



May 2015

MESSAGE FROM SCOTT OCHOA



Glendale City Manager

The key term of the month is "Water Conservation."

Before getting too deep into that topic (and yes that was a terrible pun...but I digress...), I want take this opportunity to bid farewell to a colleague and friend, Community Development Director Hassan Haghani. For twelve years he has served this community and CDD, the last four as the department head. Hassan is honest and direct, respectful and empathetic. He is passionate and unafraid to voice his true beliefs and opinions, yet is always a team player and high-performance professional. It takes a great deal of expertise, training and courage to articulate a comprehensive vision for the future and allow others to act upon it, let alone critique it. The Downtown Specific Plan, the ongoing Community Plan effort, and the continuing integration of mobility, economic development and progressiveness into Glendale's development pattern are all testaments to Hassan's tenure with Glendale. Truly, Hassan Haghani is a star in the field of urban planning and mobility, and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to work with

Glendale *On The Move*



GTV6's newest episode of *On The Move* is now available! In this episode, meet your newly elected City Council, school board, and college board officials, learn more about Building & Safety month, see how to be a water conscious Californian, get an in depth look at one of Glendale's greatest amenities, and so much more! Be sure to tune in to Charter channel 6 or check the City's YouTube channel for new episodes.

Phase III of Mandatory Water Conservation

The Glendale City Council declared Phase III of Glendale Water & Power's Mandatory Water Conservation Ordinance and water use restrictions to become effective April 28, 2015. Phase III of the Mandatory Water Conservation Ordinance limits outside watering to two days a week: Tuesday and Saturday for 10 minutes at each watering station.

Glendale residents' conservation efforts since the declaration of Phase II conservation measures in July 29, 2014 have resulted in an estimated 12 percent reduction in water usage. This year's conservation target is 20 percent.

In an effort to encourage conservation, while at the same avoiding overly burdening customers with additionally stringent Drought Charges, the City Council has acted to delay the additional Phase III Drought Charge for a period of six months. During this six month delay of the Phase III Drought Charges, the already in effect Phase II Drought Charge will continue to apply at a rate of \$.75 per Hundred Cubic Feet (HCF) of water used. Customers who do not comply with Phase III of the Water Conservation Ordinance will receive a violation warning notice. Repeat violations can result in a fine up to \$1,000.00.

Learn more [here](#).

Here's how we can all save more:

and learn from him.

Now about that water conservation...

General Manager of Glendale Water & Power Steve Zurn has written an open letter to residents that I would like to share:

The State of California is in the fourth year of one of the most severe droughts ever recorded. During just the last few months, records have been set for the highest temperatures and driest conditions for this time of year. This has prompted Governor Brown to issue several Executive Orders including mandatory conservation provisions. All Californians need to take immediate action to change water usage patterns as we are faced with another record setting drought year.

The Metropolitan Water District has also implemented an allocation plan for its members including the City of Glendale. As cities and water suppliers throughout the State scramble to respond to these mandates, the City of Glendale has continued to steadily take the appropriate action through programs and policies aimed to specifically reduce the amount of water we use. While there is no question that we must do more in the way of water conservation, Glendale is well ahead of many cities due to the foresight of our City Council and the dedication of our customers to conserve.

In addition to our conservation programs, Glendale Water & Power developed a tiered water rate structure that was approved by the City Council and which took effect on September 1, 2014. This tiered rate structure was designed to ensure fair and equitable rates necessary to maintain the critical infrastructure and administer the ongoing operations of the Water division. GWP consultants studied our rates in their entirety to ensure the continued provision of quality water and quality services to all Glendale Water customers. The tiered rate structure was developed in accordance with the requirements of Proposition 218 ensuring that all charges are based on actual service provision and that no one category of user subsidizes another. The structure covers fixed and variable costs associated with water delivery



Properly watering your landscape and reducing how much you water are easy ways you can save water. Do a weekly check on your sprinklers, to see if they are watering the landscape and not the sidewalk, walkways or streets. Many times sprinkler heads are bumped, or the direction of the spray is altered due to water pressure changes or lawnmowers. A simple check each week will help solve this common problem and will save you over 500 gallons a month!

