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OCTOBER YOUTH AND TEEN ACTIVITIES AT THE VELMA TEAGUE BRANCH LIBRARY

Glendale, Ariz. — Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave., is planning the following free activities for youth and teens in October:

TEEN ACTIVITIES

Teen Library Council Meeting - Thursday, Oct. 17

Are you looking for something fun to do that can actually make a difference? By becoming a Teen Library Council member, you can earn volunteer service hours, have a good time and meet new people, all while helping to make the library a better place for teens. The library is currently recruiting teens, ages 12-18, to provide input on the selection of books and music for the branch's teen collection. Council members also participate in the planning and presentation of library teen events. The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information or to register, call Greg at 623-930-3441.

Career Choices: Dental Assistants and Dental Hygienists – Monday, Oct. 21

Second in a series of panels focused on future career choices, this one-hour session beginning at 6:30 p.m. will feature dental professionals discussing their education and employment experiences. As healthcare employment is projected to steeply increase over the next decade, this is an opportunity to learn about these in-demand professions. A question and answer session will follow. The event is free and open to teens and adults ages 12 and older. Space will be limited. Call 623-930-3431 or visit <http://www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm> for more information and to register.

Teen Scary Movie Contest – Monday, Oct. 21 to Thursday, Oct. 31

Teens, ages 12-18, can test their knowledge of modern and classic horror movies through this contest. Stop by to pick up a game sheet, available in the Teen Zone and at the Youth Desk from Oct. 21 through 31. Participants who answer all of the questions on the game sheet correctly will be entered into a grand prize drawing for a movie prize pack on Saturday, Nov. 2. For additional information, call the Youth Department at 623-930-3437.

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“Get Graphic” Teen Book Club - Thursday, Oct. 24

The monthly meeting of the “Get Graphic” Teen Book Club will be held at 6:30 p.m. Manga and comic book fans, ages 12-18, will not want to miss this monthly opportunity to talk with other teens about their favorite graphic reads and view anime. Upcoming movies and video games are also discussed. Bring along a graphic novel or comic book of your choice. Snacks will be provided. Register online using the library’s event calendar at www.glendaleaz.com/library or call 623-930-3437.

Brelby Theatre Presents: An Evening of Grimm and Poe at the Teague – Monday, Oct. 28

Downtown Glendale’s Brelby Theatre Company will bring to life some of the spooky tales favorites during “An Evening of Grimm and Poe” to be held at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy classic fairy tales with a dark twist and popular Edgar Allan Poe stories to help set the mood for the season. Free copies of “Great Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe” will be available on a first-come, first-served basis courtesy of the West Valley Arts Council’s Read 13 program. Due to the frightening nature of the stories to be presented, this program is recommended for teens ages 12-18 and adults only. Refreshments will be provided. The program is free, and no registration is required. For more information, call 623-930-3431.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Story Time @ Velma Teague Branch Library – Wednesdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

Preschoolers can visit the library at 10:30 a.m. for a 30-minute program that includes stories, songs, fingerplays and short movies. An adult must accompany those under three years old. Registration is not required. For more information, call 623-930-3437.

Baby Time @ Velma Teague Branch Library – Wednesdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

Parents/caregivers and infants, newborn to 18 months, can participate in Baby Time held from 11 to 11:20 a.m. The programs include an introduction to books, fingerplays, action rhymes and puppets. Registration is not required. For more information, call 623-930-3437.

STEM @ Your Library: Funky Food Experiments – Thursday, Oct. 10

Ages 7-12 are invited to explore the world of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics from 6 to 7 p.m. through experiments with both edible and non-edible funky foods in this hands-on science workshop. This program was supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. Registration is required. To register or for more information, call 623-930-3437, stop by the youth reference desk or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library and click on the Library Events link.

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STEM @ Your Library: LEGO Mania – Wednesday, Oct. 16

Children ages 5-12 are invited to explore the world of STEM, an education initiative featuring science, technology, engineering and mathematics, through LEGOs at this free program held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Build a masterpiece while learning about exciting STEM-related themes like symmetry, motion and friction. This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3437, stop by the youth desk or register online at the Library Events link at www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Purposeful Play Group – Thursday, Oct. 17

This program provides socialization, creative play and stimulating brain development for the little ones. Ms. Gabby, a family educator for Benevilla Family Resource Center, leads this free monthly play group for tots ages 1-5 and their caregivers at 6 p.m. Learn tips on how to play with your child to maximize brain and skill development. Registration is required. Call 623-930-3437, stop by the youth reference desk, or register online by visiting the library's event calendar at <http://www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm>.

Getting Crafty with Miss Janet – Thursday, Oct. 24

Children ages 11 and younger are invited to some creative fun with Miss Janet at 3:30 p.m. This month children can make a spooky spider. Adult helpers must accompany children under 6 years old. Registration is not required. Call 623-930-3437 for more information.

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