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Cactus District Weekly Update

January 8, 2016

Welcome to this week's Cactus District Weekly Update!

[Cactus District Website](#)

City Announcements

City of Glendale Offers Sand

The City of Glendale and the Glendale Fire Department have locations identified within the city where residents can obtain sand and sand bags at no cost.

Please be aware that supplies are limited and residents may notice a shortage of sand bags. The City of Glendale works diligently to keep supplies available however the demand has increased due to current weather conditions. You may need to purchase sandbags separately. Residents are advised you must bring your own shovel.

Locations are as follows:

1. Bonsall Park NE Corner 67th/Bethany Home Rd.
2. Old Fire Station #1 @55th Orangewood NE corner near racquetball courts
3. Fire Station 153, Northside of community center @ 55th Redfield



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Valley Metro to Hold Public Meetings on the West Phoenix/Central

Welcome Reception For Councilmember Ray L. Malnar

Residents are invited to the Welcome Reception for Councilmember Ray L. Malnar. The newest member of the Glendale City Council, Ray L. Malnar of the Sahuaro District, will be officially welcomed to office during a reception on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Glendale residents are invited to attend the reception to be held in the lobby of the Council Chambers at 5850 West Glendale Avenue.

Councilmember Malnar was sworn into office on November 10, 2015 after winning the seat in a Special Recall Election on November 3. Malnar represents the Sahuaro District, an area bounded roughly by 51st Avenue to the east and 75th Avenue to the west; and by Union Hills Drive to the north and Cactus Road to the south.

Glendale Traffic Alert For College Football Playoff Game On January 11

College football fans and drivers in the West Valley are being advised of heavy traffic expected on the Loop 101 from Northern Avenue to Camelback Road during the day on Monday, Jan. 11, due to the College Football Playoff (CFP) game at University of Phoenix Stadium and the activities surrounding the game. Heavy traffic is also predicted on the surface streets in and around Glendale's Sports and Entertainment District. Fans should plan to arrive early.

Information for those attending the game

[Click here for complete details](#)

Start 2016 with Desert Landscape Design in Mind

Is revamping your outdoor space on the list of "things to do" in 2016? While your yard is dormant this winter, get a jump start on planning a delightful water- and energy-efficient landscape by attending the free Landscape Design class on Saturday, January 9 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St). The class kicks-off a new year of the Glendale Conservation and Sustainable Living program's free monthly "Green Living" class series.

Whether you just want to give your yard a facelift or you're new to the Valley of the Sun, this class provides the basics on landscape design for our distinctive climate. Our speaker, Jo Miller, is an expert landscape designer with over 25 years of experience in Arizona. Jo will guide you through the essential design steps for a landscape that saves water and energy. If you are looking to renovate a small or large portion of your yard

Glendale Transit Corridor Study

Valley Metro will hold two public meetings on the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study. The purpose of the study is to identify what type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit) and what route is best to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system on 19th Avenue in Phoenix. At each meeting, Valley Metro staff will present an overview of the recommended route and transit type, and provide an opportunity for questions and comments. The same information will be presented at both meetings.

Tuesday, January 19, 2016

6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.)

Washington Activity Center

Multipurpose Room
2240 W. Citrus Way,
Phoenix 85019

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

6 - 8 p.m. (presentation at 6:30 p.m.)

Glendale Woman's Club
7032 N. 56th Ave.,
Glendale 85301

For more information, please contact Megan Casey, Community Outreach Coordinator, at 602.495.8274 or mcasey@valleymetro.org, or visit valleymetro.org/glendale.

this is a great class to get tips, ideas, and practical resources. A good design is the first step to having a yard and garden adapted for our desert climate.

The series will continue each month with new topics, guest speakers, and local experts. For a complete listing of the "Green Living" class series, go to www.glendaleaz.com/green/. The classes are free, but advance registration is required by calling 623-930-3760 or e-mailing greenliving@glendaleaz.com. You do not have to be a Glendale resident to attend.

'Glendale University' Offers Behind-The-Scenes Look at City Government

Glendale University 101, an 11-session program sponsored by Cox Communications, is accepting applications now through Friday, January 22, 2016. Classes begin on Wednesday, February 3, 2016, which offer a close-up, behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of city government.

