



# November Newsletter

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## CEO Message

The Flu season has arrived and unlike other flu seasons this year a new flu virus is being spread, the H1N1 flu virus. With a global pandemic underway you may be asking yourself, **Why the concern over pandemic flu?** [Read More...](#)

## Shake Out Drill

On October 15 the Greater Long Beach Chapter (GLBC) participated in the Great Southern California ShakeOut, the largest earthquake drill in the country. Two separate earthquake drills were held; one at the chapter with staff and the second drill was held at Cal Recreation Center in Long Beach with our newly formed Cambodian volunteer team. [Read More...](#)

## 11th Annual Golf Tournament is a Success

The American Red Cross Greater Long Beach Chapter (GLBC) 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament raised more than \$50,000 for the Local Disaster Relief Fund. The Golf Tournament was a huge success due to the outstanding leadership of our committee chairs Jean Bixby Smith and Judy Carls, and the support of the generous sponsors, players, donating organizations, and the volunteers. [Read More...](#)

## Be Prepared this Holiday Season

In the recent months earthquakes, tsunamis and typhoons have devastated thousands of lives through out the world and with a Pandemic Flu underway, it reminds us of the importance of being prepared. Purchase a disaster kit today and learn tips on how to stay healthy! [Read More...](#)



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## Meet the September Volunteers of the Month

The Greater Long Beach Chapter of the American Red Cross announces the September Volunteers of the Month volunteers deployed to the Station Fire. [Read More...](#)

## DAT Team in Action

Our Disaster Action Team (DAT) has had an active October by responding to numerous incidents. Our DAT team has responded to two calls and has assisted four families, two single adults and four children, providing a shoulder to lean on, lodging, meals, and clothing to start again. [Read More...](#)

## Community Disaster Education Classes offered every Month

The GLBC is hosting evening disaster preparedness presentations every 3rd Thursday evening of every month from 6pm-7pm to address preparedness for individuals that have busy schedules with work and school. For more information and to sign up for classes [click here!](#)

## 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Project

Holiday Project is a collaborative event between schools, community organizations, and businesses for a substantial toy drive. After raising toys, high school Red Cross Clubs and community volunteers host a holiday party for children from underserved, low-income areas. [Read More...](#)

## Red Cross Nurses Host Flu Clinics

In October, our Red Cross nurses were hard at work delivering much needed flu vaccines to Long Beach residents. There were 21 Red Cross Nurses who partnered with the Long Beach Health Department during one of the busiest flu seasons ever. [Read More...](#)

## Calendar of Events

To find out more about GLBC events, or to check dates for our on-going CPR/First Aid training classes, please contact the GLBC at 562-595-6341 or visit the website at [www.redcrosslb.org](http://www.redcrosslb.org).

### Words of Wisdom from Clara Barton

Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross, is honored as one of the great women of America. She dedicated her life to helping people in distress. Ms. Barton had a talent for words and throughout her life she wrote voluminously, often daily. She was also a gifted speaker, able to move just a single person during a personal conversation or motivate large crowds. Ms. Barton left us with a legacy of hope, dedication and caring, along with some colorful words of wisdom:

***"She had the command of a general, the wisdom of a statesman, and the heart of a woman."***

- Unknown speaker about Clara Barton, 1893

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