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JULY 2013 EVENT/ACTIVITY LISTINGS

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The following events are offered from the city of Glendale Parks, Recreation and Library Services in July. The programs are free unless otherwise stated.

2013 Summer Reading Program

Through Saturday, July 27, at the three Glendale libraries

Register for a Summer Reading Program and earn fabulous incentive prizes just for reading! Visit www.mcladaz.org/summer or your local Glendale Public Library branch to register online for any one of the following themed programs: “Dig Into Reading” for pre-readers (birth - age 5) and kids (ages 5-11), “Beneath the Surface” for teens (ages 12-18) or “Groundbreaking Reads” for adults (Age 18+). Participants can now track their reading progress online. For more information, call 623-930-3530.

Mondays are Fundays

2 to 3 p.m., Mondays, July 1, 8, 15 and 22 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Children are invited to the library for these special Monday activities:

- July 1: Papa Chilly – Reading, laughter and magic is all lots of fun when kids spend time with Papa Chilly, the clown that makes everyone smile. This program is funded through donations and grants.
- July 8: Great Arizona Puppet Theater: Saguardo Hotel – Sammy is a young saguardo who isn't sure he wants to be a cactus. His Grandpa teaches him how important the saguardo is to the desert. After the show, visit with Wayne Drop, the official mascot of water. Sponsored by the Glendale Conservation & Sustainable Living Program.
- July 15: Ronald McDonald – Come clown around with Ronald McDonald and have fun with juggling, magic tricks and reading. Don't forget your cameras.
- July 22: Summer Reading Program Finale: DJ Dance Party! – Put on your happy feet and celebrate your summer reading success. It's Dance Party time. Music, dancing, games and lots of fun for all ages. Program provided through the generosity of the Dance Party DJ, Richard Steele.

At least one adult must accompany every five children to the programs. Tickets (required) will be distributed from the library youth department on a first-come, first-served basis at 1:45 p.m. on program day for these well attended events. Space is limited, so come early. For more information, call 623-930-3837.

Stars and Stripes - A Patriotic Celebration!

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 3 at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

Enjoy a patriotic show presented by accordion player Dale Matthies. You'll only see one person on stage, but your ears will hear an entire band. Bring your best voice to sing a few patriotic melodies. Enjoy a giant beef hot dog with all the trimmings. Door prizes provided by CAREMORE. Tickets are \$6 for center members, \$8 for non-members, and must be purchased in advance. For information, call 623-930-4321.

Lego Mania

2 to 3:30 p.m., Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17 and 24 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Ages 4 to 12 are invited to build a Lego masterpieces with us. For more information, call 623-930-3757.

Drop-in Arts: Power Necklace with artist Christy Puetz

6 to 9 p.m., Saturday, July 6 at Gallery Glendale at Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd.

Make a unique necklace using colorful beads that might symbolize your interests, personality, family or strength to do great things. This program is free and open to all ages. For more information, call 623-930-3557.

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Add 1-1-1-1

Superhero Smackdown

6 to 7:45 p.m., Monday, July 8 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Teens, do you think you know your superheroes? Time to put your “power ring” where your “face mask” is. Compete in a variety of super hero-themed contests and events for great prizes. Registration required by July 8 at 5:30 p.m. Call 623-930-3530 for more information.

Basketball Clinic

Tuesdays and Thursdays for 4 weeks beginning July 9 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Ages 6-15 can learn and improve their basic fundamentals of shooting, ball handling, offense, defense and intramural games in this interactive basketball clinic. Ages 6-7 meet from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Ages 8-10 meet from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., and Ages 11-15 meet from 1 to 2 p.m. Clinic price is \$40 (non-resident \$48). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Jr. Racquetball League

11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, for 3 weeks beginning July 9 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Ages 10-15 can learn the game of racquetball in a fun environment. Our racquetball pro will share rules, tips and teach students how to play against other players. Each day will build on the previous skills learned. Participants should come dressed in workout clothes with tennis shoes. Equipment will be provided. The league price is \$25 (non-resident \$33). Preregistration is required. Register by calling 623-930-4600. For more information, call 623-930-4608.

