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City Council Meetings

City Manager's Message

February brings with it various celebrations of historical significance; Presidents' Day offers us the opportunity to recognize the birthdays of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln as well as all U.S. presidents past and present. St. Valentine's Day celebrations will abound with expressions of love and friendship. The city planners designed the Town Center with the intent to draw community members together for dining, shopping, leisure and entertainment; I hope you'll take advantage of all the city has to offer as you share this special month with family and friends.



Sincerely,
Jennifer M. Cervantez

IF A CRIME OCCURS...REPORT IT!

This sounds simple enough. However, many crimes do go unreported which can directly affect your sense of security in the community. Accurate and prompt reporting of a crime is an essential part of the community/law enforcement partnership.

Your calls allow our Rancho Santa Margarita Deputies to be where they are needed most. Eyewitness information is the key to solving many crimes. Know the proper phone numbers to call for reporting a crime or suspicious activity. Call immediately - even a five minute delay can reduce the chances of catching a criminal. Tell the dispatcher as much as you can about the incident. No fact is too trivial. Typical questions that will be asked by the dispatcher include:

- **What occurred?**
- **Where did it occur? (supply exact address if at all possible)**
- **How many suspects were there?**
- **Description (sex, race, age, height, weight, hair color, eye color, clothing)**
- **Vehicle description (license plate, color, make, model)**
- **Direction of travel**
- **Were there any other witnesses?**

Held on the second and fourth
Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Council
Chambers at City Hall.
22112 El Paseo
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA

Community Living Magazine COMING SOON!



Spring Registration Begins
February 17th for Classes
at the
Bell Tower Regional
Community Center

• Was a weapon used?

Working together, we can continue to keep Rancho Santa Margarita safe, secure, and a hometown we all can be proud of.

Important Phone Numbers

Emergency 9-1-1

Non-Emergency Dispatch (949) 770-6011

Rancho Santa Margarita Police Services (949) 635-1819 (for general questions)



Identity Theft Prevention

With the holiday hustle & bustle behind us, now is a great time to make sure you have taken the proper precautions to secure your identity and avoid becoming a victim of IDENTITY THEFT.

Here are a few tips and reminders to assist you in securing your identity.



- Report lost or stolen credit cards immediately.
- If you applied for a credit card and didn't receive it when expected, call the financial institution as quickly as possible.
- Closely monitor the expiration dates on your credit cards and contact the issuer if you don't receive a replacement prior to the expiration date.
- Match your credit card receipts against your monthly bills and check your monthly financial statements for accuracy.
- Memorize your Social Security number and passwords. Don't use your date of birth as your password and don't record passwords on papers you carry with you.
- Never leave transaction receipts at ATM machines, on counters at financial institutions, or at gasoline pumps.
- Don't disclose credit card or other financial account numbers on a Web site *unless* the site offers a secure transaction. Before you input personal or financial information on a Web page, first make sure the site offers a secure (encrypted) data transaction.
- Beware of mail or telephone solicitations that offer prizes or awards - especially if the solicitor asks you for personal information or financial account numbers.
- Use a paper shredder to destroy all documents and files before discarding them. A cross-cut shredder is preferable as it shreds the documents in small chunks of paper making it much more difficult for a determined identity thief to piece together your shredded documents.

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- Properly dispose of old computers, cell phones or other electronic devices that may contain your personal information. Remember to erase all data from your electronics before you decide to sell/dispose/recycle it. There are many options (such as software) to ensure that the data is permanently erased. Additionally, many recycling firms will scrub the hard drive and actually certify that all data has been erased. Take the time to select the right option for you as you could spend months undoing the damage if your financial information gets into the wrong hands.

Low Cost Pet Vaccination Clinics

1st Wednesday of the month
6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (Cats only)
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (Dogs & Cats)



INFO: (714) 828-5891
www.scvvc.webs.com

Bring your cat or dog for low cost vaccinations from the Society for California Veterinary Vaccine Care and pet licensing from OC Animal Care. Cash or credit card (\$3 processing fee) is the only forms of payment accepted. AVID micro identification chips are also available which includes the registration and continuous, 24/7 lifetime monitoring.

Important Rabies Information

If you have a prior Rabies vaccine certificate, license tag or license renewal notice for your pet, please bring it with you to the clinic.

Vaccines for dogs include:

Rabies	\$ 7.00
DAP/DHPP	\$19.00
Bordetella	\$14.00
Lyme	\$22.00
Microchip	\$ 28.00
\$2.00 hazardous materials disposal fee per pet	

Vaccines for cats include:

FVRCP "3-in-1"	\$18.00
FELV	\$21.00
Purevax	\$20.00
Lyme	\$22.00
Microchip	\$28.00
\$2.00 hazardous materials disposal fee per pet	

Prices are subject to change.