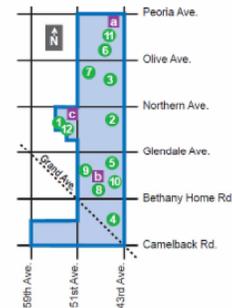
Glendale residents and those who own businesses in the city can sign up for Glendale University (GU) to learn more about city government directly from the Mayor, Council Members, City Manager, and top city staff. The program's continued popularity is credited to the one-on-one interactions among attendees and the core curriculum that focuses on everything from the city courts to utilities.

"Glendale University is a unique opportunity to meet the city's decision makers and talk about everyone's role in our local democracy," said organizer Kathy Curley of Glendale's Community Services Department. In the 19 years since the program was started, more than 950 people have attended.

GU 101 classes are held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays, beginning February 3, 2016 and runs through April 13, 2016. The series kicks off with an opportunity to get to know your Mayor and Council Members. Subsequent sessions cover a variety of city services, including public safety, city courts, public works, community services, finance and budget, marketing, and much more.

The classes, which are free, are limited in size to encourage interaction between attendees and the elected officials and city staff who teach each unit. To participate in GU 101, you must be 16 years or older, a resident of Glendale or own a business in Glendale. Attendees who complete nine of the eleven GU 101 classes will be honored in a graduation ceremony on the final night of class.

Cactus District Amenities



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Elsie McCarthy Sensory Garden

7637 N. 55th Ave.
Located south of Northern Avenue on 55th Avenue

The Elsie McCarthy Sensory Garden was developed to stimulate the senses of sight, sound, smell and touch. Through the use of specific plants and trees for texture and scent, water features for sound, touch and sight and evening lighting for dramatic visuals, this garden is one of Glendale's proudest locations.

The deadline to register for Glendale University 101 is January 22, 2016. Register online at www.glendaleaz.com/Library/GlendaleUniversity; or call Gwen Benoit at 623-930-3554 to request an application or more information.

Glendale Police Department Hiring Police Officers

The Glendale Police Department is seeking qualified candidates for the positions of Police Officer Recruit and Police Officer Lateral. Applications for Police Officer Recruit will be accepted beginning Monday, December 28th at 12:00am and closing on Friday, January 22nd, 2016 at 11:59pm. Recruitment is currently open for the position of Police Officer Lateral and applications are being accepted on a continual basis.

The Glendale Police Department expects to fill over 20 Police Officer vacancies. Candidates interested in becoming Police Officers with the Glendale Police Department are encouraged to attend an optional information session which is being held on Tuesday, January 12th, 2016 at 6:00pm at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Training Center located at 11550 W. Glendale Avenue, in Glendale, Arizona.

Information, including application material, can be found at www.glendaleaz.com/policejobs.

January 2016 Events and Activity Listings

The following featured events are offered from Glendale's Parks and Recreation and Library divisions in January 2016. The programs are free unless otherwise indicated. To see many more events and activities, please visit www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation and www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Mobile Print Services Now Available at the Glendale Public Library

Send documents to print from your mobile device, laptop, home computer, or anywhere you happen to be. It's easy! For more information, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/Printing.cfm.

New Tablet for the Holidays?

If you found a tablet in your stocking this year, make sure to take advantage of all the free eBooks, music, and movies the library has to offer. We even have classes to help you learn how! For more information, visit www.glendaleaz.com/library/Digital_Media.cfm.

Gallery Glendale: Feathers & Fur Photo Exhibition

Watch a video on the park [here](#).



Rose Lane Park

51st Avenue and Marlette Avenue

Open: 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.

This community park is 19 acres and features an aquatics center, open in the summer, and the Rose Lane Recreation Center.

The community center features after-school activities for children.

Rose Lane Park

includes:

- Lighted ball field
- Lighted basketball court
- Two lighted volleyball courts
- Four lighted racquetball courts
- Playground
- Picnic tables
- Grills
- Restrooms
- [Reservable ramadas](#)
- [Aquatic center](#)
- [Recreation center](#)



Rose Lane Recreation Center

5003 W. Marlette Ave.
623-930-7945

6 to 9 p.m., Fridays & Saturdays, thru January 30, at Westgate Entertainment District, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd., Suite D-102

This juried photography exhibit celebrates the beauty, brilliance, and wonderment of both animals and birds. Artwork will be available for sale. Meet the artists at our reception on Friday, January 9, from 6 to 9 p.m. For more information, call 623-930-3557, contact mvahabzadeh@glendaleaz.com or visit www.glendaleaz.com/galleryglendale/.

