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PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Community Events

• The Manteca Youth Advisory Commission invites fathers (or uncles, grandfathers, etc.) to take their little girls (ages 4-14) out on a date night they will never forget! Come join us at the "Once Upon a Time" Father-Daughter Dance on Friday, February 24, or Saturday, February 25, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane. Enjoy refreshments, music, and dancing. Reflections Photography will be there to take photos that will be available for purchase. Through February 19, tickets are \$25 per couple (\$5 each additional girl). After February 19 or at the door (if available), tickets are



\$35 per couple (\$8 each additional girl). Advance tickets may be purchased at the Senior Center or the Parks and Recreation Office (cash or check only). There is no guarantee tickets will be available at the door the night of the event. For additional information, call the Parks and Recreation office at 456-8600.

• Tickets are on sale now for the Senior Center's next Friday Night Bingo event, to be held March 3 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Each \$10 ticket includes event entry and one six-pack of bingo cards; additional bingo packs will be available for \$5 each at the event. This event is open to those ages 18 and older and space is limited, so buy your tickets early! Tickets are available at the Senior Center. Call 456-8650 for more information.

Senior Services

- The Manteca Senior Center is open to seniors ages 50 and older Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is no membership fee! Come enjoy the many daily free and fee-based programs, such as photography classes, chair volleyball, various exercise classes including tai chi and yoga, and much more! First-time visitors receive an informational tour of the Center and everything it has to offer. Call 456-8650 for more information.
- The Senior Center will host its monthly Potluck Dinner on Thursday, February 16, at 5:00 p.m. Seniors ages 50-plus are invited and asked to bring a dish (enough to feed eight people), as well as their own plates and flatware. Brookdale-Manteca will be providing the dessert. For more information, please call the Senior Center.

- The Senior Center will be closed Monday, February 20, in observance of Presidents' Day. The Center will open at 4:00 p.m. for the Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo event (see next item).
- Tickets for the February 20 Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo Night are on sale now. Each \$8 ticket includes entry, spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, beverages, and dessert. Bingo is played after the dinner; bingo six-packs are available for \$5 each. You must be at least 50 years old to attend this event, and you must purchase a dinner ticket to play bingo. For more information, call the Senior Center.

Recreation Programs

Drums— A new and unique class called Drum Bucket Beats began
January 24 and runs for four weeks. The emphasis is on group
drumming, with participants using plastic buckets and drumsticks.



Drum Bucket Beats class participants

• Youth Basketball—Youth Basketball League is heading into the fifth weekend of games. Games have been going well and the kids have been improving. All games are played at Neil Hafley, Golden West, and Stella Brockman school gyms.





Youth Basketball League action

Challenger Basketball
 — Challenger Basketball League, for children with disabilities, has been running since January 14, with games and practices at Golden West Community Gym. There are about 30 participants.

Little People's Creative Play and Mom/Dad & Me

The City offers a structured learning program Mondays through Thursdays for preschool-aged children, 3½ to 5 years old (Creative Play), and a parent participation class on Friday mornings for toddlers 18 months to 3 years old (Mom/Dad and Me). Creative Play allows children to work on motor skills and socialization, while learning the alphabet, numbers, shapes, colors and songs. Parents may enroll their

child for one day a week, or a combination of days. There are daily craft projects, snacks, sharing and story time. Mom/Dad and Me is a stepping-stone to Creative Play and requires parent participation.



Little People's participants working on tracing letters

Kids' Zone Programs

Kids' Zone, a California state licensed child-care program, operates at nine Manteca Unified School District elementary schools, with 22 total programs. Before-School, KinderZone, and After-School care are available at select schools. For specific information on program locations, contact the Parks and Recreation Department. The parent handbook and application materials are available on the Parks and Recreation website, or in the office at 252 Magnolia Ave.





Stella Brockman After-School participants enjoying reading during quiet time.

PUBLIC WORKS

Stormwater Outreach -- Pollution Prevention:

Why do we care about Stormwater? If stormwater is not managed properly, it can cause increased risk of flooding, degrade water quality, decrease groundwater recharge, and increase soil erosion. Currently, the City of Manteca is experiencing intense rain storms. During a rain event, millions of gallons of water must be transported away from the street as quickly as possible. If the storm drains are clogged with debris, the storm system can become blocked and overflow, causing damage to streets, sidewalks and private property. Stormwater runoff picks up contaminants from sources such as vehicle emissions and spills, yard and garden care, pet feces and even dirt. Stormwater picks up these substances and transports them into the lakes, streams, rivers, or wetlands. So remember, whatever enters the storm sewer system is discharged UNTREATED into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing, farming and drinking.

For this reason, the City of Manteca prohibits the discharge of non-stormwater. Best management practices must be implemented for residential, construction, industrial and commercial activities to prevent or minimize pollutants entering the City's storm drain system. We must all do our part.



Examples of activities that may cause pollution include: home vehicle maintenance, lawn and garden care, pet waste, vehicle & pressure washing, swimming pool & spa drainage, litter and improper disposal of household hazardous wastes.

