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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

A Report from the Office of the City Manager – Vol. 9, No. 63 – August 11, 2017

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Community Events

- Tickets are on sale now for the Senior Center's next Friday Night Bingo event for ages 18 and older. The fun takes place at the Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane, on August 25 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 are available at the event for \$5 each. There is limited space available, so buy your tickets early!

Senior Services

- The Manteca Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane, is open to seniors 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.
- The Senior Center's annual Health and Wellness Fair will take place at 295 Cherry Lane on Thursday, August 17, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This free event is a great opportunity for senior citizens to access information and resources that will enhance and support their daily living, health, and interests. Lunch is provided! You must call (209) 456-8650 by August 11 to reserve your free lunch. If you have any questions, please give us a call!



Seniors interact with vendors at last year's Senior Health and Wellness Fair—September 2016

- The Senior Center will host its monthly Potluck Dinner on Thursday, August 17, at 5:00 p.m. Seniors ages 50-plus are invited and asked to bring a dish (enough to feed eight people) and their own plates and flatware. Brookdale-Manteca will be providing the dessert. Call the Senior Center for more information.

- Tickets are available now for the Saturday Senior Breakfast and Police Demonstration on August 19 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the Manteca Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane. The breakfast will be hosted by Manteca Police Chief Jodie Estarziau. Tickets are free but must be picked up by August 16 at the Senior Center front desk. The breakfast menu includes biscuits and gravy, sausage links, eggs “a la ‘Teca,” fruit, juice, and coffee. This event is open to those ages 40 years and older.
- Tickets for the August 21 Spaghetti Dinner and Bingo are now on sale. 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. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. For more information, call the Senior Center at 456-8650.

Recreation Programs

- *Public Swim*—Lincoln Pool will be open for public swim Saturday and Sunday, August 12-13 and August 19-20, from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. Swim lessons are being offered evenings Monday through Thursday, August 14-17. Contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 456-8600 for more information.
- *Adult Basketball*—The Summer Adult Basketball League is heading into the third weekend of games on August 13. The league runs for five weeks with playoffs held on the sixth weekend. There are 16 teams participating and the program is held at Golden West Community Gym.
- *Tiny Tots*—Tiny Tots Indoor Soccer for ages 3-6 began July 29 at Golden West Community Gym and will run for five Saturdays.

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, including Before-School, KinderZone, and After-School care; for specific locations and programs, check the Parks and Recreation Department’s Activity Guide (available online: www.mantecagov.com/parks) or pick up the parent handbook and application packet available online and in our office at 252 Magnolia Ave. The Kids’ Zone programs kicked off the new school year this week when MUSD students returned to class. There already are 325 children enrolled.



Veritas School After-School program participants enjoying free time—and a cool treat—outdoors.

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

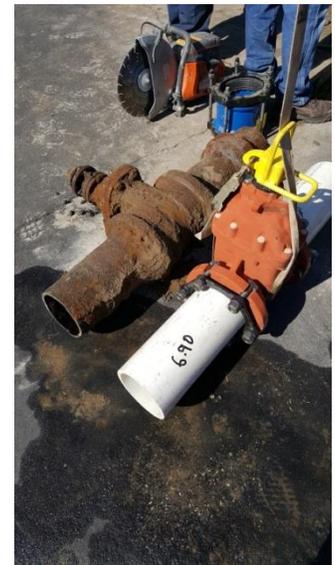
The City offers a structured learning program Mondays through Thursdays for preschool-aged children, 3½ to 5 years old (Creative Play), and a parent participation class on Friday mornings for toddlers 18 months to 3 years old (Mom/Dad and Me). Creative Play allows children to work on motor skills and 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 arts-and-crafts projects.

PUBLIC WORKS

Water Division Valve Exercise Program: The City's newly implemented Water Valve Exercise Program is in full swing. Water Division Staff have been methodically moving through town using a truck specifically designed to exercise water shut off valves. Water valves are used to isolate sections of water mains in order to make repairs. In emergencies, like when a fire hydrant is knocked off by a vehicle, it is critical that these valves are functional and completely stop the flow of water. In addition to exercising valves, this program exposes broken valves. Broken valves negatively impact residents because staff has to move to the next valve to make a shut down, increasing the number of homes that have their water service interrupted.



