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## THE WEEK IN REVIEW

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### PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### Community Events

- The Manteca Youth Advisory Commission and GK Music present “Got Talent?” This event will be held Saturday, April 22, at the Manteca Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane. Come and watch talented youth, teens and young adults ages 5 through 21 battle for great prizes and bragging rights! Spectator tickets are available for \$5 presale (at the Parks and Recreation office through April 21, cash or check only) or \$8 at the door. For more information, please call 456-8632.
- The Manteca Youth Advisory Commission will host a Middle-School Dance Friday, April 28, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Neil Hafley Elementary School gymnasium, 849 Northgate Dr. 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 Parks and Recreation at 456-8600.

#### Senior Services

- The Manteca Senior Center is open to seniors ages 50 and older Monday through 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.
- Tickets for the May 15 Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo Night are on sale now. Each \$8 ticket includes entry, spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, beverages, and dessert. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. and 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

- *Adult Basketball*—Adult Basketball league is past the halfway point and continues to run well. The program is held at Golden West Community Gym and there are 21 teams participating.

#### Field Rentals

- *Boys' Baseball*—Rudy Fernandez with All World Sports is hosting a boys' baseball tournament this weekend, April 22-23, at Northgate Softball Complex.

- Soccer—Manteca Futbol Club is hosting a soccer tournament this weekend, April 22-23, at Woodward Community Park, Antigua Park, Chadwick Square Park, and Doxey Park.

### **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.



*Kids' Zone program participants coloring and doing homework.*

### **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 had an Easter-egg hunt with our mascot Parky and the Easter Bunny.*

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **Water Division Employee Extinguishes Vehicle Fire**

On April 17, James Peeks, Water Maintenance Worker I, spotted a tow truck on fire and jumped into action. He pulled over, grabbed the City issued fire extinguisher and extinguished the fire. Seconds later the fire restarted and James again put it out. James remained onsite until the Fire Department arrived.



*Tow Truck Fire*

### **Water Division Takes Delivery of a HXX Prodigy Vector:**

The Water Division received their newest member of the team, HXX Prodigy Vector. This new piece of equipment will allow staff to safely and efficiently excavate in order to make repairs to City Water Lines. The Vector excavates using high pressure water or air to knock dirt down into the excavation, then a vacuum hose lifts the material out of the hole and collects it in an onboard tank. This method of excavation is the safest way to dig around buried utilities. The Vector is also environmental friendly; it is powered by Compressed Natural Gas.



*Water Division's new HXX Prodigy Vector.*

### **Stormwater Regional Training**

#### **An interactive regional stormwater training for San Joaquin Valley Stakeholders.**

Public Works Engineering Department would like to invite you to attend this valuable training from the agencies enforcing stormwater regulations. The training will cover the following topics:

- Low Impact Design (LID) Operations & Maintenance
- Low Impact Design (LID) Design & Plan Check Lessons Learned
- Post-Construction LID—The Good, the Bad and the Ugly
- Pollution Prevention & Hot Spots
- Maintenance Factors associated with Post-Construction BMPs

**Date:** Thursday, May 18, 2017

**Time:** 7:45 AM - 12:30 PM

**Address:** City of Manteca— Transit Center, 220 Moffat Boulevard, Manteca, CA 95336

Registration fee is **\$45** and **includes** a continental **breakfast**

To register please visit [www.sjvswqp.org](http://www.sjvswqp.org) or e-mail: [sdelgado@ci.patterson.ca.us](mailto:sdelgado@ci.patterson.ca.us)

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### Building Safety Week in Review April 10 - 13:

The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 201 inspections during the week, and the Community Development Department assisted a total of 149 people at the counter. The division issued 89 building permits, which included Residential Accessory Building, CMU Wall, Residential Demolition, Commercial Electrical Service, Residential Electrical Service, Residential Fire Sprinkler, Residential HVAC, Commercial Plumbing, Residential Plumbing, Patio Cover, Residential Reroof, Single-Family Dwelling, Shed, Wall Sign, Residential Solar, Storage Racks, Swimming Pool/Spa, Water Heater, and Water Softener. A total of 36 new project applications were accepted and of those, 8 were issued immediately. A total of 28 submittals were held for plan check, which included Addendum, Awning/Canopy, Commercial Building, Residential Fire Sprinkler, Flagpole, Commercial Electrical, Residential Plumbing, Single-Family Dwelling, Wall Sign, Swimming Pool/Spa, and Commercial Tenant Infill.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Highlights of Incidents

