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April 2017

Message From Scott Ochoa



Glendale City Manager

It is the most wonderful time of the year ladies and gentleman... baseball is back. New season, new lineup, same delicious Dodger Dogs. In many ways, the return of our national pastime is similar to Glendale's current situation. Tomorrow. April 4th, we have our own version of Opening Day - the General Municipal Election. Residents will be casting their votes for three City Council seats, along with openings on the Glendale Unified School District and Glendale Community College Board of Trustees.

Voting is the cornerstone of our democracy. I encourage everyone to exercise your civic



Glendale Stands Up LGBT, GPD Policy on Immigration, and the Supreme Court

The City of Glendale stood firmly on its beliefs, and the City Council passed unanimous Resolutions condemning LGBT discrimination and supporting the Police Chief's policy statement on immigration. And, to support the City Council's right to make public pronouncements on matters important to our community, the United States Supreme Court has denied plaintiff's petition in the matter of Michiko Shiota Gingery, et al. v. City of Glendale, et al. (Korean Comfort Women Statue).

News:

- <u>City Council Resolution Supporting Police Department Policy Statement on Immigration</u>
- City Council Condemns LGBT Discrimination
- US Supreme Court Denies Petition

View the Resolutions below:

- <u>Immigration</u>
- LGBT

To view the Chief's statement on immigration and a list of resources, visit the Office of the Chief of Police webpage - <u>Immigration Policy Statement</u>.

duty and take some time out of your day to let your voice be heard. In baseball, general managers make the roster decisions. In our councilmanager form of local government, you can have a say in determining who takes the field and helps shape policy in our community. Once the dust has settled and every ballot has been counted, we will have a new City Council starting lineup. This is an exciting time for all of us and the future of Glendale as a whole.

They say an organization is only as good as the people in it, and in my 20+ years as a public servant, that has proven to be true. I am pleased to say Glendale staff have really stepped up to the plate preparing for our big day tomorrow. Making any municipal election happen is no easy task, and I would like to give a shout out to everyone involved for their hard work. Putting all this together is a team effort, and you have really knocked it out the park.

Got last minute election questions or want to learn more about Candidates, Measures, or polling centers? Visit GlendaleVotes.com, your onestop shop for all election information. And per our diverse community, it is all also available in Armenian, Spanish, Korean, and Tagalog.

Regardless of who fills the three available City Council seats, we are committed to serving you and giving you the best quality of life possible. Running a city is a lot like taking an at-bat. Effective public administration requires equal parts anticipation, precision, and execution. Fastballs, sliders, splitters, and all manner of curveballs will be thrown our way - and we do our best to effectively address them while maintaining our topnotch services and dedication to the community.

I look forward to working with the City Council and City Staff to continue to give you the level of service that makes our Jewel City special. I urge you to cast your vote in the name of democracy. Everyone has a right to a voice in our democratic process - except Giants fans. Okay fine, Giants fans too. Go Dodgers, and I hope to see you all at the polls tomorrow!



Municipal Elections April 4, 2017

GlendaleVotes.org

TOMORROW! April 2017 Glendale Municipal Election

Glendale's General Municipal Election will take place tomorrow, April 4, 2017. Polls will be open from 7:00am to 8:00pm. This year, vote for:

- Three Members for City Council
- City Treasurer
- City Clerk
- Ballot Measure L (Limit councilmembers to three terms totaling 12 years of service)
- One person for GUSD Trustee (Areas B, C, D)
- One person for GCCD Trustee (Areas 2,3,4)

For the first time in Glendale's history, the Glendale Unified School District (GUSD) and the Glendale Community College (GCC) District will hold by-district elections.

Election results will be periodically updated on <u>GlendaleCA.gov</u>, Twitter <u>@MyGlendale</u>, and <u>GTV6</u>.

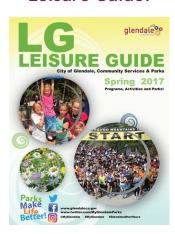
For more information on how to find a polling place, your voting district, and other election questions, visit <u>GlendaleVotes.org</u>. If you have any questions regarding the election, please contact the City Clerk's office at (818) 548-4000. Your vote counts!

