Cactus Chronicle

"Glendale – Proud to be the home of Luke Air Force Base"

Councilmember Phil Lieberman, Glendale Arizona **February 13, 2009**

Cactus District Meetings

- Wednesday, March 18
  6:30 p.m.
  Rose Lane Recreation Center
  5003 W. Marlette Ave.

- Thursday, May 14
  6:30 p.m.
  Horizon Elementary School
  8520 N. 47th Avenue

Dear Cactus District Residents,

You are invited to attend one or both of the upcoming Cactus District meetings. Representatives from city of Glendale Departments and I will update residents on citywide and district projects. If you have questions on neighborhood topics or would just like to stay informed, please plan to attend. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you!

– Councilmember Phil Lieberman

Presidents' Day. Glendale city offices and all three libraries will be closed on Monday, February 16 in observance of Presidents' Day. Click here for sanitation holiday collection schedule. Read More.

Celebrate Friendship at That Thursday Thing! On the third Thursday of the month, from February through May, people can come to downtown Glendale to check out the scene, the shops, the restaurants and more. On February 19, celebrate International Friendship Month with your best friend from 5 to 8 p.m. in downtown Glendale.

February's That Thursday Thing is featuring Glendale Public Library to be the recipient of the generosity of downtown visitors. Stop by the Glendale Visitor's Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., #140, and drop off a new or gently used book. The Velma Teague Branch Library, in Murphy Park, will also have a table where items can be donated. Books will either be added to the collection or go into the library's ongoing book sale, with proceeds benefiting the library. Either way, the library staff appreciate the donations.

For more information on That Thursday Thing, click here or call the Visitor Center at (623) 930-4500.

Glendale Main Library Book Sale Returns Feb. 21. The staff at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., are busy gearing up for the annual Mega Book Sale, which will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 21 on the library's south patio.

Buyers can find many copies of bestselling fiction, both hardbacks and paperbacks, including Oprah's Reading Club titles. There will also be antique, rare and collectible books, non-fiction titles and children's books. People who would rather view or listen to material can find books on tape and CD, music CDs, DVDs and music audiocassettes.

Shoppers can pay by cash, check or debit card. All proceeds benefit the library.

The library is still accepting donations of gently used paperbacks, hardbacks, CDs, DVDs, audiocassettes, videocassettes and magazines. Donors will receive a tax donation receipt. Items not added to the collection will go into the ongoing book sale. Donations can be brought into the library during hours the library is open or can be taken to the receiving door on the west side of the Main Library during the week, Monday-Friday, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

For more information about the book sale, please call (623) 930-3559.

Consumer Credit Classes. Consumer Credit Counseling Services, a non-profit organization, will be presenting the following two programs. Patrons may attend one session or both. Registration is required; to register or for more information, please call (623) 930-3431.

Surviving a Layoff:
March 2 at 10 a.m. at Velma Teague Branch, 7010 N. 58th Ave.
March 4 at 6 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
April 20 at 7 p.m. at Foothills Branch, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Keeping Debt under Control:
March 9 at 10 a.m. at Velma Teague Branch, 7010 N. 58th Ave.
March 31 at 6 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
April 27 at 7 p.m. at the Foothills Branch, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Around Town

Glendale Arts Council Juried Art Show – LAST DAY SATURDAY. Make plans to visit the 46th Annual Juried Fine Art Show presented by the Glendale Arts Council. The show runs through February 14 at Historic Sahuaro Ranch Park's Fruit Packing Shed. The Park is located at 9802 N. 57th Avenue. Admission is free. Proceeds from art sales will benefit arts enrichment programs and scholarships for students in Glendale.

Live at the Library. Glendale Main Library's Live at the Library takes place at 7 p.m. on Thursdays in the library's auditorium at 5959 W. Brown St. On February 19, experience the music and traditions of Japan – then and now. The audience will be mesmerized by Ken Koshio's Taiko drumming.

Antique Tractor & Engine Show. Come and enjoy this event at Sahuaro Ranch Park's Historic Area featuring tractor pulls, parades, hayrides, antique engines, house tours and more. Join the fun from 9 a.m.-4p.m. on February 14 and 15 at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 9802 N. 59th Ave.

Midwestern University Community Health Lecture Series. Midwestern University's on-going series of free health lectures continues in February with "The Benefits of Exercise for Patients with Diabetes." Dr. Tom Broderick, Ph.D., will present the latest research and offer important tips for getting the most out of exercise for patients with both Type I and Type II diabetes. The 90-minute lecture will be held at 7 p.m., on Tuesday, February 17 at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave, in the Roadrunner Room. Reservations are not necessary. Call (623) 930-3846 for more information.

Family Fishing Clinic. Catch some fish at Bonsall Park Lake, 59th Ave. and Bethany Home Rd., February 21, 7 to 10 a.m. Co-sponsored by the Arizona Game and Fish Department, this event offers instruction on how to "snag the big one," bait hooks and information about fish. Bring your fishing pole, a container to take home your catch and something to sit on. A limited supply of rods and bait are available on a first come, first served basis. A fishing license is not needed during this event; however, if you continue to fish after the clinic, you must follow Arizona laws and regulations. Register at the Game and Fish booth the morning of the event. Free admission! Call (623) 930-4701 for more information.

B.A.G. I.T. (Bus and Gus Individual Training). A class is being offered to Glendale residents who are interested in learning about how to travel on the bus. No need to register, just show up and learn how to ride Valley Metro Public Transportation or Gus the Bus. Some of the lessons include how to read a bus book, plan a trip, find the closest bus stop, signal your stop and more. Classes will be held on February 26, March 26, April 23, May 28 and June 25 at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St., in room 102. For more information, click here or call (623) 930-2035.

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