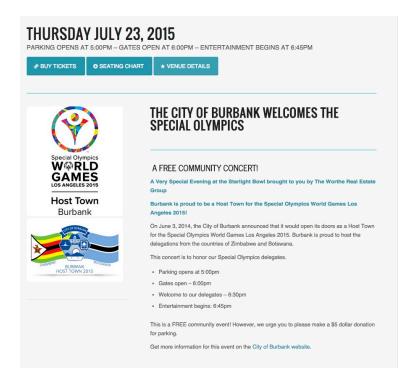


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Woodbury University to Co-Host Free Special Olympics Events

Special Olympics Torch Run, Barbecue and Starlight Bowl Concert, Pep Rally Among Activities Celebrating Botswana, Zimbabwe Delegations' Burbank Visit



BURBANK, Calif. (July 17, 2015) – <u>Woodbury University</u>, the City of Burbank and the Burbank Chamber of Commerce are going all out to show Special Olympics World Games athletes and coaches from Botswana and Zimbabwe a good time in the days before the L.A. 2015 Games begin on July 25, with a series of fun free pre-Olympic events open to the public.

Among the scheduled activities open to the public:

• The Flame of Hope™ Torch is scheduled to make an appearance at Burbank City Hall (275 E. Olive Ave.) at approximately 9 a.m. on Wednesday, July 22. The torch began its journey May 14 in Athens, Greece.

- Celebratory Barbecue and Special Starlight Bowl Concert on Thursday, July 23. Welcome the two delegations and officials from across the greater Burbank community for an American-style barbecue from 4:15-5:30 p.m. outdoors on the Alumni Quad on the campus of Woodbury University. Dinner is followed by a concert celebration and dance at the Starlight Bowl (1249 Lockheed View Dr.). Gates open at 6 p.m., and the concert begins at 6:45, followed by dancing to the music of Captain Cardiac and the Coronaries.
- Pep Rally/Athlete Send-Off: Join the athletes and coaches and the Burbank community for a Pep Rally and Athlete Send-Off both athletes and their host community will never forget. Gather at 10 a.m. Friday, July 24, in Woodbury University's Alumni Quad and cheer our athlete friends to victory.

All events are free. For more information, call (818) 252-5214 or send an email with your question to alumni@woodbury.edu.

"Woodbury University is pleased to join the City of Burbank and the Burbank Chamber of Commerce as participants in the Host Town program, and to house these wonderful athletes, their coaches and other members of their delegations right here on our campus," said Phyllis Cremer, Ed.D., vice president of Student Development at Woodbury University. "We also are thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as global ambassadors, and to encourage members of our own community to visit our campus and become more familiar with the programs Woodbury offers."

About Woodbury University

Founded in 1884, Woodbury University is one of the oldest institutions of higher education in Southern California. It offers bachelor's degrees from the School of Architecture, School of Business, School of Media, Culture & Design, and College of Transdisciplinarity, along with a Master of Arts in Media for Social Justice, Master of Architecture (MArch), Master of Interior Architecture (MIA), Master of Science in Architecture (MSArch), and Master of Leadership. The San Diego campus offers Bachelor of Architecture and Master of Architecture degrees, as well as an MSArch degree with concentrations in Real Estate Development and Landscape + Urbanism. Woodbury ranks 15th among the nation's "25 Colleges That Add the Most Value," according to *Money Magazine*. Visit woodbury.edu for more information.

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