Armenian Genocide Commemorative Events



The City of Glendale's 16th Annual Commemoration of the Armenian

Spring 2017 Leisure Guide!



The Leisure Guide is the Community Services & Parks Department's quarterly epublication where you can find information about programs, classes, services, and events that we are offering that season. Want to see a list of all of our parks or learn about our rental facilities? Looking for our department's phone directory? That's inside too!

Click on the image above to access the Spring Leisure Guide.

CALENDAR

April - Man Made Exhibition Brand Library & Art Center 1601 West Mountain Street
An exhibition that explores the urban ecology of our built environment through the distinctive artwork of seven remarkable women: Jacqueline Bell Johnson, Anita Bunn, Chelsea Dean, Jenene Nagy, Michelle Robinson and Sinziana Velicescu. The exhibition will be on view through May 6, 2017. Learn more here.

April - Homework Help, 4:00pm - 5:30pm Grandview Library 1535 Fifth Street Free Homework Help eve

Free Homework Help every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday that we're open! See the monthly calendar here and learn about Homework Help and the many programs for children of all ages. Learn more here

April 3 - Brand Library Plaza Performance Series, Call for Performers DUE The Arts and Culture Commission is interested in Genocide honors the lives of 1.5 million men, women, and children who suffered and perished 102 years ago and serves as a reminder to young people of all ethnicities that such atrocities can be prevented if we work together to understand cultural differences and find acceptance.

This year's program includes keynote speaker Robert Avetisyan, Permanent Representative of Nagorno Karapakh, and performances by Harout Pampoukjian, Narek Markaryan, Zvartnots Dance Ensemble, Selections from Denise Gentilini's Musical *I Am Alive*, and the Glendale High School Choir.

Leading up to the main event, the committee will be hosting two additional events to commemorate lives lost due to oppression, suffering, and the violation of human rights. Poetry Night will take place on Tuesday, April 18 and A Historical View of the Assyrian Genocide will take place on Thursday, April 20th. Check out the City's <u>calendar</u> for more information. View the video <u>here</u>.



Central Library Reopening On May 1st!

The Central Library will reopen to the public on Monday, May 1, 2017! In honor of the Grand Reopening, all libraries will be closed EXCEPT for Central Library. Show your Glendale library card for a free ride on the Glendale Beeline on May 1.

The reimagined Central Library will be a public facility like no other in the region, enabling the public to not only retrieve, but create new content.

The Central Library will include:

- A Remembrance Room
- An upgraded Auditorium
- New conference rooms
- A new Reading Spa area
- A Computer Technology Lab
- Central Studios, an all-new MakerSpace
- 10 gigabyte connectivity for all of the Library's 70 high-speed public computers.

Follow the Library, Arts & Culture Department on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram <u>@MyGlendaleLAC</u> for updated information or see the <u>website</u>.

providing a variety of performance experiences every Friday from June through August 2017 at the Brand Library & Art Center Outdoor Plaza. The Commission encourages applications from both new and established artists and performance groups in any style of live music performance. Applications are due April 3. Learn more here.

April 4 - Glendale Municipal Election

For additional information, please visit <u>GlendaleVotes.org</u>

April 4 - 222 EAST, Central Library Plaza Performance Series - Call for Auditions DUE

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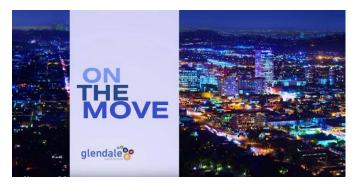
April 5 - Go Orange Day in honor of National Work Zone Awareness Week

Wear ORANGE to show your support during this annual campaign to promote safe driving while traveling through our work zones. The nationwide theme this year is "Work Zone Safety is in your Hands". Learn more here.

April 5 - Housing Rights Workshop for Renters, 5:00pm - 7:00pm Pacific Community Center, Sycamore Room 501 South Pacific Avenue Learn more here.

April 5, 13, 19 & 25 - Get Crafty Casa Verdugo Branch 1151 North Brand Boulevard ADULTS ONLY! Enjoy a quick project and take home a finished masterpiece. Learn more here.

