



The Week in Review

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Police Department

The following is a summary of the significant events from the past two weeks:

Identification Wanted: The subjects pictured below are wanted in connection with a stolen vehicle that was dropped off at the Arco station located in the 1700 block of East Yosemite Avenue. Anyone with information on their identity is urged to contact the investigating Officer at mcoleman@ci.manteca.ca.us or by calling Crimestoppers anonymously at 209-823-INFO.



Subjects wanted in connection with a stolen vehicle

Sheriff's Office Assistance: The below suspect and vehicle are wanted in connection with a bicycle theft that occurred in the rural Manteca area. The subject may also be involved in more serious agricultural crimes. The photograph was taken in front of Pho Saigon restaurant near Target and Game Stop. Anyone with information is urged to contact San Joaquin County Deputy Davis at 209-468-4798.



Suspect and vehicle wanted for a bike theft in unincorporated San Joaquin County

Battery Arrest: On February 27, Officers responded to a report of a physical altercation in a parking lot in the 1300 block of East Yosemite Avenue. The Officers arrived and saw two subjects physically holding the suspect down. These two subjects were later found to be victims in this case. Officers noticed that the suspect was highly intoxicated. The investigation revealed that the two subjects were leaving a neighboring business with family members, including children. They observed the suspect yelling at a female near McDonald's. When the suspect saw the victims looking at him, he came over and assaulted both of them, unprovoked. The suspect was arrested and booked for battery and public intoxication. He was identified as 29-year-old Ismael Amezcua of Manteca.

Theft Suspect: The male suspect pictured below is wanted in connection with a theft from Ultra beauty supply. Anyone with information on his identity is urged to contact the investigating Officer at jplascencia@ci.manteca.ca.us or by calling Crimestoppers anonymously at 209-823-INFO.



Suspect wanted in connection with a theft

Theft Suspect: The suspect pictured below is wanted in connection with a theft of two nail guns from Orchard Supply Hardware. Anyone with information on his identity is asked to contact the investigating Officer at rsmith@ci.manteca.ca.us or by calling Crimestoppers anonymously at 209-823-INFO.



Theft suspect wanted for stealing two nail guns from OSH

Vehicle Pursuit: On February 29, an Officer began following a motorcycle that was travelling at a high rate of speed on Main Street near Wetmore Avenue. The motorcycle turned westbound onto Wawona Street and went into the path of oncoming traffic during its turn. The motorcycle immediately accelerated to approximately 80 miles per hour as the Officer initiated a vehicle pursuit. For public

safety reasons, the pursuit was terminated shortly after it began. The motorcycle continued westbound on Wawona Street and ran the stop sign at Locust Avenue at approximately 50 miles per hour. The driver could only be described as a male subject wearing a white helmet.

Theft Suspect: The suspect pictured below is wanted in connection with a theft of a package from a porch that occurred on February 29. Anyone with information on her identity is urged to contact the investigating Officer at randerson@ci.manteca.ca.us or by calling Crimestoppers anonymously at 209-823-INFO.



Suspect wanted in connection with a theft from the front porch of a residence

Theft Suspects: The suspects pictured below are wanted in connection with a theft that occurred at Ulta Beauty Supply on February 29. Anyone with information on their identity is urged to contact the investigating Officer at randerson@ci.manteca.ca.us or by calling Crimestoppers anonymously at 209-823-INFO.



Suspect wanted for fraud at Ulta Beauty Supply

Pet Adoption: This week’s featured pet is a small terrier mix we have been calling “Willy.” Willy is about 2 years old and weighs 15 pounds. He is very playful and is friendly with people and other small dogs. He is available for adoption now. To see this animal or any of the others currently residing in the shelter, visit us at the corner of Wetmore Avenue and Main Street.



