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2nd Annual Green Fair Draws a Crowd

An estimated crowd of 3,000 learned about environmentally-friendly products and services while enjoying a colorful art walk last month at the 2nd Annual Green Fair in Santa Ana's Civic Center.

"The 2011 OC Green Fair was a resounding success," said Ron Vienna, County Purchasing Agent. "This event could not have been accomplished without the dedication, support and cooperation that occurred both internally within the County Executive Office and by each of the supporting departments: OC Waste & Recycling, OC Public Works, and the Social Services Agency. We as a County family should be proud."



Outside the Hall of Administration, 90 vendors set up booths to greet visitors at the 2011 OC Green Fair, while classes were offered inside on a variety of topics such as "Buying Green & Toxic Chemicals." To view a slideshow of photographs from the event, please click here.

Deputy CEO Saluted Upon Retirement



Deputy CEO Steve Dunivent was joined by his family at the June 7 Board of Supervisors meeting, where he received a Resolution honoring his 35 years of service to the County. Pictured (I-r) are Chairman Bill Campbell; sons Brandon, Michael and Mark Dunivent; Steve Dunivent and his wife, Ann: daughter Christina Dunivent; and CEO Tom Mauk

Steve Dunivent, the County's Deputy CEO for Government and Public Services, was recognized at the June 7 Board of Supervisors meeting for his contributions to the County during a 35 year career.

As Deputy CEO, Dunivent has provided leadership and support for several key County departments including Child Support Services, the Health Care Agency, Probation Department, Office of the Public Defender, and the Social Services Agency. Before joining the County Executive Office in 1997, he served

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with the County's Environmental Management and General Services Agencies. For ten years, Steve served as the County's Budget Director. He is widely recognized for implementing key financial reforms, including Strategic Financial Plans, Business Plans and Annual Budget Planning Processes.

Dunivent recalled working on several challenging and important projects, including helping to draft the first version of legislation that would become Senate Bill 8 which brought the County additional property tax revenue. His work on projects to reduce costs and increase revenues have contributed over \$53 million annually to the County. He expressed his appreciation to the Board and County Executive Officer as well as all of the teams, peers, bosses and department heads he has worked with during his County career.

Mr. Dunivent's retirement is effective June 17. We offer him our best wishes as he enters this new phase of his life. ■

10 Questions for the OC Zoo's Education Coordinator Marcy Crede

1. What are some of your daily duties at the OC Zoo?

As the Education Coordinator, I supervise our two education animal keepers, book guided tours for school and scout groups, and organize as well as teach toddler and children's programs. I also answer all phone calls that are education related, plan special holiday events, maintain our animal artifact collection, and maintain the monthly schedule for education volunteers. These volunteers give tours, train new docents by teaching a basic zoology class, staff discovery carts, and lead story time.



2. What made you want to work at the OC Zoo?

When I was younger, I always knew that I wanted to work with animals, learn about them, and educate others about them. I enjoy working in education because I love to talk to people and adore handling animals.

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3. What is your educational background?

I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with an emphasis in Zoology.

4. How do the animals come to live at the OC Zoo?

Many of the animals have been donated to the OC Zoo. Others were hurt, injured, orphaned or have become imprinted on people and are unable to be released back into the wild. This is the last home for many of the animals. Some of them were illegal pets and were confiscated and now have a home here.

5. How long are animals housed here?

Most of the animals that come to the OC Zoo will stay here for life. For many of them, this is their final home, where we know they will be cared for properly. When we lose an animal, it is usually due to age-related problems. We currently have a bald eagle that has been at the zoo for about 15 years and he is about 40 years old. Our black bears have been here for 10 years as well.

6. How can people volunteer at the OC Zoo?

There are many ways for volunteers to help at the OC Zoo. We often need help in various capacities including: working as animal keepers, within petting zoo, as landscapers, and in our education department. We want people to be able to perform many different tasks here at the OC Zoo. Readers can learn more by e-mailing oczoo@ocparks.com.

7. What are some of your favorite animals to work with?

At the OC Zoo, I love working with "Willy" the screech owl, I enjoy feeding the bears for public presentations when I have the chance, and the reptiles are all great. At another zoo I worked at, I loved working with harbor seals and red-tailed hawks.

8. What is your favorite part about working at the OC Zoo?

I enjoy getting to educate the public about the local wild animals that are found in nearby parks, talking to zoo visitors, and showing them an animal and seeing their excitement! I love teaching people new things about animals.

9. What are some challenges you encouter when working with animals?

Of course there is always some danger working with wild animals, but we take great care when dealing with them. We do not always know how the animals are going to react to our actions, and sometimes the animals do not always cooperate with you when you are doing presentations.

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10. What would you recommend to someone who was interested in working at the OC Zoo?

Volunteering is always helpful. Almost every staff member at the OC Zoo had volunteered working with animals at some point before getting a job here. I volunteered at the Los Angeles Zoo for three years and also worked in my college's zoology laboratory caring for reptiles and amphibians and going to local schools to give educational presentations. Some courses to focus on in college include: biology, animal science, zoology, marine biology, and wildlife biology.

To learn more about the OC Zoo, please visit http://www.ocparks.com/oczoo/.

