
Rancho Santa Margarita

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City Manager's Message

It's a beautiful time of year in the City of Rancho Santa Margarita! As we reap the benefits of the recent series of much-needed rain storms, I am pleased to report that the City fared well despite the deluge, with minimal impact to trees, slopes and storm drains. We appreciate your support of our street sweeping program which goes a long way throughout the year to ensuring the efficiency of our infrastructure. You'll find an updated sweeping schedule in this newsletter.

2017 is shaping up to be a year full of activities and programs, opportunities and projects throughout the City. I hope you'll find information in this newsletter that inspires you to try something new; we have classes and activities, volunteer opportunities and community events that make Rancho Santa Margarita a wonderful place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,



Low-Cost Pet Care Clinic

Wednesday, February 1st
Bell Tower Regional Community Center
22232 El Paseo

6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Cats only)
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (Dogs & Cats)

INFO: (714) 993-9193
www.heart4pets.org



Healthcare & Emergency Animal Rescue Team (HEART) provides VACCINATIONS, DE-WORMINGS, MICROCHIPPING, FLEA & TICK CONTROL, and if time allows, NAIL TRIMS. Please visit their [website](http://www.heart4pets.org) for detailed information. *Cash or credit card (\$3 processing fee) only; checks are not accepted.*

If you have a cat or have pre-paid for your vaccines, you do not need to wait in line and can go immediately to the cashier table. All others will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis (with the exception of those who are physically unable to stand in line).

Important Rabies Information

Please bring a prior Rabies Certificate and other vaccination records with you. A 3-year Rabies Certificate can only be issued if you provide a prior Rabies Certificate. Otherwise, you will receive a 1-year Rabies Certificate.

Vaccines for dogs include:

- Rabies - \$7.00
- DAP/DHPP - \$20.00
- Bordetella - \$15.00
- Lyme - \$22.00
- Microchip - \$30.00
- \$2.00 hazardous materials disposal fee per pet

Vaccines for cats include:

- Rabies - (killed virus) Purevax - \$20.00 (1 yr) \$48.00 (3 yr)
- FVRCP "3-in-1" - \$20.00
- FELV - \$21.00
- Purevax - \$22.00
- Microchip - \$30.00
- \$2.00 hazardous materials disposal fee per pet

"HEART" (aka "SCVVC") is a Non-Profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to saving lives and improving pet and wild animal health, safety, and welfare.

Prices are subject to change; clinic will cancel in the event of rain.



ZeroTrash RSM

Saturday, February 4th is the next ZeroTrash "First Saturday" event; volunteers meet in the courtyard in front of Cinepolis at 10:00 a.m. to help beautify our city! ZeroTrash RSM is an all volunteer community organization dedicated to ridding city streets and wilderness

areas of trash, reducing waste, supporting local businesses, and taking personal responsibility for our community and the environment!

"Like" ZeroTrash RSM on [Facebook](#) for more information.



Street Sweeping Information

One of the many services provided in the City of Rancho Santa Margarita is residential street sweeping. The major streets (arterials) are swept on a weekly basis. Residential streets are swept every two weeks.

Street sweeping is most effective when all vehicles and trash containers are removed from the curbside. Not only does street sweeping enable our City to maintain a high standard of appearance, but it is also environmentally responsible and will prevent trash and debris from entering the storm drains and streams. Let's work together to keep RSM clean! If you have any questions, please call the Public Works Department at (949) 635-1800.

City of Rancho Santa Margarita Street Sweeping Services

Outreach Program

Clean & Green
Help keep your storm drains clean & our services effective; please move parked cars from the streets during their scheduled service days.

Residential Street Sweeping
Section A - 2/4 Monday
Section B - 2/4 Wednesday
Section C - 1/3 Friday
Section D - 2/4 Friday

Please Reference Your City Site for More Information
<http://www.cityofrsm.org/docu/mentcenter/view/187>
kwiemann@cityofrsm.org

City Street Sweeping

The City of Rancho Santa Margarita is proud to partner with Sunset Property Services to provide citywide street sweeping services. We are reaching out to residents to bring awareness of the importance of street sweeping and to remind residents of the days your streets are swept. Many residents are unaware that street sweeping is not provided just for the beautification of your City; more importantly it's for the benefit of our environment.

The more obvious benefit is the collection and removal of paper, leaves, and other visible debris that collect in the gutters. This debris can block storm water facilities, causing localized flooding during heavy rains. An equally important, but less visible benefit is the removal of metal particles and other hazardous waste products left by motor vehicles. Although they are virtually invisible, these particles can be extremely harmful to fish and other wildlife if they reach our creeks, rivers, beaches and bays. Street sweeping is an effective method of removing both the large and microscopic pollutants that collect on City streets.

