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Message From Scott Ochoa



Glendale City Manager

This summer in Glendale was all about public safety. Who'd a think it? — with heat, holidays, and lots of time spent outside - summer is prime time for emergencies. This past weekend, more than 7,000 acres of land burned (about 400 acres here in Glendale) in the La Tuna Canyon Fire and tested our community's agility. With no doubt in my mind, our Fire Department fought this fast-spreading fire alongside partner agencies to save lives and property. And that they did - No structures were damaged and no one was injured as a result of the flames in Glendale.

The effort did not stop there. It was the Police Department

A Big Thank You to Public Safety Personnel and Our Community



Shout out to all of the fire departments in the region who spent their Labor Day weekend helping fight the La Tuna Canyon Fire. Glendale thanks you!

To our residents: The City of Glendale greatly appreciates the community's support during the La Tuna Fire incident. Our first responders received an enormous amount of well wishes and donations from the public. Thank you for your kindness and compassion.

There are a variety of ways in which the City of Glendale and first responders communicate to the public during emergencies and disasters.

directing ground units and assisting residents with evacuations and re-housing. It was the Public Works personnel working on traffic signals in order to ensure the general welfare and safety of our community. It was the Glendale Water and Power personnel ensuring the safety of firefighters and community members by arranging to de-energize affected power lines and making sure there was enough water in the reservoirs and pumps to fight the fire. Our CSP staff coordinating shelter and animal care for evacuees. It was our public information staff disseminating critical information to the public and media. It was our Information Services personnel mapping the fire and evacuation areas. And, the most important, it was our community who not only allowed our first responders to do their work with no interference, but provided overwhelming support through donations of food, water, and supplies. Of course, it goes without saying that emergencies often strike without warning. And during this crisis, our community's unity shined. Excellence in service - kudos to everyone.

To that end, making safety a regular topic of discussion in Glendale, as opposed to one we stress only in times of emergency is important. In order to consistently be resilient through unpredictable disasters, I encourage anything that promotes connections within our community. This could be taking a CERT class with your Fire Department, joining a community group, getting to know your neighbors, or taking part in community events and simply meeting your first responders. This will make our community stronger.

It is also a good time to re-evaluate our emergency preparedness. Before this weekend, if I were given a mandatory evacuation order, I'm not sure I'd be ready to pack my life into a suitcase. Now, with a fresh reminder of how quickly life can take a turn, I can confidently say that I would be prepared to leave at any given moment with no questions about whether I took the right things. Do yourself a favor, and make this a priority; make emergency preparedness a priority.

We can all agree that disasters are tragedies. However, they can teach us valuable lessons that can lead to policies and practices that reduce the risk of

1. **Everbridge:** Register for important City notifications during large emergencies including information about evacuations, inundation zones, street closures, and shelter locations. Click [here](#) to learn more.
2. **Twitter:** Follow the Glendale Fire Department on Facebook at [@GlendaleFireDepartment](#) and the City of Glendale at [@MyGlendale](#) to get up to the minute incident updates. Follow the Tri-Cities (Glendale, Burbank, Pasadena) on twitter at [@VerdugoAlert](#).
3. **GTV6:** [GTV6](#) will provide all important information about the incident on their public access channel.
4. **Websites:** Visit any city website during a disaster and you will encounter a red screen that provides all important information about the incident. The Glendale Fire Department website is [www.glendalefire.org](#) and the city of Glendale website is [www.glendaleca.gov](#).
5. **Emergency Information Center:** This center is only open during large scale emergencies and provides residents with an opportunity to speak with a city employee to get incident specific information. Call 818-548-3301.



Glendale On The Move

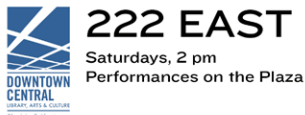
GTV6's newest episode of *On The Move* is now available! Be sure to tune in to Charter channel 6 or check the City's [YouTube](#) channel for new episodes.

Watch each segment here:



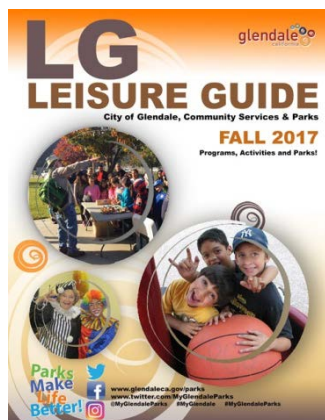
loss of life, property, and natural resources. Anything we can learn through a disaster will make us better for the "big one."

