

NorwalkNow

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Welcome to Supervisor Janice Hahn

On December 5, Janice Hahn was sworn in as one of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors' newest members. She replaces longtime Supervisor Don Knabe who retired after 20 years in the post.

Hahn represents the 4th District, overseeing services for over 10 million residents of LA County, including Norwalk and 26 other cities, 15 unincorporated areas, and a number of regions within the City of Los Angeles.

Hahn cut her political teeth in local government. From 2001 to 2011, she served as a member of the Los Angeles City Council where she fought for better treatment for local workers and implemented policies to combat air pollution. Most recently, Janice Hahn served in the US Congress representing California's 44th Congressional District. She made a name for herself working across the aisle, creating the first Congressional PORTS Caucus, advocating for small business owners, and working to improve our nation's transportation system.

Supervisor Hahn comes from a family dedicated to service. Her father was a member of the LA County Board of Supervisors for 40 years. In fact, the building where the Board of



Supervisors meets each week was renamed in his honor, as the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration. Kenny Hahn also served on the LA City Council for ten years.

Janice, who was born and raised in Los Angeles, lives in San Pedro, is the mother of three grown children and grandmother to five.

On serving the residents of Norwalk, Supervisor Hahn says, "it is an honor to be elected to represent the City of Norwalk on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. With your support I will fight to ensure that Norwalk continues to be a hub for transportation and business and a community where families can thrive."

Notice of Nominees for Public Office

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following persons have been nominated for the offices designated to be filled at the General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Norwalk on Tuesday, March 7, 2017.

For Member of the City Council Four-Year Term

Vote for no more than two

Esperanza "Espie" Free
Marcel A. Mercado
Debbie Martinez
Candy Martinez
Jamie E. Armenta
Enrique Aranda
Tony Ayala
Harvey Cardenas
Jennifer Perez

For Member of the City Council Two-Year Short Term

Vote for no more than one

Alberto "Xzevious" Uribe
Ken Menchaca
Margarita Rios

January 1, 2017

Theresa Devoy, CMC
City Clerk

John Glenn High School Legacy



In 1962 John Glenn became the first American to orbit Earth. This mission led NASA to make crucial discoveries about space.

On December 8, Glenn passed away at the age of 95. But not before achieving a few other feats:

Decorated Korean War Marine pilot

Set the 726 mph flying speed record

25 year United States Senator

Running for President

Oldest person to fly in space at age 77

John Glenn High School Principal Greg Puccia shares what the astronaut's legacy means to the students and the school.

"We were sad to hear of Mr. Glenn's passing. He was such a relevant and iconic figure, a hero to everyone. He actually visited our campus on several occasions, and we've remembered him and his incredible life through activities and observances here."

Discover more about this local and global hero at <https://www.nasa.gov/content/profile-of-john-glenn>.



"I applied to Harvard and Yale University so hopefully I'll be accepted to one of those institutions!" - Ashley Armas



"Better grades, I need that 4.0 and also for everyone to be nice to each other." - Emely Velasco



"I hope my aunts chemotherapy goes the way it's supposed to so she can be cancer free." - Ziley Zepeda



"I want to get good grades so I can get a better job when I grow up." - Ivan



"I hope people can be happy and smile. It's important to treat others how you want to be treated." - Jaylene



"I hope my life is filled with happiness and I get into a good college and that my family is united." - Melissa Torres



"To get accepted into college with EMT courses to become a firefighter/paramedic one day." - Paul Legarreta



"I hope to travel more with my family. I also want my grandpa to be cancer free." - Andrew Vasquez

Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, February 14 • 6:30 a.m.
Norwalk DoubleTree Hotel



Norwalk City Hall Hours of Operation

Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m.
Alternating Fridays 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sundays Closed

Norwalk City Council

Mayor
Mike Mendez



Vice Mayor
Cheri Kelley

Councilmembers
Leonard Shryock Luigi Vernola

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Lady Eagles Bring It to the Mat!



