

# CITY MANAGER WEEKLY UPDATE

August 22, 2019

*Claremont Little League celebrated its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year with three division titles, two section titles, and a state runner-up. The league and its participants were recognized by the City Council before Monday's concert at Memorial Park.*



## Calendar

### August 26

7:00pm

Monday Night Concert – Neon Nation (80's), Memorial Park

### September 2

City Offices will be **CLOSED** in Observance of the Labor Day Holiday

7:00pm

Monday Night Concert – The Answer (Classic Rock), Memorial Park

### September 3

6:00pm

City Council/School Board Special Joint Meeting, District Board Room

*All City Council/Commission agendas may be found attached to the meeting's calendar listing on the City website.*

## NEWS BRIEFS

- School starts next Wednesday, August 28 and Claremont Police Officers will be on patrol in our school zones to ensure the safety of all children, parents, and teachers. Please give yourself extra time each morning next week. Please do not park in "No Parking" zones and do NOT text or talk on the phone while driving.
- The streets surrounding Pomona College will be closed the evening of Sunday, August 25 for the Pomona College Freshman Parade. College Avenue, Sixth Street, and Fourth Street will be closed from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and traffic control will be provided.



## CITY NEWS

### City Meetings in August

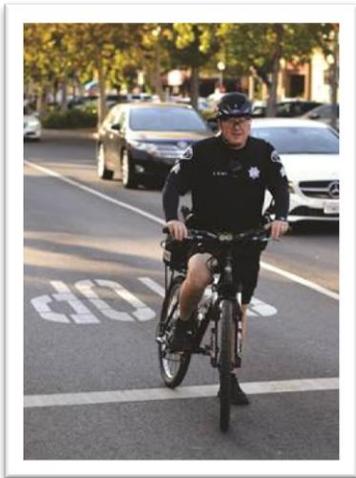
The City is “dark” in August with no City Council or Commission meetings. Regular meetings will resume in September. Please check the City website for a complete schedule of City meetings.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Officer Prevents Pharmacy Burglary

In the early morning hours of Sunday, August 18, an officer patrolling the Village saw a suspicious person loitering near Hendrick's Pharmacy. The officer attempted to stop him, but he fled on foot. A perimeter was established while officers searched for him. During that time, another officer saw a suspicious vehicle inside the perimeter and began to follow it. The vehicle accelerated at a high rate of speed south on Indian Hill Boulevard. The pursuit traveled west on the 10 freeway, but the suspect evaded capture. The suspect seen on foot is described as a 5' 9" male, 170 pounds, with a moustache, wearing a navy blue hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans, and black shoes. The suspect vehicle is a black Jeep SUV. It is believed that these individuals were going to burglarize Hendrick's Pharmacy, but their actions were thwarted by the observant officer patrolling the Village.

Burglaries of pharmacies throughout Southern California, including those within Claremont, have increased over the last six months. On Thursday, August 15, Claremont Pharmacy was burglarized by an unknown suspect. The suspect gained access through a hole cut in the roof. Once inside, the suspect stole an unknown amount of prescription medication and fled the location out the back door.



### Bike Patrol Officers in Village

The Police Department has received a lot of appreciation for the Bike Patrol deployed over the last several weekends in the Village. Bike Patrol is an overtime assignment deployed based on need and available funding. Over this last year, Police Department staff obtained several grants, which have been utilized to provide extra enforcement within the Village. The officers working the Bike Patrol were riding electric assisted bicycles, which are on loan to the department. The electric bikes allow officers to patrol the whole Village, including the parking structures, in a quick and efficient manner. Officers enforced parking violations, violations of vehicle codes, including failure to yield and failure to stop at stop signs, and enforced alcohol and tobacco laws.

## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

### Deceased Animals on City Streets

The Inland Valley Humane Society, which provides licensing and animal control services for Claremont, will remove any deceased animals from City streets. If you see a deceased animal, contact the Inland Valley Humane Society with the address or location of the animal. Please be sure to not handle the animal. For a fee, the Humane Society will also remove any deceased animal or pet from a residence. For more information, please contact the Inland Valley Humane Society at (909) 623-9777.

# CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

## Foothill Boulevard Improvements

Work continues on the Foothill Boulevard Improvement Project. The current phase of construction covers the portion of Foothill Boulevard from Yale Avenue to Mountain Avenue.