April 5, 12, 19, & 26 - Free Citizenship Classes Library Connection @ Adams Square 1100 East Chevy Chase Drive Learn the English, Civics, and



Glendale On The Move

GTV6's newest episode of <u>On The Move</u> is now available! Be sure to tune in to Charter channel 6 or check the City's <u>YouTube</u> channel for new episodes.

Watch each segment here:











Got Worms?



Composting is an important practice that helps divert food and plant waste from landfills, while providing a valuable bi-product to replenish soil. Alongside conventional recycling, composting can help residents decrease the amount of waste they produce by half. As a result, residential composting can decrease waste, improve soil quality, and even decrease greenhouse gas emissions.

The City of Glendale is pleased to be offering substantial discounts on worm or "vermicomposting" bins to residents. These are ideal for apartment and condominium residents who have lots of kitchen scraps, but little or no yard trimmings for a backyard compost bin. For more information on how you can start composting, click here.

History requirements to pass the test and become a United States Citizen! Students must have a green card. Cosponsored by the International Rescue Committee. Learn more <u>here</u>.

April 7 - 9 - Beyond The Box Utility Box Murals

The Glendale Arts and Culture Commission issued a call for artists to apply to paint murals on City of Glendale utility boxes on April 7 - 9, 2017. Twelve utility box murals will be painted in downtown Glendale, along Glendale Avenue between Monterey Road and Broadway, and on Broadway between Chevy Chase Drive and Louise Street. Learn more here.

April 8 - Herps of the San Gabriel Mountains, 9:00am -12:00pm

Deukmejian Wilderness Park 3429 Markridge Road

Come learn about local amphibians and reptiles, and the role they play in the natural world. We finish the morning with an easy hike in the park as we search for new "friends". Learn more here.

April 8 - Tri-City Electric Car Guest Drive, 10:00am -4:00pm Pasadena Rose Bowl Parking Lot I 1150 Rosemont Avenue

Pasadena, CA 91103

April 8 - Jewel City Knitters, 2:00pm Chevy Chase Library 3301 East Chevy Chase Drive Jewel City Knitters makes and donates knit and crochet items to local, national and international organizations. Learn more here.

April 9 - 15 - National Library Week is Fine FREE Week

Celebrate our favorite "holiday" all week long with Fine Free Week. Return those overdue Glendale Library Arts and Culture materials and your late fines will be waived during this week. Lost items and items



To learn more about composting and other ways to become more sustainable, attend the City of Glendale's Annual Earth Day Event, on Saturday, April 15th. The event will take place at Pacific Park (501 S. Pacific Ave) from 1:00pm to 4:00pm, and will feature displays from various City departments and environmental vendors, and will also include carnival games, live entertainment, and activities for kids. Also available for pick up on the day of are rain barrels if a preorder is placed before the event.

<u>Click here</u> to find out more about this year's Earth Day event.



Spring Eggstravaganza

Join us at Pacific Community Center on Saturday, April 15, 2017, from 10:00am to 12:00pm for our annual Spring Eggstravaganza event. Participate in an egg hunt, play various carnival games, challenge yourself on the Glendale Rocks! climbing wall, or take the time and make a craft. Don't forget to bring a basket for the egg hunt

The event is free and open to the public. It is ideal for families with children 2 to 12 years old. For more information, please call (818) 548-4098.

Click here to view the event flyer.

borrowed from Pasadena Libraries cannot be waived.

April 9 - 17 - Bookmark Contest

Students 18 years and younger can visit any Library, Arts & Culture location to create a bookmark for this year's Bookmark Contest theme, Reading By Design.

April 11 - Booked Solid - Adult Book Club, 7:00pm Casa Verdugo Library 1151 North Brand Boulevard Read and discuss Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant by Roz Chast. Learn more here.

April 12 - Glendale Tech on Tap: The Impacts Robotics Competitions Have on K-12 Education, 5:00pm - 7:00pm Central Library 222 East Harvard Street Bing Jiang, the co-founder and CEO of Rolling Robots Inc. will lead this month's Tech on Tap. Light happy hour snacks will be provided. After Ms. Jiang's presentation, there will be hard hat tour of the library. Learn more here.

