NORWALK'S 31ST ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 • 11 A.M.

Marching bands from throughout the southland will perform alongside ghosts and goblins in this year's Halloween Parade. The parade begins at the intersection of Pioneer Boulevard and Mapledale Street and will conclude at Hermosillo Park. Residents are encouraged to participate in the parade by dressing up in their favorite Halloween costume and marching in the parade. A costume contest will be conducted at the corner of Pioneer Boulevard and Mapledale Street beginning at 9:15 a.m. Pre-registration is not required for the costume contest. Businesses, service organizations, and clubs are encouraged to participate in this free program. Please call 929-5702 to receive an entry form.

PLUS...HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL 2014
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 • 6–9 P.M. • CITY HALL LAWN

Don't miss this annual Halloween event. All ages are welcome to participate. There will be food and game booths, a costume contest, raffles, music, crafts, and much more. The festival provides a safe alternative to door-to-door trick-or-treating for children.

VOLunteers NEEDED FOR FESTIVAL

This event would not be possible without community volunteers. If you, your community group, or school group is interested in volunteering, please contact the Recreation and Park Services Department at 929-5702. Volunteer applications are available online at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex.

Important Voter Information Updates

On November 4, 2014, Norwalk residents will consider Norwalk’s Measure B to modernize the utility users tax (UUT) originally adopted in 1992 with no increase to the existing tax rate. Measure B updates the UUT to treat all taxpayers equally regardless of technology used and protects $2 million in annual local revenues that cannot be taken by Sacramento. Low-income, disabled, and blind residents will continue to be exempt from paying under Measure B. Detailed information can be found on the City’s website at: http://www.norwalkca.gov/norwalkinfo.asp#UUT. For more information, call 929-5721.

Voter Registration Information:
• The last day to register to vote is October 20, 2014.
• Norwalk residents can register to vote securely online at: http://registertovote.ca.gov/
• To register by U.S. Postal Service or in person, Norwalk residents can pick up voter registration forms at the Norwalk City Clerk’s Office located at 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Rm. 10 or the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder’s Office both in Norwalk.

Vote-By-Mail Ballot Information:
• Vote-By-Mail Ballots can be requested from the County Registrar’s Office until October 28, 2014. More information: http://www.lavote.net/news-room/election-information
• Vote-By-Mail Ballot must be received at the County Registrar’s Office before the close of the polls at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day
• Vote-By-Mail Ballots can be returned to your polling location on Election Day
• Vote-By-Mail Ballot return envelopes must be signed and dated. Plain envelopes are not accepted.

Early Voting Opportunity: The County Registrar’s Office is making early voting available to eligible voters on October 25-26 and November 1-2 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at their main office located at 12400 E. Imperial Hwy., Norwalk.

Additional Election Info: Polling Locations, Voter registration status, sample ballots, and what to do if you do not receive your Vote-by-Mail ballot can be found by visiting the County Registrar’s website at http://www.lavote.net/news-room/election-information or calling the County Registrar’s office at (800) 815-2666. The City of Norwalk encourages all eligible voters to participate in the November 4th election.

Norwalk City Council
Mayor Marcel Rodarte  Vice Mayor Leonard Shryock
Councilmember Cheri Kelley  Councilmember Mike Mendez
Councilmember Luigi Vernola
Norwalk Aquatic Pavilion at Norwalk Park • 12301 Sproul Street • 929-5622
Join a class, work out on your own, or just jump in and enjoy the Norwalk Aquatic Pavilion. Located at Norwalk Park, 12301 Sproul Street, the Aquatic Pavilion is a state-of-the-art facility providing the community with opportunities for fun and learning. This is a great place to bring the family to learn to swim or just to play. A variety of educational and family activities will be offered throughout the Fall season.

The Aquatic Pavilion is handicapped accessible - Water is kept at a comfortable temperature

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Norwalk Stingrays Youth Swim Team
(Ages 6-10)
September 8-December 19
Monday-Friday • 6-8 p.m.
(Closed November 24-28 & December 22-26)
Norwalk Stingrays Youth Learn to Swim Class (Ages 6-18)
September 29-October 24
Monday-Friday • 6-6:30 p.m.
October 27-November 21
Monday-Friday • 6-6:30 p.m.

Aquatics for Adults
Cost: Adults (Ages 18-54) $4.00 Daily or $32.00 Swim Pass (Save 20% good for 10 visits)
Seniors (Ages 55 & Older) - $3.00 Daily or $24.00 Swim Pass (Save 20% good for 10 visits)
Adult Shallow Water Aerobics
September 29-December 19
Monday-Friday • 7-8 p.m.
Adult Deep Water Aerobics
September 29-December 19
Monday-Friday • 6-7 p.m.
Adult Lap Swim
September 15-December 19
Monday-Friday • 7-8 p.m.

Special Holiday Hours of Operation:
Labor Day • Monday, September 1 • 1:30-3:15 p.m. & 3:45-5:30 p.m.
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Report Unauthorized Curb Address Painting
Every two years, the City selects an independent contractor to repaint curb addresses citywide. The next scheduled repainting will not take place until Spring of 2015. Recently, some residents received flyers and/or solicitations from an unauthorized vendor to repaint curb numbers. The City does not have a current contractor repainting curbs at this time, and use of outside services/companies is discouraged.
All authorized curb painters contracted with the City must always carry their identification badges and a copy of their City business license when painting addresses or soliciting donations.
As no company or contractor has been authorized by the City to perform any curb painting at this time, we ask that you please report unauthorized painting activity by calling the Public Safety Department at 929-5732 during the following hours: Monday – Friday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. After these hours, please contact the Norwalk Sheriff’s Station at 863-8711.

