

Fwd: Englander Represents Los Angeles at National League of Cities Conference

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This week, I joined my colleagues on the Los Angeles City Council in attending the National League of Cities' Congress of Cities and Exposition Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. The City of Los Angeles joined cities from across the country in this unique opportunity to share best practices and learn strategies to promote local economic and financial health, and ensure quality of life for all city residents.



Earlier this year, I was honored to be reappointed to represent the nation's cities on the 2015 Public Safety & Crime Prevention (PSCP) Steering Committee. The PSCP committee is responsible for developing NLC federal policy positions on issues involving crime prevention, corrections, substance abuse, municipal fire policy, juvenile justice, disaster preparedness and relief, homeland security, domestic terrorism, court systems and gun control.

The National League of Cities (NLC) is the oldest and largest national organization representing municipal governments throughout the United States. Its mission is to strengthen and promote cities as centers of opportunity, leadership, and governance. The NLC serves as a resource to and an advocate for the more than 19,000 cities, villages and towns throughout the country.

For more information on NLC's other committees and councils, visit <http://www.nlc.org/influence-federal-policy/policy-committees>.

-Mitchell Englander, Councilmember Twelfth District

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COMMUNITY NEWS

VIDEO: CD12 Business of the Month: Belgium Waffle Haus...



We have consolidated Northridge and Chatsworth offices into a single location in Chatsworth. The new Community Service Center will allow us to serve you better, by offering residents the opportunity to meet on-one with representatives from various City Departments to get direct assistance. We will announce details on the service in coming weeks.

HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Friday
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

CONTACT INFO

The 3rd Annual CD 12 Welcome Back Workshop for Principals...



This Monday, we gathered at Sam's Café in New Horizons in North Hills for our Third Annual Welcome Back Workshop for Principals to collectively celebrate and support our K-12 students. Our main focus for the event was to apprise our educators of the most cutting-edge, research-based resources available.

Over 120 administrators, teachers, parent representatives and stakeholders interacted with experts from a variety of agencies like the LAPD, LADOT, and City Attorney, as well as external entities like the Museum of Tolerance and First 5 LA, around issues such as homelessness, human relations, public safety, and curriculum.



Special thanks to our special guests, LAUSD Northwest District Superintendent Vivian Ekchian and Devonshire Division Captain Robert M. Marino, for their opening remarks and to our primary sponsor, Nystrom Education, for helping make this event a success.

-Mitchell Englander, Councilmember Twelfth District

Trick or T[REat] [RE]seda Blvd...



This Halloween, I was thrilled to join with the rest of the [RE]visit [RE]seda Blvd team for Trick or T[RE]at [RE]seda Blvd. Hundreds of attendees enjoyed

Phone:
(818) 882-1212
Fax: (818) 701-5254
Address:
9207 Oakdale Ave.,
Chatsworth, CA 91311

You can still reach our
Hall Office at (213) 47
and email us at
Councilmember.
Englander@lacity.org

Community Event Resources

Help Operation Blankets Love Provide Comfort Animals in Shelters

You can help keep cats
dogs in City Animal Shelter
warm and comfortable by
supporting the efforts of
Operation Blankets of
The San Fernando Valley
based non-profit organization
that gathers donated blank
towels and pet beds and
distributes them to animal
shelters.

Donation items can be
dropped off at Pet Perfect
located at 18040 Chat
St. in Granada Hills.

You can also donate
to support Operation
Blankets of Love by clicking
here or calling Brad Smith
at (818) 402-6584.

New SAFE Center Open in Granada Hills

You can drop off electronic
devices, paint, pool and
garden chemicals, mobile
batteries, fluorescent
lightbulbs and other
Household Hazardous
Waste at the new SAFE
Center located on Ball
Blvd. 1/2 block south
Devonshire St. in Granada
Hills.

SAFE Center

the costume and decorated bike contests, as well as the live Scary Tale telling and Dia de los Muertos makeup artistry. The highlight of the festivities was definitely the performance of CSUN Acasola, giving the inaugural performance on the Reseda Blvd Great Street Flex Furniture custom designed by La-Mas.



