Barrel District Network News

Vice Mayor Yvonne Knaack - Glendale, Arizona **June 21, 2013**

Independence Day Holiday Notice. City of Glendale offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4, in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

All households' scheduled garbage and recycling will be shifted one day due to the holiday. The Glendale Municipal Landfill will be closed. For more information about the city's sanitation services, please call 623-930-2660.

Only Gus Bus One will run, operating on a Sunday schedule from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For Dial-a-Ride service that day, reservations must be made by noon on Wednesday, July 3, by calling 623-930-3500. No same-day service on Thursday will be available. Valley Metro buses will operate on a Sunday schedule.

While the Glendale Municipal Airport will remain open during the holiday, the airport's administrative offices will be closed. In addition, Glendale's three public libraries will be closed, as well as the Glendale Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Glendale's Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center will remain open on the Independence Day holiday, with hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. For questions related to the Foothills Center, call 623-930-4600. For information on other Parks and Recreation facilities, call 623-930-2820.

For additional information on all city of Glendale's programs and services, click here.

Garage Door Burglaries – Don't Be a Victim. Glendale Police have reported that homeowners are creating opportunities for burglars to enter garages and residences by leaving garage doors slightly open. This is a common mistake made by residents across the valley especially during hot summer months. By leaving the garage door open a few inches, a good solid pull up will open it enough to allow a criminal to slip under. Although leaving the door up a bit allows for air flow, this also provides an opportunity for criminals to enter and steal items from your garage, or worse yet, enter your home.

Eight Organizations to Receive Performing Arts Partnership Grants. The Glendale City Council has approved eight performing arts groups to receive funding from the Glendale Arts Commission's Performing Arts Partnership Program.

Since the program started in 1996, the Council has approved approximately $562,800 to sponsor 201 performing arts activities that have benefited thousands of Glendale school children and residents. Examples of past sponsored programs include "Ballet Under the Stars" at Sahuaro Ranch Park; artist-in-residency programs at schools throughout Glendale; performances and teaching at Glendale's community centers; art programs for abused, ill and/or homeless children and a variety of hands-on community interest events conducted in the Glendale library system.

Proposals for performing arts projects to be held in Glendale for the 2013-2014 season were solicited from non-profit arts organizations, schools and government agencies. The Arts Commission reviewed and discussed 19 proposals.

One percent of construction projects in the capital improvement program is deposited in the municipal art fund to be used to administer the city's public art and performing arts program. Expenditures from the municipal art fund for the annual Performing Arts Partnership Program are recommended by the Glendale Arts Commission through its annual arts projects plan and are subject to approval by Council. For more information about the arts in Glendale, click here.

No Artistic Experience Necessary for the Paint Along Party at Westgate. Imagine painting your own version of Van Gogh's masterpiece, "Sunflowers." You can and will at the Paint Along Party from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Friday, June 28 at Gallery Glendale located at the Westgate Entertainment District, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd.

The instructor, Janine Barbour, a former arts academy instructor and artist, will guide participants through the completion of their own work of art. Everyone will paint the same image together, with help and tips from Barbour. No experience is necessary and the party is open to adults and teens.

This isn't just a night of painting, but an opportunity to create a girlfriends' night out, have mother/daughter time or just create a

wonderful piece of your own art for your walls. And since Gallery Glendale is located at the Westgate Entertainment District, participants can shop, eat or catch a movie before or after the class.

The registration fee is $50 for Glendale residents and $60 for non-residents. A $20 supply fee will be collected at class. Call 623-930-4613 for more information. To register, call 623-930-4600 or click here.

July 2013 Event/Activity Listings. The following events are offered from the city of Glendale Parks, Recreation and Library Services in July. The programs are free unless otherwise stated.

2013 Summer Reading Program: Through Saturday, July 27, at the three Glendale libraries.

Register for a Summer Reading Program and earn fabulous incentive prizes just for reading! Click here to check your local Glendale Public Library branch to register online. Participants can now track their reading progress online. For more information, call 623-930-3530.

Cooking for Diabetics Workshop: 12 to 3 p.m., Sunday, July 21 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

This class teaches you how to plan, shop and prepare one of the world's healthiest diets. If you are a diabetic, if diabetes runs in your family or if you are a "serial dieter," this class is perfect for you. Master a few basic cooking skills, learn a few tricks of the trade and start to enjoy cooking in your own kitchen. A $15 supply fee will be collected at the class. The class registration is $60 (non-resident $72). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Glendale Police Seeking Enrollment for August 2013 Citizen Police Academy. The Glendale Police Department is accepting applications for the upcoming Citizen Police Academy which begins on Wednesday, August 28, 2013. The application deadline of August 16th is quickly approaching!

The Citizens Academy is a free program designed to offer participants the opportunity to learn, hands on, about many Glendale Police Operations, such as the use of Police Canines, Crime Scene Investigations and Tactical Operations. The curriculum also includes an overview of the Glendale Police Department's Administration, Police Communications, and Community Oriented Policing.

Participants must be at least 18 years of age and undergo a background check and fingerprinting process. All fingerprinting and completed applications must be submitted no later than Friday, August 16th, 2013. The Citizen Police Academy is 11 weeks in length and is held on Wednesday nights from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Training Center and Glendale Police Main Station. There will also be one Saturday class.

Applications can be downloaded and the fingerprinting schedule can be viewed from the Glendale Police website click here. For further information, please contact Sgt. Kim Dominguez at 623-930-3158 or via email click here.

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