- **Improvements on the north side of Foothill Boulevard, from Colby Circle to Mountain Avenue, are still being performed. The detour for westbound Foothill Boulevard at Mountain Avenue is expected to be in place for approximately two more weeks. With the beginning of the school year on August 28, adjustments are being made to the detour at Mountain Avenue to assist with the flow of traffic. Although steps are being taken to assist with traffic flow, delays are still anticipated. Please allow extra time if you need to access Condit Elementary, Mountain View Elementary, or El Roble Intermediate School.**

While Phase 3 is under construction, landscape and electrical work will continue to progress within the first two phases, from Monte Vista Avenue to Yale Avenue. Southern California Landscape will continue to install plants within Phases 1 and 2, from Monte Vista Avenue to Yale Avenue. The Class IV median separated bikeway construction has been completed, but will remain closed for safety purposes until the project is completed in December 2019.

The Foothill Boulevard improvements are being conducted in four phases. Staff expects each phase to take up to three months to complete. Once construction is completed, Foothill Boulevard will have two vehicle travel lanes in each direction of Foothill Boulevard and will include either a Class IV Bikeway (protected bike lane), Class II Bikeway (bike lane), or a combination of Class II Bikeway (bike lane) and on-street parking. As the project moves along, updates will be posted on the [City's website](#). Completion of the project is expected by the end of 2019. For more information, please contact the Engineering Division at (909) 399-5465.

# SPECIAL EVENT ROAD CLOSURE

## Street Closures for Pomona College Freshman Parade

Pomona College will host its annual Freshman Parade on Sunday, August 25. Incoming students will gather at College Avenue and Sixth Street to proceed through the College gates, and will walk south on College Avenue to Fourth Street. To accommodate this event, affected streets will be closed and traffic control will be provided. The following street closures will be in place from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.:

- College Avenue (Seventh Street to Bonita Avenue)
- Sixth Street (Harvard Avenue to College Way)
- Fourth Street (at College Avenue)

# COMMUNITY SERVICES

## New Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

Three new electric vehicle charging stations were recently installed on the ground floor of the parking structure. The new charging stations will be open to the public the week of August 26. The dual-port stations will each serve two vehicles concurrently, adding six new charging opportunities. The City secured the charging stations at no cost through a donation program offered by Newhall and ChargePoint. The donated charging stations have a value of over \$20,000. All installation costs are covered through a Mobile Source Air



Pollution Reduction Committee (MSRC) grant; therefore, no City funds were used to complete this improvement.

The new charging stations will increase the number of charging ports in the Claremont Village from four to ten. The existing four charging stations have been highly utilized since their installation in 2014 and have helped our community avoid 52,500kg of greenhouse gas emissions. That's like planting 1,346 trees and letting them grow for ten years! The six new ports will help to further this sustainability effort, provide an important service to electric vehicle owners, and

lessen our environmental footprint. For more information, please contact the Community Services Department at (909) 399-5431.

### **RePlanet Recycling Closure**

On Monday August 5, City staff was contacted by a RePlanet Recycling representative with information that all locations had been closed and that operations had ceased. The site within Claremont was located adjacent to Stater Bros, off of Towne Avenue. The Community Services Department handles recycling in-house, where recycled household material is taken to a recycling plant for processing. The City Yard located at 1616 Monte Vista also puts out free recycling bins for residents to use every weekend located at the south driveway, free of charge. If residents would prefer to take their cans, plastic bottles, and glass to a recycling center, here is a listing of the closest facilities:

- Green Team Recycling Inc. (San Dimas)  
(818) 334-0934
  
- NS Recycling Center (Upland)  
(323) 540-1788

A compressive listing of public recycling facilities can be found on [the CalRecycle website](#).

### **Fall Reforestation Program**

Community Services staff has been identifying potential locations that could accommodate new City trees. If your address is chosen, you will receive a letter with information on the planting process. Trees are planted in the fall because the cooler weather is the best time of the year for young trees to survive. The planting season runs from October through April.

