

Welcome
Members and Guests
to the meeting
of the
Rotary Club of Placentia

February



Wedding Anniversaries

2/18 *Robrt & Krystina Gabler*



Birthdays

2/17 *Madisen Ly*

Today's Program:

Shannon Galipault
+ *Miss PYL/Teen Candidates*

*** Upcoming Programs ***

- Feb 14 Sheila Rodriguez - Public Safety Coordinator
- Feb 21 *dark* (evening social)
- Feb 28 tbd
- Mar 6 Club Assembly
- Mar 13 tbd
- Mar 20 *dark* (evening social)
- Mar 27 tbd
- Apr 3 Club Assembly
- Apr 10 tbd
- Apr 17 *dark* (evening social)
- Apr 24 tbd



Club Anniversaries

2/2/2007 *Kathi Baldwin*
2/8/2017 *Alex Muolo*

Upcoming Events

- Tu 2/13 District 3rd President's Dinner
- Sat 2/17 Miss PYL Pageant
- Sat 3/2 PLFF Authors Luncheon
- Sat 3/16 District training @ Chapman
- Th 4/4 - 5/9 City CERT training
- Sat 4/13 Chamber 100th Birthday Bash
- Sat 4/13 City Shred & e-Waste Day
- 4/14 - 4/21 RYLA
- Sat 4/20 Love Placentia + Earth Day
- Sat 4/27 District March for Mental Health

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Club & Community News

Several community businesses and persons were recognized at the Chamber's 58th Annual Excellence in Placentia last week, many well-known to us including our own Nelida Mora was nominated for Woman-Owned Business; HIS-OC (Christine Stellino & Cindy Lucido) and LOT 318 for Non-Profit. Award winners were:

- Citizen of the Year (male): Eric Holmgren
- Citizen of the Year (female): Wendy Elliott
- Youth Volunteer: Evelyn Jiang
- Employer of the Year: JD Wings & Things
- Business of the Year: Veteran Air
- New Business of the Year: Donut Chain
- Woman-Owned Business: Sham Paws
- Family-Owned Business: The Power Club
- Non-Profit of the Year: Labradors & Friends Dog Rescue



The Placentia Library Friends Foundation Authors Luncheon, featuring Janis Thomas, will be held on Saturday 3/2 at AVCC. Please let Alice know if you would like to attend – we hope to fill at least one table (tables of 8).

Love Placentia is quickly approaching, We will again be preparing hygiene kits for the homeless, a project that has been typically taken only about 90-120 minutes. You may wish to help with one of the many other projects being conducted all over the town coordinated by other groups, all on Saturday 4/20. More info will be out soon!

Debye and the Membership Committee are updating our Membership Application, seeking additional members willing to serve as mentors to our new members, and are planning an orientation session(s) for new members.

PYLUSD is voted to convert Bernardo Yorba Middle School to the OC School of Computer Science, a science immersion/ focus middle school for grades 6 to 8, effective the new school year.

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RI and District News

The third Presidents Dinner is next week, Tuesday 2/13 in Long Beach. Topics include a preview of the District Conference's offerings and speakers, and some information about Post-Polio Syndrome.

The District Training Seminar will be held on Saturday morning 3/16, at Chapman University. New directors and new members are encouraged to attend these informative sessions.

The District March for Mental Health Awareness, DG Roy Jefferson's focus project, will be Saturday 4/27 at Yorba Regional Park. More information is coming soon!

Last Week's Program

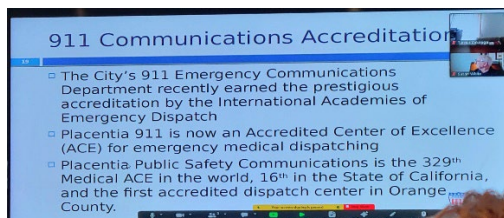
Luis Estevez

Placentia City Public Works

Luis has served as the City's Director of Public Works for 7 years, and is the City Deputy City Administrator. He was actively involved in the formation of the Fire & Life Safety Department, serves on the sustainability work force, and served as the project manager for the fiber optic installation.