One of many animals available at our shelter

Identification Wanted: The suspect pictured below is wanted in connection with a burglary at McDonald's where a pry bar was used to gain access to the drive-up window. Anyone with information on his identity is asked to contact the investigating Officer at dskrimager@ci.manteca.ca.us or by calling Crimestoppers anonymously at 209-823-INFO.



Suspect wanted in connection with a burglary

Fire Department

Reserve Firefighter Academy: The Reserve Firefighter

Firefighter Academy started this week at Fire Station No. 1.

The academy is a two-month long training program where reserve candidates are trained on basic firefighting skills and protocols. The Reserve Firefighter Program is an integral part of our department. Our Reserve Firefighters provide needed manpower at structure fires and assist the department in both our daily operations and in providing services to the community.



2016 Reserve Firefighter Academy

Highlights of Incidents:

- **Gas Leak – Hearthsong Drive**

Firefighters were dispatched for a broken natural gas line at Hearthsong Drive Wednesday afternoon. Upon arrival, firefighters found that a construction worker had dug through a two inch gas main with an excavator. Firefighters shut down parts of Hearthsong Drive and Reserve Drive in the affected area. Firefighters made contact with residents near the main break to evacuate the area. PG&E was notified and arrived on scene. Firefighters remained on scene to maintain a safe perimeter until PG&E was able to secure the gas line.

- Fire – *North Union Road*

Firefighters responded to a structure fire at North Union Road early Saturday morning. Upon arrival, firefighters found water flow alarms and fire alarms sounding but no visible smoke coming from the structure. Firefighters made access to the building to investigate. The downstairs was clear but when firefighters moved to the second story kitchen they found light smoke with one sprinkler head activated. The kitchen fire had been extinguished by the sprinkler system. Firefighters worked to shut down the system and replaced the sprinkler head. The scene was turned over to the tenant and the sprinkler system was reactivated.

- Fire – *Bolton Lane*

Before returning to quarters from the incident above Firefighters were dispatched to a chimney/attic fire at Bolton Lane. Upon arrival, firefighters found heavy smoke coming from the eaves and attic vents. Firefighters evacuated the structure, established a Rapid Intervention Crew for firefighter safety and prepared for vertical ventilation if needed. Firefighters made entry into the structure with a hose line and located the fire in the walls and attic area around the fireplace. An aggressive fire attack was initiated, pulling walls and ceiling to expose the fire. Once the fire was extinguished firefighters checked the structure for extension. Salvage and overhaul operations were initiated by the fire units on scene.

- Vehicle Accident – *Northbound Highway 99*

Firefighters responded to a vehicle accident on northbound Highway 99 at the Highway 120 Interchange on Tuesday afternoon. Upon arrival, firefighters found one overturned big rig with no injuries. Firefighters established a safe working area and also conducted a hazardous material assessment, containing the leaking fluids from the big rig.



Overturned big rig at Highway 99 and 120

Public Works

Waste Water Quality Control Facility: The City's Wastewater Quality Control Facility (WQCF) is gearing up for another recycled water season. The current four-year drought has underscored that water is a very valuable resource and the ability to put treated wastewater (recycled water) to use in place of potable water has real benefits. In 2015, the WQCF provided 2,550,714 gallons of tertiary disinfected recycled water for construction

purposes and used 474 million gallons of secondary treated wastewater to irrigate 260 acres of alfalfa and Sudan grass fields (non-food crops). If the treated wastewater was not used for these purposes, this water would have been discharged into the San Joaquin River. The construction season has already started for 2016 and the irrigation season should kick off in April. Staff at the WQCF are looking forward to another year of providing recycled water for beneficial uses and saving potable water.



Recycled water station irrigation field

Parks and Rec

Community Events: Tickets are on sale now for the Senior Center's next Friday Night Bingo event, to be held March 4 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Each \$10 ticket includes event entry and one six-pack of bingo cards; additional packs will be available for \$5 each at the event. There is limited space available, so buy your tickets early. Open to ages 18 and older.

