Cholla District Network News

Vice Mayor Manny Martinez, City of Glendale

April 30, 2010

Union Hills Traffic Interchange improvements/
Beardsley Road Connector

Schedule: Construction began in early 2010 and is scheduled to be completed in late 2011, with major elements of the project open to traffic between late 2010 and mid-2011.

Project Summary: The project includes improvements to the Loop 101 interchange at Union Hills Drive to improve traffic flow, as well as new freeway access at Beardsley Road.

ADOT appreciates your patience while we complete this project to improve travel in the Northwest Valley. Read more.

Boards and Commissions Vacancies

Glendale's 18 boards and commissions assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that impact the community. These volunteer citizen advisory groups research, study and discuss specific Glendale projects and issues and then forward their recommendations to the City Council. Applicants must be city of Glendale residents.

Cholla District Vacancies:
Board of Adjustment – current
Commission on Persons with Disabilities – current

At-large Current and Upcoming Vacancies:
Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission – two current vacancies
Historic Preservation Commission – one current vacancy
Housing Advisory Commission – one current vacancy & one opening on 7-1-10
Industrial Development Authority – one opening on 8-23-10
Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission – two teen appointee openings in May
Personnel Board – one current vacancy

Click here for more information or to fill out an application online.

Centennial Historic Preservation Bus Tours. Go back in time with a Glendale Historic Preservation Commission Centennial Bus Tour. The tours provide a guided, armchair tour of significant historic sites within Glendale as well as walking tours of a few selected homes or other sites that are historically significant.

Date:	Saturday, May 22, 2010
Boarding Time:	8- 8:15 a.m.
Departure Time:	8:30 a.m.
Return Time:	Noon
Point of Departure & Return:	Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive

As part of Glendale's Centennial celebration, three bus tours will be offered to explore Glendale's notorious homes and buildings listed on the National Historic Register. Click here for a list of tour options. A detailed itinerary along with maps and other informational items will be provided on the tour. Participation is limited to the 33 seats available on each of the three buses (a total of 99 seats), and reservations will be made on a first-come-first-served basis. The tours are funded in part by a grant from the Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors. For more information or to make a reservation, call (623) 930-2593.

Glendale University Graduate Class – Water Treatment Tour. Glendale University 101 graduates are invited to join us for a first-hand look at the city's state-of-the-art surface water treatment plant. The tour will be held on Wednesday, May 26, 1-3 p.m.

Students will learn:

- the water treatment process
- chemistry and physics of water treatment
- lab work and quality assurance and quality controls for water quality

Space is limited and registration is required. Click here or call (623) 930-2868 for more information or for an application. Applications are due by May 16.

Around Town

Click here for the City Council meeting schedule.

Annual Sidewalk Sale. Want to get a jump start on your Mother's Day shopping? Join us for the Historic Downtown Glendale and Catlin Court Sidewalk Sale on Saturday, May 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shoppers will enjoy refreshing lemonade, ice cream and entertainment, along with great discounts and promotions. The event starts at the Glendale Visitor Center where visitors may pick up a walking map and take a spin on the Shop Glendale prize wheel.

The Glendale Visitor Center is located at 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140 in downtown Glendale. For more information, call (623) 930-4500 or visit www.VisitGlendale.com.

Stop In for Small Business Counseling. No appointments are necessary for "Walk-In Counseling with SCORE" from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, May 1 in the small meeting room of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) can advise on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns. The counseling is free. For more information about SCORE, call (602) 745-7250.

Public Hearing for Updated Glendale Zoning Ordinance. The Glendale Planning Commission is holding a public hearing for the updated zoning ordinance on Thursday, May 6, at 7 p.m. in the council chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. Read more.

Celebration for Mothers. The city of Glendale is hosting a special Mother's Day Celebration Saturday, May 8, in Historic Downtown Glendale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Moms will receive flowers and deals that will make them feel special. The event is free and Moms can start their celebration at the Glendale Visitor Center by picking up a goodie-bag and a flower to begin their bouquet.

The Glendale Visitor Center is also hosting a Book Drive to benefit Glendale libraries. The visitor center will be accepting new and gently read books during the Mother's Day Celebration.

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Bad Cactus Brass Band at Foothills Branch Library. You will be transported to the French Quarter in the Big Easy when the Bad Cactus Brass Band starts playing at 7 pm. on Wednesday, May 12 in the Roadrunner Room at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. This musical group is a New Orleans Second Line street jazz band based in Phoenix. The program is free. For more information, call (623) 930-3844.

Watermill Express Toddler Water Day. It's time to hit the water! Join us from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Friday, May 14, at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 63rd Ave. & Mountain View Rd., for a morning of fun water activities. Children should be dressed to get wet! There will be a variety of water games that will leave them soaked. Children must be accompanied by an adult or guardian and are required to wear shoes or sandals; no bare feet allowed. Don't forget the SUNSCREEN. Snacks and refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information, call (623) 930-2038.

Teen Volunteer Fair. The Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., is hosting a Teen Volunteer Fair at the library auditorium wing on Saturday, May 15, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for students, ages 12-18, who are looking for volunteer opportunities.

Besides the library, teens can find out about volunteer opportunities with the following organizations: Arizona Humane Society, Brambley Hedge Rabbit Rescue, WHEAT: Ending Hunger Through Education and Action, Sahuaro Ranch Historic Area/Glendale Parks and Recreation Department, Helping Hands Housing Services, Tranquility Trail Animal Sanctuary, Hope Animal Foundation, and John C. Lincoln Health Network/Desert Missions Program. Other organizations may be present that day as well. For more information about the event, call (623) 930-3537.

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