Outdoor landscaping consumes 60% of household water use. Replacing lawns with California native plants is a great way to cut water bills in half. Glendale residents are encouraged to take advantage of The Metropolitan Water District's Turf Replacement Rebate Program, and receive \$2.00 per square foot by replacing grass with California Friendly plants. Residents must follow Glendale Zoning Code Ordinance for landscaping. To learn more, click [here](#).

Inside the home, encourage shorter showers, flush when necessary, and catch the water while you wait for it to warm up for your shower.

If you live in a rental unit, talk to your landlord or management company if you notice the sprinklers are on frequently. Chances are the property management companies rely on their gardeners to set the automatic sprinklers. Residents can only use sprinklers on Tuesdays and Saturdays for 10 minutes per station.

Customers can anonymously report water waste by calling GWP's water waster hot-line at (818) 550-4426 or submit an online form on GWP's website. For tips and water conservation information, please visit GlendaleWaterAndPower.com, Saveourwater.com and Bewaterwise.com.

Election Results



On Wednesday, April 22, the City of Glendale conducted the final count for the 2015 Glendale Municipal Election. The City of Glendale thanks voters and candidates who participated in the City of Glendale's Municipal Election. Election results were presented to City Council for adoption and certification on Monday, April 27 in City Hall Council Chambers. Congratulations to newly elected Councilmembers Paula Devine and Vartan Gharpetian, Glendale Unified School Board

Members Nayiri Nahabedian and Jennifer Freemon, and Glendale Community College Board Members Tony Tartaglia and Vahe Peroomian.

Congratulations are also in order to Ara Najarian who was selected by his fellow Councilmembers to serve as the Mayor for a one-year term for the City of Glendale. To view the final results, please click [here](#).

One Book / One Glendale for Teens Jennifer Niven: *All the Bright Places*

Teens! Meet Jennifer Niven, author of *All the Bright Places*, and our first ever One Book / One Glendale reading event author for teens on **Thursday, May 7 at 7:00 pm**. *All the Bright Places* is an exhilarating and heart-wrenching love

during normal climatic conditions.

Directly tied to the implementation of the mandatory water conservation measures is a separate drought fee. The drought fee is temporary and only used in these emergency drought situations to keep the utility financially solvent. The drought fee as mentioned goes into effect upon adoption of the mandatory conservation provisions (Phase's II through V) of the Ordinance. The Glendale City Council declared mandatory water conservation on July 29, 2014 however, in an effort to assist customers, had suspended the drought fee for 6 months. On April 28, 2015, the Glendale City Council declared Phase III of Mandatory Water Conservation. The drought fee associated with Phase III has been suspended for 6 months.

The purpose of the drought fee is twofold. First, to recover revenue shortfalls resulting from lower water sales directly related to conservation, and second to promote targeted reductions in water consumption during periods of mandatory conservation. Customers that meet the usage reductions set during each phase of mandatory conservation will generally not see an increase in their water bill. The drought fee is applied equally to all water consumed and is not related to the tier levels.

During this period of prolonged drought, we all need to do our part to ensure that we have the water necessary to sustain our community. We thank all of our residents for their part in helping the State, the Southern California region, and the City of Glendale get through this drought. We look forward to working with our residential and business community to assist with water conservation. In that regard we have many tools and programs to assist our customers to meet our water conservation goals. Please visit www.GlendaleWaterAndPower.com for more information. Every drop counts.

CALENDAR



story.