The City was the recipient of the 2020 Helen Award of Excellence and the 2023 Distinguished Budget Award in recognition of its open and transparency in reporting. The City's 911 Emergency Communications Department recently became the first accredited dispatch center in the OC.

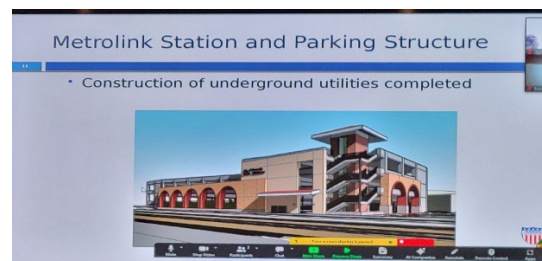


Luis talked about the many projects which are currently on-going or planned within our City, both civic and private ventures.

- In and around the Old Town area, plans include new way-signage, widening of sidewalks (to facilitate pedestrian and ADA access), lighting

& street-scaping improvements, as well as new business growth and development. These will, in part, be funded by property taxes. Residential growth, as evidenced by the Herald and Cenza apartments, are also a part of the vision, as well as low-income housing. This Transit-Oriented Development area covers the 57 to Kraemer, Crowther to Melrose.

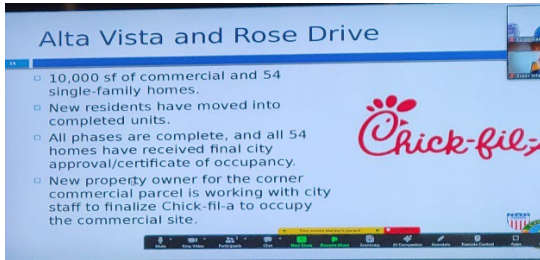
- A new Public Safety center is planned on Baker Street, southwest of Melrose and Santa Fe. This \$20M, 18K square foot project will include a City yard, evidence room, training center, a shooting range, and a joint task force facility.
- City Hall and Police Station will undergo modernization, with the awarding of the construction contract very soon.
- Progress on the long-awaited Metrolink Station and Parking Structure remains in limbo.



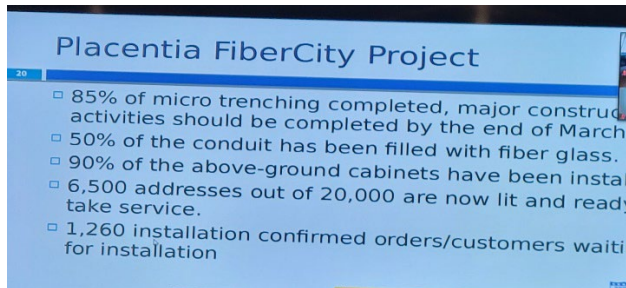
- Additional parking space is currently being sought for the planned Senior & Community Center at TriCity Park.
- The former Premiere Chrysler-Jeep site at Orangethorpe & Placentia has been proposed for new housing. Affordable housing on City-owned property on Baker Street west of Melrose is planned. Meanwhile, the Santa Angelina senior affordable

housing should soon be ready for occupancy.

- The SEC Alta Vista & Rose residential section has been completed; the commercial section has been turned over to another developer. Prospective tenants are being lined-up, including our own Chick-Fil-A!



- Another residential development at NEC Alta Vista & Rose (by Champions Park) is under construction by Toll Bros.
- FiberCity is expected to complete construction of its system by late-March. Customer installation orders have been confirmed.



- Three current sites under the City Park Initiative are nearing re-opening: Koch, Parque del Arroyo. The next parks to be improved are Tuffree and Parque de los Ninos.
- Streets and Roads: since 2018, 55% of our City streets have been resurfaced, at a cost of \$1.7M per square foot. Some of these costs have been shared with our neighboring cities. 6 to 7 more years remain to address all of our street needs. Where appropriate, irrigation systems are being converted to drip systems.

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