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GLENDALE, ROSE SOCIETY SEEK GARDENERS TO VOLUNTEER AT SAHUARO RANCH PARK HISTORIC AREA

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The Rose Society of Glendale, and the city’s Parks & Recreation Division are seeking volunteers to assist with the Fall Clean-up for the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Rose Garden.

The clean-up event will take place Friday, Sept. 26, at 6 a.m. (lasting most of the day) and Saturday, Sept. 27 and Sunday, Sept. 28, 6 – 11 a.m. each day. Volunteers, including the city’s own "Deadheaders" and members of the Rose Society of Glendale, will do some light weeding, light pruning as necessary, raking and, of course, deadheading, which is cutting the dead flowers from the plant to encourage more blooms. Certified rosarians will also be on hand to answer any rose questions.

The public is welcome to join the group. A limited number of tools are available. Volunteers are also asked to bring their own tools, if possible, including gloves and various types of shears.

“This is a great time to hang out in the fresh air with old friends or to meet new ones, and even get some exercise,” said Joanna Brace, recreation specialist. “It’s also an opportunity to learn about rose care and to help keep this award-winning and historic garden blooming.”

For more information, contact Joanna Brace at 623-930-4201 or jbrace@glendaleaz.com. For additional information on the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area, visit www.glendaleaz.com/SRPHA/index.cfm.

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