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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.

- Christmas at the Center will take place on Thursday, December 1. The event will begin in front of the Civic Center, 1001 W. Center Street. Starting at 6:30 p.m., enjoy music and entertainment and join Mayor Steve DeBrum in the lighting of the Christmas tree. At 7:00 p.m., head over to the Manteca Senior Center, 295 Cherry Lane, where there will be free children's games, face-painting, crafts, and much more. There will also be an opportunity for photos with Santa. Participants are invited to bring a new, unwrapped toy to help benefit the "For Kids' Sake" project.



- The Manteca Youth Advisory Committee will host the Second Annual Madden Video Game Tournament on Saturday, January 21, at the Manteca Senior Center beginning at 10:00 a.m. Registration for the Tournament begins on November 28 at the Senior Center front desk. The \$20 entry fee includes a one-game guarantee and a lunch meal. The tournament will be split into three age divisions ranging from 10 years through adult. The possibility exists for free registration for those who can provide an Xbox One, Madden 17 and a 42" TV for tournament day. If you have any questions, please call Taylor Hasal at the Manteca Senior Center at (209) 456-8650.

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 will be closed November 21-25 for Thanksgiving. The Center also will be closed December 19 through January 4 for the Christmas and New Year’s holidays. If you have any questions, please call (209) 456-8650.
- 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 began November 12 and runs on Saturdays for five weeks. The program is held at Neil Hafley Elementary School and there are more than 100 participants enrolled.



Tiny Tots Basketball participants

- *Youth Sports*– Youth Winter Basketball League assessments were held November 7-10 and staff currently is putting together teams and continuing to recruit volunteer coaches. If you or someone you know may be interested in coaching a team, please call the Parks and Recreation office at 456-8600. There are more than 400 participants enrolled in the league.

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 Creative Play participants

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), or in the office at 252 Magnolia Ave. Manteca Unified elementary schools had minimum days all week, so the after-school programs were even more fun-filled than usual!



Fun minimum-day activities including dancing, face-painting, and a holiday feast!

COMMUNITY EVENT

Stuff the Bus

Manteca Transit, in partnership with MV Transportation, Second Harvest Food Bank, and Food 4 Less grocery store, will be participating in the 18th Annual "Stuff the Bus" food drive on Saturday, November 19 and Sunday, November 20. Volunteers will be on hand to accept food and cash donations at the Manteca Transit bus which will be staged in the Food 4 Less parking lot at 131 Spreckels Avenue, Manteca, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. each day. Additionally, outside of these event hours, marked shopping carts will be located near the store exit to collect donations. Turkeys, ham, chicken, and other frozen meat products will be welcome, as will all other Holiday and non-Holiday non-perishable food items. The "Stuff the Bus" effort began in 1999 as a food drive campaign that encourages area residents to "stuff" a local transit bus with food donations to benefit local nonprofit food banks who provide food to thousands of residents in San Joaquin County.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building Safety Week in Review November 7 - 10

The Building Safety Division conducted a total of 207 inspections during the week, and the Community Development Department assisted a total of 68 people at the counter. The division issued 42 building permits, which included an addendum, Residential Electrical Service Change, Residential Plumbing, Miscellaneous Residential, Multi-Family Apartments, Patio Cover, Residential Remodel, Residential Reroof, Wall Sign, Commercial Photovoltaic, Residential Photovoltaic, Residential Stucco/Siding, Swimming Pool, Water Heater, and Water Softener. A total of 20 new project applications were accepted and, of those, 4 were issued immediately. A total of 16 submittals were held for plan check. They are: Addendum, Awning/Canopy, Commercial Fire Sprinkler, Miscellaneous Residential, Patio Cover, Residential Remodel, Wall Sign, Special Inspection, and Commercial Tenant Infill/Remodel.

PUBLIC WORKS

Solid Waste Division

The Gold Rush Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America presented an award to our City Council Tuesday night. The award commended the City of Manteca for being the 'Most Outstanding Municipality', in progressive food waste collection efforts and educational outreach to the business community and schools. City of Manteca will eventually have a food separator and digesters that will transform collected food waste into fuel to run our compressed natural gas (CNG) collection vehicles. Since only 'clean food' can be used by the digesters, our training and education focuses on how to collect 'clean food waste'. By the time the digesters are in place, Manteca businesses will be ready for compliance with California's new food waste law AB1826.



