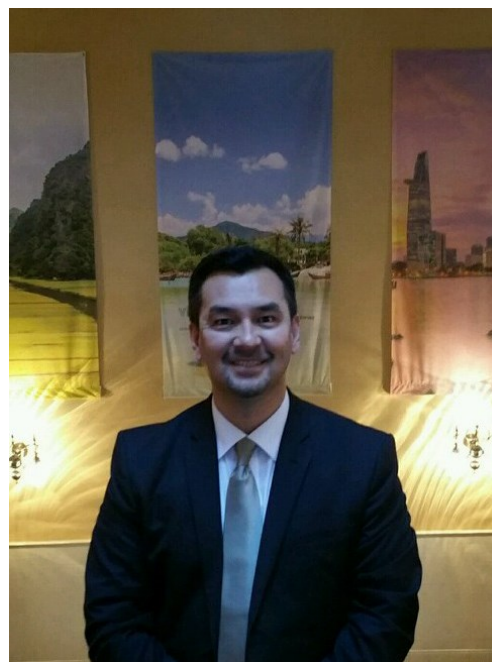
WELCOME

Thank you for your interest in the newsletter for the Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department. We'll be bringing you periodic updates on the latest news and information regarding the department. I am honored and privileged to serve as your County Clerk-Recorder.

Please contact my office by phone at (714) 834-2500 or visit us at www.ocrecorder.com for more information.

Sincerely,

Hugh Nguyen
County Clerk-Recorder



CLERK-RECORDER NAMED ONE OF 2015'S 100 MOST INFLUENTIAL

Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen was named one of Orange County's 100 Most Influential by *The Orange County Register*. He has influenced the way county government operates by opening his office to the public one Saturday per month, making his department's services more accessible to working families.

To read more, click [here](#).



SATURDAY HOURS PLANNED FOR JANUARY 23

The Clerk-Recorder Department will once again open its doors to the public on January 23, 2016 for its once-a-month Saturday hours.

The department's branch offices in Fullerton, Laguna Hills and the Old County Courthouse will be open from 10 am to 3pm. Customers will be able to obtain marriage licenses, have marriage ceremonies performed, submit passport applications, purchase passport photos and obtain vital and official records.

The Orange County Archives will also be open from 10 am to 3 pm. The Archives are located in the basement of the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana.

For more information click [here](#).



DEPARTMENT HOSTS ANNUAL GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY EVENT

Last December, the Clerk-Recorder Department hosted its annual Giving Back to the Community event at its main office location in Santa Ana. The department invited children from Andrew Jackson Elementary School in Santa Ana for some Christmas fun, cheer and gifts.

Santa Claus (Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen) made a personal appearance and helped hand out gifts and took pictures with the children. The gifts were donated by Clerk-

Recorder Department staff who sponsored a child. Each sponsor was given the name of the child, age and gender so that appropriate gifts were selected for the children. The children were also treated to light drinks and treats during their visit.

The participating children are part of the Gifts for Kids Program run by Santa Ana Police Officer Kenney Aguilar, Director of the Santa Ana Police Athletic & Activity League (SAPAAL). SAPAAL is a crime prevention program that employs educational, athletic, and recreational activities to create trust and understanding between at risk youths and law enforcement. The program uses police officers as coaches, tutors and mentors in hopes of demonstrating to the children that the officers are truly interested in their development and well-being. Giving Back to the Community is an event that Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen hopes to host annually.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



Service And Dedication

SERVICE AWARD

During 2015, many department employees reached service milestones in their careers. We would like to once again recognize and thank them for their service and dedication to the citizens and County of Orange.

Five Years of Service: Frank Cienfuegos and Jeffrey Smith

10 Years of Service: Dana Ohanesian, Miguel Ibarra, David Cabrera and Angelica Ortiz

15 Years of Service: Hector Galvan, Kevin Phung, Daniela Rivera, Leticia Siller, Howard Luu, Vanessa Garcia, Carmen Silva, Sylvia Manzo and Patrick Copland

20 Years of Service: Eva Zarate and Laura Sipa

25 Years of Service: Tiffany Nguyen and Susie Sullivan

30 Years of Service: Merrilyn Litsey



Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen presents Frank Cienfuegos as the Employee of the Year for 2015.

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR 2015

This past December, during the department's Staff Appreciation Luncheon, Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen was pleased to announce Frank Cienfuegos as the Employee of the Year for 2015.

Frank works at the department's North County branch office in Downtown Fullerton. He provides great customer service and consistently receives customer comment cards praising his customer service. He is also known for his can do attitude and his positive outlook at work.

Frank is a great asset to the department. He is very reliable and knowledgeable. Frank helps customers obtain important records such as birth, death, and marriage certificates. He also helps customers file their fictitious business name statements. In addition, he issues marriage licenses and performs marriage ceremonies.

Frank volunteers to work on Saturdays and to work at the department's outreach events. He is a true team player. We are lucky to have him as part of our team.

Please join us in congratulating Frank on his achievement.

SHARED MOMENTS

This section is dedicated for our staff members and their families to share how they celebrated the end of year holidays.



Staff Member Zafar Chaudhry watched the Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena.



Staff Member Diana Saldana celebrated Christmas with her family.

SHARED MOMENTS



Staff Member Vanessa Garcia attended Disney's Christmas Tree Lighting held at Fashion Island.



Staff Member Cristina Estrada got engaged during the holidays. Congratulations!!

DECEMBER IN O.C. HISTORY



The City of Placentia was incorporated on December 02, 1926. It had a population of about 800.

- December 06, 1925** San Clemente, "The Spanish Village by the Sea," was founded by former Seattle Mayor Ole Hanson.
- December 11, 1889** Walter Knott, the founder of Knott's Berry Farm, was born in San Bernardino.
- December 14, 1818** Privateer Hipolito Bouchard and his crew invaded San Juan Capistrano. He was essentially a pirate, but operated under the authority of the Argentinian government.
- December 21, 1958** Disneyland held its first Holiday Candlelight Procession event.
- December 30, 1975** Golfer Tiger Woods was born in the City of Cypress.
- December 31, 1923** Plans for the community of Colonia Independencia (near Stanton) were filed with the County.

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

OUT AND ABOUT

This section will feature photos taken by department employees while they were out and about throughout the country to help close our newsletter on a good visual note.



Staff Member Vanessa Garcia , from Clerk Operations, captured this beautiful shot during her visit to the Mayan Ruins at Chichen Itza in Yucatan, Mexico.

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