



Cactus Weekly Update



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Glendale 11 TV Announces New Edition of “Glendale Insider”. The new edition of the “Glendale Insider” features in-depth coverage of the grand opening of the new Maryland Avenue HOV ramps. City cameras were there as the first cars drove on the newly-constructed HOV ramps at Maryland and the Loop 101, providing key access points for all of the major events around Glendale’s sports and entertainment district including the University of Phoenix, Jobing.com Arena and the Westgate Entertainment District.

Other stories in the 30-minute show include a sneak peek at the new West Valley Visitor’s Guide, a tourism magazine that benefits both locals and out-of-town visitors.

Also, viewers will learn how the Rose Garden volunteer group at Sahuaro Ranch Park keeps the roses so beautiful and will take a look at the opening of the new administrative headquarters for a large local corporation, the Pain Center of Arizona.

We’ll also join in on the 120th birthday party for the United Methodist Church of Glendale and take you to a heart-warming homecoming celebration at Ironwood High School for Paralympic Gold Medalist Josh Sweeney.

The “Glendale Insider” can be seen on Glendale 11 at various times throughout the day or each individual story can be seen on the city’s YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/MyGlendale11. For more information about Glendale 11 or the new TV show, visit www.glendaleaz.com/glendale11.

Glendale Community Band Brings Music to Downtown Glendale Summer Evenings. Glendale’s favorite summer tradition is back for its 48th season beginning June 5 in downtown Glendale.

The eight-week concert series takes place each Thursday at 8 p.m. from June 5 through July 24, in the Murphy Park Amphitheater, located at 58th and Glenn drives. Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by this community band of approximately 100 musicians with its inspiring renditions of marches, polkas, movie medleys and other worldly tunes.

The Glendale Summer Band is the longest-running community band in Arizona. The band was formed in 1966, originally playing at O’Neil Park, and moving to Murphy Park when the amphitheater was built. The ages of the volunteer band members span several generations.

These free concerts are the perfect night out for the entire family, or bring your friends and neighbors. Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Food, snacks and refreshments will be available for purchase at all the concerts. The series will feature a special Patriotic performance on Thursday, July 3, titled “To Honor” in celebration of Independence Day, as well as other themes each week.

The Glendale Summer Band concert series is sponsored by Glendale Civic Pride and Glendale Rotary Club. For more information, call the Glendale’s Special Events hotline at 623-930-2299, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events. Preview the concert series on YouTube at <http://youtu.be/P4cayBHWams>.



Around Town

Council Meetings and Workshops. To review the posted agenda and web video of Council Workshops and meetings, please [click here](#).

Genealogy: Discovering Your Family Story. Learn to explore your family tree and research your ancestors at this presentation for beginners in basic genealogy on Wednesday, May 21, 6:30 p.m. at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N.57th Ave. Genealogy advisor Clay Johnson will introduce you to tools and resources you can use to get started without feeling overwhelmed. For more information, call 623-930-3844.

Live Stem at the Library: Math and Music. The Mill Ave Chamber Players take a look at math and its impact on music and composers on Thursday May 22, 6:30 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. From discussing the form of a piece of classical music to describing how composers were influenced by the Golden Ratio and the Fibonacci series, the Mill Ave Chamber Players will perform music from a variety of genres to explore the fascinating relationship. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

Summer Reading Fun for All Ages Begins May 27 to July 26 at the Glendale Libraries. Kids from birth to age 11 can participate in an explosive summer of reading fun during Fizz, Boom, READ! Sign up, pick up your reading record at any Glendale branch Library, keep track of your reading and earn fun grab bag prizes and a free book.

Teens can participate in their own summer reading program, Spark A Reaction! Teens may register online at www.glendaleaz.com/teenlibrary, keep track of their reading all summer long, then visit any Glendale public library to claim fun grab bag prizes (including a free book) and be entered in a prize drawing for an iPad Shuffle and Skull Candy Headphones.

The adult summer reading program, Literary Elements, offers adults prizes for reading too. Adults can register online at www.glendaleaz.com/library and visit a Glendale library to claim their prizes. For more information, visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Supervised Summer Program – Foothills 360. Register your children, ages 5-11, for this popular, supervised summer program where kids can climb the rock wall, swim (once a week) and participate in art projects and active games beginning May 27 to August 1, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.

A 3-day or 5-day program is available. Space is limited and available on a first-registered, first-served basis. The fee is \$74/week (non-resident \$91) for the 3-Day program and \$110/week (non-residents \$145) for the 5-Day. To sign up, call 623-930-4600, visit the center's front desk or visit www.glendaleaz.com/foothillscenter. For more information, call 623-930-4610 or 623-930-4608.

Attendees Can Overhaul a Pair Of Shoes at Velma Teague Branch Library Event. Put some stylish new life into your old shoes at the "Pumps and Paint" event at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 14 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Rejected Thrifts, an online shop based in Phoenix, is offering adults and teens the opportunity to rehab a favorite pair of shoes. Paint, brushes, glitter, fabric and more will be available to revive weary 'soles.' All types of shoes can be brought.

Rejected Thrifts is "all about REcreating, REstyling, and REpurposing the Average Jane's closet one REJECTED piece at a time." This free program is funded by a Glendale Arts Council grant. Registration is required. Call 623-930-3431 or register online at www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm.

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