

# September 2025

This newsletter shares important updates, stories, and events happening right here in our community. Below, you'll find a table of contents featuring the top stories of the month. If you're interested, simply click the link to read the full article.

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## Newcastle Park Exclusive Sneak Peek

Get ready, Arcadia! The City is thrilled to give YOU an exclusive sneak peek of the brand-new, highly anticipated Newcastle Park - before it officially opens to everyone! This exclusive preview is your chance to explore all the incredible new amenities. Be among the first to rally on the brand new pickleball courts, test your backswing on the renovated tennis courts, show off your skill at the upgraded handball courts, let the kids loose on a next-level playground, and discover Arcadia's newest butterfly garden!





Don't miss your opportunity to experience the park before anyone else on Monday, October 6, from 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. To join us, fill out the form below, by September 19, and let us know what you're most excited to check out. **Please note that due to limited space, submitting the form doesn't guarantee access to the preview.** The City of Arcadia will confirm your attendance and provide all the details as the unveiling gets closer.

### Newcastle Park Interest Form

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The official grand reopening of Newcastle Park will be Tuesday, October 7, at 5:30 p.m., and is open to all!

A promotional poster for the Newcastle Park Grand Reopening Ceremony. The top half features an aerial view of the park with a large red ribbon graphic overlaid on the left. The text 'NEWCASTLE PARK' is in large, bold, white letters, with 'Grand Reopening CEREMONY' in a smaller, white, cursive font below it. The bottom half of the poster is a dark green background with white text. It includes the date and time 'Tuesday, October 7 5:30pm', the location '143 Colorado Boulevard', and a list of activities: 'Ribbon Cutting Ceremony', 'Giveaways', and 'Park Tours'.

**NEWCASTLE PARK**  
*Grand Reopening*  
**CEREMONY**

**Tuesday,  
October 7  
5:30pm**

*143 Colorado Boulevard*

*Join us as we celebrate  
the grand reopening of  
our beautiful, new  
neighborhood park!*

- *Ribbon Cutting Ceremony*
- *Giveaways*
- *Park Tours*

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## **Arcadia City Council Meeting, September 2**

On September 2, 2025, the Arcadia City Council adopted detailed rules of procedure and decorum. This policy promotes mutual respect, civility, and orderly conduct among the City Council, as well as guides their interactions with City staff and the public while in office. Council meetings have traditionally operated under routine public meeting procedures, but with the new policy, better standards to improve the meetings are now in place.

The proposed censure of Mayor Sharon Kwan was also amended on Tuesday night before its adoption. The amendment placed a conditional hold on enforcing the consequences of the censure, which will not be enacted unless the Mayor's actions violate the new policy or fall within the scope of the original censure findings. Before any consequences are enforced, a motion to lift the hold must be made and put to a vote on a future meeting agenda. Following this amendment, Mayor Kwan retains all privileges and responsibilities of the Mayoral office for the remainder of her rotation.

Extensive public testimony on the matter revealed the community's strong desire for respectful, collaborative, and professional business meetings. Under the new policy, the City Council reinforces its commitment to upholding the highest standards, ensuring every meeting reflects the priorities of the community.

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## **Free Diabetic Eye Screening at the 2025 Health Fair**

Join us on Saturday, September 20, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Arcadia Community Center for the 2025 Health Fair! The event will consist of free flu shots (while supplies last), doctor consultations, medical information booths, and a variety of free, walk-in health screenings such as mammograms, menopause, body fat analysis, glucose & cholesterol, and dental.

New to this year's event, the 2025 Health Fair will offer free diabetic eye screenings! This quick and important process can detect early signs of eye disease, many of which can lead to vision loss or blindness if left untreated.

Those who have not had an eye exam within the past year are encouraged to not miss this opportunity to protect your vision. This quick screening takes about 10 minutes, approximately 5 minutes for the exam and another 5 minutes for interpretation and consultation. This innovative service is made possible through the collaboration of Kaiser Permanente, Keck/USC, Cedars/Huntington Health, Microsoft, Simi Group, UCSD, and Topcon Healthcare. [Reserve your spot for the free diabetic eye screening.](#)



The graphic features a doctor in a white coat and stethoscope on the right. On the left, a blue circle contains the City of Arcadia logo and the text: "HEALTH FAIR", "Saturday, September 20", "9AM-1PM", "Arcadia Community Center", and "Free and open to all". To the right of the doctor, a dark blue box lists "FLU SHOTS • INFORMATION SCREENINGS • CONSULTS". A red circle with a white cross and hands is also visible.

*Shuttle service available from Arcadia Performing Arts Center parking lot. Overflow parking available at Holy Angels Church.*

**USC Arcadia Hospital**  
Keck Medicine of USC

**Keck Medicine of USC**

[ArcadiaCA.gov/HealthFair](https://ArcadiaCA.gov/HealthFair)

**Huntington Health**  
An Affiliate of Cedars Sinai

**KAISER PERMANENTE**

**美国重庆总商会**  
American Chongqing General Chamber of Commerce

**艾之星 ISEGSTAR**  
您身邊的醫學教育專家

**OSF**  
ORLANDO STEEL FRAMING

The 2025 Health Fair is sponsored in part by Keck Medicine of USC, USC Arcadia Hospital, Huntington Health, Kaiser Permanente, ISEGSTAR, American Chongqing General Chamber of Commerce, and Orlando Steel Framing.

## 2025 Moon Festival

The City of Arcadia is excited to host the 2025 Moon Festival on October 4, 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Join in on an evening full of lively entertainment, a mooncake-making station, local vendors, and fun kids' activities. Don't miss out on this cultural celebration!



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## Safety Spotlight: Police Apprehend Suspect in Copper Wire Theft

On Thursday, August 7, the Arcadia Police Department experienced a temporary disruption to its 911 services due to vandalism and theft of underground copper wiring. The copper wiring was accessed through a manhole and approximately 60 feet of copper was stolen, causing an estimated \$10,000 in damages and repairs. The service interruption was discovered around 2:30 a.m., taking most of the day to fully restore. All 911 calls were promptly diverted to the Monrovia Police Department to ensure uninterrupted emergency response.

Following weeks of investigation, officers identified a suspect and vehicle linked to the theft. On August 27, plainclothes Arcadia officers located the suspect in Los Angeles and attempted a traffic stop. After briefly complying, the suspect fled on foot but was quickly apprehended. Jose Gante-Gomez, a resident of Los Angeles, was arrested and booked on charges of grand theft and resisting or obstructing a peace officer.

Copper theft remains a significant issue due to its high value. The City of Arcadia, in partnership with external agencies, is exploring ways to limit access to underground infrastructure. Residents are encouraged to report any suspicious activity immediately. Timely reporting can help prevent widespread communication disruptions and reduce potential damages.

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