Try Something New This Spring For Free "Try It Before You Buy It" Is Back!



Need further encouragement to try something new? How about a FREE class? The City is once again offering its "Try It Before You Buy It" program. Registration begins Monday, February 17, 2015.

From preschool to seniors, you're sure to find something fun to try, and with the first class *FREE*, it's great time to try something new.

Look in your mailbox during the week of February 19, 2015 for the Spring Community Living Magazine.

Dates to remember:

Week of February 9: Community Living Magazine mailed

February 17: Registration begins for spring classes

For more information visit our website or contact the Community Services Department at 949-216-9700.

February Recreation Highlights

To register for these and other classes, visit Community Services on the City's website at www.cityofrsm.org/classregistration.

Spring class registration starts February 17th

Summer Camp registration starts April 1st

ABCs with Tiny Tots

\$183 per month

Come join a fun way of preparing your child for kindergarten. With hands on interactive learning using art, science, cooking, music and much more, your child will learn their numbers, letters, shapes, learn to write their name as well as developing social skills of patience, listening, cooperation and sharing. No parent participation needed. Children must be fully potty trained. Ages: 3-5 yrs.

No Class: 2/16

Instructor: SoCal Tiny Tots

Little Ninjas

\$43 per month

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

Instructor: Robert McDonough

410235 02 T Feb 3-Feb 24
3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

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 amendable 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 Feb 17 - Mar 24 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
410302 04 Th Feb 19 - Mar 26 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Tunes & Tales

\$43/ 5 Classes

\$48/ 5 Classes*

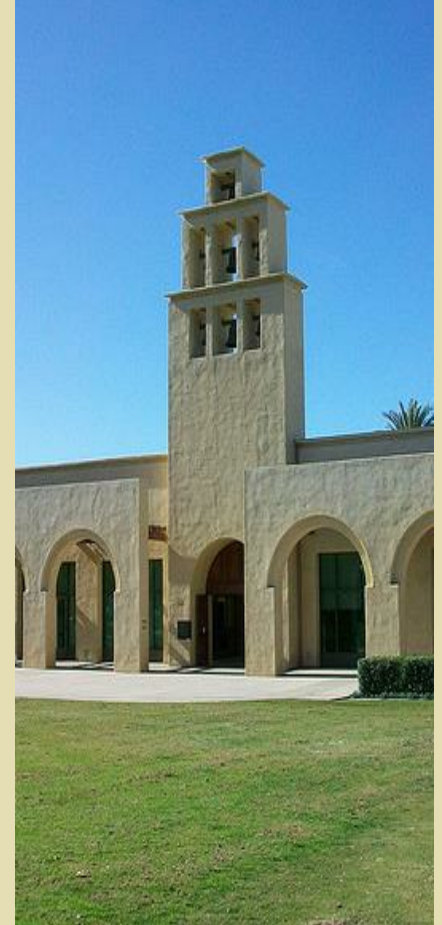
Let's get the wiggles out! Tunes & Tales is a Music and Movement Class for children ages 1 ½ to 4 years. Sing-a-longs and finger play songs start off this fun-filled class followed by music activities using bean bags, rhythm sticks, instruments, a parachute, and more. We will even have a chance to read a short story each week (2 ½ - 4 year old class only). The children have a great time while developing their listening and social skills. Parent/adult participation required.

Instructor: Vivian Stapleton

410913 03 Th Feb 26 - Mar 26 9:30 a.m.-10:10 a.m.
410913 04* Th Feb 26 - Mar 26 10:15 a.m. - 11:10 a.m.

Learn To Sew

\$138/ 4 Classes



**City Hall & Bell Tower Regional
Community Center**

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: 8 yrs. & up.

Instructor: Linda Rush

420501 02 T Feb 3 - Feb 24 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

American Doll Fashions

\$138/ 4 Classes

Design, plan and actually create your very own doll fashions. Students will select fabrics and learn to follow a pattern while mastering basic sewing skills and will work on a complete outfit for an 18" doll (includes American Girl Dolls). Girls are encouraged to bring their doll to class for the fittings and fashion show. No experience is necessary. All fabric, notions and sewing machines supplied. Ages: 8-14 yrs.

Instructor: Linda Rush

420506 02 Th Feb 5 - Feb 26 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Maximizing Your Social Security

\$23/ 1 Class

Will Social Security provide the retirement income you need for life? With all the talk about taxes, budget deficits, and legislative changes, Social Security seems to be in the news once again. In this class you will learn whether Social Security can provide the income you need when you retire, how to make the most of your Social Security Benefits, sources of retirement income beyond Social Security, spousal and ex-Spouse benefits available. The more you know about Social Security the more confident you can feel about your retirement dreams. Ages: 18 yrs. & up.

Instructor: Jeffrey Halbreich, CFP®

440741 02 W Feb 11 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.