April 12, 19 & 26 - Personal Prose & Poetry: A Writing Class for Adults, 3:30pm Chevy Chase Library 3301 East Chevy Chase Drive Learn more here.

April 14 - Teen Night Out, 5:30pm - 9:00pm Pacific Community Center 501 South Pacific Avenue

Teens ages 14 and older can come to the facility and hangout, participate in some activities while being supervised by staff. Snacks and refreshments will be served. Learn more <u>here</u>.

April 14 - Teen Art Class, 7:30pm - 8:30pm Pacific Park Library 501 South Pacific Avenue Learn to see the way an artist sees and amaze yourself with your drawing skills. Learn more here



Chevy Chase Sewer Diversion Project Continues

The Chevy Chase Sewer Diversion Project continues construction causing the closure of Los Angeles Street between San Fernando Road to Garfield Avenue until the end of the year. Crews are working to install a sewer pipe to divert wastewater flow to the joint Los Angeles/Glendale Wastewater Reclamation Plant, which will save Glendale approximately \$1 million annually in treatment fees.

To learn more about this project and to view aerial footage of the project's progress, click <u>here</u>. For other public works construction updates, follow <u>@MyGlendalePW</u> on Twitter.

Don't Be a Victim of Utility Scams



Utility scams are a common occurrence and anyone can be a victim. Scammers can pose as utility workers over the phone and in person to steal your information. These scams can sound convincing, but by remembering Glendale Water & Power's safety procedures you can help prevent them:

- Glendale Water & Power employees always have proper city identification with them. If you are unsure, ask for the employee's city ID.
- GWP Employees never enter a customer's home without prior notification.
- Employees never enter a home to check water quality. All
 water quality tests are done outdoors at a hose bib. There is
 no need for customers to be outside during the test.
- GWP employees never ask for payments over the phone or in

April 15 - Tax Day Workday, 8:00am - 12:00pm Deukmejian Wilderness Park 3429 Markridge Road

Get away from all the forms and clutter of paper as you clear your head with a visit to Deukmejian Wilderness Park. Learn more here.

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501 South Pacific Avenue

Participate in the egg hunt, play various carnival games, challenge yourself on the Glendale Rocks! climbing wall, or take the time and make craft. Don't forget to bring a basket for the egg hunt. Learn more here.

April 15 - Earth Day, 1:00pm -4:00pm Pacific Community Center 501 South Pacific Avenue

After Spring Eggstravaganza, participate in interactive activities to learn how to lead a more sustainable lifestyle. There will be raffles, a climbing wall, live entertainment, face painting, carnival games, compost giveaway, and e-waste and mattress recycling! Learn more here.

April 17 - Hidden History of Transportation in Los Angeles, 7:00pm Central Library Auditorium 222 East Harvard Street

Join author Charles Hobbs as he recalls lost episodes of Los Angeles-area transportation lore, such as Pasadena's elevated California Cycleway, and efforts to build a propellerdriven monorail. Learn more here.

April 18 - Week of Remembrance - Man's Inhumanity to Man Committee Presents: Poetry Night, 5:30pm - 7:30pm City Hall, Perkins Plaza 613 East Broadway

Poetry Night is one of many events taking place in the month of April in collaboration with a network of organizations, schools, city departments, and community agencies, in order to raise awareness of man's inhumanity to man, the strength of the human spirit, and the

- person at your home/business. Over the phone payments can only be made through GWP's telephone IVR system and never with a live person. If you receive a call asking for payment, hang up immediately.
- GWP never calls threatening to shut off your water or power.
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You can always access your account information 24/7 on our website by <u>clicking here</u> and through our mobile app <u>here</u>.

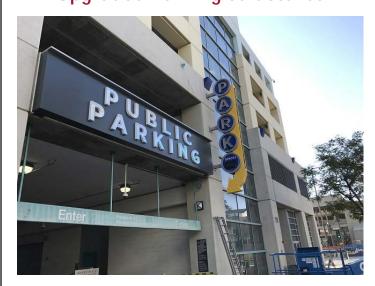
If you notice suspicious activity around your residence or suspect a scam, call the Glendale Police Department at 818-548-4911 to report it. <u>Click here</u> for more scam prevention tips.