Yogalates Class

5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays for 4 weeks beginning July 9 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

This class presents a system of pilates and yoga that enhances core strength, balance and flexibility through breath and flow. Wear appropriate attire. Class price is \$55 (non-residents \$66). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Wonderful Wednesdays

2 to 3 p.m., Wednesdays, July 10, 17 and 24 at the Glendale Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.

Don't miss three wonderful performances featuring animals, puppets and clowns for children provided by the Velma Teague Branch Library. Registration is not required. Call 623-930-3437 for more information.

- July 10: Wildlife World Zoo and Aquarium – Don't miss this opportunity to come face to face with a variety of critters from the zoo.
- July 17: Great Arizona Puppet Theater – Join us for an amazing puppet show presentation performed by the talented puppeteers of the Great Arizona Puppet Theater.
- July 24: Ronald McDonald – Children of all ages are invited to a fun and hilarious visit by Ronald McDonald. Don't miss this opportunity to meet Ronald in person and celebrate reading fun.

Thrilling Thursdays

2 to 3 p.m., Thursdays, July 11, 18 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Children are invited to the following programs:

- July 11: The Fantastic Fire Department – The Fantastic Fire Department provides firefighting themed fun and will be set up on the front lawn for a fabulously wet and wild event. Wear your swimsuit or shorts, t-shirt and towels because you are going to get wet.
- July 18: Magical Michael Steele – He's bringing a huge bag of tricks and he's pulling out all the stops for a variety program extravaganza. You've seen yo-yos, but oh my, there's so much more to see.
- July 25: Great Arizona Puppet Theater – Did you know saguaros can talk? Well, they can, and if you join us for our last Thrilling Thursday program of the summer, you'll get to hear them and make a cool saguaro puppet afterward. This program is sponsored by the Glendale Conservation and Sustainable Living program.

For more information, call 623-930-3537.

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Add 2-2-2-2

Wee Readers at Westgate

10:30 to 11 a.m., Monday, July 14 at Gallery Glendale at Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd.

Stories, rhymes, finger plays and songs all for newborns through ages 5 and their caregivers. For more information, call 623-930-3537.

Bread Baking Workshop

12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Sunday, July 14 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Learn to make a cool rise wheat bread, jumbo cinnamon rolls and pizza dough. Recipes will be distributed at class. A \$5 supply fee will be collected at class. The registration fee is \$40 (non-resident \$48). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Claymation Camp

4:30 to 6 p.m., Wednesdays for 6 weeks, beginning July 14 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Learn to make an original Claymation movie using stop animation techniques in this genuine multimedia camp. This camp, for ages 8-19, will focus on a number of art disciplines including hand building clay, drawing, scenery construction, story board planning, script writing and more. Students will be guided through the process of creating a digital short story that will be made into a DVD. A supply fee of \$25 will be collected at the first class. Camp price is \$120 (non-resident \$144). Preregistration is required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Flower Fairies and Gnomes

2 p.m., Tuesday, July 16 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Ages 7-11 can enjoy some whimsical fun and design and build your own magical fairy or gnome using flowers, beads, pipe cleaners and a bit of your imagination. You'll also create a little place for them to live. Registration is required and begins Monday, July 3. For more information, call 623-930-3837.

eBook Reader Lab

1 p.m., Thursday, July 18 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Digital Librarian Marlene Jacobson will help you with your digital reader questions. Bring your own eReader for specific advice. An assortment of the most popular readers will also be available for you to explore. No registration is necessary. For more info, call 623-930-3531.

Silk Screen T-Shirt Printing

6 p.m., Thursday, July 18 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Teens can express their artistic side through the art of silkscreen printing. Each participant will design, prepare and print a one-of-a-kind t-shirt. T-shirts and all supplies will be provided. Registration is required. Call 623-930-3437 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library for more information and to register.

Paint Along Party

7 to 8:30 p.m., Thursday, July 18 or July 25 at the

Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Your instructor will guide you through the completion of a painting in this fun, interactive class. Instructor and students will paint the same image together. Join in the fun, even if you have no painting experience, but always wanted to paint. Two classes are available; paintings are "Starry Nights" on July 18 and "Sunflowers" on July 25. A \$20 supply fee will be collected at class. Registration is \$50 (non-resident \$60) per class. Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Drop-in Arts: Embellished Minis with artist Christy Puetz

6 to 9 p.m., Saturday, July 20 at Gallery Glendale at Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd.

