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## THE WEEK IN REVIEW

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### PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### Community Events

- Tickets are now on sale for the Senior Center's Bingo Bash to be held on November 18 from 6:00-8:00 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 bingo packs will be available for \$5 each at the event. There is limited space available for this event, so buy your tickets early! Open to ages 18 and older.

#### 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 paid programs, such as photography, 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 Manteca Senior Center Angel Tree Project will take place from December 1 through 14. During this time, there will be a Christmas tree in the lobby of the Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane. Participants are asked to choose a name from the tree and then purchase an item from that senior's wish list. You can be somebody's "angel" this Christmas! If you have any questions, please call the Senior Center at 456-8650.

#### Recreation Programs

- *Tiny Tots Sports*– Tiny Tots Basketball for ages 3-6 begins this Saturday, November 12, at Neil Hafley Elementary School. The program runs for five weeks and there are more than 100 participants enrolled.
- *Youth Sports*– Manteca Parks and Recreation partners with Manteca Unified School District to offer sport programs for disabled children of all ages; Challenger Kickball has been running on Saturdays at Neil Hafley school with 20 participants and is heading into its final weekend. Challenger Basketball will begin in January; for information, contact the Parks and Recreation office at 456-8600.
- *Youth Sports*– Youth Basketball League assessments were held November 7-10 at Stella Brockman Elementary School. There are nearly 400 participants enrolled in the department's Winter Basketball League.

### **Field Rentals**

- *Softball*– Chris Myers with NSA California will host a girls’ softball tournament this weekend, November 12-13, at Northgate Softball Complex.
- *Soccer*– Manteca Futbol Club will host a Nor Cal Cup tournament this weekend, November 12-13, at Woodward Community Park.

### **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.

### **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 ([www.mantecagov.com/parks](http://www.mantecagov.com/parks)), or in the office at 252 Magnolia Ave.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

### **Building Safety Week in Review October 31 – November 4:**

The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 245 inspections during the week, and the Community Development Department assisted a total of 140 people at the counter. The division issued 98 building permits, which included Commercial Building, Residential Demolition, Residential Electrical Service Change, Residential Fire Sprinklers, Fire Hood & Duct Suppression System, Residential HVAC Replacements, Miscellaneous Commercial Building, Miscellaneous Commercial Electrical, Miscellaneous Residential Electrical, Miscellaneous Residential Plumbing, Miscellaneous Residential, Patio Covers, Residential Reroof, Single-Family Dwellings, Residential Photovoltaic, Residential Stucco/Siding, Temporary Power Pole, Water Heater, and Water Softeners. A total of 50 new project applications were accepted and, of those, 26 were issued immediately. A total of 24 submittals were held for plan check. They are: Addendum, Antenna, Commercial Demolition, Fire Alarm, Miscellaneous Commercial Electrical, Free/Pole Sign, Wall Sign, Swimming Pool/Spa, and Commercial Tenant Infill/Remodel.

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Maintenance at WQCF

The Lead Maintenance Worker pictured at right is inspecting the South Blower Gallery crane at WQCF. There are five cranes on-site. WQCF staff inspects each crane quarterly to ensure they are safe to use. In addition, the crane company comes out annually to inspect and certify the cranes, and every 5 years they are load tested at 125% of their load capacity. This ensures the city's cranes are in safe working condition and are ready to use when needed.



WQCF influent pumps are pictured. These pumps are critical to wastewater as they pump incoming wastewater into either the north or south treatment train. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) requires that Manteca have redundant pumps in case of an emergency. These four pumps have been alternating service for approximately 10 years (two are running at any given time) and two of them now need bearings replacement. After a six-month wait for the bearing kits from the manufacturer, they have now arrived and the pumps' bearings are being replaced one pump at a time so we always have one spare pump in service.



Pictured is one of the sudan fields at WQCF. This is the last harvest for alfalfa and sudan for the 2016 season. This season is unique - it is the first full season WQCF staff were "farmers". WQCF staff hired a contract farmer to prep and plant the fields and then contracted with San Joaquin Valley Hay Growers Association to harvest and sell our crop. The sudan fields were harvested twice (every 90 days or so) and the alfalfa fields were harvested five times (every 45 days) this season. Sudan is an annual grass crop similar in appearance to corn and must be planted every year, whereas alfalfa is planted and grown for

four to five years. These fields with their respective crops provide a very valuable service for City of Manteca by giving Manteca a productive, environmentally friendly place to use their treated wastewater blended with seasonal industrial food processing wastewater. Without the agricultural fields, the seasonal industrial food wastewater would have to go through the wastewater treatment plant instead of going directly to a holding pond for field discharge. Having the seasonal food processing wastewater go through the plant has the potential to upset the treatment plant, which could lead to permit limit violations. It would also take up flow and loading capacity that could be allocated to other uses. Crop yields should be available in a month or so to see how well WQCF staff did as farmers - stay tuned...

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### General Election Polling Place

As in years past, Manteca Fire Station 1 and 2 were both selected as polling places for the 2016 General Election. This is an important role to fill in our community and the Fire Department is proud to be able to be a part of the election process.

*Interim Fire Chief Kyle Shipherd casting his vote at Station 2*



### Fill the Fire Truck

The Manteca Fire Department will be holding their 9th Annual "Fill the Fire Engine" Food Drive at Safeway, 1187 S. Main Street, on Sunday, November 20th, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to benefit Second Harvest Food Bank. Firefighters will be accepting non-perishable items including turkeys and holiday goodies such as stuffing, cranberry sauce, etc. Cash donations will also be accepted with checks payable to Second Harvest Food Bank.