Girls wrestling is a sport gaining in popularity, and Norwalk isn't wasting time in making its own mark. The Lady Eagles is a vision turned to reality by Hector Ramirez, coach of John Glenn High School's very first all-female wrestling team. Having helped the boys' team achieve an outstanding record as head coach, he hopes to duplicate this success for the girls with the help of assistant coach Samantha Bernal.

Coach Ramirez, a former UFC and Bellator fighter, has a passion for this sport and says, "Wrestling is going to open opportunities and academic achievements for these girls

and I want to be a part of it. Girls' wrestling is the next big thing!"

Glenn Senior Maria Enriquez says, "Every single one of us are so different. There is such a variety of personalities on the mat, but one thing we all have in common is to kick butt this year and come out with a bang. We are definitely a force to be reckoned with!"

Freshman Breanna Sanchez says, for her, "Wrestling means life. Everything we learn ties in to life. Goal setting, discipline, confidence and critical thinking."

Senior Ruby Alvarez tells us, "Being part of the first all-girls wrestling team is amazing

because it shows that girls can do anything boys can." Team shirts reflect this with the quote, "Wrestling: Invented by Men, Perfected by Women."

John Glenn High School is excited to be the first high school in Norwalk with a girls' wrestling team. Both Coach Ramirez and Assistant Coach Bernal are Glenn alumni. The Lady Eagles are currently in their winter season which runs through February.

Recently the team placed sixth out of 40 at a two day tournament in Santa Ana! You can support them at their matches, and follow them on Instagram @jghsladyeagles.

Proposed ordinance will divert more construction waste from landfills

Up to 29% of waste in landfills comes from construction and demolition activity. To divert this type of waste from entering our landfills, the State has increased its requirement for diversion/recycling. As mandated by the 2016 California Green Building Standards Code, the City is required to amend its local construction and demolition waste management ordinance. In order to comply with the 2016 California Green Building Standards Code, the recycling requirement must increase from a minimum of 50% to a minimum of 65% of nonhazardous construction and demolition waste. The ordinance was considered by City Council on December 20 and will be scheduled for second reading and adoption at the City Council's January 3 meeting. If adopted, the changes take effect after thirty (30) days. If you have any questions regarding the City's Construction and Demolition Recycling Program, please contact the Waste Management Plan Compliance Official at (562) 929-5733.

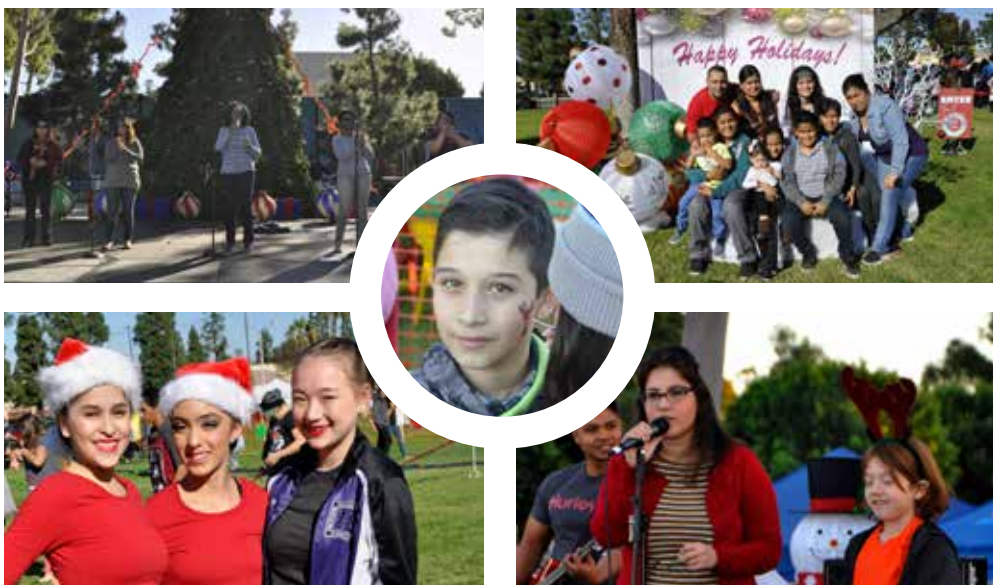


Big Tree, Big Fun & Santa Claus too!