Unfortunately, for every vehicle parked on the street on sweeping day, the sweepers have to maneuver the length of two cars to safely service the street, leaving over 40 feet un-swept. Help keep our oceans, streets, and storm drains clean by keeping our services effective; please reference your street's days of service and move parked cars between the hours of 8:00 am & 3:00 pm on these days.

City Schedule

Service Month	Section A	Section B	Section C	Section D
January	9 th & 23 rd	11 th & 25 th	6 th & 20 th	13 th & 27 th
February	13 th & 27 th	8 th & 22 nd	3 rd & 17 th	10 th & 24 th
March	13 th & 27 th	8 th & 22 nd	3 rd & 17 th	10 th & 24 th
April	10 th & 24 th	12 th & 26 th	7 th & 21 st	14 th & 28 th
May	8 th & 22 nd	10 th & 24 th	5 th & 19 th	12 th & 26 th
June	12 th & 26 th	14 th & 28 th	2 nd & 16 th	9 th & 23 rd
July	10 th & 24 th	12 th & 26 th	7 th & 21 st	14 th & 28 th
August	14 th & 28 th	9 th & 23 rd	4 th & 18 th	11 th & 25 th
September	11 th & 25 th	13 th & 27 th	1 st & 15 th	8 th & 22 nd
October	9 th & 23 rd	11 th & 25 th	6 th & 20 th	13 th & 27 th
November	13 th & 27 th	8 th & 22 nd	3 rd & 17 th	10 th & 24 th
December	11 th & 26 th	13 th & 27 th	1 st & 15 th	8 th & 22 nd

Sunset Property Services
Street Sweeping - Lot Sweeping - Pressure Washing - Custodial/Janitorial/Porter Services
Hauling Services - Graffiti Removal - Sealing - Window Washing - Construction Clean-Up Special Events

[Click here to enlarge](#)

Senior Mobility Program offering Free Rides in February to registered participants

During the month of February, the City of Rancho Santa Margarita is providing registered Senior Mobility Program (SMP) participants with additional cab rides. SMP participants will receive eight (8) FREE one-way trips within Rancho Santa Margarita and two (2) FREE one-way trips to Mission Viejo.



If you have not registered for the Senior Mobility Program or if you have questions regarding the program and other transportation resources, please contact the Community Services Department at (949) 216-9700 or visit our [Transportation Resources webpage](#).

Animal Care Services

On January 1, 2017 our partnership with the City of Mission Viejo began to provide animal care and sheltering services to the residents of Rancho Santa Margarita and their four-legged friends. Mission Viejo Animal Services provides a pro-humane animal shelter, 24-hour response to emergency calls, pet adoption and fostering, low-cost vaccination clinics, animal licensing, volunteer opportunities, community outreach and events, and many other essential animal care services. All animal related calls may be directed to:



**Mission Viejo
Animal Services
Center
28095 Hillcrest
Mission Viejo, CA
92692
(949) 470-3045
cmvas.org**



City hosting Diaper Drive for Military families

Donate to Diapers and Wipes for the Stars and Stripes through February 24th

The City of Rancho Santa Margarita is seeking donations of diapers in all sizes to help pamper the mommies-to-be of the City's adopted 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines. There are over 1,000 military families living on base at Camp Pendleton – and we want to let them know that the many sacrifices of both the families and service members are appreciated. Diapers and baby wipes are expensive, costing up to \$70 to \$80 per month per baby. On average a baby needs 6 to 10 diapers a day to stay fresh and healthy. As a community, we would like to show our support to the new and expectant mommies and thank them for the sacrifices they make as a military spouse.

Donations may be dropped off at the Bell Tower Regional Community Center during regular business hours; Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. until **Friday, February 24, 2017**.

For more information, please contact Wendi Redington, Community Services Supervisor at (949) 216-9700 x 1260, wredington@cityofrsm.org.



Crime Prevention - Stay Informed at Nextdoor.com

The Orange County Sheriff's Department uses Nextdoor.com to keep residents informed about crime trends and law enforcement activity in the City of Rancho Santa Margarita. Our Chief of Police Services, Lieutenant Luke South posts details and information regarding calls for service and recent arrests each week in the RSM Weekly Update. Additionally, monthly crime statistics are posted on the City's website, along with information about forming a Neighborhood Watch group and other programs provided to the City by the men and women of the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Register at Nextdoor.com for [weekly updates](#) and crime prevention information.

Click [here](#) to read more about law enforcement services in Rancho Santa Margarita, or call Police Services at (949) 635-1830.