A heartfelt thanks to all the Reseda Blvd merchants and local volunteers who contributed to make the event such a huge success. Much gratitude to our partners, The Museum of the San Fernando Valley, Northridge South Neighborhood Council, CSUN, Northridge Sparkle and the Northridge Chamber. Stay tuned for the [RE]visit [RE]seda Holiday Bazaar... coming soon!!!

-Mitchell Englander, Councilmember Twelfth District

Update: Aliso Canyon Gas Leak...



On Friday October 23, during normal operations, SoCal Gas crews found a leak in a natural gas storage well at Aliso Canyon.

My office has been engaging in daily conference calls with Southern California Gas Company, Sempra, both City and County Fire Departments, and Health Departments. My office attended the Porter Ranch Community meeting last night and regularly attends onsite meetings with So Cal Gas and Sempra to ensure the safety and health of our residents during this incident.

The most important thing to do now is for the Gas Company to locate and repair this problem immediately in a safe and publicly transparent manner. They should not rest until the necessary repairs are complete.

[Click here](#) to view letter and Fact Sheet from the Southern California Gas Company and go to <http://www.socalgas.com/> for more information.

Open Saturdays & Sundays, 9 am - 3 pm

Just drive in and open trunk and the staff at the SAFE Center will remove your Household Hazardous Waste for you. To see list of items that are accepted and other information visit us [here](#).



311 Online

In addition to calling 311 to report problems or request services, you can use 311 online.

Visit [311 Website](#) and find the appropriate service.

Ongoing

Volunteers Needed for Crisis Response Team

The Crisis Response Team consists of trained community volunteers who respond at the request of L.A. Police and Fire Departments where they assist victims of violent crimes, accidents, and other traumatic incidents. Crisis Response Team volunteers provide immediate on-scene crisis intervention, offer support to victims, act as liaison between victims and emergency personnel, give referrals to victim services, and connect families to social services.

For more information visit [the Mayor's Crisis](#)

Click below to view Chief Operating Officer, Bret Lane's message to our community about Aliso Canyon natural gas leak



-Mitchell Englander, Councilmember Twelfth District

UPCOMING EVENTS

Department of Building and Safety Coming to CD12 Community Service Center...

We are now taking reservations for community members to meet one-on-one with representatives of City Departments at our Community Service Center in Chatsworth.

We have regularly scheduled time slots for community members to meet with the Planning, Police, Transportation (LADOT), Housing & Community Development, Neighborhood Empowerment Departments and the Bureau of Sanitation. This will offer community members a chance to get information and assistance in Chatsworth without having to travel all the way to downtown. Meetings are by appointment only. The following Departments are currently taking appointments:

Department of Building and Safety
Tuesday, December 1
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Our Community Service Center is located at 9207 Oakdale Ave., Second Floor, in Chatsworth.

For more information, call (818) 882-1212.



Response Team's web and Facebook page.

Check Out LocateLA Powerful Business Research Tool

LocateLA is a powerful tool created by the City of Los Angeles. It offers a free database of commercial properties in L.A. It includes an interactive map, with business finder, property finder, incentive finder, business start up organizations and much more. It is designed to help new businesses get up and help existing businesses move to the heart of Los Angeles. It is a useful tool for anyone who wants to learn about our community. In addition to photos and details about the properties, it lists demographic, labor force, comparable rents and more.

[Click here to see this new tool.](#)

Free Mulch for Your Garden

You can get free mulch for your garden from the City of Los Angeles Mulch Giveaway Program. The free mulch is made from recycled yard trimming and other "green waste" from green bins.

Recycling green waste is an important way to reduce the amount of organic material that goes into landfills. When plant materials go to landfills, they emit large amounts of the greenhouse gas methane, which contributes to climate change. The City turns green waste into mulch which is available to Los Angeles residents for free.

Free Mulch Location the San Fernando Valley

Operation Interdependence Treats for Troops...



Operation Interdependence is asking that the community donate left-over Halloween Candy and other comfort items so that they can send it overseas to our deployed Service Members.