This year's SnowFest and Tree Lighting Ceremony was one of the biggest highlights of the season, bringing kids of all ages to the Civic Center Lawn in celebration of the holidays.

Fourteen groups took the stage, with performances by musicians and dance groups, as well as the Miniachis de Norwalk and the All City Youth Band.

As the sun set, the city's brand new 30 foot tree was lit, creating a beautiful backdrop for the arrival of Santa and his sleigh.



Stuff-A-Bus collects over 1,000 toys for the Angel Tree Program!

Norwalk Transit System's (NTS) 15th Annual Stuff-A-Bus made visits to John Glenn High School, Nettie Waite Middle School, Norwalk High School, and the City of Norwalk's Snowfest & Tree Lighting event, where over 1,000 new toys were collected from school students, faculty and Norwalk residents.

These toys, along with other donations, were distributed to approximately 1,500 children that attended the City of Norwalk's Angel Tree Project Event, on December 10, 2016.

The Stuff-A-Bus continued to service various NTS routes throughout the month of December. Also, NTS accepted additional toy donations at their Customer Service Center. If you would like information about next year's Stuff-A-Bus Program for 2017, please contact NTS Customer Service at (562) 929-5550 or e-mail: transportation@norwalkca.gov.

Thursday, January 19th
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Los Compadres
Mexican Restaurant
11600 Rosecrans Ave.

Get to know the officers in your community! Join the City of Norwalk, Department of Public Safety and Sheriff's Deputies for a morning of coffee and conversation!



If you have any questions, please contact the Public Safety Department at (562) 929-5732

"Making a Difference Together"



Making a Difference

Your Opinion Counts

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), in coordination with LA County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) and the Cities of Norwalk and Santa Fe Springs, is conducting a planning study to identify and evaluate alternatives for extending the Metro Greenline east from the Norwalk Station to connect to the Norwalk/Santa Fe Springs Metrolink Station. SCAG invites the public to attend one of two community open house events to learn about the potential project and provide input. Families and children are welcome, and Spanish interpretation will be available. Refreshments will be provided.

Community Open House #1

Saturday, January 7
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Community Open House #2

Wednesday, January 11
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Open House Location: Sproul Reception Center, 12239 Sproul Street, Norwalk

For more information:

Visit: www.scag.ca.gov/norwalkgreenlinestudy

Call (213) 236-1897

Email norwalkgreenline@scag.ca.gov



Get Help with Home Repair Costs

Is your roof leaking? Are your windows drafty? The City of Norwalk helps qualified households make needed home repairs. Assistance is available to City of Norwalk property owners who have owned and lived in the property for minimum of 2 years and whose household income is within the limits indicated below. Homes must be owner-occupied, single family dwellings, including mobile homes and condominiums/townhomes, and tenant-occupied 1-4 unit rental properties*.



Household Size	Maximum Income
1 Person	\$48,650
2 Persons	\$55,600
3 Persons	\$62,550
4 Persons	\$69,450
5 Persons	\$75,050
6 Persons	\$80,600
7 Persons	\$86,150
8 Persons	\$91,700

*For rental properties, tenant incomes are used to establish eligibility for the program.

The following types of assistance are available depending upon income and other qualifications:

Grants	Deferred Loans
Rebates	0% Interest Loans

Eligible Improvements include:

Electrical	Carpentry
Plumbing	Windows & Doors
Roofing	Fumigation
Heating	Garages & Carports
Painting	Addition of Bedrooms & Bathrooms (under limited conditions)
Masonry	

Upcoming workshop:

Tuesday, January 31 at 6:00 p.m.
Social Services Center
11929 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk
Or call (562) 929-5951 or
Visit <http://www.norwalk.org/HIP>

Homeless Count Registration Now Open

Sign up to participate in the 2017 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count in Norwalk! All across Los Angeles County, every January we embark on a mission to count our homeless neighbors. The City of Norwalk's count takes place Tuesday, January 24 at 8:00 p.m. Sign up to volunteer at www.theycountwillyou.org because everyone counts, no matter where they live. The City of Norwalk is located in SPA 7 area- East Los Angeles County.