222 EAST Central Library Plaza Series



Visitors to Downtown Central Library can enjoy musical performances on the outdoor plaza every Saturday afternoon from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM. To view the line up, click [here](#).

Fall Leisure Guide



The Leisure Guide is the Community Services & Parks Department's quarterly e-publication where you can find information about programs, classes, services, and events that the City of Glendale is offering that season. Click [here](#) to view the latest publication.

Free Citizenship Classes



The International Rescue Committee, in association with Glendale Library, Arts, and Culture invites you to join us for

FREE CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

Learn the English, Civics, and History requirements to pass the test and become a United States Citizen! Students must have a green card. Cosponsored by the International Rescue Committee. Pre-registration

Public Art Master Plan: Make Your Voice Heard!



Under the direction of the City of Glendale Arts & Culture Commission, leading community engagement specialist *Community Arts Resources* and the nation's leading public art expert, Barbara Goldstein are developing the City's first Public Art Master Plan.

Goals of the 6-month outreach project include:

- Reviewing existing art in public spaces
- Identifying potential locations for public art
- Developing rules for distributing the Urban Art Fund
- Identifying potential arts and culture partners in the community
- Developing governance structure of staffing, implementation, and maintenance of program and artwork

Send us your comments about the arts in Glendale [here](#).

Glendale Tech Week: October 9 - 13



2017

Glendale Tech Week will be packed with great speakers and events. Look forward to these events in addition to all the other talks, panels, live demos, and networking opportunities!

Speaker Highlight: Wednesday morning's talks on October 11 will kick off the theme "A Startup Journey" with powertalks from impressive entrepreneurs. Look forward to hearing from Ara

required. Classes continue every Wednesday. Learn more [here](#).

Literacy Classes - Sign up Today!

The Adult Literacy Program helps adults who want to learn English as well as English-speaking adults who need to improve their reading and writing skills. Conversation classes and one-on-one tutoring sessions are offered for adults ages eighteen and over. Learn more [here](#).

CALENDAR

Through November 17 - Luke Elton Smith
Adams Square Mini-Park
1020 East Palmer Avenue
Visit the Gas Station and enjoy Migrant, a new art installation from Luke Elton Smith. Learn more [here](#).

September 8 - Parents' Night Out, 6:00 PM - 12:00 AM
Pacific Community Center
501 S. Pacific Ave.
Drop off your child or children at Pacific Community Center for an evening of fun, friends, pizza, games, popcorn and a movie, while you spend an evening out doing whatever you want! The fee is \$15.00 per child, ages 5 to 12 years old. Learn more [here](#).

September 9 - Riverwalk Workday, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Glendale Narrows Riverwalk West Entry: 300 Paula Avenue
Join the July Riverwalk Workday to help weed and maintain the landscaped areas along the L.A. River in the City of Glendale. The tools, gloves, drinks and snacks will be provided, but if possible, bring gloves, water bottle, and hand clippers. Families, individuals, groups, clubs, and students needing service hours are encouraged to attend. Learn more [here](#).

September 9 - Friends Back Door Bookstore OPEN, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Downtown Central Library Loading Dock
222 East Harvard Street
Visit the Back Door Bookstore the second Saturday of every month. Great books, great prices! Learn more [here](#).

September 9 - Password: The Allen Ludden Memorial Tournament,

Mahdessian, CEO and Co-Founder of ServiceTitan. ServiceTitan is a Glendale-based provider of business software for home service businesses. They have successfully secured Series A & B funding and were named a Rising Star in Forbes Cloud 100 Top Companies.

Panel Highlight: Wednesday afternoon hear about How the Sharing Economy is Shaping Fin-Tech with a panel of participants including Katherine McLain of Stripe, Barney Santos of Gentefy, and Amy Wan of Bootstrap Legal with moderator Armen Vartanian.

Event Highlight: Wednesday evening join an Oktoberfest celebration! There will be food, live demonstrations, craft brewer talks, interactive art displays, and pop-ins from top influencers, plus great craft beer. The event will be hosted in the Maryland Paseo.

