

The New Year Ahead

As 2013 begins, the Board of Supervisors is preparing to begin the process of interviewing selected candidates for the position of County Executive Officer (CEO). At the same time the Board is recruiting candidates for several other key County positions including Auditor-Controller, Clerk-Recorder and Public Administrator.

Working with agency and department heads, CEO office staff and others, it has been my job as Interim County **Executive Officer to rebuild** a foundation upon which the new Board of Supervisors and new CEO can position the County for success in 2013 and beyond. We have made

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And the Winners Are...

The Orange **County Business** Council (OCBC) announced the winners of its 2nd Annual "Turning Red Tape Into Red Carpet" awards program at a special ceremony at the Center Club



in Costa Mesa on November 29, 2012.

The awards program was developed to recognize leaders in local government whose policies and programs eliminate the barriers to economic growth and private sector job creation. Congratulations to these County of Orange agencies/departments for receiving the following honors:

John Wayne Airport – Responding to Globalization Award 🔀



The John Wayne Airport Air Service Development Program aims to bring new international non-stop service to Orange County and maximize utilization of John Wayne Airport to boost the local economy. As international trade has become one of Orange County's primary drivers for employment and economic growth, convenient and dependable access to international trading partners has become a critical need for Orange County businesses. With the launch of service to Canada and Mexico, John Wayne Airport has helped facilitate the connection between local businesses and two of Orange County's top international trading partners.

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progress toward this goal but there is still work to be done. Hopefully, we will be farther along in this process when the new CEO is selected and begins work.

As a member of our County family, you are an important part of this foundation and you contribute to our present and future success through the vital work you do every day. There will be many changes in 2013 but the abilities and dedication of County staff to serving the public are cornerstones upon which we can build. As you have shown me your support as Interim CEO over the last five months, I know you will support our new CEO and Board as the County of Orange begins a new era.

Happy New Year to each of you and all the best in 2013!

Bob Franz

Interim County Executive Officer



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OC Community Resources (OCCR) - Private Partnership Award 🌟

Among its many achievements, OCCR's OC Community Services division, in collaboration with a public/private working group, successfully developed Orange County's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness. The agency was instrumental in forming collaborative partnerships to help create initiatives such as OC4Vets, a program which resulted in the creation of critical job training services for military veterans. OC Community Services has also been a catalyst in working to address the county's workforce housing needs by partnering with private developers to finance numerous affordable housing projects in Orange County.

Health Care Agency – Bureaucracy Buster Award 🔀



Through the implementation of pre-event planning, posting of critical information on a customized website, and creation of a Self-Inspection Checklist, food vendors at the OC Fair were able to address food safety risk factors prior to opening day. This expedited process not only allowed food operators to get up and running in a timely manner, but also resulted in substantial savings of staff time that would normally be dedicated to the food permitting process.

Award winners were selected by the Turning Red Tape Into Red Carpet committee, chaired by Dan Miller, past Chairman of OCBC, and Senior Vice President of Entitlement and Public Affairs at The Irvine Company. The nominated organizations include Orange County cities, school districts, county agencies and special districts. Each have successfully taken on the challenge of laying out the "red carpet" to business through innovative projects that cut regulations, reduce fees and streamline processes.

Supervisor Campbell Saluted

Third District Supervisor Bill Campbell was honored at the December 18, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting for his ten years of service on the Board as his last term in office drew to a close.

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Campbell took office in January 2003 to fill an unexpired term and was subsequently elected in 2004 and in 2008 to four year terms in office. While Supervisor Campbell will continue to represent the Third District until noon on January 7, his colleagues on the Board took the opportunity of his last regular meeting as a member of the Board to recognize his service to the County. Board Chairman John M.W. Moorlach presented Supervisor Campbell with a Resolution and a gift from the Board, while each member took a few minutes to reminisce about their experiences with the outgoing Su-



The Board of Supervisors presents Third District Supervisor Bill Campbell with a resolution in honor of his service.

pervisor. First District Supervisor Janet Nguyen remember Campbell as a "...friend, colleague, mentor and true statesman" while Fifth District Supervisor Patricia Bates saluted Campbell for always finding a way to blend divergent opinions into a consensus.

Supervisor Campbell stated that the exciting thing about serving as a Supervisor is that it is "right there with the people" and he shared several significant milestones from his terms in office. These included restructuring of the retiree medical program, which saved the County \$800 million, and the expansion of recreational opportunities for the people of Orange County made possible by a gift of 20,000 acres of open space from The Irvine Company and plans for a regional park at the former Marine Corps Air Station Tustin that may include a national training facility for members of the USA Water Polo teams.

Prior to the Board meeting, the heads of several County agencies and departments presented Supervisor Campbell with tokens of appreciation for his support through the years.

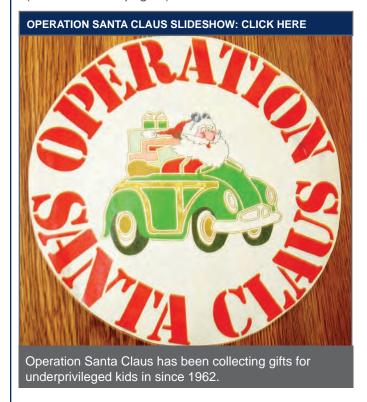
My Visit to the Operation Santa Claus Warehouse

Observations from CEO Community/Media Relations Intern Katie Stolting

Since 1962, Operation Santa Claus (OCS) has worked to provide gifts to children who have been abandoned, neglected, abused, or placed in foster care as well as senior citizens in need who are clients of the Social Services Agency, Health Care Agency, Probation Department, Child Support Services, and OC Community Resources.