For more information please contact:
Mayra Garcia, Social Services Worker
mgarcia@norwalkca.gov or (562) 929-5561

Deployment site location:
Social Services Center, 11929 Alondra Boulevard
Norwalk, CA 90650

City of Norwalk Angel Tree Supporters 2016

A special thanks to those involved in making the Holidays special for the many children selected to participate in the Angel Tree Project. The success of Angel Tree would not be possible without the support of each and every one of YOU! THANK YOU for caring enough to make a difference in the lives of children and families!



It Takes a Community!

It was another great day for Norwalk at the annual Angel Tree event! The community came together by volunteering and with donations to make the holidays brighter for local families in need. The morning was filled with gifts, games, special time with Santa, and smiles for 1,500 children in Norwalk. If you'd like to help with next year's event, call Norwalk's Social Services Department at (562)929-5544.

Gold

Norwalk Community Coordinating Council
Norwalk Golden Trowel Lodge #273
Norwalk Senior Citizens Center, Inc.
Tom & Marie Jackson

Silver

Arise International Church
Gordon & Marilee Stefenhagen
Norwalk Lions Club
Pawnmart Jewelry & Loan
United Parents Club
Wal-Mart #5164

Major

57th District Assemblymember
Majority Leader Ian Calderon
Alba Professional Services/ H&R Block
Alondra Senior Citizen Club
MCT Technology
Newmark Merrill – Norwalk Square
Norwalk Auto Auction
Norwalk Motorcycle Club
Norwalk Knights of Columbus #3678
Richards, Watson and Gershon

General

AA Group
Al & Luella Steele
Al-Anon
58th District Assemblymember
Cristina Garcia
CEA – HOW
Costco Warehouse #410
Leroy Baca
Phyllis Barth
Karen Bender
Jalna Boltz
In-N-Out Burgers
Wally and Donna Oxborrow
Narcoticos Anonimos
Norwalk Printing
Norwalk Records
Norwalk Superior Court Employees
Norwalk Stingrays Baseball
OneMain Financial
Soto Family
St. Linus Knights of Columbus #10623
Tak Hamabata
Telecom Pioneers of America
Harbor Life Member Club
(In Memory of Stella Gallegos, Richard Corse, Sr., Richard Corse, Jr.)
Tony and Yvonne Weimholt
W.G. Zimmerman Engineering

Schools

Chavez Elementary School
Cresson Elementary School
Dolland Elementary School
Edmondson Elementary School
Glazier Elementary School
Johnston Elementary School
Lakeland Elementary School
Lampton Elementary School
Moffitt Elementary School
Morrison Elementary School
New River Elementary School
Nuffer Elementary School
Orr Elementary School
Paddison Elementary School
Sanchez Elementary School
Studebaker Elementary School

Angel Tree Sites

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #359
Applebee's
Arise International Church
Collins Sunny Daycare
Communication Workers of America
Corral Family Daycare
Doris Hair Design
Faith Reform Church
Hunter Family Daycare
John Glenn High School
Joyland Preschool
L.A. County Fire Department Station #20
L.A. County Sheriff's Department – Norwalk Station
Madrigal Family Child Care
Northgate Gonzalez Market
Norwalk Beverage Company
Norwalk-La Mirada
Unified School District
Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex
Norwalk Chamber of Commerce
Norwalk Child Development Program
Norwalk City Hall