Glendale Library Coffeehouse

6:30 p.m., Thursday, January 14, at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Join us for live acoustic music from local musicians. January 6: Red Rock Crossing - bluegrass with a twist. Call 623-930-3844 for more information. January 14: Randy Brown, Craig Griffin & Jon Iger - original songs. Call 623-930-3573 for more information.

***Tell Your Story: Unleash Your Inner Author! At the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.**

Writing Your Memoirs

1 p.m., Saturday, January 9, & 6 p.m., Monday, January 11

In this three-part series, librarian and author Shelley Mosley will instruct participants in the art of writing your memoirs. Ages 16+. For more information and to register, call 623-930-3430 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Becoming a Bestseller: Self-Publishing for Fun & Actual Profit

1 p.m., Saturday, January 30

Learn how local teen and college romance author Ginger Scott successfully made the transition from self-publishing to traditional publishing, and how it can work for you, too. For more information, call 623-930-3430.

Adaptive Bowling

9 to 11 a.m., Saturdays, January 9 - February 27, at Glenfair Lanes Bowling Alley, 6110 N. 59th Ave. Ages 8 and older can improve their bowling game, enjoy the support of others and make new friends! Parents, guardians and caregivers volunteer and assist those with special needs to make this a rewarding experience. Bowling ramps are available to registered bowlers. Instruction is not provided. The program is \$23 (non-resident \$30) and includes a bowling ball and shoes. For more information, contact Anthony Garcia at 623-930-

Heart for the City Hours:
Monday - Friday, 2-7 p.m.

The Rose Lane Recreation Center features after-school activities for children, including open recreation; soccer; water fun; arts and crafts; reading time; and weekly movies with popcorn. [More Information.](#)



Rose Lane Aquatics Center

5003 W. Marlette Ave. *
623-930-7905
(east of 51st Ave., north of Bethany Home Rd.)

This seasonal facility is only open to the public during the summer.

Activities include full facility aquatic rentals, seasonal private swim lessons, group swim lessons, and summer public recreation swimming. This facility includes a large, zero depth entry leisure pool with spray features, a splash pad, a giant slide, a kiddie slide, and a big pool with a diving well and a diving board. Rose Lane has outdoor "day use" lockers. Please bring your own lock or you may purchase one at the Rose Lane Cashier's Office. This facility is only staffed

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www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation/Adaptive.cfm.

Landscape Design

10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, January 9, at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Learn the steps to design a beautiful, Arizona-friendly yard from a Valley landscape expert. To register, contact GreenLiving@glendaleaz.com or 623-930-3760.

Glendale Arts Council Juried Fine Arts Exhibition

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, January 9 & Sunday, January 10; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, January 13 - Saturday, January 23; & 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sunday, January 24, at the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area, 9802 N. 59th Ave. - Fruit Packing Shed.

Enjoy a unique exhibit featuring Arizona artists. All submitted works will be on display from January 9-10, and all juried works will be on display from January 13-24. Call 623-930-4201 for more information.

Citizenship & ESL Classes

At the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Citizenship

5 p.m., Mondays, January 11 & 25 & February 1, 8, 22, 29 & March 7, 14, 21, 28

Presented by the International Rescue Committee, this 10-week class will teach you the fundamentals of United States politics, government, and history included in the U.S. Citizenship exams. For more information and to register, please contact Violetta Lopez at Violetta.Lopez@Rescue.org or 602-433-2440, ext. 191.

ESL

4 p.m., Wednesdays, January 13, 20, 27 & February 3, 10, 17, 24

Free English language learning for adults. Using volunteers, the program provides a friendly and helpful environment for people who are just learning English, as well as native English speakers who need to improve their skills. For more information and to register, call 623-930-3430 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Street Dedication

The City of Glendale invites you to attend the honorary street dedication of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard on Friday, January 15 at 11:00 a.m. The dedication will be held at the intersection of 95th and Maryland Avenues. Parking is available east of 95th Avenue and Maryland Avenue. Please follow directional signs.

when the pools are open for aquatic programming.

[View a Slide Show of the Rose Lane Aquatics Center here!](#)

Please RSVP by January 11 to Cathy Foland at cfoland@glendaleaz.com or 623-930-2040.

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