New York Times bestselling author Jennifer Niven has always wanted to be a Charlie's Angel, but her true passion is writing. Her most recent book, *All the Bright Places*, is her first novel for young adult readers. *All the Bright Places* is the #1 Kids' Indie Next Book for winter 2014-2015, an Amazon.com editor's Pick/Best Book of the Month, and a New York Times bestseller. The

foreign rights have already sold to thirty-two territories, and the movie rights have been optioned with Elle Fanning attached to star. Learn more [here](#).

Restless Ambition: Grace Hartigan, Painter

Brand Library & Art Center is pleased to present an installment in its BookSmARTS author talk series with an illustrated talk by art historian Cathy Curtis. Curtis will discuss her newly published book on American painter Grace Hartigan on Thursday, May 14 at 7:00 pm.

This first-ever biography of Hartigan traces her rise from virtually self-taught painter to art-world fame. Hartigan was a full-fledged member of the "men's club" that was the 1950s art scene in New York. Featured in *Time*, *Newsweek*, *Life*, and *Look*, she was the only woman in MoMA's groundbreaking "12 Americans" exhibition in 1956. Learn more [here](#).

Traveling Abroad?



Traveling abroad this summer? Utilize Mango, a great Library, Arts & Culture tool to learn a new language! The interactive database provides step by step lesson plans for 52 different languages. Use your library card to sign up for free! Learn more [here](#).

Fire Service Day: May 9

The Glendale Fire Department would like to invite the community to join in celebrating Fire Service Day on Saturday, May 9. The fun begins with a free pancake breakfast at 9:00 am. The festivities continue from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm with vehicle extrications, tours of the fire station, rock wall, face painting and a special visit from Sparky the Dog! Don't miss this great family event at Fire Station 21, 421 Oak Street.

National Emergency Medical Services Week

May 7 - One Book / One Glendale for Teens - Jennifer Niven: *All the Bright Places*, 7:00 pm
Central Library Auditorium
 222 East Harvard Street
 Teens! READ *All the Bright Places* and MEET author Jennifer Niven.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 8 - Parent's Night Out, Mother's Day Edition, 6:00 pm - 12:00 am
Pacific Community Center
 501 South Pacific Avenue
 Drop off your children and let our experienced recreation staff provide the supervision. Participants will play games in the gym, eat dinner, watch a movie, make crafts, and more. Registration is now open, \$15 per child.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 9 - Riverwalk Workday, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Glendale Narrows Riverwalk
 300 Paula Avenue
 Help maintain the landscaped area along the Glendale Narrows Riverwalk.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 9 - Loading Dock Book Sale, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Central Library Entrance
 222 East Harvard Street
 Pick up great used books for a great low price!
 Learn more [here](#).

May 9 - Fire Service Day, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Fire Station 21
 421 Oak Street
 Learn more about the Glendale Fire Department with fun activities including car extractions, a visit by Sparky the fire dog, and station tours.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 10 - Mother's Day Tea Ceremony, 3:00 and 4:00 pm
Shoseian Whispering Pine Teahouse at Brand Park, 1601 West Mountain Street
 Treat Mom to a day of relaxation with a *Mother's Day Tea Ceremony*. Suggested donation of \$25 per person. Space is limited to ten people per seating (3:00 pm and 4:00 pm). Contact Mike Belzer at mpbelzer@gmail.com to reserve a spot.

May 13 - Friends of the Library Annual Meeting with author Léon Bing, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Central Library Auditorium



The City of Glendale will recognize National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week **May 17 - 23** to highlight the various services offered by the region's fire departments and to honor the service and dedication of EMS providers. The Glendale Fire Department would like to thank the many EMS providers that partner with the community on a daily basis, from Glendale's first responders, to the local hospitals, to the County EMS agencies. Without their hard work and commitment to providing the best medical care possible, the Glendale Fire Department would not be able to serve and save the lives of our residents.