**CD 12 Community Service Center
9207 Oakdale Ave.
Chatsworth**

For more information, corporate sponsorship information or other delivery locations, email staceed@aol.com or salbala@oidelivers.org.

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church Holiday Boutique...

St. Stephens Lutheran Church is hosting a holiday joy boutique. The event will include unique hand-crafted gifts, holiday decorations, a bakery, raffles, music and great food.

**Friday, November 6
5:00 pm to 8:00 pm**

**Saturday, November 7
9:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**St. Stephens Lutheran Church
15950 Chatsworth St.
Granada Hills**

For more information, go to <http://www.stephenschurch.org/>.



Granada Hills Rotary Foundation Blood Drive...



A great alliance between Council District 12, Rotarians, area hospitals, two regions of the AYSO youth soccer league, and north Valley residents will again conduct the Valley's largest single-day blood drive. Blood cannot be manufactured or replaced by anything else, so donated blood saves lives – and the next life it saves could be yours, or that of a loved one.

Saturday, November 7

8:00 am to 4:00 pm

**Granada Hills Recreation Center
16730 Chatsworth St.
Granada Hills**

**North Valley Youth Sports Complex
13100 Balboa Blvd.**

16600 Roscoe Pl., No Hills (near Van Nuys & Mulch delivered to this location Wednesdays Fridays. Open daily 7: to 6:00 pm.

15800 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys (near D.C. Tillman Plant). Entrance: turn on Densmore Ave. from Victory, follow curve. Mulch delivered to this location every Monday Open Monday - Friday am to 3:30 pm.

For more info click here

Neighborhood Public Safety, Crime, and Emergency Information Updates from LAPD NIXLE

Free updates on emergencies, public safety, crime prevention and more directly from the LAPD to your cell phone or email inbox.

Residents can sign up to receive updates directly toward one or more specific neighborhoods. To sign up, visit www.NIXLE.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS IN CD

Chatsworth
Granada Hills North
Granada Hills South
Northridge East
Northridge West
Northridge South
Porter Ranch
North Hills West
Reseda
West Hills

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

Canoga Park/West
Chatsworth/Porter Ranch

Granada Hills

For more information, go to www.rotarygivesblood.org.

Granada Hills
North Valley Region
Greater San Fernando Valley

West Hills Community Clean Up...

Join the West Hills Neighborhood Council's Beautification Committee, more than a thousand volunteers from The Church at Rocky Peak and members of the community as they work in locations throughout West Hills and surrounding areas, clearing weeds, picking up trash and fixing up local schools. Bring a hat, gloves, sun screen and a smile.



Saturday, November 7
8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Pomelo Elementary School
7633 March Ave.
West Hills

For more information, go to <http://www.westhillsnc.org/>.

The Porter Ranch Library Discussion Group...



Join the Porter Ranch Library discussion group of men and women, ranging in various ages and ethnicities as they talk about their current book, *In the Kingdom of Ice, the Grand and Terrible Polar Voyage of the USS Jeannette* by Hampton Sides.

Saturday, November 7
10:00 am

Porter Ranch Library

11371 Tampa Ave.
Porter Ranch

For more information, please call (818) 360-5706.

Pierce College Equine Center Welcome Celebration...

Please join Pierce College as they celebrate the many improvements that have been made to their Equine Sport Complex in the last year and enjoy a day out on the Farm. The AS640 Horse Show Management students oversee the entire event and activities will include shopping, dining, sport horse demonstrations and a parade of breeds.



Saturday, November 7
11:00 am to 4:00 pm

Pierce College Equine Center
6201 Winnetka Ave.
Woodland Hills

For more information, go to www.equinecenterpierce.org.

Chatsworth Branch Library Movie Night...



Chatsworth Branch Library and the San Fernando Valley Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority invite you to a special screening of the movie, *The Loving Story*. *The Loving Story* is the definitive account of Loving v. Virginia – the landmark 1967 Supreme Court decision that legalized interracial marriage. Married in Washington, D.C. in 1958, the Lovings returned home to Virginia where their marriage was declared illegal – he was white, and she was black and Native American. Discussion moderated by Madelon Wallace, reception following.

