Yucca Weekly Update

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Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet. **February 5, 2010**

Glendale Family Bike Ride Registration Now Online! Glendale's Green Festival is teaming up with the Glendale Family Bike Ride on Saturday, March 27, and both events are bigger than ever! This free something-for-everyone event is a great opportunity for people of all ages to get a little exercise and learn about water and energy efficiency, alternative transportation, going solar, and many other green-living practices. Click here to learn more!
Register for the Bike Ride

C-SPAN Civics Bus. Capitol Hill, The White House and National Politics – it's all available on cable through C-SPAN. The channel offers non-stop coverage of government proceedings and public affairs programming. Find out more about what C-SPAN has in its archives when the C-SPAN Civics Bus stops at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., from 2:30-4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 17.

The C-SPAN Civics Bus is a 45-foot mobile multi-media demonstration center that brings the world of public affairs to communities nationwide. While aboard the bus, visitors can discuss government, media and access C-SPAN's video library, a comprehensive searchable archive featuring every C-SPAN program since 1987.

Those visiting the Civics Bus can also learn more about these free C-SPAN resources:

- Health Care Hub, a site featuring resources on the ongoing health care debate
- C-SPAN Classroom, an educational service for social studies teachers
- Congressional Chronicle, a tool for monitoring and tracking congressional bills and members.

This year marks the bus's 17th year on the road. The C-SPAN Civics Bus and crew travel the country, producing programs and promoting civic engagement through education.

For more information, call (623) 930-3554.

Glendale Chocolate Affaire Begins Tonight. The weekend before Valentine's Day, Feb. 5-7, is a delicious delight for the senses as the Glendale Chocolate Affaire takes over downtown Glendale to create a chocolate-lover's dream! Event hours are Friday 5-10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. The event is located in the heart of Historic Downtown Glendale, in Murphy Park, located at 58th and Glendale avenues.

The Glendale Chocolate Affaire is sponsored by Cerreta's Candy Company, Kokopelli Winery, 3-TV KTVK, The Arizona Republic, YooHoo, KMLE, KOOL and JAMZ. Click here for more information.

Glendale Video Library Online. Glendale residents can now watch their favorite shows from the award-winning Glendale 11 television station, as well as current and past city council meetings, online and on-demand thanks to a new video library on the city's Web site.

This new video archive aims to keep residents informed, with the convenience of watching

what they want, when they want it. The library can be found at www.glendaleaz.com/video and features a variety of video content about the city of Glendale, including city council and planning & zoning meetings, regular Glendale 11 programming, and special features like festival shows and the popular "The Making of the Stadium."

Powered by Granicus, an online video streaming tool, the video library also allows users to search city council meetings for specific agenda items and then click immediately to that part of the meeting that interests them. The video archive is Glendale's latest effort to use technology to reach citizens, and it joins the city's growing family of multi-media and social media offerings.

From The Heart Application Workshop. Social service agencies that serve Glendale residents are invited to a grant application workshop on Wednesday, February 17 to learn how to apply for From The Heart funding. The workshop will be held from 2-4 p.m. in Room B-3 at Glendale City Hall, 59th and Glendale avenues. Grant applications will be available at the workshop and online.

From The Heart is a partnership between Glendale residents and businesses, the BHHS Legacy Foundation and the city of Glendale. The program promotes the positive development of youth, strengthens the capabilities of families and assists residents in addressing crisis needs. This year, due to economic conditions, special emphasis will be placed on funding non-profit agencies that provide essential services to residents, such as emergency food, clothing, housing and utility payment assistance.

To be eligible for grant funding, social service agencies must be non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations that serve Glendale residents. Agencies must also have been operational for at least 12 months prior to applying for grants, which range from $2,500 to $20,000.

The deadline to submit a completed application packet is 4 p.m. Friday, March 5.

Around Town

Click here for the City Council meeting schedule.

VIN Etching. Bring your vehicle and proof of ownership to Walmart on 59th Avenue and Bell Road on Saturday, February 6 for free Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching. VIN Etching is the process of permanently etching a vehicle's 17-digit vehicle ID number on each piece of window glass on your vehicle to deter auto theft. The process takes about 10 minutes, event hours are from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Call (623) 930-2498 for more information.

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, Feb. 6 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.

Glendale Coffeehouse. At 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 17, the Main Library continues a 20-year tradition of Coffeehouse music with these scheduled entertainers: Les and Judy Taylor with mountain folk, country western and contemporary gospel; Ken, Wilma and Tammy Alley and their old-time country, gospel and bluegrass music. Glendale Main Library is located at 5959 W. Brown St. For more information call (623) 930-3573.

Live at the Library. On Thursday, February 25 'Two for the Show' performs at Live at the Library. Dewey Harnagel and Kimball Win will play songs that are loved by all – country, folk, old-time rock 'n' roll, pop standards and more. Join these seasoned performers at 7 p.m., in the Main Library auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St. For more information about Live at the Library, call (623) 930-3573.

Touch-A-Truck. Help us celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the ever popular Touch-A-Truck event from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, February 27 at Glendale Community College, 6000 W. Olive Ave. It's fun for the entire family and educational too! Come out, look at, sit in and Touch-A-Truck of all sizes. Souvenirs and refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information, click here or call (623) 930-2044.

Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival. Over 150 performers with styles ranging from Folk and Bluegrass to Cowboy Poetry and Storytelling will entertain at Glendale Parks and Recreation's two-day Folk & Heritage Festival.

The festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, March 20 and 21 at the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area, 9802 N. 59th Ave. Admission and most activities are free. To volunteer or for more information, call (623) 930-4200.

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