Bike to Work Day: May 14



The City of Glendale invites you to ride your bike to work on **Thursday, May 14** with our partners at [Walk Bike Glendale](#), [GO Glendale](#), and [Metro](#). For your convenience, three pit stop locations will be available throughout the City, offering refreshments, freebies and snacks. It's not too late to set new fitness goals for the year; Bike to Work Day may just be the catalyst that gets you started on the road to a healthier you. Learn more [here](#).

Glendale Dodger Night: May 15



The 4th Annual Glendale Dodger Night presented by Lexus of Glendale is on **Friday, May 15** at Dodger Stadium! Join your friends and neighbors from Glendale to cheer on the Los Angeles Dodgers while they take on the Colorado Rockies for a fun filled night at the ballpark. Fans can stay after the game and walk onto the field to enjoy the Dodgers' spectacular Friday Night Firework Show.

Tickets are on sale now through the Glendale Dodger Night website at glendaledodgernight.com. All proceeds from ticket sales will

222 East Harvard Street
 Meet Léon Bing, a former fashion model and investigative journalist.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 14 - Bike to Work Day, 6:00 am - 9:00 am
 We invite you to join us and our partners at [Walk Bike Glendale](#) by riding your bike to work. For your convenience, 3 pit stop locations will be available throughout the City, offering refreshments, freebies and snacks. It's not too late to set new fitness goals for the year; Bike to Work Day may just be the catalyst that gets you started on the road to a healthier you.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 14 - Glendale Police Foundation Luncheon, 11:30 - 1:30 pm
Glendale Hilton
 100 West Glenoaks Boulevard
 The luncheon will highlight the successes that the Police Department has seen in the past year. In addition, the Foundation will announce the Officer of the Year, the Civilian Employee of the Year, and the Volunteer of the Year. The Master of Ceremonies is David Ono, news anchor at ABC-7 TV.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 14 - Cathy Curtis: Restless Ambition, 7:00 pm
Brand Library Recital Hall
 1601 West Mountain Street
 Author Curtis discusses her book about painter Grace Hartigan.
 Learn more [here](#).

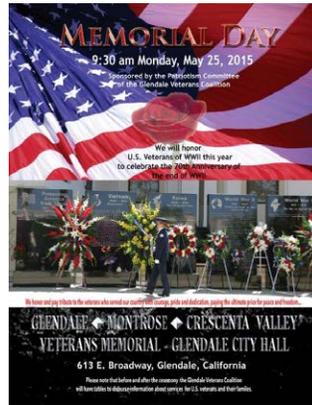
May 15 - Glendale Dodger Night, 4:00 pm
Glendale City Hall / Dodger Stadium
 Join your friends and neighbors from Glendale to cheer on the Los Angeles Dodgers while they take on the Colorado Rockies for a fun filled night at the ballpark. All proceeds from ticket sales will benefit the Glendale Parks & Open Space Foundation to continue their mission to support park projects, recreation programs, and trails and open space activities.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 16 - Registration opens for summer aquatics program
 Learn more [here](#).

May 16 - Experimental Forest Workday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Hostetter Fire Road
 Help maintain the hiking trails in the Verdugo Mountains. Participants are asked to wear sturdy shoes and protective clothing. Ridesharing is encouraged and RSVPs are

benefit the Glendale Parks & Open Space Foundation to continue their mission to support park projects, recreation programs, and trails and open space activities. We look forward to seeing you at the ballgame. Go Dodgers!

Memorial Day: May 25



Memorial Day is **Monday, May 25** and serves as a reminder to reflect on the sacrifices our men and women made to keep our country safe. Join the City of Glendale and Patriotism Committee of the Glendale Veterans Coalition for a Memorial Day ceremony in honor those patriots at 9:30 am on May 25 at the Veterans Memorial in front of Glendale City Hall, 613 East Broadway. Learn more [here](#).

Glendale Police Luncheon: May 14

The Glendale Police Foundation presents the 20th Annual Glendale Police Awards Luncheon on **Thursday, May 14**. This annual event recognizes and honors the accomplishments of Glendale Police Department and its personnel. For more information and tickets, please click [here](#).

