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## WELCOME

Newsletter - January 2021

*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 [ocreorder.com](http://ocreorder.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.**

**(714) 834 - 2500**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### ORANGE COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER NOW OFFERING SERVICES BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AT ITS SANTA ANA LOCATION

For those needing to obtain important documents, get a birth, death, or marriage certificate, record real property documents, or file important documents, help is here! Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen is now offering appointments for services at the department's office location in Santa Ana inside the County Service Center. The County Service Center is located at 601 N. Ross Street in Santa Ana. No walk-in service will be available until further notice. All other department locations will remain closed for over-the-counter service until further notice. To obtain services, customers must make an appointment at [https://cr.ocgov.com/portal\\_occr/CRServiceScheduler/](https://cr.ocgov.com/portal_occr/CRServiceScheduler/) prior to visiting the office. Appointments will be available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. For more detailed information, please visit [OCRecorder.com](https://www.ocrecorder.com) or call the information line at (714) 834-2500.

The department will be implementing strict social distancing guidelines as well as other limitations to ensure the safety of staff and the public. The following limitations will be in place during appointment visits:

- Only one customer per appointment will be allowed to enter the office
- Customers must complete their applications online for vital records, fictitious business name statements, notary registrations and all professional registrations prior to visiting the office for their appointments.
- Each document recording transaction will be limited to a maximum of three documents. Customers requesting to record more than three documents must drop them off, along with the correct payment. Pick up of documents can be arranged for the following business day.
- No walk-in customers will be accepted until further notice.

Marriage services will continue at the department's branch offices by appointment only. Virtual marriage services will also be available by appointment. For more information about available marriage services, please visit: <https://www.ocrecorder.com/services/marriage-services>.

For more detailed information about all available services, please call the department's information line at (714) 834-2500, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or visit us at [OCRecorder.com](https://www.ocrecorder.com).



## **CLERK-RECORDER NOW OFFERING APPOINTMENTS FOR MARRIAGE SERVICES AT THE DEPARTMENT'S BRANCH OFFICE LOCATIONS**

For those looking to tie the knot, here is great news for you! Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen is now offering appointments for marriage services at his offices in Anaheim, Laguna Hills and at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana. Please note, no other services will be offered at these locations until further notice. Only marriage services are available, with no walk-in service. Appointments are available Monday through Friday (except holidays), from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the department's Anaheim and Laguna Hills locations and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana. To make an appointment, couples must complete an application and make an appointment online at the following link: <https://www.ocrecorder.com/services/marriage-services>.

The department is offering appointments and is implementing strict social distancing guidelines as well as the following restrictions to ensure the safety of the couples and staff:

- Upon arrival, couples must remain inside their vehicle until department staff contacts them by phone to direct them to enter the building.
- The following forms of payment are accepted: personal check, money order or a cashier's check. Please make payable to the Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department.
- For couples looking to obtain just a marriage license, only the couple can be present. No guests allowed.
- For couples looking to obtain a public marriage license and have a ceremony performed, only the couple and one witness may be present. No guests allowed.
- For couples looking to obtain a confidential marriage license and have a ceremony performed, only the couple can be present. No guests allowed.
- Couples must present valid government issued photo identification at their appointment.
- No walk-in applicants will be taken during this time.

For more detailed information about all available services, please call the department's information line at (714) 834-2500, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or visit us at [OCRecorder.com](https://www.ocrecorder.com).

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# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



## Orange County Clerk-Recorder *Employee of the Month*



**Congratulations!**  
**Rosemary  
Solis**

**Dedicated to Providing Excellent Customer Service**

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 Rosemary as Employee of the Month for January.

Rosemary has proven to be one of our department's most well-rounded employees. Before starting her current position in document examining, Rosemary worked in Clerk Operations at the CSC in Santa Ana, in North County, in marriages at Honda Center, and in data entry. Most recently, Rosemary volunteered to work at our Winter Wonderland special Saturday opening, helping to make the event a success. She has excelled in all her assignments and is a pleasure to work with.

Her effective communication skills, reliability, and responsibility have made Rosemary an asset to our department. With an ability to learn quickly, she excels in learning new aspects of her job. Rosemary is always energetic and kind, never hesitating to offer help to others when needed. She always puts great effort and pride into her work, which is reflected in a consistently high-quality output. Rosemary is an exemplary employee and is an example for all to follow.

Please join me in congratulating Rosemary on her achievement!

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# JANUARY IN O.C. HISTORY



Bebe Daniels, star of the silent movie era, is serenaded in her cell at "Lacy Hotel" - the jail that once stood behind the Old Orange County Courthouse

- January 1, 2000** Rancho Santa Margarita became a city. The community's name was originally going to be Santa Margarita, but it turned out there was already a town in California (in San Luis Obispo County) with that name.
- January 4, 1889** Assemblyman E. E. Edwards introduced a bill to create the County of Orange. What's now Orange County broke off from Los Angeles County in August of that same year.
- January 9, 1987** Star Tours opened in Disneyland's Tomorrowland. It was George Lucas' first major partnership with Disney – the company to which he would eventually sell Lucasfilm Ltd.
- January 10, 1921** Movie star Bebe Daniels was arrested for speeding on E. First St. in Santa Ana. She was given a short stint in jail, during which she received flowers, serenades, and a lot of publicity. The experience inspired her next film, Speed Girl.
- January 18, 1988** A major storm destroyed a large section of the Huntington Beach pier, including the End Café. Portions of the city were flooded.

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.

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# OUT AND ABOUT



One of our staff captured this California sunset during a drive down Pacific Coast Highway.

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