Barrel District Network News

Vice Mayor Yvonne Knaack - Glendale, Arizona **November 15, 2013**

Congratulations to our HOA Training Academy Graduates! More than 40 students completed the Fall 2013 HOA Training Academy. The students were Glendale residents representing all six districts, and non-residents who serve on their neighborhood HOA board or are interested in learning more about becoming a board member. The group learned how to manage and lead an HOA in this free training series, offered by the Neighborhood & Human Services Office, in partnership with Mulcahy Law Firm.

Topics included:

- Taking the Guesswork out of Board Meetings and Annual Meetings
- How to Properly Amend CC&Rs and Bylaws and 2013 Legislative updates regarding Community Association Laws
- CC&R Enforcement, Board Member Responsibilities and How to Effectively Deal with Association Management Companies
- The Architectural Review Committee, Reserves and Dealing with Difficult People

For more information on the HOA Training Academy, please call the Community Partnerships office at 623-930-2868.

Glendale Residents Save Money Through Prescription Drug Savings Program. With flu season underway, it is an ideal time to remind Glendale residents to pick up one of the *Coast2Coast Rx* prescription discount cards that will not only save families money, but keep everyone healthier as well. Glendale's partnership with Financial Marketing Concepts, Inc. (FMC) for a prescription drug discount program has averaged 66% savings on prescriptions.

During the first fiscal year (FY 12-13) of the program, participants using the discount through Glendale's program turned in more than 7,000 prescription claims, averaging 66% savings that equates to more than $90,000 saved by participants.

The *Coast2Coast Rx* card allows all Glendale residents, regardless of income, age or health status to participate in the program and save on the cost of their medications. Besides the discount on prescriptions, the card also provides dental, vision, diabetes and hearing discounts up to 50% for the entire family and 50 to 80% discounts for lab and imaging tests, helping residents save on these services. The *Coast2Coast Rx* card provides residents with a valuable option to help maintain their health and wellbeing at an affordable cost.

For more information, call Community Partnerships at 623-930-2868 or click here to print the *Coast2Coast RX* card

2nd Annual Glendale Family Health & Resource Fair - November 16. Mark your calendars for the Glendale Family Health and Resource Fair. Bring your family out for this free event that puts the community in touch with essential services.

The Glendale CAP office and the Salvation Army will be offering utility assistance on a first-come first served basis for those who qualify. Additionally, APS, SRP and Southwest Gas will be enrolling customers in their discount programs.

Fitness entertainment will be provided by the United HealthCare Community Plan and MIHS will be offering medical screenings. There will be several other community resources available at the event as well, and the first 200 families in attendance will be given a turkey. Click here for more information.

New Names Selected for Two Glendale Parks Through Public Input. A regional park that went by the unofficial name of "Western Area Regional Park" for several years has now received the name of Glendale Heroes Regional Park. Another neighborhood park also received a name, Orangewood Vista Park.

Both parks have been open to the public while the process of naming them was coordinated. A six-month public review and participation process was held. Once the final names were selected, they were presented to the Glendale Parks and Recreation Commission, where the members voted unanimously for them. With the Commission's recommendation, the names were brought to the Glendale City Council in August and made official.

Recently, the signage with the official name was installed at Glendale Heroes Regional Park. The sign depicts silhouette busts of a firefighter and police officer representing the city's working heroes.

Glendale Heroes Regional Park is located at 6121 N. 83rd Ave. and the 88-acre facility has been constructed in phases. Currently the park features six basketball courts, two playground areas, a splash pad, the "X-Court" BMX/skateboarding facility, 16 covered ramadas, an outdoor volleyball court, restrooms and open green space for a variety of activities.

Adjacent to Sunset Vista Elementary School, the 10-acre Orangewood Vista Park at 7801 W. Orangewood Ave., consists of four lighted basketball courts; a three-acre green space area for soccer, flag football and active recreation; a trail system; and a playground area with a shade structure.

For more information on Glendale's park system, visit www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation.

Around Town

Council Meetings and Workshops. To review the posted agenda and web video of Council Workshops and meetings, please click here.

Pre-teens Play Life Size Hunger Games Monopoly. Are the odds really in your favor? Find out at this team-based, life sized board game based on The Hunger Games! Pre-teens and their fellow tributes will trade, haggle, scheme and plot to be the Ultimate Victors, on Monday Nov. 18 at 6 p.m., at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. For more information, call the youth reference desk at 623-930-3537. To register click here or stop by the youth reference desk.

Evening of Arizona storytellers TELLABRATION!™ Presented by the Westside Storytellers. In recognition of *TELLABRATION!*™ month, "The Westside Storytellers" will present an evening of Arizona stories, on Thursday Nov. 21, 6;30 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

During *TELLABRATION!*™ month, guilds and storytelling enthusiasts all around the globe will share their storytelling talents in concerts held in cities and towns to celebrate the art of storytelling. Locally, *TELLABRATION!*™ brings together each area's most celebrated storytellers to delight, captivate and mesmerize audiences with their tales. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

Teen fans of Hunger Games get together-Fandomonium - The Hunger Games. Teens, ages 12-18, can meet other teens with like interests on Tuesday Nov. 26 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Each month, a different Fandom will be represented with discussion, activities and fun. This month's Fandom: The Hunger Games. No registration necessary. For more information, call Kristin at 623-930-3840.

Mid-day Movie Madness: The Muppet Christmas Carol. The Glendale Main Library at 5959 W. Brown St. will show the movie, "*The Muppet Christmas Carol*" on Wednesday Dec. 4 at 2:30 p.m.

Michael Caine, surrounded by legions of fuzzy, felt puppets, plays it straight as the crotchety Ebenezer Scrooge, an old miser who couldn't care less about Christmas and the joy the season brings. Working for the skinflint is his faithful employee Bob Cratchit (Kermit the Frog), who begs Scrooge for a day off for Christmas. Scrooge reluctantly agrees and goes home on Christmas Eve filled with bile at the holiday merrymakers. But then he is visited by the spirits of Christmas Past, Present and Future. Scrooge, after revisiting his sorrowful past, hate-filled present and doomed future, turns over a new leaf and becomes the most generous and celebratory person in town. Bring your snacks and settle in for a great movie. For more information, call 623-930-3537.

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