Be a part of the POLLUTION SOLUTION! Educate yourself and your kids about STORMWATER. Learn how to prevent pollution by contacting the Public Works Department at (209) 456-8463.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building Safety Week in Review January 30 – February 2:

The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 219 inspections during the week, and the Community Development Department assisted a total of 91 people at the counter. The division issued 31 building permits, which included Demolition, Electrical Service Residential, Miscellaneous Plumbing Residential, Miscellaneous Plumbing Commercial, HVAC Replacement, Patio Cover, Commercial Re-Roof, Residential Re-Roof, Residential Photovoltaic, Single-Family Detached Dwelling, Sign Wall, Temporary Power Pole, TNIF/Remodel Commercial, and Water Heater. A total of 25 new project applications were accepted and of those, 6 were issued immediately. A total of 19 submittals were held for plan check, which included Addendum, Demolition Commercial, Fire Alarm, Fire Sprinkler, Master Plan, Swimming Pool, and Commercial Tenant Infill/Remodel.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

New Fire Chief

The Manteca Fire Department is excited to have Kyle Shipherd as our newly appointed Fire Chief. Chief Shipherd assumes the position of Fire Chief that was vacated in July with the retirement of Chief Kirk Waters. A formal swearing-in ceremony will be held in the coming weeks.



Training

Fire attack training drills were conducted using a portable master stream. This device can be integral in various fire scenarios because it has the capability of delivering a large amount of water, 1,000 gallons

per minute.





Preparing for Stormy Weather

The city of Manteca and surrounding area have been inundated with stormy weather this season and with it brings many weather related problems like downed power lines, falling trees, and a potential for flooding. The Manteca Fire Department is closely monitoring the weather conditions and is working closely with the San Joaquin Office of Emergency Services to assist our neighboring communities that may very well experience flooding.



Highlights of Incidents

- Vehicle vs. Pedestrian West Yosemite Avenue
 Firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle accident involving a pedestrian on West Yosemite
 Avenue near North Veach Avenue Friday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters found the injured
 pedestrian and a vehicle with moderate front-end damage. The patient had been crossing the
 street when the vehicle hit him. Firefighters provided patient care and the patient was transported
 to a local hospital.
- Vehicle Fire Sterling Place
 Firefighters were dispatched to the report of a vehicle fire on West Alameda Street near North Union Road Saturday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters found two vehicles involved in a collision and blocking the roadway. One of the vehicles experienced an engine compartment fire because of the collision. Firefighters pulled an attack line to extinguish the fire and used absorbent to control the leaking fluids from the vehicle. No injuries were reported.
- Heavy Equipment Fire—South Manteca Road
 Firefighters responded on mutual aid to the report of a heavy equipment fire on South Manteca Road Wednesday afternoon. Upon arrival, firefighters found a front loader on fire inside a metal barn. The owner had dumped a tractor bucket of soil on the front loader to control the fire.

Firefighters used hand tools to dig out and make access to the engine compartment. Engine Company 242 provided water to Engine 32 to assist in knocking down the fire.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Presentation of Awards

On February 8, during the Manteca Chamber Coffee, Chief Obligacion presented awards to Detective Lance Casqueiro and Officer David Brown. Detective Lance Casqueiro was awarded the coveted gold star for valor in saving a suicidal man's life, pulling him from the path of an approaching freight train at the Yosemite Avenue crossing in downtown Manteca. Dave Brown was presented with a lifesaving award for his action in using the Heimlich maneuver when he was called to assist a woman who was reportedly choking on a piece of meat at a Manteca restaurant on Yosemite Avenue. Brown was on his dinner break while on duty and rushed to the woman's aid after several other diners had failed in their attempts to dislodge the blockage in her throat.



Detective Lance Casqueiro
Officer Dave Brown (left to right)

Tactical Dispatch Training

On February 5 - 8, the Manteca Police Department hosted a Tactical Dispatch class. Three Manteca Police Dispatchers attended the class along with several others from surrounding departments. This 40-hour course is structured to provide Public Safety Dispatchers with the operational skills to function as an integral support component of Critical Incident operations.

Manteca Police Public Safety Dispatcher Marci Jones



Identification Needed

On February 7, the suspect depicted in the photo to the right shoplifted merchandise from Target, 280 Spreckels Avenue. He walked out of the north emergency exit doors and was last seen walking eastbound through the parking lot. Anyone with information regarding this case can contact Officer Espinoza at mespinoza@ci.manteca.ca.us.



Theft Suspect

Pet of the Week

Introducing "Korbel", our Pet of the Week. Korbel is a very friendly dog who looks like a Chihuahua. Korbel is about 1 years old, weighs about 12 lbs, and would make a great companion for some lucky person or family. Korbel would love to sit on the couch with you and enjoy a movie while relaxing on the weekend! He's low key, but loves to play with squeaky toys! Her adoption fee of \$125.00 covers spay, microchip, vaccinations and city license. Come see Korbel and the many other animals available for adoption at our shelter located at 115 East Wetmore Avenue.





CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

City Hall Schedule

- Friday, February 17: City offices are closed as part of the City's 9/80 flex work schedule
- Monday, February 20: City offices are closed in observance of Presidents' Day