Norwalk High School
Norwalk Presbyterian Church
Norwalk Regional Library
Norwalk Senior Center
Norwalk Sheriff Station
Norwalk Social Services Center
Norwalk Superior Court
Norwalk Toyota
Ordiway Family Child Care
Pioneer Medical Group – Corporate
Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk
Ruiz Family Daycare
Salas Family Daycare
Social Security Administration
St. John of God Catholic Church
Norwalk Target Store #1340
TJ Maxx
TLC Learning Center
United Methodist Church
Verizon

\$1 Supporter Sites

American Legion Post #359
Applebee's
Baja California Bar and Grill
Cerritos College Bookstore
Douglas Burgers
El Paraiso Juice Bar #2
Familia Pawn
So. Cal. Pizza
Tam's Burgers #33
TNT Tacos & Tortas
And more than 200 volunteers!!!



See & Do

One Simple Act.



The American Red Cross encourages the public to make a life-saving appointment to give blood. It's easy, and convenient for Norwalk residents. City Hall will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, January 10 from noon to 6:00 p.m. in the Lower Level Conference Room. Sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code CityofNorwalk, or contact Theresa Devoy at (562) 929-5720 or at clerk@norwalkca.gov.

The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Your help is crucial.

Norwalk City Hall
12700 Norwalk Boulevard.

Ready for the Rain?

Winter is here and rain is expected. Be prepared this season.

The City, in collaboration with Los Angeles County Fire Department, offers sandbags and sand for Norwalk residents. These items are free and offered on a first come first served basis. Bags can be picked up at either of two fire stations in the City. Fire Station 20 is located at 12110 Adoree Street off of Norwalk Boulevard, and Station 115 is located at 11317 Alondra Boulevard. Sand is available at self-serve stations located at:

Norwalk Aquatic Pavilion • 12301 Sproul Street

Gerdes Park • 14700 Gridley Road

Hermosillo Park • 11959 162nd Street

Bob White Park • 12120 Hoxie Avenue

Holifield Park • 12500 Excelsior Drive

Holiday Trash & Street Sweeping Schedule

Observed Holidays	City Hall Closed	Sweeping	Trash
New Year's Day	Monday, January 2	No	No
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, January 16	No	Yes



Street Sweeping: When there is no street sweeping due to a holiday, sweeping will NOT be made up. Streets can only be swept on the posted day.

Trash Collection: When there is no trash collection due to a holiday, trash collection WILL be made up. Trash will be collected the day after the normal collection day for the remainder of the week. For example, Monday's trash will be collected on Tuesday. Tuesday's trash will be collected on Wednesday.

Important: On a few of the holidays, the schedule causes trash collection to be on the same day as street sweeping for the remainder of the week. During these times, trash barrels MUST be placed up on the parkway (grass between sidewalk and curb) so not to hinder the street sweeper from sweeping streets.

Questions?

Trash Collection	CR&R Waste Services	(562) 944-4716
	Republic Services	(800) 299-4898
Street Sweeping	Public Services Department	(562) 929-5511

Upcoming Library Events & Activities

Alondra Library • 11949 Alondra Boulevard
(562) 868-7771

Norwalk Library • 12350 Imperial Highway
(562) 868-0775

Toddler Storytime (Ages 1-3)
Fridays • 11:15 to 11:45 a.m.

Bring your toddlers for stories, songs, and fingerplays. They'll be introduced to early literacy in a fun environment and will be able to socialize with new friends!

Reading Buddies (Ages 5-8)
Tuesdays • 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

This free program pairs beginning readers K-2nd grade with teenage volunteers. Your child will have the opportunity to practice reading skills and receive encouragement from their teen reading buddy.

Family Storytime (Ages 4 & up)
Wednesdays • 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes, and art activities with the whole family.

Teen: Adult 101 Etiquette (Ages 12-18)
Thursday, January 12 • 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Teens, are you curious about how to act in a social setting? Learn basic tips for these intimidating situations!

Teen Button Making (Ages 12-18)
Thursday, January 19 • 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Who doesn't love buttons? Make some cool fashion accessories to pin anywhere.

"Classics I Always Said I Was Going to Read" Book Club: Brave New World
Tuesday, January 10 • 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.



