



2024 has been off to a great start!

To kick things off, I was unanimously selected by my colleagues to serve another year as Chairman of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, which hasn't happened in 10 years. I am honored to have the confidence of my colleagues to continue serving in this role for another year.

Furthermore, I led the induction ceremony for our inaugural class of the Orange County Hall of Fame. We inducted 10 famous Orange County residents who have left an indelible impact on this County and the world.

It's an honor to serve the residents of the Third District and I look forward to an exciting year ahead!

#### IN THE NEWS

# Orange County Board of Supervisors Approves Chairman Don Wagner's Request for Proposals for Use of Irvine Lake for Continued Recreational Activities

(Santa Ana, CA) – The Orange County Board of Supervisors has unanimously greenlit Chairman Don Wagner's Request for Proposals (RFP) aimed at broadening the recreational offerings at Irvine Lake. The approved RFP seeks to enhance public access to the lake, providing a range of recreational amenities such as fishing, boating, bicycling, and hiking.

"Reopening Irvine Lake to the public has been a top priority since I took office," said Chairman Wagner. "After its closure for three years due to disagreements among entities, I led negotiations for the lake's reopening in 2019 for public fishing on weekends. This RFP is a crucial step toward restoring the full spectrum of activities our community enjoyed before the closure."

The approved RFP aims to invite proposals that go beyond weekend shoreline fishing, offering a wider range of recreational amenities and activities. This initiative is geared towards restoring Irvine Lake's role as a hub for community recreation, aligning with the public's expectations before the closure.

Chairman Wagner remains dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for Orange County residents, ensuring Irvine Lake becomes a thriving hub for a wide range of recreational activities. Chairman Wagner aims to ensure that the enhanced offerings at Irvine Lake cater to the varied interests and preferences of the residents.

In revitalizing Irvine Lake, Chairman Wagner envisions a place where individuals of all ages can come together to partake in activities that promote healthy outdoor recreation and community bonding. Chairman Wagner holds a commitment to the expectations of the community in preserving the nostalgic essence that makes Irvine Lake a cherished landmark.

## JANUARY RECOGNITIONS

# POSITIVE PARENTING AWARENESS MONTH



Earlier this month, the Board proclaimed January as Positive Parenting Awareness Month in Orange County.

Positive parenting practices can help strengthen the bonds between parents and children, helping to prevent high-risk behaviors that reduce our children's opportunities for success.

The County of Orange Health Care Agency has programs that can help parents strengthen their positive parenting skills.

Since October of 2020, all Orange County parents, and caregivers have had access to a free self-paced, evidence-based, on-line curriculum called the Positive Parenting Program. Through October of last year, 11,534 Orange County parents have taken advantage of this offering.

We are doing the work here in Orange County to support parents and proclaiming

January 2024 Positive Parenting Awareness Month highlights our commitment to Orange County families.

# IN THE COMMUNITY

# REAPPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN



I'm honored to have been unanimously selected to serve as Chairman of the Orange County Board of Supervisors for another year.

It has been 10 years since a County Supervisor has served two consecutive years as Chairman. I am humbled and honored to have the confidence from all my colleagues to continue leading this Board.

Thank you, and I look forward to another productive year.

# INAUGURAL CLASS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY HALL OF FAME



The Inaugural Orange County Hall of Fame was a great success!

Orange County is blessed to have such an incredible number of talented and accomplished individuals who hail from our communities.

I want to thank all of the inductees in our inaugural class, their families, and guests for participating in this event. This couldn't have happened without you!

#### This year's class:

- **Gwen Stefani**: Singer/Songwriter, No Doubt Lead Vocalist (Music, Arts & Entertainment)
- Tiger Woods: Professional Golfer (Sports)
- Kobe Bryant: LA Lakers Professional Basketball Player (Sports)
- Amanda Beard: 7-Time Olympic Swimming medalist (Sports)
- **Greg Louganis**: Gold Medalist Olympic Diver (Sports)

- Walt Disney: Founder of Disney (Music, Arts & Entertainment)
- **Bill Medley**: Singer and Member of The Righteous Brothers (Music, Arts & Entertainment)
- Frank Jao: Developer and owner of Asian Garden Mall (Business)
- General William Lyon: US Air Force Major General (Civics)
- **Henry Segerstrom**: Philanthropist and founding Chairman of Segerstrom Center of the Arts (Philanthropy)

Thank you to everyone who helped put this together. I'm looking forward to next year's class!

# EBT FRAUD INVESTIGATION PRESS CONFERENCE







Last Friday, I joined Orange County District Attorney Todd Spitzer in a press conference highlighting a major crackdown by law enforcement on EBT fraud.

Forty-eight suspects involved in this fraud, with ties to Romanian organized crime, have been arrested and are under investigation for targeting recipients of public assistance funds intended for basic necessities.

More than \$185,000 in cash and 491 cloned public assistance cards worth \$471,360 in stolen funds have been recovered by investigators from the Orange County District Attorney's office and 21 law enforcement agencies across the county.

Between January 2023 and January 2024, Orange County saw a 55% decrease in EBT funds stolen. This is a testament to the concerted efforts by our law enforcement to crack down on EBT fraud.