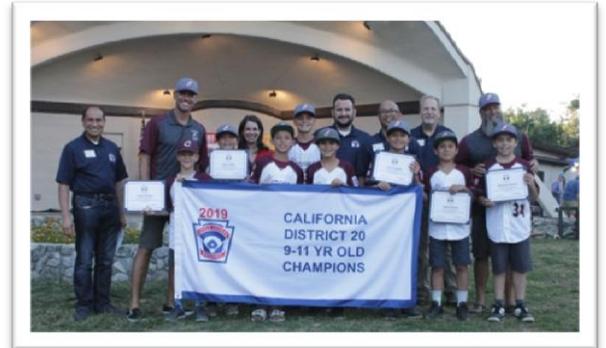
Grant funds are used to plant most City trees in the upcoming reforestation program. The grants require that the trees are no larger than 15 gallons in size and are planted by volunteers. The City partners with Sustainable Claremont for assistance with volunteer planting events. Planting events are scheduled at designated locations throughout the City during the months of October through April. These events are family friendly and great volunteer opportunities. More information regarding tree planting events will be provided once the schedule is completed. If you would like a new City tree, or have any questions, please contact the Community Services Department at (909) 399-5431 or email [garcia@ci.claremont.ca.us](mailto:garcia@ci.claremont.ca.us).

# COMMUNITY NEWS

The City of Claremont publishes information and news from our community partners and agencies.

## Claremont Little League Honored

On Monday, August 19, the City Council honored the Claremont Little League and its participants before the Monday Night Concert at Memorial Park. Claremont Little League celebrated its 60th anniversary this year with three division titles, two section titles, and a state runner up! This is the most titles the league has ever acquired in its 60-year history. Participants were presented with a certificate of recognition from the City and received ice cream donated by the Kiwanis Club of Claremont.



## LA County Fair – Resident Discount Days

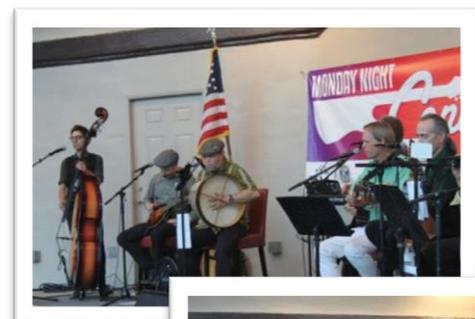
There is no Claremont Day at the Fair this year; however, there will be two resident discount days – Inland Empire Day on Saturday, August 31 and LA County Day on Sunday, September 1. [Click this link to purchase your discount tickets.](#) The LA County Fair runs Friday, August 30 through Sunday, September 22.

# RECREATION, SPECIAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

## 2019 Monday Night Concerts – Continue All Summer

Music once again filled the air at Memorial Park this week as the Monday Night Concert series welcomed the Irish sounds of *Michael Ryan and Friends!* The City of Claremont, the Kiwanis Club of Claremont, with support from Claremont Lincoln University, invite Claremont residents to join us for the remaining Monday Night Concerts at Memorial Park. The free concerts take place on Mondays through September 2 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The remaining 2019 line-up is as follows:

- August 26 - Neon Nation, 80's
- September 2 - The Answer, Classic Rock



During the concerts, the Kiwanis Club offers a wide variety of dinner and dessert options, with proceeds directly benefitting the concert program. For more information about the City of Claremont's Monday Night Concert Series, call (909) 399-5490 or visit the [Monday Night Concerts webpage](#).

## RECREATION CLASSES

*The City offers a range of camps, classes, and activities for children and adults. To view a complete class description or to register for an activity, please call the Hughes Center at (909) 399-5490 or visit [www.claremontrec.com](http://www.claremontrec.com).*

### **Picnic Reservations**

- Summer is coming to a close but that doesn't mean that the festivities have to end! Residents and non-residents can continue to reserve picnic areas throughout the year at the city's parks. Residents can reserve a picnic area for four hours for \$35; the non-resident fee is \$60. Applications for a reservation must be submitted one week in advance from the proposed event date and must be submitted in-person. Applications are available at the Alexander Hughes Community Center. For more information, call Human Services at (909) 399-5490.

### **U-Jam (Ages 10+)**

- Let the music drive your cardio workout! U-Jam combines music beats and urban flavor to bring you a workout that will leave you feeling great! Participants are welcome to drop-in on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for a \$10 drop-in fee. Participants may also sign-up for full sessions. All classes are held at the Alexander Hughes Community Center.

