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NEWS RELEASE

The Santa Ana Police Department has joined over forty (40) other Law Enforcement Agencies across the Country as a subscriber to Crimemapping.com. This portal is dedicated to helping Law Enforcement Agencies provide the public with valuable information about crime activity by neighborhood. Data transparency and a well informed public have always been essential elements in Santa Ana's fight against crime.

Anyone with access to the Internet can access Crimemapping.com and find up to date information about crimes that have happened in Santa Ana. The system utilizes a Geographic Information System (GIS) map to display icons representing fifteen (15) categories of crime within the neighborhood of occurrence. The person accessing the portal can click on the crime icon for information including the case number, date of incident, location, (within the 100 block) and description of the type of crime. It generally takes **twenty-four (24) hours to get crime information uploaded to the system** and it remains in place for six (6) days. Four (4) months of archived incidents are stored for ready access. The pictured icons represent **actual crime reports** not just calls for service received by the Police Department.

Any member of the public can also sign up to receive crime alerts. This additional service is free and provides customized reports via e-mail to any subscriber. Having well informed residents has been proven effective in reducing crime. The information provided through the Crimemapping.com portal is based upon the Crimeview product SAPD uses internally for tracking and analyzing criminal activity.

We encourage the public to become familiar with this resource and use it to familiarize themselves with crime information in their neighborhoods and community. We believe that informed residents are more aware and better prepared to prevent crime. Visit Crimemapping.com for current crime information and to sign up for free crime alerts.



Who to Call for...

Municipal Code Enforcement	(714) 667-2780
Santa Ana Police	(714) 245-8601
Graffiti Removal	(714) 647-3542; 1-800-STOPTAG
Councilman Sal Tinajero	(714) 647-6900
Unsanitary and Unsafe Housing	(714) 667-2780
Abandoned Vehicles	(714) 245-8225
Loud Noise Complaints	(714) 834-4211

Community Calendar

- ✓ February 13th, 2010 – **PRAYER PROJECT: SANTA ANA**. Unite in prayer for the city of Santa Ana @ Carl Thornton Park, 9am-noon. Call 1.800.531.1626 for more information.
- ✓ February 17th, 2010 – Neighborhood Meeting @ Thorpe Fundamental School, Multipurpose Room, 6:30p-7:30p
- ✓ To take advantage of free tax preparation assistance, please call (888) 434-8248 (English) or (866) 921-3890 (Spanish) to schedule an appointment for free tax preparation assistance.
- ✓ **February 14th – Happy Valentine's Day!**
- ✓ Discovery Science Center (2500 N. Main St. – 714.542.2823) - **free admission** on the first Monday of every month. **JANUARY 16 – MAY 2, 2010: SECRETS OF CIRCLES**
- ✓ **February 26th & 27th – Santa Ana Public Library Children's and Young Adult Book Sale, Main Library 2nd Floor, Meeting Room A. Paperbacks are 25 cents and hardbacks are 50 cents.**
- ✓ Orange County Superior Court "Orange County Grand Jury Recruitment" For the next several months, the Orange County Superior Court encourages qualified citizens to apply for the 2010 - 2011 Orange County Grand Jury. Applications and further information may be obtained on the Internet at www.ocgrandjury.org, or by calling the Grand Jury Hotline (714) 834-6747.

Seen or Heard

- ❖ YMCA has broken ground. An Olympic sized swimming pool to be built by the end of the year. Complete a Community Planning survey @ www.ymcaoc.org/branches/sa.php
- ❖ US Census 2010 is coming. The information collected by the census helps to determine how more than \$400 billion dollars of federal funding each year is spent on infrastructure and services. Visit www.census.gov for more information and jobs@census.

Preferred Vendors provided by neighbors:

- Colleen Thomas, neighborhood realtor, (714) 478-4774
- Mark Berkheimer, Lic# 753567, Kitchen / Bath, (714) 534-9063
- P&G Painting, Residential, Home Repair (714) 966-1870, (714) 313-2131
- Reliable Neighborhood Child Care: Margarita @ 241-7455 or Carol @ 751-7596
- Formaline Design & Construction, Frank Ramirez, (714) 434-1428, Lic# B449242
- ACE Electric, (714) 731-0228, Ask for Joey
- R&H Maintenance, Lic#735128; Handyman Services



Please let us know if you have someone you'd like to refer or of your experience with any of the listed vendors.

Internet stuff:

Meganslaw.ca.gov – Information on registered sex offenders in California
Fodors.com - travel guide and travel experiences
Yelp.com – consumer reviews on everything
Smartsources.com – printable grocery coupons