I am proud of all the hard work our law enforcement agencies have put into delivering justice to criminals, and I am grateful for my partnership with DA Spitzer, the Orange County Sheriff's Department, and all local law enforcement agencies in our collective efforts to ensure that our law enforcement officers are well equipped to tackle crime and continue to keep Orange County safe.

You can read the full press release on the operation here: https://orangecountyda.org/press/efforts-by-orange-county-district-attorneys-office-oc-law-enforcement-to-crack-down-on-romanian-organized-

# WORKING WARDROBES GRANT





Last week, I was proud to present a \$500,000 grant to Bonni Pomush, the CEO of Working Wardrobes, one of Orange County's most respected nonprofits, for its Rebuilding Careers program.

I also had the opportunity to join Bonni on the Working Wardrobes podcast to discuss my background and the life lessons I've learned throughout my career.

Working Wardrobes has been incredibly successful in its goal of assisting over 125,000 Orange County jobseekers find stable employment. Thank you for your dedication to helping those most in need in Orange County.

# KRAV MAGA WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE SEMINAR





I want to thank Krav Maga of Orange County for collaborating with my office in hosting a Women's Self Defense Seminar in Irvine. We had over 80 attendees!

Thank you, Yuri, for opening up your studio to train women on basic self defense techniques so they can protect themselves and their loved ones.

# SENIOR SCAM STOPPER EVENT





Last week, I hosted a Senior Scam Stopper Seminar for our senior citizen community to discuss best practices to avoid attempts by scammers who regularly take advantage of our senior community.

Interest was high, and we had a big turnout!

I was joined by experts from the Orange County District Attorney's office and the OC Office on Aging.

Thank you to all who came out, and we hope you all learned some valuable insights into scam prevention from this seminar.

## FREE CPR CLASS FOR RESIDENTS



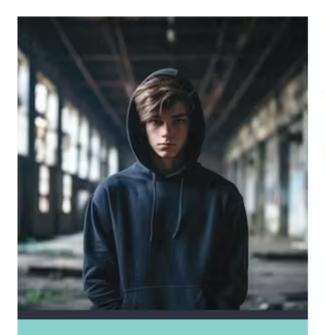


We had a great turnout for our free CPR class in Mission Viejo! Many families came to learn life-saving medical techniques from professionally certified instructors to save lives when emergencies happen.

Thank you to all who came out to participate.

A big thanks to the City of Mission Viejo, Norman Murray Community Center, and Falck USA for facilitating our class to serve our constituents!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS



behavioral modification program is for you. Strongwilled children often test limits, challenge authority, argue insistently, commit crimes, experiment with dangerous substances, run away from home, perform poorly in school, and threaten violence.

The Parent Project curriculum offers parents concrete, no-nonsense interventions and solutions to reduce and manage these problematic behaviors. The straightforward, step-by-step action plans are research-based and time tested techniques that allow parents to take immediate steps toward the intervention process to restore peace and order.

- · Learn to never argue with your child again
- · Improve school attendance and performance
- Prevent or intervene in alcohol & other drug use
- Learn communication skills and reconnect with your teen

Because the tougher it gets to be a teen... The tougher it gets to be a parent!

# the PARENT PROJECT

Facilitated by the



ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

#### 10-week course

Wednesdays, January 24th through March 27th, 2024 • 6 pm-9 pm Norman P. Murray Community and Senior Center • Mission Viejo

The classes meet once a week for ten weeks and are facilitated by Parent Project-certified instructors with experience working with strong-willed teens. The Parent Project is endorsed by the Orange County Sheriff's Department, Saddleback Valley Unified School District, and the Capistrano Unified School District.

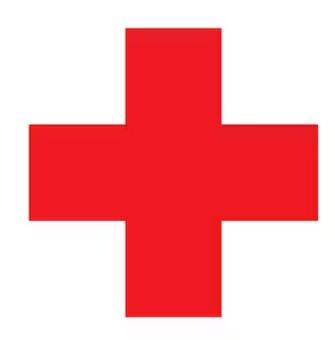
This course is open to the public and free to attend. To learn more about the Parent Project, please visit <u>parentproject.com</u>.

To sign up for the class, please email Alicia Anderson at communityengagement@ocsheriff.gov



Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.

American Red Cross



# American Red Cross Blood Drive St John Neumann Catholic Church

Father Conlon Hall 5101 Alton Parkway Irvine, CA 92604

Thursday, February 8, 2024 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To schedule your appointment,
Sign up online at RedCrossBlood.org. Use Sponsor Code: SJNIrvine
Or call the Red Cross at 1-800-Red-Cross (1-800-733-2767)

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## CAREER FAIR

#### REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE AT NO COST!

- · Connect with top talent
- Review resumes
- Conduct interviews
- · Streamline recruiting

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024 10 AM - 1 PM

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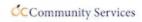
















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#### **ATTENTION JOB SEEKERS!**

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### CAREER FAIR



#### LOOKING FOR QUALITY EMPLOYMENT?

- · Connect with top businesses
- Submit resumes directly
- · Interview in real time
- · Streamline the job hunt

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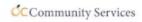
















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# **Daily Adoption Options**

# **Adoption Visits**

Daily 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

- 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.

OC Animal Care | 1630 Victory Rd.Tustin, CA 92782 | 714-935-6848

## PET OF THE WEEK

Meet Broxann



# **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

Chairman 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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