- The Manteca Youth Advisory Commission will host a middle-school dance Friday, March 25, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Golden West Community Gymnasium, 1031 North Main Street. These dances are held periodically throughout the school year for youth in grades 6 through 8 only. School ID card or proof of school attendance and grade level is required for admission. Entrance is \$5 at the door. There will be a snack bar and glow items for sale. School dress code is enforced and security is provided by the Manteca Police Department. For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at (209) 456-8600.

Senior Services:

- Tickets for the March 21 Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo are on sale now and will be available until sold out. Each \$8 tickets 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 at 456-8650.
- The Senior Center will host the monthly Potluck Dinner on Thursday, March 17, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Seniors ages 50 and older are invited and are asked to bring a dish (enough to feed eight people) and their own plates and flatware. Brookdale-Manteca will be providing the dessert. For more information, call the Senior Center at 456-8650.

- The Senior Center invites seniors ages 50 and over to participate in our new activity, “Strolling with the Staff” on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 9:00 a.m. The group will meet near the Senior Center front desk before departing for a 30- to 45-minute walk with City staff and/or volunteers. Wear warm, comfortable clothing and walking shoes. Please call the Senior Center front desk at 456-8650 if you have any questions.

Recreation Programs:

- Youth Basketball – The Youth Basketball League held the playoff tournament February 28-29. The tournament was a success and the league is now finished for the season. There were more than 415 participants in the league.
- Adult Basketball – Our Winter Adult Basketball League started February 28 and will run for 11 weeks. The league takes place on Sundays at Golden West Community Gym and there are 22 teams signed up.

Field Rentals:

- John Reedy with Northern California Senior Softball Association will be running a senior softball tournament this weekend, March 5-6, at Northgate Softball Complex.
- Lance Oliver with All-Star Tournaments will be hosting a girls’ fast-pitch softball tournament this weekend, March 5-6, at Morezone Ball Field.

Little People’s Creative Play and Mommy and 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 the 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 any combination of days. There are daily craft projects, along with a snack, sharing and story time. Mom/Dad and Me is a stepping-stone to Creative Play and requires parent participation with the toddlers.

Kids’ Zone Programs: The City offers State-licensed child-care programs for parents who need care for their children before and after school hours. Kids’ Zone is for children in kindergarten through 7th grade, and currently is offered at nine Manteca elementary schools. Before-School program begins at 6:30 a.m. and runs until the start of the school day. KinderZone is designed for morning kindergarten students and runs from kindergarten dismissal until 3:30 p.m. After-School program runs from regular school dismissal until 6:00 p.m. Participants receive help with homework, enjoy healthy snacks, have time for free play, and engage in crafts and organized games. The program application and handbook are available in the Parks and Recreation office or online at www.mantecagov.com/parks.

Community Development

Building Safety Week in Review February 22-26: The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 210 inspections during the week, and the Community Development Department assisted a total of 89 people at the counter. The division issued 70 building permits, which included 3 Residential Demolitions, 7 Residential Electrical Services, 1 Residential Fire Sprinkler, 7 HVAC Replacements, 1 Residential Electrical, 3 Commercial Plumbing, 1 Residential Plumbing, 2 Patio Covers, 27 Photovoltaic, 1 Residential Remodel, 6 Residential Reroof, 3 Single-Family Dwellings, 1 Residential Stucco/Siding, 1 Commercial Stucco/Siding, 1 Swimming Pool Demolition, 3 Water Heaters, and 2 Water Softeners. A total of 31 new project applications were accepted and, of those, 4 were issued immediately. A total of 27 submittals were held for plan check. They are: 7 Addendum, 1 Residential Addition, 1 Commercial Fire Sprinkler, 5 Landscape, 2 Commercial Miscellaneous Building, 1 Commercial Electrical, 1 Residential Plumbing, 2 Patio Covers, 4 Single-Family Dwellings, 1 Swimming Pool, and 2 Commercial Tenant Infill.

City Manager's Office

Have a great weekend!