Glendale Police Open House: May 30



The Glendale Police Department will host an open house on **Saturday, May 30** from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. Come and meet members of the Glendale Police Department's SWAT Team, Crisis Negotiations Team, and Air Support team who will even have the Department's helicopter on display. Learn more [here](#).

Summer Recreation Wrap-Up

required. Bring water, sun screen, and a hat.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 23 - May 25 - Memorial Day Holiday Weekend
 Library locations and City offices will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday May 23, 24 and 25.

May 25 - Memorial Day Ceremony, 9:30 am
Veteran Memorial
 613 East Broadway
 Join the City of Glendale and Patriotism Committee of the Glendale Veterans Coalition for a Memorial Day ceremony in honor of the men and women who served to keep our country safe.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 29 - REEL ART Film Series: High School Filmmakers Showcase, 7:00 pm
Brand Library Recital Hall
 1601 West Mountain Street
 Sponsored by the Brand Associates.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 30 - Glendale Police Department Open House, 11:30 - 1:30 pm
Glendale Police Department
 131 North Isabel Street
 Come and meet members of the Glendale Police Department's SWAT Team, Crisis Negotiations Team, and Air Support team who will even have the department's helicopter on display.
 Learn more [here](#).

May 30 - Rose Chen & Izumi Kashiwagi - Duo Piano, 2:00 pm
Brand Library Recital Hall
 1601 West Mountain Street
 Sponsored by the Brand Associates. Enjoy the duo's award winning musical talent.
 Learn more [here](#).

Check the City's calendar for changes in date, time, or location [here](#).



Summer is almost here! Be sure to sign up for Summer Day Camps, Aquatics, Classes, and Year-Round programs through the Glendale Recreation Wrap-Up. Registration for Classes and Day Camps begins May 4 with registration for summer aquatics and "Learn to Swim" beginning May 16. Learn more [here](#).

Cruise Night Vehicle Registration



We are pleased to announce the 22nd anniversary of our annual Cruise Night Event. This year's Cruise Night will be held on Saturday, July 18 on Brand Boulevard from 5:30 - 10:30 pm. This event is free for all ages. Come out and see what one of Southern California's largest car shows has to offer.

Approximately 400 Pre-1980 cars will be on display and participating in the event. This year's live entertainment line-up includes: Jumping Jack Flash-Tribute to The Stones, Smooth... Sounds of Santana, and The Chantays. Learn more and register your vehicle [here](#).

Older Americans Month



Each May the City of Glendale recognizes contributions made by Older Americans. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of Older Americans Act, the Glendale City Council will deliver a Proclamation on May 12 to older citizens of the community for their involvement, positive impacts in the lives of others, and taking charge of their health.

Building & Safety Month

For 35 years cities around the world have used the Month of



May to help raise awareness about building safety. The Community Development Department's Building & Safety Division invites you to join them as they highlight several important building safety topics.

This year's theme is Resilient Communities Start with Building Codes. Each week of the month of May will be devoted to highlighting a specific building safety issue.

- Week One: Don't Get Burned; Build to Code
- Week Two: Bounce Back Faster from Disaster
- Week Three: Water Safety
- Week Four: Saving Energy and Saving Money.

Additionally, several educational events will be held during the month of May to help raise awareness about important building safety issues. Visit our [Building Safety Month webpage](#) for information about these events and more.

STAY CONNECTED!

Sign up for all of Glendale's [Email Newsletters](#)

Follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), & [Instagram!](#)

*This publication is brought to you by Mayor Ara Najarian,
Councilmembers Paula Devine, Laura Friedman, Vartan Gharpetian, and Zareh Sinanyan.*

This is an official publication of the City of Glendale, distributed by the Office of Communications and Community Relations. For inquiries, please contact Tamar Hadjimanoukian, City Connection Editor: thadjimanoukian@glendaleca.gov or (818) 548-4844.