Buy your [tickets](#), check out the [full program](#), and the expanding list of [speakers](#) all on the www.glendaletechweek.com website.

Follow [@glendale_tech](#) on [Twitter](#), and [@glendaletechweek](#) on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#) to get updates!

Glendale's CSW Searching for Student Volunteers



The City of Glendale Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is seeking two new Student Ex Officio members. The CSW is composed of seven volunteer members: five of whom are appointed by the City Council and two Student Ex Officio members who are appointed by the current Commissioners. The CSW is currently searching for its 2016-17 Student Ex Officio members to serve on the CSW for one year (Nov. 2017 - Oct. 2018).

The Commission on the Status of Women's future vision sees Glendale as a city where the full potential of all women and girls enriches the entire community; where all women and girls have equal rights, opportunities, and choices exercised freely, comfortably and safely; where all women and girls have a strong voice and equal participation in the affairs of the community; and where diversity is celebrated.

For more information and applications, please click [here](#). Applications are due by Friday, September 29, at 5:00 PM.

Candlelight Vigil

11:30 AM - 5:30 PM
Downtown Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
 Join Adam Nedeff, author of *It's More Than Password: The Life (And Wife) of Allen Ludden*, and play the word game of the stars, Password! Learn more [here](#).

September 9 - U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West Clarinet Quartet, 2:00 PM
Brand Library & Art Center
1601 West Mountain Street
 The Clarinet Quartet is part of the U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West from Travis Air Force Base. Learn more [here](#).

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September 12 - One Book/One Glendale for Teens!
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Downtown Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
 Meet author Laurie Halse Anderson as she discusses *Ashes*, the conclusion to her Revolutionary War trilogy. Learn more [here](#).

September 13 - Glendale's Extraordinary Craftsman Architecture, 7:00 PM
Downtown Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
 Arlene Vidor, former Historic Preservation Commissioner, and The Glendale Historical Society present an illustrated presentation on Glendale's Craftsman architecture. Learn more [here](#).

September 14 - Meet Siel Ju, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Downtown Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
 Enjoy a slice of cake and meet author Siel Ju as she discusses her novel, *Cake Time*. Learn more [here](#).

September 15 - Teen Night Out, 5:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Pacific Community Center
501 S. Pacific Avenue
 Teens ages 13 and older can



VOICES AGAINST VIOLENCE

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Join us for an evening of remembrance and celebration as we honor those we have lost to domestic violence and lift up the voices of survivors.

OCTOBER 5, 2017 | 6-8PM
YWCA GLENDALE
 735 E LEXINGTON DRIVE
 GLENDALE, CA 91206

Free and open to the public. Limited parking available in the Geneva St. lot.
 For questions: (818)242-4155 x227
 devonmaick@glendaleywca.org

eliminating racism
 empowering women
YWCA Glendale

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 committed to the status of women

The City of Glendale's Commission on the Status of the Women and the YWCA of Glendale would like to invite you to their Annual Candlelight Vigil on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the YWCA of Glendale, located at 735 E. Lexington Drive, Glendale, CA 91206.

This year's event will focus on voices against violence, an evening of remembrance and celebration to honor those who have lost their lives to domestic violence, as well as to lift up the voices of survivors. There will be light snacks, speakers, a peace vigil for hope and safety, and other community organizations there to promote healthy and safe communities and homes. More information can be found [here](#).

Public Works Project Updates

Downtown Internally Illuminated Street Sign Replacement



come hang out at the facility and participate in some activities while being supervised by staff. Snacks and refreshments will be served. Learn more [here](#).

September 15 - Friday Night Lights, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Verdugo Skate Park
1621 Canada Boulevard

Enjoy some of the newest skateboard videos on a big projection screen. There will be a raffle and one prize given away monthly. Free snack with the purchase of a raffle ticket. Free admission. Learn more [here](#).

September 15 - College Financial Aid Workshop, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Pacific Community Center
501 S. Pacific Ave.

As part of our financial literacy workshop series, Your Money Matters, Teen Night Out presents the topic of college financial aid. This Special FAFSA Edition Workshop is presented by Bryan Schwartz of the Glendale Communitas Initiative. Learn more [here](#).

September 16 - Wilderness Workday, 8:00AM - 12:00PM
Deukmejian Wilderness Park
3429 Markridge Rd.