Silent Film Exhibit Opens at Old County Courthouse

Between 1910 and 1928, Orange County might well have been called "Hollywood's back lot," home to the production of hundreds of films, ranging from comic shorts and newsreels to full length silent movies. To celebrate Orange County's pivotal role in creating this Hollywood magic, OC Archives and OC Parks present "On Location: Silent Films in Orange County."

The exhibit runs through August 5th at the Old County Courthouse in downtown Santa Ana. Photographs, artifacts, props, movie posters, and replica costumes from Theda Bara's epic "Cleopatra" and Douglas Fairbanks' "The Mark of Zorro," are all featured.

The county's silent film history is vast, thanks to its proximity to Hollywood, its sweeping natural vistas and pristine beaches. "The Two Brothers," filmed in 1910 at Mission San Juan Capistrano under the direction of legend D.W. Griffith, was the first motion picture filmed in Orange County. Movie greats Harold Lloyd, Buster Keaton and Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle all appeared in movies here, as well as Gilbert Roland, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks, Lon Chaney and Rudolph Valentino.

Exhibit hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. The courthouse and the exhibit was open for a special Saturday open house on June 4th from Noon- 4 p.m. A special screening of Buster Keaton's "College," beginning at 2 p.m., will be presented with accompaniment by Bill Campbell of the Orange County Theater Organ Society.



imagine a movie ticket costing just \$0.25?

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Financial Rating Agencies Give Orange County "Thumbs Up"

Two nationally recognized rating agencies, Standard and Poor's (S&P) and Moody's Investor's Service, have given the County of Orange high credit ratings that will save the County thousands of dollars in interest costs over the next year.

Both agencies gave the County the highest short term ratings available for an issuer, which pleased Board Chairman Bill Campbell. "It's always nice to hear from outside the County that our finances are in good shape," Chairman Campbell noted, knowing that investors rely on the rating agencies when making multi-million dollar financial decisions. The bottom line for Orange County is that every dollar saved in interest can be used to support County programs and services. The favorable ratings also demonstrate that Orange County has taken sound financial steps in recent years and that Orange County's overall economic outlook remains strong.

Each year, the County presents information about its finances to the rating agencies as it prepares to issue Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes or TRANs. The money gained from the sale of these short term notes is used to manage cash flow in the months between when the majority of property tax revenues are received. A small difference in ratings can mean a lot when it comes to paying interest. Last year, the County borrowed \$150 million and paid an interest rate of just 0.37%. On the other hand, two years ago a neighboring county paid an interest rate over twice as high as Orange County's, even though its rating was just one step lower. In 2011, Orange County's TRANs sold at an even better interest rate, just 0.27%, demonstrating the County's solid financial status in the eyes of the financial community.

Orange County Grand Jury Commends Registrar of Voters

The 2010-11 Orange County Grand Jury commended the staff of the Registrar of Voters department in a report recently issued reviewing the November 2010 General Election process.

The Grand Jury reviewed a number of operational areas related to the election, including poll workers training, poll site operations and ballot processing. The Grand Jury concluded their summary by saying "The election was well planned, operated smoothly and accurate results were posted very quickly." The Grand Jury also stated it decided to study the election



The American flag is proudly displayed outside a polling place in Fountain Valley during the November 2010 election

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Volunteers examine paperwork related to recent election.

because "A General Election is one of the most critical aspects of representative government."

Over 898,000 ballots were cast in the election and Orange County was the first large county

in California to post all precinct results on election night. Orange County was also the first large county in California to certify the election results.

The Grand Jury report states "The level of dedication displayed by all personnel was extremely impressive. Under the guidance of the Registrar, the office leads the State in accuracy, efficiency and cost saving measures. The citizens of Orange County are fortunate to be served by an organization as professional and competent as the Registrar of Voters."

A formal response to the Grand Jury report will be considered by the Board of Supervisors in the coming weeks.



OC Animal Care's

Under the Big Top Pet Fair 2011

Saturday, June 25, 2011





Board of Supervisors Chairman Bill Campbell presents a resolution for the 2011 United Way Campaign to Debbie Kwast, Public Defender, who will serve as this year's Campaign Chairperson. Dr. Michael Riley of the Social Services Agency will serve as Co-Chair for the effort to raise funds to benefit Orange County residents through United Way programs and services.

Get the 411 on the Orange County Probation Department

- 1. Orange County Probation Officers supervise about 23,000 adult and juvenile offenders on court-ordered probation or in diversion programs. They also serve an investigative role for the courts by producing sentencing reports and recommendations while working with local police agencies, the Sheriff's Department, and the District Attorney's office to reduce gang-related crime and to supervise convicted narcotics dealers.
- 2. The Probation Department collaborated with law enforcement and other criminal justice system partners in developing and implementing the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative in Orange County, which encourages correctional systems to analyze how youthful offenders are managed particularly how/when secure detention beds are used. This emphasis seeks to ensure that appropriate youth are being housed in secure detention and those able to correct inappropriate behavior are allowed to do so outside of the custody setting.
- 3. The Probation Department developed two Youth Reporting Center (YRC) facilities designed to address inappropriate behavior at the community level rather than at Juvenile Hall. Since the program began, 493 youths have been treated at a YRC. As a result of managing these offenders outside of the formal custody setting, the Probation Department has realized a savings of \$9.5 million.

To get more of the 411, visit http://ocgov.com/probation.



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