Choose from a variety of embellishments to decorate a miniature wooden dinosaur, badge, flower or other fun shapes. This activity is available to all ages and is free. For more information, call 623-930-3557.

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Cooking for Diabetics Workshop

12 to 3 p.m., Sunday, July 21 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

This class teaches you how to plan, shop and prepare one of the world's healthiest diets. If you are a diabetic, if diabetes runs in your family or if you are a "serial dieter," this class is perfect for you. Master a few basic cooking skills, learn a few tricks of the trade and start to enjoy cooking in your own kitchen. A \$15 supply fee will be collected at the class. The class registration is \$60 (non-resident \$72). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

Basic Estate Planning – An Introduction Workshop

6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, July 23 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Establish or refine your financial and estate planning goals. Learn to avoid probate; the ins and outs of wills, trusts, living wills and powers of attorney; how to protect your assets and more. This class is open to ages 18 and older and is taught by a certified CPA, CFP and PFS. Workshop is \$20 per person/couple (non-resident \$24). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

DIY Teen: Origami

2 p.m., Wednesday, July 24 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Teens can join instructor, Doris Asano of the Arizona Origami Society, to learn about the ancient Japanese art of paper folding called Origami. This hands-on workshop will give teens the opportunity to leave with a new skill and some fun origami projects. Registration is required and begins July 10. Call 623-930-3837, stop by the youth reference desk, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library to register.

Bowling Bonanza

9 to 11 a.m., Saturdays, July 27 through September 14 at the Glenfair Lanes Bowling Alley, 6110 N. 59th Ave.

The program is specifically designed for individuals ages 8 and older with physical, mental, emotional or social disabilities. Participants can make new friends, improve their game and enjoy the support of other participants. Bowling ramps are available to registered bowlers. Instruction is not provided. The price is \$23 (non-resident \$30) and includes a bowling ball and shoes. For more information or to register, call 623-930-2820.

Steampunk Craft

6 p.m., Monday, July 29 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Pattie Steele will guide small groups of teens through the creation of a unique steampunk pouch or steampunk goggles. Steampunk fashion refers to any of the artistic styles, clothing fashions, or subcultures, which have developed from the aesthetics of steampunk fiction, such as would be seen in the movie "The Wild Wild West." Space is limited and registration is required. Registration begins July 15. For more information, or to register, call 623-930-3537.

Points-Based Poker League

6:30 to 9 p.m., Mondays for 7 weeks, beginning July 29 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

This is a fun, recreational and education program for ages 18 and older looking for a relaxed environment to play and learn Texas Hold 'Em. No prize money is involved. The league is six regular-season games followed by an end-of-season tournament. No prior poker experience needed. The league is \$17 (\$21 for non-residents). Daily drop-in admission is \$5 (\$6 for non-residents). For more information or to register for the league, call 623-930-4610.

Ballroom Dance Class

7 to 7:50 p.m., Mondays for 6 weeks, beginning July 29 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Learn to dance the Tango, Waltz and more. Also work on posture, dance frame and footwork. This class is open to ages 15 and older. The class price is \$48 (non-resident \$58). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

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Afternoon Delight

1 p.m., Wednesday, July 31 at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

Afternoon Delight is a monthly entertainment program for adults, which includes a dessert. This month's entertainment is a variety show by members of the center. This free program is sponsored by CareMore. For more information, call 623-930-4321.

Minimalist Running

1 to 2 p.m., Saturday, July 13 and 20 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

Interested in the minimalist/barefoot running trend? Learn an easier more efficient way to run utilizing posture, a faster cadence and a relaxed mid-foot landing. The difference between conventional running shoes and minimalist footwear, and how to safely transition from a different style of running will be explained. Additional aspects of minimalism that can make running simpler, less costly and more enjoyable will be explored. Class will consist of classroom instruction, simple exercise drills and some running on an indoor track. Class is suitable for all levels and is open to ages 16 and older. The price is \$23 (non-resident \$28). Preregistration required. For more information, call 623-930-4613. To register, call 623-930-2820.

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