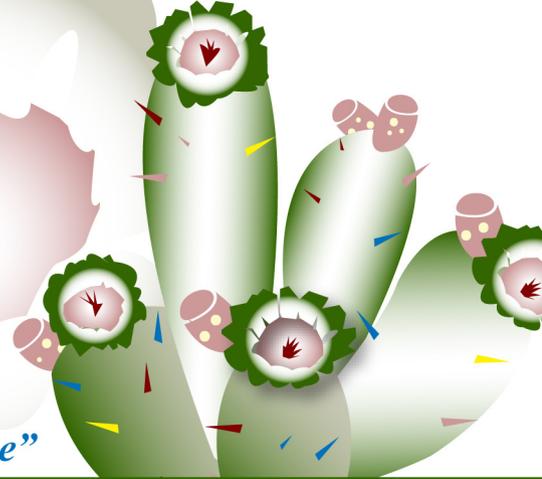




# Cactus Chronicle

*“Glendale –  
Proud to be the home of Luke Air Force Base”*



Councilmember Phil Lieberman, Glendale Arizona

February 20, 2009

## Spring '09 Cactus District Meetings

Please save the date for one or both of the upcoming Cactus District meetings. Councilmember Lieberman and representatives from city of Glendale Departments 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!

**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 Residents,

On behalf of the Cactus District residents, I continue to contribute funds for improvements throughout the district and make donations to Glendale organizations that I truly believe are an asset to our community.

I'd like to update you on some of these projects for which funds have been either spent or allocated since July 1, 2008. Keep in mind that these amounts do not include the numerous projects that we, the Cactus residents have made contributions towards since my tenure on the council.

Some of you may be aware that improvements are presently underway to Mission Park at 47th Avenue & Sunnyslope Lane. On behalf of all of you, Cactus residents, I have set aside \$3,000 to contribute towards these improvements.

Over the last year, the West Plaza 3&4 community has been the recipient of \$1,406 for signage and landscaping.

Recently, the Apollo Heights neighborhood entrance monument was damaged and we paid for the repairs that totaled \$500.

As you are aware, Mountain Ridge High School Marching Band, although not in the Cactus District, but in Glendale, recently attended the presidential inauguration. We contributed \$100 towards their expenses.

This weekend, February 21, Glendale High School is having their 4th Annual Cardinal Alumni & Community Homecoming event. We also contributed \$100 to their Booster Club. Again, although not in the Cactus District, Glendale High School is in the heart of Glendale.

For those of you that have family and friends serving in the military, with pride the residents of the Cactus District also contributed \$1,000 to a local organization, Packages From Home to assist with shipping and mailing costs.

In conjunction with Glendale's Neighborhood Partnership Office, we are also looking into additional Cactus District projects to be completed by June 30. If you have any questions on the process of how these projects or donations are approved, please call my office or come to one of my upcoming Cactus District Meetings.

I hope you find this information helpful and as always I welcome your comments.

Sincerely,  
Phil

**Family Fishing Clinic.** Catch some fish at Bonsall Park Lake, 59th Ave. and Bethany Home Rd., February 21, 7 to 10 a.m. Cosponsored 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. Admission is free. Register at the Game and Fish booth the morning of the event. Call (623) 930-4701, for more information.

**Know Someone In Need of Utility Assistance?** The Glendale Community Action Program is hosting a one-day low income utility assistance pre-screening on Wednesday, March 25, 2009 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Glendale Civic Center Annex Building, 5750 W. Glenn Drive. Glendale and West Valley residents who live in Avondale, Buckeye, Gila Bend, Peoria, Tolleson, El Mirage and Wickenburg are welcome to attend on a first-come, first served basis. For more information, including the documentation that applicants must bring, call (623) 930-2854.

**Earned Income Tax Credits.** The city of Glendale is partnering with the IRS, Arizona's Department of Economic Security (DES) and AARP to encourage residents to learn more about the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and find out if they are eligible to apply. Household income and number of dependent children determine eligibility. Income must be below \$38,646 in 2008 to receive the credit. Glendale residents can receive free tax preparation and financial counseling at the following sites until the filing deadline of April 15.

**DES Office**

6010 N. 57th Drive  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Mondays through April 13)  
First come, first-served

**Glendale Adult Center**

5970 W. Brown St.  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday  
9 to 11 a.m. Saturday.

## Around Town

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**Glendale Safety Fair.** The Glendale Police Department and Cabela's have partnered to provide you a great chance to learn safety tips for all areas of your life. Join us for the Glendale Safety Fair, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, February 21 at Cabela's, 9380 W. Glendale Ave. From firearm safety to wildfire tips, we've got you covered. The Glendale Police Department will be providing free VIN etching and document shredding from 9 a.m. to 12 noon (limit three boxes per person). For more information, call (623) 930-4030.

**Glendale Main Library Book Sale.** The staff at Glendale Public Library, 5959 W. Brown St., is gearing up for the annual Mega Book Sale, which will be held from 9 a.m. to 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. For more information about the book sale, please call (623) 930-3559.

**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, call (623) 930-2035.

**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 26, Bobby Freeman, the popular organist of the Arizona Diamondbacks returns to Glendale.

**9th Annual Touch-A-Truck.** Trucks and large vehicles take center stage 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., February 28, at Glendale Community College, 6000 W. Olive Ave. This unique event is a wonderful opportunity for families to see, touch, interact with and learn about these vehicles and their functions. Bring your camera to get those special shots of your child sitting in the driver's seat of an 18 wheeler. Souvenirs and refreshments will be available for purchase. Free admission! For more information, call (623) 930-2044.

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