Plan to join us for invasive weed removal and tree watering during our September Wilderness Workday, as we all work together to clean up the world. It's perfect for students who need community service hours. Learn more [here](#).

September 16 - Naturalization Information Session, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Downtown Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
 For more information call 818-548-6450. Learn more [here](#).

September 16 - BRAND 45: Works On Paper, Opening Reception, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Brand Library & Art Center
1601 West Mountain Street
 The Brand Associates is pleased to host Leslie Jones, curator of Prints and Drawings at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, at the juror for its 45th Annual National Juried Exhibition of Works On Paper. Learn more [here](#).

September 17 - Omote-senke Tea Ceremony, 10:00AM - 12:00PM
Brand Park
1601 West Mountain Street

Omote-senke has its own customs and traditions that we would like to highlight for you with the tea ceremony demonstration. Come and learn

Last month, crews were hard at work installing new internally illuminated street name signs throughout Downtown Glendale. At 23 intersections on major thoroughfares in Downtown Glendale, including on Broadway, Brand Blvd., Colorado St., and Central Ave., new street name signs will make getting around town easier and safer for everyone! Check out more photos and learn more about the project scope [here](#), and follow the Public Works Department on Twitter and Facebook ([@MyGlendalePW](#)) for updates on projects all across Glendale.

New Parking Meters



In 2008, Public Works first installed multi-space parking meters on Brand Blvd. and in downtown parking lots. As many of these meters have reached the end of their useful life, they have been replaced with new digital multi-space meters. Like the older meters, the new meters have a color LCD screen, accept debit and credit card payments, and allow users to extend by phone when a credit card is used. Additionally, they feature improvements such as faster transaction times, a larger LCD screen, and coin return upon canceling a transaction. Check them out the next time you visit Downtown Glendale!

Chevy Chase Sewer Diversion Project Update



Over the summer, crews have made significant progress on the Chevy Chase Sewer Diversion project. San Fernando Road opened earlier this summer, and a sewer bypass was completed on Elk Ave. in mid-August. This project is important to the City's efforts to maintain a world-class wastewater system. For more information on the project, visit the Public Works website [here](#).

Glendale's 'Recycle Right!'

the very unusual and interesting story about this style of tea and the others that are associated with it. \$20 donation per person. Learn more [here](#).

September 17 - Meet Bill Esparza, 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Downtown Central Library
222 East Harvard Street
 Meet musician and author Bill Esparza in conversation with author Gustavo Arellano (*Taco USA and Ask A Mexican*) about Esparza's book, *L.A. Mexicano: Recipes, People & Places*. Learn more [here](#).

September 19 - Lanterman Regional Center Armenian Parent Support Group, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Library Connection @ Adams Square
1100 East Chevy Chase Drive
 This month's topic is Transition to Adulthood by Rebecca Diddams, Attorney. Presentation is open to parents and families of children with special needs. Learn more [here](#).

September 20 - Community Needs Assessment Meeting, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Pacific Community Center
501 S. Pacific Ave.
 Learn about City funded social services, housing programs, and neighborhood/public improvements that benefit your neighborhood. Most importantly, bring YOUR ideas on how to improve your neighborhood. Learn more [here](#).

September 21 - DPSS - Medi-Cal Social Services Benefits, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Pacific Park Library
501 South Pacific
 Eligibility workers from the LA County Department of Public Social Services will be onsite to assist with Medi-Cal and CalFresh applications. Learn more [here](#).

September 22 - Glendale Beautiful's Award Ceremony, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Casa Adobe de San Rafael
1330 Dorothy Drive
 Glendale Beautiful will be recognizing homes with sustainable features and landscaping at their Fall Awards Ceremony. In so doing, they hope to encourage others to also consider sustainable options. Donations will be accepted at the event. Snacks and refreshments will be served. Learn more [here](#).

September 23 - Wet & Wonderful, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Descanso Gardens

Campaign & Tote Bags



Knowing what goes in the curbside recycling containers helps keep our community clean and healthy. Are you already a pro recycler? Take the quiz at www.GlendaleRecycles.com to find out!