### **Diane's Ballroom Dance (Ages 16+)**

- Dance the night away to a range of music from waltz to swing! Come learn new dance moves or bring your own. The ballroom dance will take place at the Alexander Hughes Community Center on Wednesday, August 28 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$12.

## YAC & TAC ACTIVITIES

*The City offers supervised activities for teens in middle school and high school at the YAC and TAC Activity Centers. For more information on the activities, please contact the YAC at (909) 399-5363 and/or the TAC at (909) 399-5378.*

### **City of Claremont Youth Programs – 2019-2020**

- Youth Program staff is excited to announce that the City's free after-school programs will be back in session on Wednesday, August 28! After the bells ring at El Roble Intermediate School and Claremont High School, encourage your children to make their way to the TAC or YAC. The TAC is open until 6:00 p.m. each weekday, and the YAC is open until 5:00 p.m. each weekday. If you have any questions about the registration process or how our programs work, please contact the TAC at (909) 399-5378 or the YAC at (909) 399-5363.

### **Back To School Bingo – Friday, August 30**

- Head to the TAC on Friday, August 30 at 3:30 p.m., as we will be kick-starting the year with back to school bingo! Participants will be given bingo cards with 25 boxes that are filled with things they may

have done over summer vacation. Participants must go around and find friends that have done what is listed in each box. Don't miss out - the first three to finish will win a prize!

### **Minefield – Friday, August 30**

- If you like brain games and treachery, then this is the game for you! Come to the YAC on Friday, August 30 to join us in playing Minefield - a game that will test your memory and survival skills. Come one, come all and find out if you can make it across the uncrossable!

## **SENIOR ACTIVITIES**

*The City offers a variety of activities for older adults. Below are the activities coming up this month. For a full description of the activities, please contact the Joslyn Center at (909) 399-5488 or visit [www.claremontrec.com](http://www.claremontrec.com).*

### **MakMo Library Workshop: Intro to Arduino**

- Learn the basics of programming with one of the world's most popular open-source electronics platforms. Arduino can be the starting point for a huge number of simple home projects and other interesting applications. No experience is necessary! This workshop will take place on Wednesday, August 28 at 1:00 p.m. and is part of the LA County Public Library's MākMō Workshops, which brings STEM programs to communities for free! Pre-registration is required; space is limited.

### **Lipreading**

- Do you suffer from hearing loss? Over the course of eight months, this class increases one's visual awareness of speech and communication for better understanding of others' spoken words. Lipreading includes discussion of visual elements of speech, informational handouts, and plenty of hands-on practice. This class, which is designed for those who wish to practice and learn long-term, will take place on Tuesdays, September 3, 2019 to May 26, 2020, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. A \$5 materials fee is due to the instructor on the first day of class.

### **Free Senior Day at the Fair**

- Enjoy a fun-filled day at the LA County Fair on Wednesday, September 4! Admission is free for guests 60+ with a valid photo I.D. Free transportation to and from the Joslyn Center will be provided courtesy of Supervisor Hilda L. Solis, and Inter Valley Health Plan will be on hand to provide goodies! The bus will depart from the Joslyn Center at 11:30 a.m. and return at 4:30 p.m. A special, early lunch service will take place at the Joslyn Center at 11:00 a.m. for those going on the trip. Pre-registration is required; space is limited.

### **Joslyn Jammers**

- Learn how to play your favorite folk songs! All acoustic instruments and voices are welcome in this beginning-level jam group led by instructor David Hostetler. Joslyn Jammers make music every Thursday from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. There is a drop-in fee of \$3 per class. Small amplifiers are welcome, but please no large amps.



# City of Claremont

## Helpful City Phone Numbers

City Hall/General Info	(909) 399-5460
City Manager	(909) 399-5441
City Clerk	(909) 399-5460
City Council	(909) 399-5444
Code Enforcement	(909) 399-5467
Building	(909) 399-5471
Engineering	(909) 399-5465
Planning	(909) 399-5470
City Yard	(909) 399-5431
Hughes Center	(909) 399-5490
Joslyn Center	(909) 399-5488
Blaisdell Center	(909) 399-5367
YAC	(909) 399-5363
TAC	(909) 399-5378
Police Department	(909) 399-5411

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