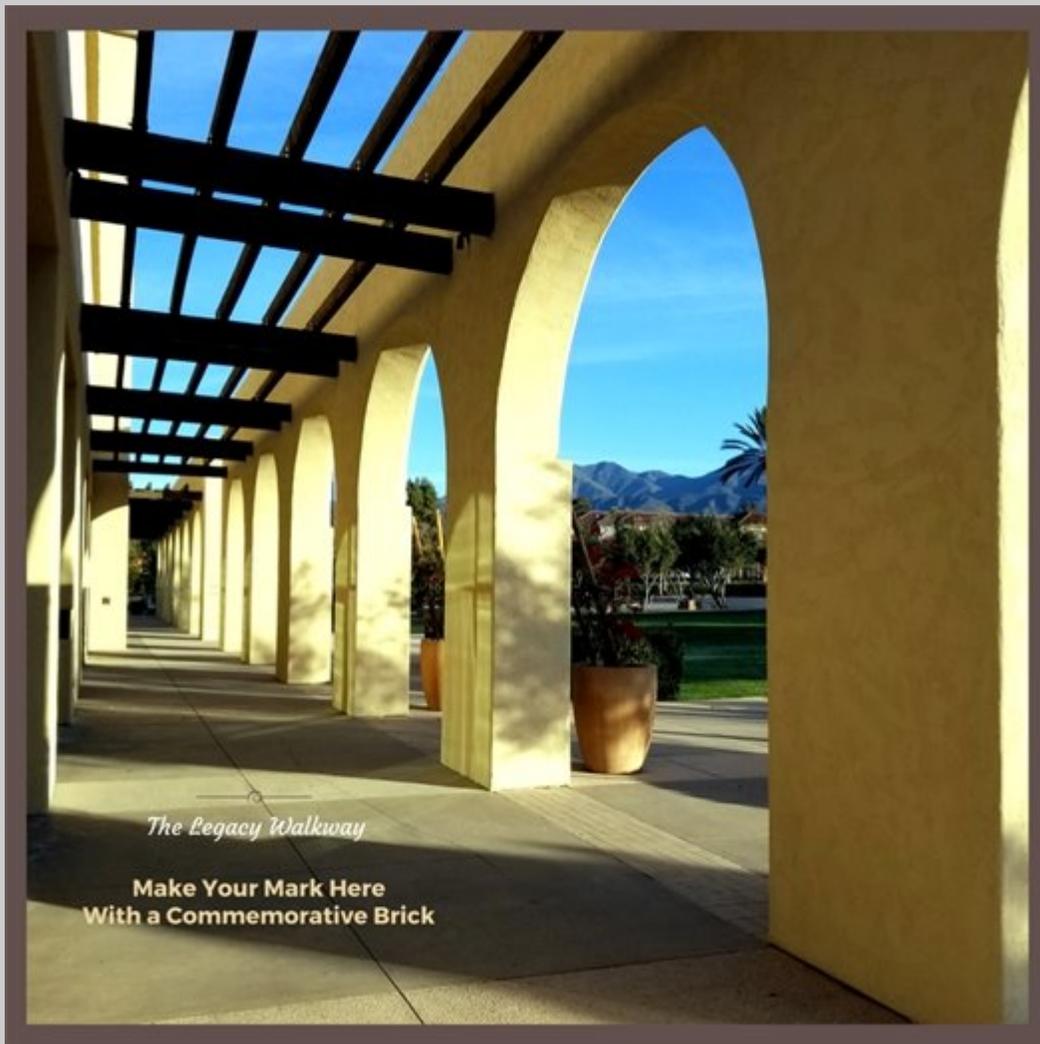


Legacy Brick ordering deadline is Sunday, February 5th

A brick can be engraved to celebrate your family or milestone, honor a loved one, promote a business or show community support. Proceeds supports RSM



Cares/ Bell Tower Foundation and it's key program, The RSM Food Pantry. The RSM Food Pantry distributes fresh produce and food on the first Tuesday and third Thursday of the month to an average of 100 local families. This is the only time bricks have been offered since original installation over 12 years ago. Order a brick today and leave your mark!



Don't miss out...
Last chance to order a Legacy Brick.
RSM Cares Gift-a-Brick Fundraiser



A unique opportunity to give a gift that is timeless.
Order a commemorative, engraved brick that will be
displayed in the Legacy Walkway at the RSM
Civic Center in the spring of 2017.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE to place your order:
www.belltowerfoundation.org/gift-a-brick

PERSONALIZED BRICKS:
4" x 8" Brick \$150 | 8" x 8" Brick \$300

GIFT-A-BRICK FUNDRAISER ENDS 1.20.17



*All orders must be submitted and paid for by January 20, 2017. Bricks to be installed spring of 2017 at RSM Civic Plaza and Bell Tower Regional Community Center. RSM CARES Bell Tower Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Federal Tax ID: 31-1779723



RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
YOUR CIRCLE OF INFLUENCE

Chamber of Commerce News

The RSM Chamber is committed to supporting business growth by providing trusted resources, networking opportunities and local connections. The RSM Chamber takes great pride in being a strength and support for the business community by organizing monthly mixers, educational forums and community events to promote commerce throughout Rancho Santa Margarita and the surrounding area.