Water Division Staff replacing a broken valve

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building Safety Week in Review July 31 – August 3:

The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 216 inspections during the week. The division issued 58 building permits, which included Residential Accessory Building, Commercial Addition, Commercial CMU Wall, Commercial Electrical Service, Residential Electrical Service, Fire Alarm, Commercial Fire Sprinkler, Garage Conversion, Fire Hood & Duct, Residential HVAC, Residential Electrical, Miscellaneous Residential, Parking Lot, Patio Cover, Residential Reroof, Single-Family Detached Dwelling, Residential Solar, Swimming Pool/Spa, Commercial Tenant Infill, and Water Softener. A total of 30 new project applications were accepted and of those, 12 were issued immediately. A total of 18 submittals were held for plan check, which included Addendum, Deferred Submittals, Fire Alarm, Garage Conversion, Miscellaneous Residential, Parking Lot, Single-Family Production Homes, and Commercial Tenant Infill.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Wal-Mart Re-Grand Opening

The Manteca Fire Chief, Kyle Shipherd was invited to attend the Re-Grand Opening celebration at our local Wal-Mart on Friday, August 4th. Truck Company 24 was also in attendance and was pleased to accept a donation from the Wal-Mart Foundation to the Manteca Fire Chief's Foundation to assist with our key programs in the community.



Manteca Wal-Mart Re-Grand Opening

Highlights of Incidents

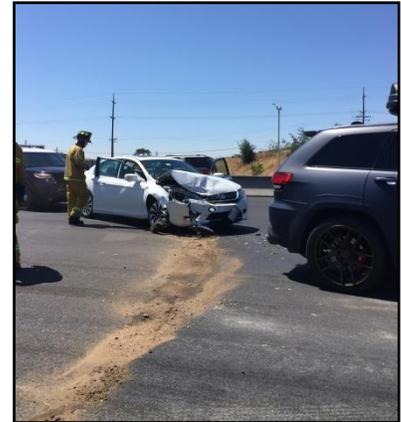
- Grass Fire – Hulsey Way
Firefighters responded to the report of a grass fire on Hulsey Way early Thursday morning. Upon arrival, firefighters found an outdoor fire just behind a fast food restaurant stretching along the side of the Southbound Highway 99. Truck Company 24 pulled an attack line and extinguished the fire. The cause of the fire was undetermined and there were no injuries reported.
- Structure Fire – Frontage Road
Firefighters were dispatched on automatic aid to the report of a structure fire on Southbound State Route 99 West Frontage Road Thursday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters were assigned to extinguish a grass fire on the east side of the property. Firefighters remained on scene to assist with salvage and overhaul of a small structure before being released to return to their district.
- Grass Fire – North Main Street
Firefighters responded to the report of a grass fire on North Main Street on Friday afternoon. Firefighters arrived on scene to find a grass fire with light flashy fuels and moderate rate of spread. Firefighters pulled a booster line to extinguish the fire and overhauled the area to ensure full extinguishment.

- Boat Rescue – South Austin Road

Firefighters were dispatched on automatic aid to the report of a boat rescue at Caswell Park on Saturday afternoon. Rescue 24 arrived on scene and was directed to the day use area for staging. Ripon Fire had located 3 victims in the water and asked Manteca Fire to launch Boat 24 and travel up river approximately ¼ mile to retrieve the victims. Boat 24 noted that life jackets were not present and the victims were brought down the river where Ripon Fire assisted with offloading and provided patient care. Upon completing the assignment Rescue 24 returned with Boat 24 to their district.

- Vehicle Accident – Highway 99

Firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle accident on Northbound Highway 99 South of Highway 120 Sunday afternoon. Upon arrival firefighters found 3 vehicles involved with the #2 and #3 lanes of the highway blocked. Engine Company 242 blocked traffic to establish a safe working area before conducting a hazardous materials assessment. Patient care was provided but the injured party refused to be transported by ambulance.



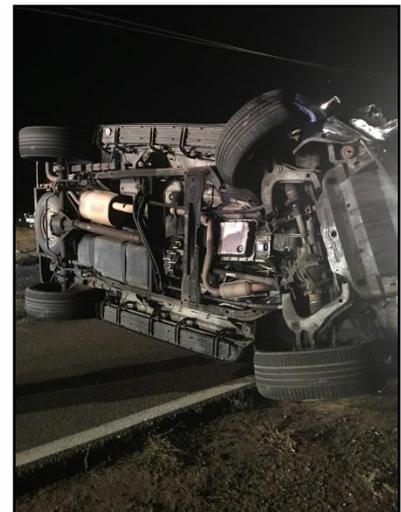
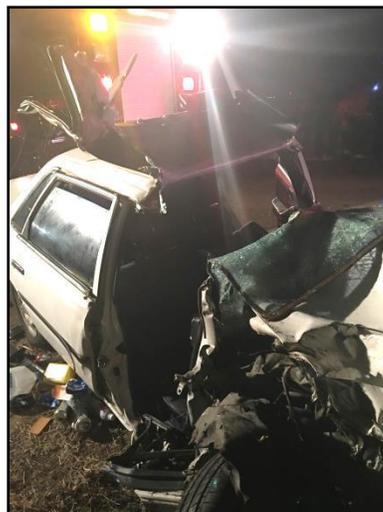
Vehicle Accident on Highway 99

