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# Appointments Available for Valentine's Day Nuptials

Reservations are filling up fast for couples wishing to be married on Valentine's Day at the Clerk-Recorder Department's three wedding offices in Orange County.

Ceremony rooms will be available at the Old County Courthouse, 211 W. Santa Ana Blvd, in Santa Ana; and at branch offices at the Laguna Hills Civic Center, 24031 El Toro Road, Suite 150, and in historic downtown Fullerton at 201 N. Harbor Blvd. The branch offices also offer free parking.

Valentine's Day continues to be the most popular day of the year for civil wedding ceremonies, though all records were shattered on Dec. 12, 2012 (12-12-12), when 283 couples took their vows. Last year, 157 couples were married on Valentine's Day, coming close to the previous Valentine's Day record of 173 couples wed in 1997.

The lovers' holiday typically sees five times the volume of marriage ceremonies compared to an average day (28).

"Our offices are the perfect place to celebrate a day of commitment and love," said Assistant Clerk-Recorder Renee Ramirez.

Couples are advised to make an appointment for a civil wedding ceremony because of the day's popularity. Call for appointments at **(714) 834-2588** or visit our website at www.ocrecorder.com and use the online appointment system. Walk-ins will be accommodated based on availability of ceremony rooms.

The Orange County Clerk-Recorder provides a variety of public services, including recording documents related to real property transactions, maintaining and issuing copies of birth, death and marriage certificates, issuing marriage licenses and performing civil wedding ceremonies. The department also files Fictitious Business Names, Notary Public oaths and bonds, and processes passport applications. The department oversees the Orange County Archives, a center for materials, research and education, preserving Orange County history for the public.

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