Saturday, November 7
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

21052 Devonshire St.
Chatsworth

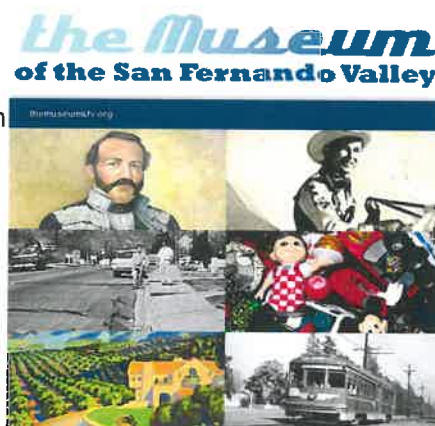
For more information, call (818) 341-4276.

The Museum of the San Fernando Valley Fundraiser...

The Museum of the San Fernando Valley and Panera Bread are joining together to raise funds for The Museum of the San Fernando Valley. Stop by Panera Bread with this [flyer](#) and Panera Bread will donate a percentage of its sales to The Museum of the San Fernando Valley

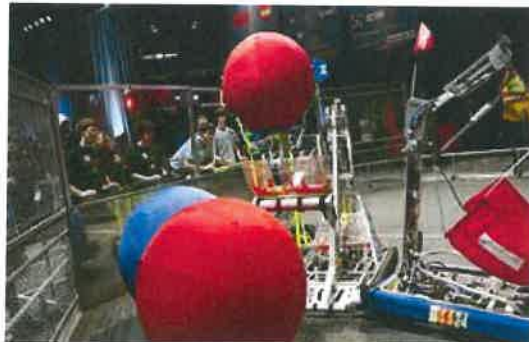
Tuesday, November 10
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Panera Bread
19662 Nordhoff St.
Northridge



For more information, go to www.themuseumsfv.org.

Southern California Vex Competition...



Reseda High School Robotics Club is hosting and competing in the Southern California VEX "Nothing But Net" Robotics competition. Spectators of all ages won't believe their eyes as they watch the robots that are completely designed and built by students, compete and perform against each other in the competition.

Saturday, November 14
8:00 am to 5:30 pm

Reseda High School
18230 Kittridge St.
Reseda

For more information, go to <http://www.robotevents.com/re-vrc-15-3839.html>.

Santa Susana Pass State Historic Park Trails Day...

The Santa Susana Pass State Historic Park is hosting a family-friendly day of discovery in Santa Susana Pass State Historic Park. Trails Day is sponsored by The Foundation for the Preservation of the Santa Susana Mountains. The difficulty level is moderate.



Saturday November 14
Guided hikes starting at
9:00 am, 10:00 am & 11:00 am

Andora Trail Head
9955 Andora Ave.
Chatsworth

For more information, go to www.fpssm.org.

LADWP Community Meeting...



The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power is hosting a series of Water and Power Rates Request Community meetings. The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is proposing a five-year rate action that seeks modest water and power rate increases each year based on the following key principles: replacing aging water and power infrastructure; transforming water and power supplies; improving customer service; and keeping rates competitive. The community meetings are a way to learn about the rate proposal and to get answers to your questions.

Saturday, November 14
10:00 am

LADWP Customer Service Center
6550 Van Nuys Blvd.
Van Nuys

For a list of Community Meetings and for more information, go to www.myladwp.com.

The Chatsworth Fine Arts Council Arts and Crafts Show...

The Chatsworth Fine Arts Council (CFAC) is hosting an Arts and Crafts Show. The exhibit will feature original and unique stained glass works, fabric arts, wreath designs, jewelry, photography, leather crafts, and ceramics. There will also be a "sealed bid – silent auction" with a wide variety of bid items and gift baskets, children's crafts activities booth and many great holiday gift ideas. All proceeds benefit the community art activities of the CFAC.

**ART
SHOW**

Sunday, November 15
11:00 am to 4:00 pm

The Chatsworth Train Station
10042 Old Depot Plaza Rd.
Chatsworth

For more information, call (818) 772-1639 or go to www.chatsworthfineartscouncil.com.