- Outdoor Fire – Lavender Street

Firefighters were dispatched to the report of an outdoor fire on Lavender Street on Monday evening. Firefighters arrived on scene to find three trash receptacles melted on the side of the residential structure. The occupant of the house had attempted to extinguish the fire with a garden hose before firefighters had arrived. Once the fire was extinguished Truck Company 24 checked for extension with the thermal imager and opened up an exterior wall below the utility box since all three trash receptacles were resting against the wall of the structure. The electrical meter to the property had also been damaged so PG&E was requested to the scene. R24 assisted T24 with checking for extension and stayed on scene until PG&E arrived.

- Vehicle Accident – Woodward Avenue

Firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle accident on Woodward Avenue ¼ mile West of McKinley Avenue Wednesday night. Upon arrival firefighters found 2 vehicles involved with one resting on its side. Firefighters worked quickly to extricate two patients pinned in one vehicle and stabilized the other vehicle. One patient was pronounced deceased at the scene and two other critically injured patients were transported by ambulance with firefighters on board.



Vehicle Accident on Woodward Avenue

- **Vehicle Accident – Highway 120**

Firefighters were dispatched to the report of a vehicle accident on Eastbound Highway 120 East of Main Street Friday morning. Upon arrival firefighters found one motorcycle resting on the shoulder and two patients ejected in the roadway. Patient care was provided to both critically injured patients who were immediately transported by ambulance to a trauma center with firefighters on board.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Vehicle Pursuit, Mail Theft Suspect

On August 4, a citizen called 911 to report he had just witnessed someone break into a community mailbox in the 600 block of Grafton Street. The citizen began following the suspect vehicle, which he described as a dark colored mid-size SUV. Officers responded to the area and began searching for the vehicle. Officer Cardenas located the vehicle in the neighborhood and activated his emergency equipment to conduct a traffic enforcement stop on it. The vehicle failed to yield and Officer Cardenas initiated a vehicle pursuit. The pursuit traveled through the neighborhood and onto Woodward Avenue before turning southbound on Main Street.

The pursuit continued through the county area south of Manteca where Officer S. Smith also joined to assist Officer Cardenas. The pursuit eventually led eastbound onto Highway 132 before turning eastbound on Paradise Road in the unincorporated area of Modesto. The pursuit turned southbound on Carpenter Road before the suspect vehicle turned into Riverdale Park where he abandoned the vehicle and fled on foot. A perimeter was established at the park with the assistance of Modesto CHP and the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Office, however no suspect(s) were located. The suspect vehicle was found to be a red 2016 Jeep Cherokee that had been reported stolen to the Pagosa Springs Police Department in Colorado. The vehicle was processed at the scene and evidence was collected including numerous pieces of stolen mail. Detectives are following up on identifying the suspect.

Arrest for Trespassing on Railroad Property

On August 4, Dispatch received a call from the Union Pacific Railroad advising a train crew reported they had possibly struck a subject who was laying on the railroad tracks in the 1600 block of West Louise Avenue. Officer Smigelski and Officer Cardenas were dispatched to the scene, as were medics. Upon arrival, Officer Smigelski found the southbound train had made an emergency stop south of Louise Ave. Two train crewmembers had exited the train and were standing with a male subject (later identified as (S) Nicolas Ramos LARA (35-year old male Stockton resident) on the east side of the tracks. LARA was uninjured and he had not been struck by the train.

The train conductor advised as the train approached Louise Avenue he could see a subject laying between the rails of the railroad tracks. The train was unable to stop and rolled over the top of the subject. The train made an emergency stop and MPD was notified. The conductor and another crew man then exited the train and found LARA lying next to the railroad tracks (no longer between the rails). LARA was uninjured and denied being on the tracks when questioned. LARA was found to be intoxicated and Union Pacific Police Department contacted MPD and requested he be placed under arrest for: Entering onto railroad property and disrupting railway / locomotive. LARA was then booked into the San Joaquin County Jail.