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Every year, Operation Santa Claus distributes nearly 43,000 gifts to foster parents, underprivileged families, and social workers that reach these deserving community members. Donations come in the form of cash, check, gift card, or brand new toys. The U.S. Marines' *Toys for*

Tots and Orange County Firefighters' Spark of Love efforts are also of tremendous support to this important effort, as are contributions given through the "Angel Tag" program.

OSC is the only official County holiday toy drive and relies on volunteers from County agencies and the community at large. "I saw a sign on the street that said 'Operation Santa Claus' and came on back," said Leo, one of the volunteers who has watched the program grow for five years.

Inside the Operation Santa Claus warehouse, visitors are granted vouchers depending upon the number of children they have or cases they are working on and can trade these in to shop the shelves. I learned that some social workers have more than 100 families to make selections for, and that they spend hours searching to ensure they pick just the right item for children who may otherwise go without.

To learn how you can help OSC all year round, please call 714-679-2438 or e-mail mona.gustafson@ssa.ocgov.com. ■

OC Public Works Honored for Alton Parkway Extension Project

The Southern California Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) recently selected OC Public Works as recipient of its 2012 Project of the Year award.

OC Public Works and the City of Lake Forest were honored at a special luncheon last month for their partnership in completing the Alton Parkway Extension – a construction project completed in June of last year that filled a gap in Alton Parkway with 2.1 miles of new roadway from Irvine to the Foothill Ranch community of Lake Forest.



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"Receiving this recognition is a testament to the diligence of the stakeholders involved who worked collaboratively for many years to overcome the obstacles facing this project," said Supervisor Patricia Bates, 5th District. "The extension has provided a vital linkage in South Orange County, connecting communities and improving overall regional mobility and I'm pleased to see the feedback from residents has been so positive."

APWA is the professional association for Public Works leaders throughout the United States and Canada. The Southern California Chapter covers Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties and declares over 1,400 members.

Eco Challenge Earns National Honors

OC Waste & Recycling's partnership with the Discovery Science Center in Santa Ana has brought home a Silver Excellence Award from the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA).

The award was presented at the December 11, 2012 Board of Supervisors meeting, with Chairman John M.W. Moorlach presenting the award to OC Waste & Recycling Director Mike Giancola. SWANA's Excellence Awards Program recognizes outstanding solid waste programs and facilities that advance the practice of environmentally and economically sound solid waste management. OC Waste & Recycling was recognized in the category for implementing successful public education and outreach programs.

The award recognizes the success of the Eco Challenge exhibit at the Discovery Science Center. Eco Challenge, which opened in 2011, is an interactive exhibit area that combines elements of OC Waste and Recycling's mission to protect the environment and promote



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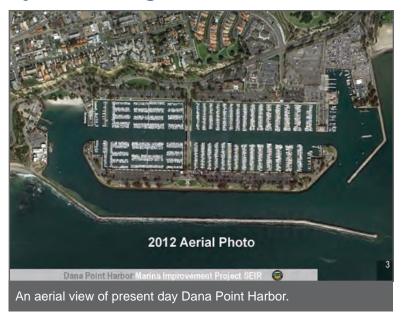
recycling with Discovery Science Center's ability to merge learning with fun. Eco Challenge features hands-on, interactive exhibit areas that help visitors learn to become an eco-friendly shopper, understand the importance of properly disposing of household hazardous waste and minimize the amount of recyclable materials sent to our landfills.

County Projects Progress

A pair of important County projects took another step forward with approvals from the Board of Supervisors during their December 11, 2012 meeting.

The Board approved the 2012 Site and Facilities Master Plan for the James A. Musick facility and approved a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Lake Forest dealing with the type and number of inmates to be housed at the facility. The James A. Musick facility is one of five custodial facilities operated by the Sheriff-Coroner Department. The County has been awarded conditional approval of \$100 million in State funding to support the construction of slightly over 500 additional beds at the facility.

The Board also adopted the Revised Marina Improvement Project and a revised project



alternative for Dana Point Harbor, charting a course for the revitalization of the Harbor's docks and marinas while allowing it to continue to operate as a popular destination for boaters, local residents and tourists. The actions taken by the Board allow for the preparation of final designs and submittal of a Coastal Development Permit application to the California Coastal Commission. The Coastal Development Permit application for the Revitalization of the shops, restaurants, parking and dry vessels storage continues on a separate track. Dana Point Harbor was dedicated in July 1971 and a Task Force was created by the Board of Supervisors in 1997 to assist with the development of a comprehensive plan for the Harbor's future. That process, which has included significant input from harbor user groups, merchants and the general public, resulted in the development of current plans to revitalize the Harbor's facilities while maintaining its unique character.

Get the 411 on OC Waste & Recycling

- OC Waste & Recycling operates and maintains the County's three active landfills: Frank R. Bowerman (FRB), Olinda Alpha and Prima Deshecha. The weight of the waste received at these landfills in a year would be the equivalent of about 180,000 typical Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) buses.
- In response to the need to properly dispose of household hazardous waste, OC Waste & Recycling manages and operates the four household hazardous waste collection centers in Anaheim, Huntington Beach, Irvine and San Juan Capistrano.
- OC Waste & Recycling is challenged with maintaining regulatory compliance with landfill gas emission requirements, and increasing the conversion of landfill gas as a renewable energy source. Landfill gas-to-energy projects at Orange County landfills produce 51.8 megawatts of electrical power – enough to power more than 30,500 households!
- To comply with the State Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939), OC Waste & Recycling
 is partnering with the Discovery Science Center to reach hundreds of thousands of Orange
 County residents with waste reduction messages in the EcoChallenge exhibit, which combines
 elements of OC Waste & Recycling's mission with the Discovery Science Center's ability to
 merge learning with fun.

To get more of the 411 on OC Waste & Recycling, please visit http://oclandfills.com/.



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35 YEARS

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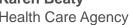
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