Upcoming Events

Evening Networking Mixer at Essential Fitness

Tuesday, February 7th - 5:30 PM
30201 Aventura Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Lunch Networking Mixer at RSM Chamber Office - Takata Photo & Design is offering a Chamber Special: Professional Business Headshot Photo. Lunch provided by El Fenix
Tuesday, February 21st - 11:30 AM

Guest & New RSM Chamber Member Orientation

Tuesday, February 2st - 5:45 PM
RSM Chamber Office 30162 Tomas, Suite 202 Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Chamber Social

Tuesday, February 23rd - location tbd - please visit RSM Chamber website to confirm

For more information about Chamber of Commerce membership and events, please contact Suzanne Singh via email at info@rsmchamber.com or phone at (949) 242-3660



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SAVE THE DATES
RANCHO FEST 2017
June 9, 10 & 11



Monthly & Annual Events

- Evening Mixers
- Membership Party
- Educational Forums
- Meet & Mingle
- Lunch Mixers
- Ribbon Cuttings
- Business Builders
- State of the City
- Meet the Mayor
- Modern Professionals Mixer
- Holiday Party
- Personal & Professional Development

JOIN THE CHAMBER
RSMChamber.com

Suzanne Singh, s.singh@rsmchamber.com
949.242.3660
30162 Tomas, Suite 202, RSM 92688



Senior Activities at the Bell Tower Regional Community Center



The mission of Age Well Senior Services is to promote and improve the quality of life and independence of the senior community.

February Activities at the Bell Tower Regional Community Center

- [Afternoon Delight](#) - Friday, February 17th - featuring entertainment by Tony Rogers
- Art Club
- [Bingo](#)
- Blood Pressure Check (Free on Tuesdays from 10 a.m.- noon)
- Bocce Ball
- Golden Age Yoga
- Congregate Lunch - Weekdays - 11:45 a.m. (excluding holidays) [Menu](#)
- Meals on Wheels - [Menu](#)
- Movie Days
- Music Exercise Class
- [Smartphone Tutorial](#)

- Tai Chi
- Total Body Fitness
- [Valentine's Day Lunch](#) - Tuesday, February 14th - featuring musical entertainment by Jerry Priscaro

Visit our Senior Activities [webpage](#) for more information or contact Lindy Kehler at 949-216-9700, ext. 257.



February Recreation Highlights

Paint, Paste and More! \$78/ 6 Classes

Encourage your child's creativity and imagination through hands-on exploration of a wide variety of manipulative and sensory materials. Different activities are introduced each week, so come for fun and dress for a mess. All activities are adaptable to suit all ages; older siblings are encouraged to enroll. Ages: 1.5-5 yrs. What to bring: \$20 cash materials fee

Instructor: Wendy Rault

410302 03	T	Mar 28 - May 9	10 - 10:45 am
410302 06	F	Mar 31 - May 12	10 - 10:45 am

Little Ninjas \$43/ 4 Classes

This class will cover the basic development of skills, structure, and coordination of a Karate class. Ages: 4-5 yrs.

Instructor: Robert McDonough

410235 03	T	Mar 7 - Mar 28	3:45 - 4:15 pm
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After School Sewing for Kids & Teens \$148/ 4 Classes

Learn sewing basics, fabric selection, how to follow a pattern and complete amazing projects in class. No prior experience is needed. All fabric, notions, and sewing machines are supplied. Ages: 7.5-17 yrs.

Instructor: Linda Rush

420501 03	T	Mar 7-Mar 28	3:30-6 pm
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Jazzercise \$115/ 12 Classes

Do you love music? Do you love to dance? Then come check out the new Jazzercise! It's a pulse-pounding, beat-pumping fitness program that gets you results while you dance to popular Top 40 hits. You'll burn up to 800 calories in one fun and powerfully effective total

body workout. Each class combines dance-based cardio with strength training to sculpt and tone muscles for maximum fat burn. Everyone is welcome, no matter what your current fitness level is. So grab a water bottle, an exercise mat, and some hand weights and let's get dancing! Ages: 18 yrs. & up. No Class: 11/24

Instructor: Maureen Stewart

\$102/ 11 Classes

440243 02 T,W,Th Feb 2 - Feb 28 7:15 - 8:15 am

\$99/ 8 Classes

440243 05 T,Th Feb 2 - Feb 28 7:15 - 8:15 am

\$120/ 13 Classes

440243 03 T,W,Th Mar 2 - Mar 30 7:15 - 8:15 am

\$111/ 9 Classes

440243 06 T,Th Mar 2 - Mar 30 7:15 - 8:15 am

Click [here](#) to access our online class registration system.

Rancho Santa Margarita City Council

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Michael Vaughn, Mayor Pro Tempore
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