Fatal Traffic Accident Investigation

On August 9, Officers were dispatched to the area of Woodward Road and McKinley Avenue on the report of a collision involving two vehicles. Officers arrived on scene and located a GMC Yukon and Toyota Camry approximately 300 yards West of McKinley Ave on Woodward Rd. The GMC was found to be on its side (Passengers side) and the Camry was located on the south shoulder of Woodward Rd. with two occupants inside. Fire and Ambulance personnel were already on scene. The passenger of the GMC was located on the north shoulder of Woodward Road being treated by Medics. He was later transported to San Joaquin County Hospital.

The driver and occupant of the Toyota were pinned inside the vehicle and had to be extricated by Manteca Fire. The driver per Manteca Ambulance had severe injuries and was immediately transported to San Joaquin County Hospital. The passenger was determined to be deceased on scene by medics. The passenger's identification could not be determined as of the completion of this report. Per witness statements, the driver of the GMC left the scene prior to MPD arrival. The traffic unit and on call Detective was contacted and advised of the collision. They responded to the scene and took over the remainder of the investigation.

Subject Struck by Train/Possible Suicide

On August 9, Dispatch received a report of a pedestrian being struck by a train in the area of south Main and the RR tracks. Officers responded and located a deceased male adult. He was positioned near the tracks between Yosemite Ave and Main St. An investigation revealed the adult male walked onto the tracks as a train was approaching him. Due to the male's close proximity to the oncoming train the train conductor did not have enough time to stop the train to avoid colliding with the male. He was struck by the front of the train and died as a result. Union Pacific PD responded and began their investigation. Information about the subject is not being released until next of kin is notified.

Employee of the Quarter

Chief Estarziau is pleased to announce Officer Garret Morrison has been selected as the Employee of the Quarter. The following are some of the highlights as to why he was recommended by the Employee of the Quarter Committee.

"Officer Morrison is compassionate and a consummate professional in his dealings with citizens. He is diligent in his investigations and completes his calls for service in a timely manner even though his assigned workload may be high. In addition, Officer Morrison manages his time well and manages to remain proactive while handling his assigned calls for service. Per Records Clerk Ramirez, Officer Morrison is open to receiving constructive criticism from Records and he uses this feedback and information for self-improvement while always maintaining a positive and upbeat attitude. Officer Morrison does not hesitate to

assist in covering deficient shifts when needed and without complaint. This has been true not only of patrol shift shortages, but sometimes also in filling shortages in Dispatch due to his prior Dispatcher experience. This has been invaluable with the current shortages in Dispatch. Officer Morrison is a true team player. In addition to his positive attitude at work, Officer Morrison routinely goes above and beyond in assisting members of the community outside of what was required or expected of him as a Police Officer. As an example; on 02-27-17, Officer Morrison (along with three other MPD Employees)



Officer Morrison

purchased a new bicycle for a victim of a bicycle theft (17-06296). In this case a legally blind victim had his bicycle (and only mode of transportation) stolen from him while he shopped at a local business. Officer Morrison and the other employees pooled their money and paid for a new bicycle for the victim. The victim was beyond appreciative and wrote a letter of thanks which resulted in a letter of exemplary police work for Officer Morrison and the other employees”.

Pets of the Week

Our first Pet of the Week is “Lorenzo”. Lorenzo is a very friendly dog who needs a loving home soon! He is playful, affectionate and loves people. Lorenzo gets along well with others dogs and would make a great companion for some lucky person or family. Please visit the shelter ASAP and refer to Pet ID #A014675 if you’re interested in meeting him. This is a very small shelter and many more dogs are surrendered than adopted. Please help save a life.

Lorenzo



Meet Gunner our second Pet of the Week. Gunner is a very friendly dog who needs a loving home very soon. He is a Pit Bull Mix who loves the park and long walks. He is playful, affectionate and loves people. He gets along well with other animals and would make a great companion for some lucky family. Please visit Gunner at our shelter located at 115 East Wetmore Street.

Gunner



“Nadia” (ID #A014695) is a very friendly cute cat who needs a loving home. She is a beautiful girl who loves attention, loves to play and would make a great companion for some lucky family. She is litterbox trained.

Nadia



CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

City Hall Schedule

- Friday, August 18: City offices will be closed as part of the City's 9/80 work schedule.

City Council Meeting

The next City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. The complete agenda, with agenda reports and attachments, are available to the public on the City Clerk's website at <http://www.ci.manteca.ca.us/CityClerk/CouncilVideos.aspx#>.