

County Clerk-Recorder will offer extended hours for Valentine's Day Marriages

To accommodate couples who would like to get married on Valentine's Day, Orange County Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen will be offering extended hours at his offices in Fullerton, Laguna Hills and at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana on Tuesday Feb. 14.

The department will close at 5:30 pm instead of its normal closing hours to issue marriage licenses and perform marriage ceremonies.

Valentine's Day continues to be one of the busiest days of the year for the department and this year will be no exception.

Appointments will go fast. Couples are encouraged to make an appointment for a civil marriage ceremony due to the popularity of this day.

Couples can make an appointment by visiting our website at www.ocrecorder.com and using the online appointment system.

Walk-in couples are welcome and will be accommodated based on availability of ceremony rooms.

"In the past, Valentine's Day has always been a great success," said Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen. "By opening until 5:30 pm, more people will have an opportunity to marry on what many consider the most romantic day of the year. I would like to thank my staff for volunteering to work and for making this possible for our customers."

The department would like to remind couples that Orange County has one of the lowest costs for a marriage license and marriage ceremony in the state.

Couples can obtain a public marriage license for \$61 and a confidential marriage license for \$66.

A civil marriage ceremony can be performed for an additional \$28.

Valentine's Day is the most popular day at the department for marriage ceremonies. The all-time record for the department was set on Valentine's Day 2014.

On that day, the department issued 310 marriage licenses and performed 266 ceremonies.