Throughout July and August, 7,100 multi-family residents received in-unit recycling tote bags to help them recycle efficiently. The reusable bag conveniently lists what should be placed in curbside containers, and where to drop off electronics and hazardous waste. The bags are part of a pilot program designed to target multi-family residents which is a piece of the City's larger Recycle Right! campaign. Received a tote bag and not sure how to use it? [Check out the PSA!](#)

GWP Customer Service In Your Neighborhood

1418 Descanso Dr.
Celebrate our precious water at this day long symposium that will explore ways to create beautiful gardens and to safeguard our precious (and limited!) water supply. Reserve your ticket [here](#).

September 23 - MUSIC ANIMATED: Dance with Duo Gliss, 10:30 PM - 12:00 PM
[Brand Library & Art Center 1601 West Mountain Street](#)
Harpists Hee Jin Yoon and Ko-Ni Choi perform throughout Southern California as Duo Gliss. Learn more [here](#).

September 26 - Story Walk & More, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
[Pacific Park Library 501 South Pacific Avenue](#)
Children and families are invited to enjoy a self-guided "elephant & Piggie" story. Following StoryWalk, join staff for activities in the library.

September 30 - GWP Customer Service in Your Neighborhood, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
[GCC Garfield Campus Community Room 1122 E. Garfield Ave.](#)
GWP is bringing their Customer Service Department to your neighborhood to assist you better. Make an electronic payment, enroll in programs, visit informational booths, ask staff questions and more.

Looking Ahead

October 5 - YWCA & CSW's Annual Candlelight Vigil
October 9 to 13 - Glendale Tech Week

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

Other



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Saturday, September 30th
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
GCC Garfield Campus Community Room
1122 E. Garfield Ave.
Glendale, CA 91205

Receive a free conservation kit for attending!

Stay Cool in the Pool

The Pacific Community Pool is open for recreational swim on weekends through October. [CLICK HERE](#) for pool hours.

Wading pools are also available for private rentals at various parks through October, pending staff availability.

For additional information, please call (818) 937-7433 or visit www.glendaleaquatics.com.

Water Play Features Days of Operation Change Mid-September



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[CLICK HERE](#) for pool hours, registration information, and swimming lesson opportunities.

Summer is coming to an end, but the heat is still going strong, so we are keeping our water play features operational through October 15, 2017. Take your kids to the water play features at Cerritos Park and Pacific Park to cool off while playing in the great outdoors. Please see the days and hours of operation below.

Now - Sept. 15, 11:00AM - 6:00PM, DAILY

Sept. 16 - Oct. 15, 11:00PM - 6:00PM, SAT & SUN ONLY

To report maintenance needs, please contact Park Services at (818) 548-2054.

Parking Count System



Parking in Glendale just got easier! To assist drivers in finding parking in downtown Glendale, the Marketplace and Exchange parking facilities have been equipped with state of the art dynamic message boards and parking space counting technology. This technology optimizes the use of parking spaces by providing real-time inventories and significantly reduces vehicle emissions by eliminating the "cruising effect" of searching for a parking space. This counting technology will assist drivers in finding available spaces as they drive into the facility. Visit the PW page [here](#).

We Want to Hear From You! Community Needs Assessment Meeting

The Community Services and Parks Department - Human Services Section invites YOU to its annual Community Needs Assessment Meeting taking place on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, starting at 7:00PM at the Pacific Community Center. Learn about City funded social services, housing programs, and neighborhood/public improvements that benefit your neighborhood. Most importantly, bring YOUR ideas on how to improve your neighborhood. If you or your neighbor prefer to communicate in Armenian or Spanish, staff will be available to lead a separate meeting in your language of choice. Feel free to bring your kids along, as we will have activities to keep them entertained in a separate room supervised by staff.

For more information, call (818) 548-2000 or visit glendaleca.gov/cdbg.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the flyer in English, Spanish, and Armenian

Verdugo Jobs Center Hosts Job Seeker Services, Business Resources



Are you looking for work? The Verdugo Jobs Center (VJC) provides job placement assistance, career counseling, information about new in-demand jobs, and short-term training programs. VJC has training funds available to assist individuals who have been laid off or are currently receiving government assistance. You can learn more about how to qualify by following [this link](#).

Are you a hiring manager or business owner? The VJC offers free access to large facilities for on site recruitment and interviews, as well as assigned VJC recruitment assistants; customized pre-employment orientations to meet your needs; and targeted candidate searches and pre-screening services. To learn more, [click here](#).

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