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Saving Water = $$$

Earn bucks just for buying products that save water: The Metropolitan Water District (MWD) offers rebates to residential and commercial customers purchasing eligible high efficiency appliances, plumbing and irrigation products.

For residents:

Purchase a qualifying high-efficiency toilet that utilizes 1.28 gallons or less per flush. Use 20% less water and save up to $800 in water bills over the fixture’s lifetime. In addition, MWD offers $100 with proof of purchase and online application.

A high efficiency clothes washer using 4 gallons or less per cubic foot of laundry qualifies for a rebate starting at $85 and saves 14 gallons of water per day, more than 75,000 gallons and $400 in water bills over the lifetime of the appliance.

Rotating sprinkler nozzles not only qualify for a rebate of $4 each, but they allow for more direct and uniform watering, encouraging healthy plant growth.

Rebates for residents also include purchase of weather-based irrigation controls, rain barrels for collection and re-use of stormwater, and turf replacement (providing the proposed new landscape meets with City requirements). For commercial customers, rebates are available for items such as high efficiency plumbing fixtures, HVAC, and kitchen equipment.

Golden State and Park Water customers may be eligible for additional rebates for these water efficient purchases, valued at up to an additional $200.
Rebates are available until June 30, 2015; or as long as funding lasts. Customers can go to www.socalwatersmart.com for more information, including product list, online rebate application, and rebate calculator.

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Trees Bring Clean Air & Cash to Norwalk

The City of Norwalk recently received a grant from Cal Fire’s Green Trees for the Golden State Program to fund planting projects throughout the City to promote clean air and energy conservation. City staff will plant approximately 870 trees at selected sites, City parks and residential parkways by the end of March 2015. If you would like to have a tree planted in your parkway, please contact the Public Services Department at 929-5511 or publicservices@norwalkca.gov for information on the trees available. Residential parkway planting will resume in late fall/early winter.

GREEN Volunteer Opportunities

Do you want to make a difference in your community and help beautify Norwalk? The Public Services Department is currently looking for volunteers to assist with a variety of projects, including landscape beautification and tree planting. For more information, please contact Ruby Picon at 929-5511 or rpicon@norwalkca.gov.

Got HHW? Don’t trash it.

Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste safely and responsibly.

BRING: Brake fluid, paint, paint thinner, cleaners with acid or lye, pesticides or herbicides, motor oil, household or car batteries, pool chemicals, expired medications or sharps, fluorescent bulbs, TV’s, stereo equipment, fax machines, printers, cell phones, gaming systems, computers, cables or cords.

DO NOT BRING: HHW from businesses, explosives, ammunition, trash, tires, appliances or controlled substances.

Events are conducted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, and are open to Norwalk residents (business waste not accepted).

Saturday, November 1: L.A. County Sheriff’s Department STAR Training Center, 11515 South Colima Road, South Whittier, OR

Saturday, November 8: Simms Park, Clark Avenue at Oak Street, Bellflower

Both events take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bring items in a sturdy box, preferably in original labeled containers.

Limit per vehicle: 15 gallons or 125 pounds

Be prepared to leave your containers and boxes.

Remove all other items from your trunk.

Mayor’s Trophy

FOOTBALL GAME

Norwalk High School vs John Glenn High School

Thursday, October 30
7 p.m.
LMHS Stadium
13520 Adelfa Dr.
La Mirada, CA 90638

Come meet representatives from several Collegiate Institutions!

At the College Expo you will have the opportunity to interact with College Outreach Representatives.

Along with information booths, workshops will focus on:

- Tips for high school success
- ABCs of College Admission
- Writing Personal Statements
- Financial Aid
- NCAA Workshops
- Community College Programs and Transferring Options

Created by Counselors for students of the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District
Recently the Norwalk City Council adopted an ordinance prohibiting recreational vehicles and trailers from being parked on public streets. The ordinance, which went into effect September 4, prohibits the parking of recreational vehicles and trailers on city streets, except by permit.

Recreational vehicle includes motor home, travel trailer, truck camper, camping trailer, park trailer, or trailer coach. Recreational trailer means a trailer designed to transport recreational sport vehicles or vessels, to include but not limited to dirt bikes and all-terrain vehicles, boats, personal water craft, race vehicles or other similar type vehicles and vessels.

Residents may obtain up to 20 permits in a calendar year. Each permit is valid for no more than three days.

To obtain a permit please visit the Department of Public Safety, located at City Hall, Room 15. Please bring proof of residency such as a driver’s license and the vehicle registration card of the vehicle or trailer the permit is for. Permits are available free of charge.

Please keep the following rules in mind when issued a permit for your recreational vehicle or trailer.

- Must be parked within 100 feet of your residence.
- The permit must be displayed on the lower left corner of the recreational vehicle or, that of the tow vehicle if issued to a recreational trailer.
- No utility connections (electrical, water, cable, etc.) are permitted to be connected.
- The permitted vehicle must adhere to all other parking regulations, including no parking during street sweeping, no blocking of driveways or fire hydrants.
- Trailers must be attached to appropriately-sized tow vehicles at all times.

For more information, please contact the Department of Public Safety at 929-5732.