- *Fire – South Airport Way*

Firefighters were alerted by the property owner of a house fire on South Airport Way while firefighters were on scene of a vehicle accident that snapped a power pole across the street Thursday afternoon. The Fire Captain ran down the driveway with the property owner to confirm the fire. Thick black smoke was within 2 feet of the floor when the back door of the structure was opened. The crew advised the Battalion Chief on scene of the vehicle accident and informed South County Dispatch to begin a structure assignment. Engine Company 242 repositioned in front of the driveway and as crews pulled an attack line the fire began to blow out the windows at the southeast corner of the structure. The fire was fully extinguished within 15 minutes and confined to the living room, saving much of the structure from total destruction. All Manteca Fire Department resources were pulled to this incident so a full callback of off duty firefighters and reserves was requested to cover the rest of the city while salvage and overhaul operations were underway. There were no injuries reported during this incident however two family pets perished as a result of this incident.



*Picture courtesy of Manteca Bulletin*

- *Explosion – West Center Street*

Firefighters were dispatched to the report of an explosion in an apartment complex on West Center Street Saturday afternoon. Upon arrival, firefighters spoke with the reporting party who stated that a number of explosions could be heard coming from the pool house area. Firefighters worked quickly to evacuate the adjoining apartments to the pool area as other responding units investigated the cause of the explosions. It was discovered that the pool heater was igniting quick explosions from inside the unit, shooting flames 5 feet out of the heater. Firefighters mitigated the problem by shutting down the gas and electrical supply to the pool heater. During this incident

two of our units were called away to respond to a fire, so for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in three days all Manteca Fire Department resources were pulled and a full callback was requested.

- *Vehicle Accident – Highway 120*

Firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle accident on westbound Highway 120 west of Union Road Sunday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters found six vehicles involved blocking all westbound lanes of traffic. Firefighters conducted a hazardous materials assessment and began patient care. Six patients were transported from the scene to local hospitals.



*Vehicle Accident involving six vehicles on Highway 120*

- *Fire – John Roos Avenue*

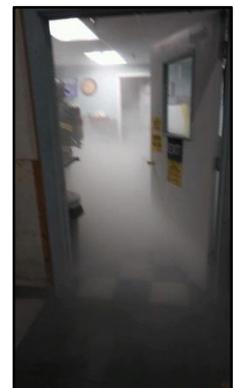
Firefighters were dispatched on mutual aid to the report of a structure fire on John Roos Avenue early Monday morning. Upon arrival, firefighters were assigned to check the roof for stability and possible vertical ventilation. Firefighters made access to the roof and advised command that it appeared to be stable. Once the fire was extinguished our crews assisted Ripon Consolidated Fire District with pulling ceiling to check for extension. Our crews remained on scene to assist with overhaul before being released to return back to Manteca.



*Structure Fire on John Roos Avenue*

- *Hazmat Release – North Main Street*

Firefighters responded to the report of a Structure Fire at a grocery store on North Main Street Wednesday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters reported that the building was being evacuated and there was light smoke showing inside the store. After investigating, it was found that a refrigeration pump in the back of the store had malfunctioned causing a leak of the refrigerant. Firefighters remained on scene to clear the air. No injuries were reported and damage was confined to the single pump.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

### **Human Trafficking Operation**

On April 14, our investigation's unit conducted a human trafficking operation with the City of Manteca. This was a joint operation with the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Department, Home Land Security, the District Attorney's Office and Victim/Witnesses. During the operation, we arrested nineteen (19) people for various sex related crimes. The crimes included; prostitution, pimping, pandering and contacting a minor with the intent to commit a sex offense. Our police department is committed in protecting our community and this operation was representative of this.

### **Identification Needed**

We are currently trying to identify the suspect depicted in the attached photograph. He is responsible for two thefts at Walgreens. He is described as a white male adult, 20 to 25 years old. Anyone with information about this suspect is asked to contact Officer Smigelski at [rsmigelski@ci.manteca.ca.us](mailto:rsmigelski@ci.manteca.ca.us).



*Theft Suspect*

### **Staples Fraud Suspect**

The suspect depicted in the attached photo used a stolen credit card to make a fraudulent purchase at Staples. She is also believed to have made several other fraudulent charges at other locations in Manteca. Anyone with information about her identity is asked to contact CSO Smith at [rsmith@ci.manteca.ca.us](mailto:rsmith@ci.manteca.ca.us).