Water Conservation

The Public Works Department is grateful for all continued efforts to use water wisely. Every day, residents are making meaningful changes to reduce their water use permanently. Two popular changes include replacing a portion of a thirsty lawn with beautiful low-water-use plants, and upgrading to WaterSense-labeled showerheads and toilets. Making these changes makes a difference. Since April, Manteca's water use has decreased by 28 percent compared to the same timeframe in 2013. As the rainy season begins, the water conservation team encourages residents to keep up the great work!

Water-Saving Holiday Season Ideas

Planning a big dinner party, or having houseguests for the holidays? Here are some ideas to contribute toward your fun and water-efficient holiday season.

- Scrape the dishes into the trash instead of using the sink's garbage disposal.
- Save water and energy by letting your frozen food thaw in the microwave or overnight in the fridge, instead of running water over it.
- A full household means extra laundry and dishes. Remember to run your clothes washer or dishwasher only when full.
- Run your dishwasher on the "light wash" setting, which can cut water use by 55 percent and work just as well for most loads.
- Wash fruit and vegetables in a small pan instead of rinsing under running water.

Dishwashers typically use less water than washing dishes by hand. However, if you use the good china or silverware that requires hand washing, fill one basin with soapy water and the other with rinse water rather than letting the faucet run.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Car Seat Law Changes

Effective January 1, 2017 children under 2 years old must be properly buckled in a car seat which is rear facing unless they weigh 40 pounds or more, or are 40 inches tall or more. The Manteca Fire Department has 9 certified car seat technicians who are available by appointment to assist citizens with car seat installation. Feel free to contact us at 209-456-8300 to make an appointment.

Training

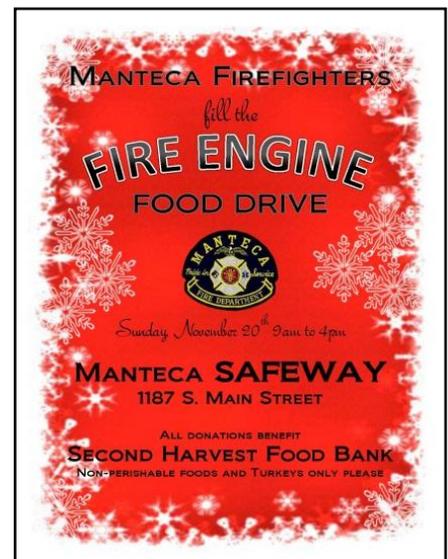
This week Manteca Fire Department's B-Shift conducted 'First Due Footprint' training. This drill allows our crews to master their primary assignments when arriving on the scene of a residential structure fire. The footprints are designed to be flexible to assure successful fire ground operation.



B-Shift Training

Fill the Engine

Join Manteca Firefighters this Sunday for 'Fill the Fire Engine' Food Drive. Our crews will be in front of the Manteca Safeway grocery store from 9am to 4pm on November 20th collecting non-perishable foods and turkeys. All donations from this event will benefit Second Harvest Food Bank. Please come out and help us reach our goal and make this food drive successful! Those who donate will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a gift card.



Highlights of Incidents

- *Fire – Kerwin Lane*

Firefighters responded to the report of a structure fire on Kerwin Lane Friday morning. Upon arrival, firefighters found a single story residential structure with light smoke coming from the roof. Firefighters met with the occupants of the property who were unsure of the source of the smoke in their home. After evacuating the structure, firefighters located a fire in a bathroom ventilation fan. They quickly extinguished the fire, checked for extension in the surrounding area, and provided positive pressure ventilation.

- *Vehicle Accident – Maehl Drive*

Firefighters were dispatched to the report of a vehicle accident on Maehl Drive near Cambra Lane Saturday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters found one vehicle with rear end damage, and observing that this was a 'hit and run' accident, they immediately notified Police. The Fire crew conducted a hazardous materials assessment and began patient care. Four patients were transported to local hospitals.

