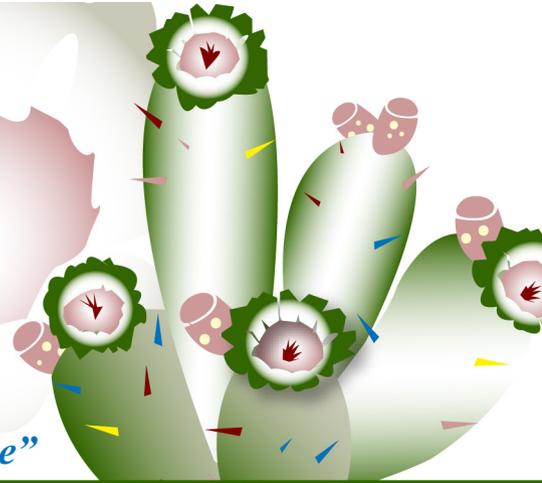




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Councilmember Phil Lieberman, Glendale Arizona

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October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Domestic violence can take many forms, but its goal is always the same: Batterers want to control you through fear. They do this by regularly abusing you physically, sexually, psychologically and economically. Please [click here](#) for a list of behaviors that an abuser might display.

The [Glendale Family Advocacy Center](#) offers numerous resources for victims of family crimes. It's very important that victims of domestic violence realize they have choices. If you or someone you know is in a violent relationship and would like more information, please contact the Glendale Family Advocacy Center at (623) 930-3720. In an emergency situation, call 9-1-1.

US 60 (Grand Avenue) improvement project continues next week

Westbound US 60 (Grand Avenue) will be narrowed to two lanes near 33rd Avenue daily from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday (Oct. 22-26) for utility work.

Be prepared to slow down and merge carefully in the work zone. Call the Project Hotline at 1-855-712-8530 with questions or comments.

Grant Provides Continued Domestic Violence Victim Services in Glendale. Nearly one-third of American women report being assaulted by a current or former partner at some point in their lives, according to information provided by the Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Last year in Arizona, at least 96 people died as a result of a domestic violence related homicide. Each year, thousands of American children also witness partner violence within their families. Witnessing violence is a risk factor for long-term physical and mental health problems, including alcohol and substance abuse, being a victim of abuse, and perpetrating intimate partner violence. Recently Glendale's City Council authorized the acceptance of a two-year \$300,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women to continue funding several domestic violence victim services and add program enhancements.

The Glendale Domestic Violence Task Force was formed in December 2004 to provide comprehensive responses to a wide variety of local domestic violence issues. Task Force partners include Glendale's City Court, City Prosecutor's Office, Police Department, the Glendale Family Advocacy Center, A New Leaf, the Maricopa County Attorney's Office and the Maricopa County Adult Probation Department. The Task Force has endorsed a collaborative partnership to seek funding for various victim services and program enhancements.

Since 2005, Glendale City Court has worked with Glendale Domestic Violence Task Force members to submit three successful grant proposals to the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women. The new \$300,000 grant in addition to prior grants of \$1.2 million bring the total to \$1.5 million since 2005.

[Click here](#) for more information on domestic violence.

Initial Phase of Renewable Energy Project Approved. The Glendale City Council voted in favor of moving forward with VIESTE Energy's proposed Renewable Energy project at the Oct. 9 meeting.

The Initial Phase includes the construction of a Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) that will process up to 180,000 tons of municipal solid waste annually. The facility will maximize recycling in the city by further removing recyclable materials that remain in the waste stream. Public Works Director Stuart Kent commented, "This project allows the city to triple the amount of recycling done in the community, add life to the existing landfill and provides the City with additional on-going revenue with no capital investment required by the city."

The Initial Phase is a portion of an overall \$100 million Renewable Energy project that will generate 14 megawatts of green energy completely funded with private investment. VIESTE Energy will invest approximately \$25 million in this Initial Phase, which is expected to be operational in 2013.

For additional information on this project, visit www.glendaleaz.com/publicworks/landfill/.

Experience Halloween Decorations 1930s Style. For the first time the Sahuaro Ranch Park's Main House Museum will be decorated for Halloween. You won't see decorations you see in today's stores, however, because it will be decorated in the style of the 1930s era, which is when the ranch's owners, the Smith Family, lived there.

Through the Main House Museum tours, visitors can view and learn about the decorations along with costumes, party activities and how people celebrated the holiday in that era. Attendees will also be able to discover how the Smith Family might have celebrated a costume party.

The tours are free and available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursdays through Saturdays, and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays, through Nov. 4.

Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area is a 17-acre piece of one of the Valley's oldest and most magnificent ranches that features 13 original buildings including the main house, guest house, foreman's house and fruit packing shed; a rose garden; barnyard and historic orchards. The ranch is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and preserves the history of early settlement and agriculture in the Valley.

For more information about taking a tour, call 623-930-4201 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/srpha.

BUSINESS NEWS: Glendale CVB offers new workshop series, kicking off with social media day. The Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau is launching its first educational workshop series event that will provide hospitality-related businesses with strategies to reach and engage customers from local to international markets.

Social Media Day will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 8 at Thunderbird Executive Inn & Conference Center, located at 15249 N. 59th Ave. in Glendale. The cost is \$15 per person for CVB members and \$25 for non-members and includes lunch.

The workshop session will cover:

- The latest social media tools and how to incorporate them into your existing marketing strategy
- Utilizing social media as a platform for your business model
- Using social media to effectively promote special events
- The what, why and how of Mobile Apps for a local business
- Behind-the-scenes look at the world of social media

Registration is required by Nov. 1 via email at lpino@glendaleaz.com or [click here](#) to register online. For more information, contact the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau at 623-930-4500 or visit www.visitglendale.com.

Around Town

Council Meetings and Workshops. To review the posted agenda and web video of the October 16 council workshop, please [click here](#).

Annual Catlin Court Front Porch Festival and Old Towne Marketplace - TOMORROW!! Enjoy the beautiful fall weather in Downtown Glendale at the 18th Annual Front Porch Festival & Old Towne Marketplace on Saturday, October 20, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. More than 80 shops and eateries have special activities planned for the day, including demonstrations, make & take crafts, delicious treats and so much more. The shops in Catlin Court showcase their specialties on their lawns and porches, while the shops in Old Towne always have something wonderful going on inside their stores. Plan to spend your day in the area. Start at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., Suite 140, to pick up a downtown walking map. [Click here](#) for more information.

"Fright Night!" Teen After Hours. Teens will take over the library during an evening of spine-chilling team competition, prizes, deejay music, video games and free pizza. Join us from 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 20, Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. Teams will collect points by using a map to journey through the library on a quest to complete an array of hair-raising mental and physical challenges including an investigation of a haunted hallway! The team with the most points at the end of the night will take home movie prize packs! Costumes are encouraged, but not required. This free program is for ages 12-18 and requires registration. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3431.

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