Copies of the book are available at Alondra Library or many other branches of the County Library. New members are always welcomed and light refreshments are served.

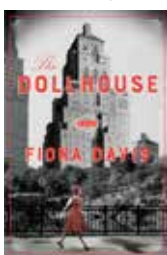
Citizenship Clinic (Ages 18 & up)
Saturday, January 21 • 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Pre-Registration Required

In partnership with South Asian Network, Norwalk Library is hosting a free Citizenship Clinic. Receive assistance with the naturalization process, from filling out forms to applying for fee waivers and studying for the test.

Please note: Registration is required and spaces are limited. Call or make an appointment in person.

Lit Wits Book Discussion:

The Dollhouse (Ages 18 & up)
Monday, January 23 • 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.



January's book group selection is The Dollhouse by Fiona Davis. A journalist living in what was once the famed Barbizon Hotel for Women uncovers a decades old mystery involving a previous resident. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the Info

Desk, and may also be downloaded on the County Library website. New members always welcome.

Chinese New Year Art Activity: Paper Lantern Rooster (Ages 5-17)
Wednesday, January 25 • 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.



Children are invited to celebrate the Year of the Rooster at the Norwalk Library! Be creative and make a cute rooster paper lantern. As part of the Chinese New Year tradition, each child will receive a red envelope filled with goodies. Learn about Chinese Zodiac signs and their meaning.

Senior Center Events

14040 San Antonio Drive • (562) 929-5580

Neighborhood Watch

"See Something, Say Something"

Wednesday, January 11 • 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Public Safety talks with seniors about neighborhood safety, providing valuable info on what to watch for and what should be reported to local law enforcement.

"Preparing for Tax Time"

Thursday, January 12 • 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Staff from Heartland Institute of Financial Education will be conducting a seminar for seniors to help them during tax time, discussing important tax documents to have on-hand and reviewing important tax laws and information.

Bone Density Screening

Wednesday, January 18 • 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Seniors are vulnerable to loss of bone mass, and screenings can alert them to changes happening in their bone health. Join staff from HealthCare Partners as they offer bone density screenings to seniors for free.

Electronics Workshop

Saturday, January 21, 2017 • 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Having trouble with that new high tech device you received for a holiday gift? Come down to our electronics workshop and work one on one with staff and volunteers to learn the basic skills necessary for operating your cell phones, iPods, iPads, tablets, digital cameras or MP3 players. Bring your device and any manual that comes with it. Registration is currently being taken. For information, please call (562) 929-5580.

Senior Home Repair Program

Wednesday, January 25 • 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Have costly repairs that need to be done to your home? Want to know how you can afford them on a limited income? The City of Norwalk's Community Development Department has answers for you as they discuss programs for homeowners living in the City of Norwalk. Staff will discuss available services and how to apply.

"Seniors & Safe Driving" Seminar

Tuesday, January 31 • 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

A Representative from the DMV Ombudsman Program informs seniors what steps to take to be safe while they are driving. They will talk about issues impacting seniors such as vision, physical health and cognitive issues, and will also discuss driving courses that seniors can take to help reduce auto insurance rates.

Bereavement Support Group

Meets every Friday • 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

The Bereavement Support Group offers a safe and welcoming environment to participants experiencing the loss of a spouse, family member or friend. The group is led by a trained mental health professional from Telecare Corporation in Norwalk.

IHSS Help Desk

First Friday of the month • 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

A Representative from Personal Assistance Services Council of Los Angeles informs seniors about In Home Supportive Services (IHSS), a program that helps pay for services provided to Medi-Cal recipients 65 years or older, the legally blind, or disabled adults so they can remain safely in their home.



Christmas Tree Recycling

Recycle your christmas tree on trash day! From December 27, 2016 through January 13, 2017, Norwalk residents can have their Christmas trees picked up and recycled. Trees will be reused as compost and landfill cover. For guidelines please call (562) 929-5964.

December City Council Meeting Highlights

