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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 Lifts Restrictions On Vital Records Orders

After months of hard work, Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen is pleased to announce that his department has been able to secure a steady source of banknote paper and will be lifting all restrictions on orders of birth, death and marriage certificates immediately.

For several months, the department has been limiting the number of certificates customers could order due to a state-wide shortage of banknote paper. The department was also not processing mail orders of these records. Banknote paper is the paper that contains state mandated security features and that county recorders must use to print certified copies of vital records.

To read more, click here.



ARCHIVAL COUNTY RECORDS TO BE PRESERVED, DIGITIZED

A project being spearheaded by Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen to preserve 210 irreplaceable volumes of historical property indexes and records from 1889 to 1953 was approved by the Board of Supervisors, including creating backup copies on microfilm and as electronic images to increase public access.

The project is being undertaken by Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen, whose office oversees the Orange County Archives which is the County's repository of official historical records.

To read more, click <u>here</u>.



ASSISTANT ARCHIVIST DISCUSSED RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC DURING MEETING

Assistant Archivist Chris Jepsen was a guest speaker at the Orange County California Genealogical Society's general meeting on November 7, 2015. The meeting took place at the Huntington Beach Library.

This was an opportunity for the public to come learn about the unique resources and collections of government records and other historical materials stored at the Orange County Archives.

To read more, please visit:

http://www.occgs.com/mtg_event/speakers/bio_jepson.html

To learn more about the Orange County Archives, please visit: www.ocarchives.com

The Orange County Archives is a function under the Office of Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen.



SATURDAY HOURS PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER 14

The Clerk-Recorder Department will once again open its doors to the public on November 14, 2015 for its once-amonth Saturday hours.

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

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

For more information visit: www.ocrecorder.com.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH









CLERK-RECORDER DEPARTMENT HOSTS SAFE TRICK-OR-TREATING EVENT FOR LOCAL PRE-SCHOOL

This October, the Clerk-Recorder Department once again hosted an opportunity for children from Hands Together, a local pre-school, for some safe and fun trick-or-treating. The children donned their Halloween outfits and trick-or-treated throughout the Clerk-Recorder Department's offices.

Clerk-Recorder employees volunteered their time and candy while enjoying the event as much as the children did. This was a great and fun opportunity for the Clerk-Recorder Department to reach out to the local community. Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen has made this a yearly event and was happy to see the children return. Department employees are also encouraged to dress for the occasion.

To see more photos of the event, visit the department's Facebook page here.



SERVICE AWARD

Congratulations to Carmen Silva, David Cabrera and Angelica Ortiz on reaching a service milestone in their careers.

This October Carmen reached her 15th year of service with the County of Orange. While David and Angelica reached their 10th year of service with the County of Orange.

The department would like to thank all of them for their service and dedication to the people and County of Orange.

(Carmen and Angelica not pictured)



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH OCTOBER 2015

Each month we are recognizing employees who go above and beyond their normal duties and offer excellent service to our customers. This month Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen is happy to announce that Adam Steckler has been selected to be Employee of the Month for October 2015.

Adam is the department's Accounting and Budget Manager. He has become an essential part of the department and has brought great support to our Finance Unit and to the Clerk-Recorder Department.

Adam has done a fantastic job in making sure our finance operations run smoothly and efficiently. Adam's hard work and dedication is appreciated by all.

Congratulations to Adam on his achievement.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

This section is open for our staff members and their families to share how they celebrated Fall or Halloween.



Vanessa (standing) visited pumpkin patch fields with her children.



Isabel (not pictured) took the kids trick-or-treating.



Diana (far right) celebrated with her kids and friends.

OCTOBER IN O.C. HISTORY



On October 30, 1775, construction began on first attempt to build Mission San Juan Capistrano. Significant construction was delayed until 1776.

October 01, 1901	The Orange County Courthouse opened for business.
October 08, 1993	The Mighty Ducks played their debut game at The Pond in Anaheim.
October 11, 1897	The Irvine Company gave "the picnic grounds" to the County of Orange establishing the first county park. (Now called Irvine Park)
October 22, 1920	The Laguna Playhouse was founded.
October 27, 2002	The Anaheim Angels won the World Series.
October 29, 1967	The Paseo Grande Fire began in Santa Ana Canyon. It eventually burned 48,600 acres.

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.

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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.



While on vacation Jennifer Carreon, from our Administrative Support Unit, was able to capture clouds over paradise in Oahu, Hawaii.

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