Glendale Care Program



Low-income customers, you may be eligible to receive a discount on your Glendale Water and Power electric bill through the Glendale Care Program. The Glendale Care Program provides a \$13 monthly bill discount, or \$26 on your bi-monthly bill. Click here to view program guidelines and download an application.

Upgraded Parking Structures



Coming soon to Glendale are newly renovated parking structures with updated technology to make it easier to find an available parking space. This project is now entering its final phase, which includes the installation of street wayfinding signage. New illuminated signs and space counters can be seen at the Orange, Marketplace, and Exchange garages in the following months.

hope of overcoming oppression and suffering. Learn more <u>here</u>.

April 18 - Armenian Parent Support Group, 6:30pm Library Connection @ Adams Square

1100 East Chevy Chase Drive

The Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center, in cooperation with the Library, Arts & Culture Department, will host a monthly support group for Armenian-speaking families of children with special needs. Learn more here.

April 20 - DPSS - Medi-Cal Social Service Benefits, 12:30pm - 4:30pm Pacific Park Library 501 South Pacific Avenue Eligibility workers from the LA County Department of Social Services will be on site to assist with Medi-Cal and CalFresh applications and answer questions about these programs. Learn more here.

April 20 - JumpStart Center, 12:30pm - 4:30pm Pacific Park Library 501 South Pacific Avenue Job Search & Resume Assistance. Social Service Referrals & Placements. Personalized Strategic Planning & Goal Setting. Sponsored by Glendale Communitas Initiative. Learn more here.

April 20 - Week of Remembrance - Man's Inhumanity to Man Committee Presents: A Historical View of the Assyrian Genocide, 6:30pm - 8:30pm Brand Library & Art Center Recital Hall 1601 West Mountain Street Learn more here.

April 22 - Brand Associates
Music Series: Echo Mountain
Chamber Project, 2:00pm 3:00pm
Brand Library & Art Center
1601 West Mountain Street
The award winning trip performs

The award winning trio performs on the Brand Associates Music Series. Learn more <u>here</u>.

April 24 - Montrose Adult Book Club, 6:15pm Montrose Library 2465 Honolulu Avenue Read and discuss Ready Player One by Ernest Cline. Learn more here.

April 24 - Armenian Genocide

Registration Now Open!

Now in its seventh year, the Verdugo Mountains 10K has become the largest single-event Trail Run in Southern California. The course begins in beautiful Brand Park, climbs steadily to one of the highest points in the Verdugo Mountains, and then heads back downhill for a fast descent to the finish. Breathtaking views of the Los Angeles Basin, the San Fernando Valley, and the Pacific Ocean await the runners at every turn. Our outstanding Race Expo and Free Pancake Breakfast make the Verdugo Mountains 10K a destination race for all of Southern California and

Trail Run and Hike VERDUGO MOUNTAINS

The Verdugo Mountains 10K is presented by Dignity Health - Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center to benefit the Glendale Parks & Open Space Foundation.

Click here for more information.

Click here to register online.

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NEW Summer Employment & Leadership Program

Commemorative Event, 7:00pm - 8:30pm Alex Theatre 216 North Brand Boulevard The City of Glendale's 16th Annual Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide honors the lives of 1.5 million men, women, and children who suffered and perished 102 years ago, and serves as a reminder to young people of all ethnicities that such atrocities can be prevented if we work together to understand cultural differences and find acceptance. Learn more here.

April 26 - Taste of Downtown Glendale, 5:30pm - 8:30pm Stroll in and out of more than 30 of Downtown Glendale's top restaurants while enjoying food, wine, and live music in several locations along Brand Blvd. Learn more here.

April 28 - Colleen Kelly -Dream Portal: Once Upon A Time Adams Square Mini-Park Gas Station 1020 East Palmer Avenue Enjoy Colleen Kelly's mixed media art installation. Learn more here.