- *Vehicle Accident – Highway 120*

Firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle accident on eastbound Highway 120 east of Union Road Sunday evening. Upon arrival, firefighters found an SUV that had overturned and landed upright in the center divide of the freeway. 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

Community Service Officer Symposium

On November 9th and 10th, our Community Service Officers attended the Community Service Symposium. The two-day training, held in Stockton, enhanced the capabilities of all law enforcement Community Service Officers assigned to field operations, investigations and administrative responsibilities. Topics included Procedural Justice, Arson Investigation, Evidence Preservation, Public Perception of Law Enforcement, Officer Safety Awareness, Accident Investigation, On-Scene First Aid and Basic Life Support Issues.



Community Service Officers at symposium

Probation Sweep and Proactive Patrol

On November 10, Detectives from Manteca, Stockton and the AB109 Task Force conducted a series of probation searches followed by proactive enforcement in Manteca. The operation resulted in the following; 10 probation searches, 2 felony warrant arrests, 2 arrests for weapons violations, 1 seized firearm, 25 traffic stops, 1 case for narcotics sales and 1 vehicle pursuit. This was a successful operation and we appreciate our allied agencies for assisting us.

Robbery

On November 11, Officers responded to a bank on North Main Street, regarding a robbery that occurred near their ATM. When officers arrived on scene, witnesses advised the suspects had already fled. Two victims told officers that they parked their vehicle on the south side of the parking lot. Two Hispanic males approached the driver side of their vehicle, presented a firearm and demanded money. The suspects took an undisclosed amount of money. A black male then approached the victim passenger and had him exit the vehicle. The suspect walked the victim to the ATM machine and ordered him to withdraw money. The victim was unable to withdraw money fast enough, so one of the suspects hit the victim on the head with a firearm, causing a laceration. All three suspects then fled the scene. Anyone with information about this case can contact the police department at (209) 456-8100.

Pursuit

On November 11, two detectives observed a gold Ford F-150 run the stop sign at Hutchings Street and Bernt Avenue. Detectives attempted to initiate a traffic stop on the vehicle, which initially pulled over and stopped. As detectives exited their vehicle, the Ford sped off east bound on Schadeck and turned south on Dyer Street. Detectives initiated a pursuit, following the Ford to the back of a medical complex on Norman Avenue. The suspect quickly exited the Ford, scaled the block wall and fled in the area of Marin and Cowell. Detectives were able to obtain further information on this suspect and will follow up.

Identification Needed

The two suspects depicted in the attached photo stole approximately \$75.00 worth of merchandise from a Manteca store. Anyone with information on their identity is asked to contact the investigating Officer at gmorrison@ci.manteca.ca.us.



Theft Suspects

Fatal Traffic Collision

On November 13, Officers responded to Woodward Avenue and Oleander Road regarding a traffic collision involving three motorcycles. Upon arrival on scene, three motorcycles were observed with two riders down. Witnesses indicated a third rider had left the scene on foot with an unknown female, leaving his motorcycle still on scene. Although lifesaving measures were immediately administered to the unresponsive rider, they were unsuccessful. The other rider was transported to an area hospital where he later succumbed to his injuries. The Major Accident Investigation Team responded to the location to conduct the investigation. Their initial findings showed all three motorcyclists were traveling eastbound on Woodward Avenue at a very high rate of speed. At least one of the riders hit a roundabout and he was ejected from his motorcycle. At some point, the two other riders went down in the eastbound lane. M.A.I.T. is continuing their investigation into this traffic collision.

Armed Robbery

On November 15, Officers responded to a store on West Yosemite Avenue regarding an armed robbery. Upon arrival, officers found that the suspects had fled the location in a gray sedan last seen traveling eastbound on Yosemite Avenue. Officers learned that four suspects had entered the store. One suspect armed with a firearm held up several persons. Three other suspects took an undisclosed amount of money from the register and fled the store to the awaiting vehicle. The armed suspect followed them to the vehicle and they fled the location. All four suspects were described as black male adults, wearing black hooded sweatshirts. Detectives are currently investigating the robbery.

Pet of the Week:

“Biggy” is our Pet of the Week. He is a very friendly dog who looks like a longhaired German Shephard. Biggy is about 3-years-old, weighs 75 pounds, loves to give hugs and will try to sit on your lap, not realizing he is a big dog. He would make a great companion for some lucky person or family. His adoption fee of \$40.00 covers adoption and city license. Come down to our Shelter at 115 East Wetmore Street and pay a visit to Biggy and our other animals.



CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE

Coming up Next Week

- City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday and 9/80 flex work schedule.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!