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Putting Laws of Physics to Work Is Just Plain Fun

GLENDALE, Ariz. – Working with your hands and solving problems can be fun, especially when working as a team. Kits borrowed from the ASU Mars Education Program will be used in three different free events at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Children, ages 3 and up, are invited to participate in “Construction Mania,” one of the branch’s Magnificent Mondays programs from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on July 17. They can use the Lego kits to build anything; they are only limited by their imagination. Besides Legos, children have access to magnetic building toys, large wooden building blocks, Lincoln logs and other similar materials. The program takes place in the Roadrunner Room. Tickets will be given out thirty minutes prior to the event.

Older children, ages 8-11, will be facing stiffer challenges. “Geared Up” will take place at 2 p.m. on Thursday, July 20 in the Hummingbird Room. Two-person teams will build motorized vehicles. They will then face off with other teams in competitions—speeding over a straight course, going over an object and remaining upright. They might face ramps, jumps, even crossing water. The trick will be to figure out how to adapt the vehicle so that it can meet the challenge.

“The Great Obstacle Race” will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, July 25 in the Roadrunner Room. Bring a friend and construct devices to transport cargo through a maze of obstacles. Use Legos, motors and simple machines to cross the finish line first. An obstacle course will be laid out—two-person teams, ages 8-11, will make a variety of machines such as vehicles, bridges and more. They will decide what to make and how to overcome each obstacle.

Registration is required for “Geared Up” and “The Great Obstacle Race.” Call 623-930-3837 to sign up.

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