April 28 - Teen Night Out, 5:30pm - 9:00pm Pacific Community Center 501 South Pacific Avenue Teens ages 14 and older can come to the facility and hangout, participate in some activities while being supervised by staff. Snacks and refreshments will be served. Learn more here.

Creation Celebration & Reopening Gala, 6:00pm - 9:00pm Central Library 222 East Harvard Street
A number of special events will lead up to the Central Library reopening, including the Creation Celebration and Re-opening Gala, sponsored by the newly formed Glendale Library Foundation. Tickets are available from the Foundation website.

April 28 - Central Library

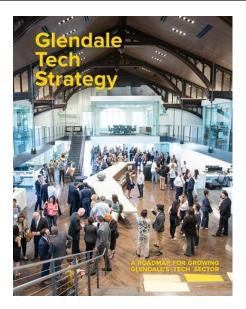
April 28 - Diversity Workshop, 6:30pm - 7:30pm Pacific Community Center 501 South Pacific Avenue In partnership with the Los



GYA is excited to announce the launch of a NEW Summer Employment & Leadership Program! This five week summer youth employment program allows youth that would otherwise not qualify for GYA programs, an opportunity to gain valuable work experience in the summer and earn their first paycheck!

The program includes 20 hours of work readiness/leadership training, financial literacy, and 80 hours of paid work-experience at a worksite based on the youth's interest and career goals.

Deadline to apply is June 15, 2017. To apply and view the flyer, click here.



Tech Strategy: Read the Report

The City of Glendale has recently completed the much anticipated <u>Glendale Tech Strategy</u>. Explore the in depth look at the City's current tech ecosystem and ways the City is working to improve business growth in this sector. See what companies shape the high tech field in Glendale, why they chose Glendale, and how to attract even more jobs to the City. Many of the recommendations include participation by the business community to not only facilitate business growth in the tech sector, but citywide.

Knowledge sharing is a key component of this growth, and the City continues to host monthly <u>Tech on Tap Meet Up events</u> and is preparing for the <u>2nd Annual Glendale Tech Week 2017</u> the week of October 9th with a City sponsored summit October 11-12, 2017. Join us at the next event <u>April 12</u> to learn more.

Angeles County Friday Night Live (FNL) program, Community Services & Parks will be offering a workshop presented by FNL that breaks down diversity. The workshop will begin with an ice breaker activity, followed by ways youth can better understand their differences and end an open dialogue. Youth will have a chance to learn from their peers and teach their peers, using their experiences and background. Learn more here.

April 29 - Book to Art Club, 10:30am - 12:00pm Brand Library & Art Center 1601 West Mountain Street
The Book to Art Club combines reading, discussion, and artmaking! Enjoy light refreshments, book discussion, and an art project based on themes from the book An Unnecessary Woman by Rabine Alameddine. Art supplies will be provided. Learn more here.

Looking Ahead

May 1 - Central Library Grand Reopening Ceremony

May 7 - Verdugo Mountains 10k Trail Run and Hike. Learn more here.

May 18 - "Roast" of Fire Chief Fish. Learn more <u>here</u>.

May 24 - Glendale Dodger Night. Learn more <u>here</u>.

Holiday Closures

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April 16 - Easter All libraries will be closed.

May 1 - All libraries closed EXCEPT Central Library.

Check the City's calendar for changes in date, time, or location <u>here</u>.



Downtown Recycles

Next time you're in downtown Glendale, be sure to use one of the 16 newly installed blue recycling containers along Brand Boulevard between Doran Street and Colorado Street. The containers are located along heavy foot traffic areas including bus stops and offer 36-gallons capacity. The State's CalRecycle competitive grant program funded the purchase of these containers. The funding comes from the California Refund Value, or the deposit paid on every bottle and can sold within the State.

Landlord Incentive Program (LIP)

The City of Glendale is proud to introduce the Landlord Incentive Program (LIP), a groundbreaking approach to ending homelessness in the City of Glendale. The Landlord Incentive Program encourages landlord acceptance of tenants with a voucher/certificate issued by City of Glendale Continuum of Care Homeless Programs.



Learn more here.

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