*Fill the Fire Engine 2015 Food Drive*



### Turkey Fryer Safety

With the Thanksgiving holiday quickly approaching the Manteca Fire Department would like to remind residents of the dangers of turkey fryers. These fryers pose a number of safety concerns including burn and fire hazard, so if you must use one the Manteca Fire Department urges you to be extremely cautious and read these safety tips first: [Turkey Fryer Safety Tips](#)

## **Highlights of Incidents**

- *Carbon Monoxide – Spruce Lane*  
Firefighters responded to the report of a fire on Spruce Lane Friday morning. Upon arrival, firefighters found a single story residential structure with nothing showing. Firefighters met with the occupant of the property who reported that smoke was coming from the heater inside the residence. After evacuating the structure, firefighters entered and made access to the heater with a slight smell of natural gas. Using a portable gas detecting device firefighters obtained a high read of carbon monoxide present and immediately shutdown power and gas to the residence. PG&E was called to the scene and firefighters ventilated the structure.
- *Structure Fire – Trailwood Avenue*  
Firefighters were dispatched to the report of a structure fire on Trailwood Avenue Tuesday afternoon. Upon arrival, firefighters found light smoke coming from the kitchen of the residence as a result of a cooking fire. Firefighters used an attack line to extinguish the fire that extended from the stove to the upper cabinetry and into the attic above. Firefighters knocked down the fire quickly and performed salvage operations including water removal.
- *Vehicle Accident – Buena Vista Drive*  
Firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle accident on Buena Vista Drive near Randall Way Saturday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters found two vehicles involved in the accident blocking the roadway. Firefighters blocked traffic to provide a safe working area and assisted the medics with patient care. One patient was transported to a local hospital.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

### **IDENTIFICATION NEEDED**

On November 4, the suspect depicted in the attached photo entered Home Depot and stole two DeWalt Drill combination kits worth over \$500.00. Anyone with information on this suspect is asked to contact the investigating Officer at [mcoleman@ci.manteca.ca.us](mailto:mcoleman@ci.manteca.ca.us).



*Theft Suspect*

### **POST Basic Dispatch Graduation**

On November 4, two police dispatchers graduated from the P.O.S.T. 120 Hour “South Bay Regional Public Safety Basic Dispatch Academy” held in San Jose, CA. The public safety dispatcher course introduces the necessary skills and knowledge to work in a law enforcement communications center. The course also prepared each student for the basic roles, responsibilities and duties of a public safety dispatcher within a law enforcement agency. The course included fundamental principles, procedures and techniques of law enforcement, including Ethics and Professionalism, Criminal Justice System, Workplace Communication, Telephone Technology and Procedures, Missing Persons, Domestic

Violence, Community Policing, Cultural Diversity, Radio Technologies and Procedures, Critical Incidents, Wellness Management, Gang Awareness, Hate Crimes, Sexual Harassment and an overview of many other legal aspects of public safety.

*Pictured: proud Dispatcher graduates with supervising Lieutenant and Captain*



### **Pet of the Week**

The Manteca Animal Shelter would like to introduce “Lucas” as our pet of the week. Lucas is a very friendly dog who looks like a Chihuahua/Terrier mix. Lucas is about one-year-old, weighs about 8 pounds and would make a great companion for some lucky person or family. His adoption fee of \$110.00 covers neuter, microchip, vaccinations and city license. Stop by the Manteca Animal Shelter at 115 East Wetmore Street and say hello to Lucas and the other animals available for adoption.



*Lucas, one of the many animals available for adoption now!*

## **HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGEMENT**

### **Welcome CSO Gina Rojas**

On November 7, Gina Rojas was sworn in as the Police Department’s newest Community Service Officer. Gina is no stranger to the department, where she has worked as a volunteer and Police Facility Aide for over ten years. After completing a period of training, Gina will be assigned to the patrol division. Please congratulate Gina when you have the opportunity.



## Annual Health and Safety Fair

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Health and Safety Fair was held on October 27th at the Transit Center. Our theme “Saddle Up for Safety” was incorporated to celebrate and inform our employees about Health and Safety. All the members of the Administrative Safety Committee dressed in boots, flannel, chaps and cowboy hats. Highlights included the highly anticipated tri tip sandwich, fresh out of the oven cookies, gluten free brownies and delicious apple slices and carrots. The goodie bags received during check in were stuffed with a mini first aid kit, sunscreen and hand sanitizer. We had our biggest turnout this year with 37 vendors participating including Health Care Trust, both ICMA and Strategic deferred comp representatives, San Joaquin County Department of Aging and American Cancer Society. Doctors Hospital performed flu shot vaccines, Costco provided ear checks, Body and Brain Yoga gave a look inside your aura, Financial Center Credit Union gave away great goodies, Co Occupation Medical Partners performed blood pressure checkups and Beauticontrol Spa offered sea salt hand treatments. Other vendors included chiropractors, Doctor Offices, fitness representatives, Dentists, nutritionists and financial advisors. We received great feedback from the fair including: “This was an amazing event, I enjoyed all of the vendors and all of the swag was great. Thank you for all of the time and effort put into this.” “I feel like this was the Best one in years. I appreciate you providing this for the employees. I will be changing dental care thanks to today’s health fair!” “Love that this was offered.” “Great event!” “Awesome! You always do a great job!”

We would like to thank all the vendors for taking time out of their busy schedules to participate and share their information at our Health and Safety Fair. A huge thank you the Building Maintenance Department and all of the Administrative Safety Committee members rounded up and pictured below!



*Additional pictures of this year's Health and Safety Fair below:*



## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

### Coming up Next Week

- City offices will be closed on Friday, November 11 and open on Friday, November 18 as part of the 9/80 flex work schedule.
- The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The complete agenda, along 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>

Have a great weekend!