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GLENDALE WOMAN'S CLUB & GLENDALE CVB TEAM UP TO HELP MILITARY FAMILIES

GLENDALE, Ariz. -- The Glendale Woman's Club and the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) are asking residents and visitors to donate books to support the USO and the United Through Reading Program®. Books can be dropped off at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., suite 140, through March 25. The Visitor Center is open Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

United Through Reading® Program

The hardest hit members of a military family are often the youngest. Day-to-day life without a parent can be sad and confusing. So imagine the thrill on a child's face when he or she sees and hears a bedtime story read by mom or dad. The USO partnership with United Through Reading® allows our deployed troops the ability to read their kids a bedtime book and virtually be there, even when they can't be there in person.

Servicemen and women simply read a book aloud while being recorded on DVD for their child. This service is available at many USO centers in airports, community locations, military medical facilities and overseas bases. The DVD and book are mailed to the child and family back home. All recording equipment, books, packing and shipping materials are supplied by the USO. This California-based nonprofit organization, has served over one million beneficiaries since 1990. Since partnering with the USO in 2006, more than 100,000 books have been read at USOs worldwide, recorded, and enjoyed by families. This program provides a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of our troops.

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Woman's Club Book Donations

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Please donate new books, from the approved list of books that qualify, found at <http://ncr.vt.edu/docs/utr-book-list.pdf>. For more information about the USO and the United Through Reading Program, visit <http://www.unitedthroughreading.org/military-program/>

The Glendale Woman's Club

The Glendale Woman's Club played an important part in the social and cultural development of Glendale. Started in 1901 as the "Self Culture Club," the Woman's Club raised money for the first city library and city parks. The Glendale Woman's Club building is also one of the best examples of the Craftsman Bungalow style in Glendale. The club hired Thornton Fitzhugh, a prominent Arizona architect and brother of the Glendale Methodist Church's architect, to design the building. Contractors imported California redwood for the building, which the club dedicated in 1913. In addition to Woman's Club activities, the building was the largest meeting hall in the community. The club still owns and uses the building. The Glendale Woman's Club is available for events ranging from get-togethers and reunions to meetings and wedding receptions.

For more information on the Glendale Woman's Club, visit www.GlendaleWomansClub.org or call 623-937-9915.

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