VPAC's Family Performance Series: The Okee Dokee Brothers...



California State University, Northridge and the Valley Performing Arts Center introduces their upcoming performance of The Okee Dokee Brothers as a part of their Family Series performances. The Okee Dokee Brothers make room for kids to dance, for parents to share stories, and for everyone to gain respect for nature, each other, and the world we live in.

Sunday, November 15
11:00 am & 3:00 pm

Valley Performing Arts Center
18111 Nordhoff St.
Northridge

For more information, go to www.ValleyPerformingArtsCenter.org.

Pomelo Community Charter School's 15th Annual Heroes Feast...

Join the Third Grade Class of Pomelo Community Charter School during their 15th Annual Heroes Feast in honor of community heroes, including military service members, veterans, local law enforcement, firefighters, and others.



Tuesday, November 17
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Pomelo Community Charter School
7633 March Ave.
West Hills

*For more information and to RSVP, call (818) 621-5759 or (818) 825-0401.
Please RSVP by November 3.*

SAGE Society Presents Free Documentary Screening Series...



The SAGE Society is sponsoring a series of documentary screenings that are free and open to all seniors in the community. Films during the series will include Ivory Tower, Kids for Cash, CITIZENFOUR, Merchants of Doubt, Code Black, and more. A lively discussion will follow each viewing.

Every Friday through November 20
9:30 am

DOCUMENTARY

St. Andrew and St. Charles Episcopal Church
16651 Rinaldi St.

Granada Hills

For more information, call Reuben Allen at 818-360-5821. Please do not call the church for information.

The Friends of the Granada Hills Library Book Sale...

The Friends of the Granada Hills Library will host a two-day used book sale. There will be a great variety of hardcovers and paperbacks, representing all ages, subjects, and interests sold at the event. Prices for most books will range from 25 cents to one dollar and all proceeds will benefit the library.



Friday, November 20
9:30 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday, November 21
9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Granada Hills Library Community Room
10640 Petit Ave.
Granada Hills

For more information, call (818) 368-5687.

San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission Family Thanksgiving Feast...



The San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission is looking for volunteers to help host their Family Thanksgiving Feast. Volunteer opportunities range from night before set up to day of helpers.

Tuesday, November 24
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

The Church on the Way
14800 Sherman Way
Van Nuys

For more information, call (818) 785-4476 or email: RWells@rescuemission.org.

Toys 4 Tots Toy Drive...

Granada Hills resident, Gayle Fitzpatrick, is beginning her collection for new and unwrapped toys to donate during the holiday season. Last year she was able to donate over 250 toys to Toys 4 Tots. Thank you to Gayle and everyone for donating toys and making this holiday season special for our children in need.



Gayle's Collection Deadline
Tuesday, December 1

For more information and to donate, email: fitzgail@yahoo.com.ph.

The Foundation for the Preservation of the Santa Susana Mountains Art

Contest...



The Foundation for the Preservation of the Santa Susana Mountains (FPSSM) is hosting an Art Contest to support our conservation efforts and volunteers. The "Urban Wildlands" themed design winners will be honored during the awards ceremony.

Awards Ceremony
Saturday, December 5
6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Canoga Park Youth Arts Center
7222 Remmet Ave.
Canoga Park

For more information, go to www.fpssm.org.

The Porter Ranch Library Discussion Group...

Join the Porter Ranch Library discussion group of men and women, ranging in various ages and ethnicities as they talk about their current book, *Murder of the Century: the Gilded Age Crime that Scandalized a City and Sparked the Tabloid Wars* by Paul Collins.



Saturday, December 5
10:00 am

Porter Ranch Library
11371 Tampa Ave.
Porter Ranch

For more information, please call (818) 360-5706.

STAFF REPORTS

Reports From Our Staff: LA County Housing Offers New Web Application...



Our Assistant Planning and Land Use Deputy, Brian Oh, would like to inform you about a new resource available from the Los Angeles Housing +