*Fraud Suspect*

### **Multiple Hit and Run Investigation**

On April 15, Officer Johnson was responding to a physical fight involving approximately 10 subjects in front of 1025 Janet Lane. As he began his turn onto Janet Lane, he activated his overhead emergency equipment and siren. He observed a dark blue Chevy Silverado (CA 47342N1) rear end a silver Chevy Silverado parked on the east curb line. Officer Johnson positioned his vehicle in the roadway near the dark blue Chevy Silverado. He pulled as far to the east as he could and allowed a lane for any possible northbound vehicular traffic. Officer Johnson exited his patrol vehicle and ordered the suspect in the Silverado to stop and turn off his engine. The driver of the Silverado placed his vehicle in reverse. Officer Johnson continued to shout demands at the driver, but they were ignored. The driver

put the vehicle into drive and rapidly accelerated. From viewing the COBAN, it appears that the driver attempted to drive around the patrol car but did not manipulate his direction of travel very well. As the Silverado attempted to veer his vehicle around the patrol car, he collided into the passenger side of the front push bump and continued around the vehicle, sideswiping the rear quarter panel and bumper. The driver then continued towards Wawona Street and fled the scene.

A few minutes later across town on N. Airport Way near Northgate Drive, the Silverado was involved in another hit and run collision. The driver of the victim vehicle was able to give MPD Dispatch the license plate number and it was the same as the one that collided into Officer Johnson's patrol vehicle. The victim followed the suspect vehicle into Lathrop until she lost sight of it near McKinley Road. Lathrop Police Services, Officer Cruz and Detective May responded to a residence in the 15000 block of 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Lathrop. The vehicle was found parked on the dirt shoulder in front of the residence. A male subject came outside a few times but said he had not seen the driver and that the vehicle had been parked all day long. The driver, identified as Oscar Tapia-Torrez, was positively identified at the original scene by family members and by Officer Johnson. The suspect's DL was suspended for a prior drunk driving offense and the vehicle was towed.

### **Pet of the Week**

Our Pet of the Week is "Pete". Pete is a very friendly dog who looks like a Chihuahua mix. He is about one-year-old and weighs 8 pounds. He is very good with people, is affectionate and would make a great companion for some lucky person. Pete's adoption fee covers spay/neuter, microchip, vaccinations and city license. Come down to the animal shelter at 115 East Wetmore Avenue and visit the many animals available for adoption now.

*Pete*



## **HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGEMENT**

This week, Department Director Joe Kriskovich was a participant in the annual California Association of Joint Powers Authority (CAJPA) Legislative Action Day. CAJPA was founded in 1981 and is the premier organization setting the standards for cooperation and fiscally responsible governance enabling California agencies to work together in the areas of risk management. CAJPA serves more than 1,000 schools and community colleges, 471 cities, 54 of California's 58 counties and more than 3,000 special districts. The City of Manteca is affiliated with CAJPA through its membership with the Municipal Pooling Authority (MPA).

The day included an update on all pending legislation in the area of risk management and specific bills that are supported and opposed by CAJPA. More than 60 visits were made to members of the State Assembly and Senate, to help educate the lawmakers on the cause and effect of certain bills and the potential fiscal impact to all agencies.

## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

### **Public Service Announcement**

San Joaquin County released the following public service announcement on April 12, 2017:

In an effort to assist property owners affected by recent storms, San Joaquin County Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk Steve J. Bestolarides published a [Disaster Relief informational page](#) on the [Assessor's website](#) outlining eligibility requirements for property tax relief and providing a printable Disaster Relief Application form. To qualify for property tax relief, damage to the property must be at least \$10,000 of current market value and a disaster relief form must be filed with the Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk's office within 12 months from the date of damage or destruction.

"Our employees remain committed to providing timely and equitable tax relief to victims affected by the recent storms," said Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk Steve J. Bestolarides. The Office of the Assessor-Recorder-County Clerk also worked with the San Joaquin County Office of Emergency Services to obtain a list of properties that were affected in the February 2017 storms and will mail Disaster Relief Application forms to these property owners.

For additional information about property tax disaster relief, please visit the [California State Board of Equalization's Disaster Relief - Frequently Asked Questions page](#).

The Public Service Announcement and application can also be found on the City's website at: <http://www.ci.manteca.ca.us/Documents/DisasterRelief.pdf>.

### **City Hall Schedule**

- Friday, April 28: City offices will be closed as part of the City's 9/80 flex work schedule.