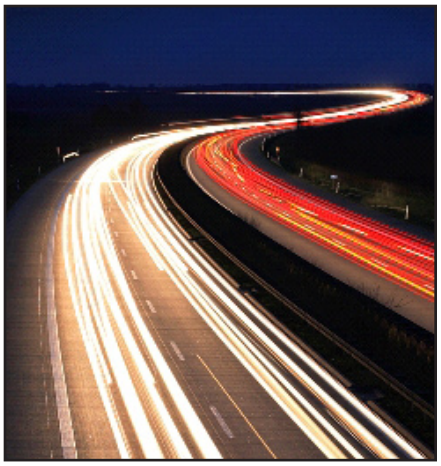
Yucca Weekly Update

Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona

Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet. **May 29, 2009**



Summer Band Concerts begin June 4. Enjoy renditions of marches, ballads and show tunes 8 p.m., Thursday evenings, June 4 thru July 23. It's FREE and the entire family is welcome! The concerts take place in Historic Downtown Glendale at the Glendale Amphitheater, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. A special patriotic theme will be featured July 2. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, but please leave pets at home. For more information, call (623) 930-2042.

Transportation Plan. A year ago, the city of Glendale began updating its long range transportation plan to address the needs of future growth, particularly the areas along Loop 101 and Loop 303, which has been designated as a growing business and entertainment corridor. In addition, the city anticipates more cars travelling along major arterials and through neighborhoods, and this plan will face the upcoming traffic and transit challenges, while providing recommendations on how to best serve the traveling public in Glendale.

During the last year, citizen input was obtained through surveys and public meetings. The information gathered helped identify street improvement, transit and bicycle projects for the plan update. The plan also includes cost estimates and possible funding strategies.

The City is currently seeking additional input into the draft plan update. Please click on the link below, review the plan presentation and then click on the survey link to tell us what you think.

http://www.glendaleaz.com/transportation/2009Survey.cfm

Thank you for your time and input! Your comments will be used to revise the draft plan before it is submitted to the City Council for final approval.

National Register of Historic Places. A Glendale trendsetter in cobble stone architecture was recently added to the National Historic Register. This is the second historic listing this year for the city of Glendale.

The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places recognized the George O. Dowdy Rental Cottage, which was built in 1932 by Dowdy. The property is located at 6818 N. 60th Ave. Known for its large landscaped lot and cobblestone construction, the house represents a trend in building construction that was popular during the second and third decades of the twentieth century.

There are currently 299 Glendale properties listed on the National Register. Click here for more information about historic preservation in Glendale.

Culture Pass. Check out a Culture Pass at Glendale Public Libraries! The three libraries have a limited number of passes for 13 museums in the Greater Phoenix area including the Bead Museum in Glendale. Culture Passes are good for seven days and may be used for free admission for up to four people. You must have a valid library card to participate. Locations in Glendale: Foothills Branch, 19055 N 57 Avenue; Main Library, 5959 W Brown Street and Velma Teague, 7010 N 58 Avenue. Click here for more information.

Around Town

Reel Talk Film/Discussion Series. On May 30, "Bringing Up Baby" (1938) starring Katherine Hepburn and Cary Grant will be shown at 1 p.m., at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Film scholar Jeannie Berg will lead a discussion following the film. This series is free. Call (623) 930-3844 for more information.

Credit Reports and Credit Scores. Consumer Credit Counseling Services is continuing its series of Money Talks over the summer with Glendale Public Library. Coming up is "Credit Reports and Credit Scores." Learn how to obtain, read and understand your credit report and how to dispute inaccurate information. Discover how your credit score can affect more than your ability to establish or re-establish credit. Join us for one of two free seminars at 9:30 a.m., Monday, June 1 at the Velma Teague Branch, 7010 N. 58th Ave. or at 10 a.m., Thursday, June 4 at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Reservations are not necessary to attend these free classes. For more information, call Velma Teague Branch at (623) 930-3431 or the Main Library at (623) 930-3531.

Sidewalk Stargazing for Everyone. "Sidewalk Stargazing" will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 1 in the auditorium of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Weather permitting, telescope and binocular viewing will follow the free program. Telescopes will be provided or attendees may bring their own viewing equipment. For more information about the free program, call (623) 930-3554.

Authors at the Teague. Heather Lauer will celebrate both the publication of "Bacon: A Love Story" and the fourth anniversary of her popular "Bacon Unwrapped" blog in the upcoming Authors @ the Teague talk and signing at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The program is free. For more information, please call (623) 930-3431.

Reel Talk Film/Discussion Series. "Arsenic and Old Lace" (1944) directed by Frank Capra will be shown at 1 p.m., on Saturday, June 6 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Film scholar Jeannie Berg will lead a discussion following the film. This series is free. Call (623) 930-3844 for more information.

Tips for Job Hunters. "Getting That Job: Tips for Job Hunters" will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, June 8 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The two-hour program will repeat on July 13 and August 10. Get suggestions on preparing a resume and interviewing techniques. This free workshop will provide resume formatting assistance, plus interview practice, complete with useful critiques. Bring a floppy or a pin drive to save your resume. Space is limited in this free class, so reservations are required. RSVPs begin on June 1; please call (623) 930-3431 to sign up.

Couples and Money. Whether you are planning to get married or have been married for a long time, some couples never get around to having "The Talk." Learn how to communicate with your partner about money. This class covers communication, assessing your combined finances, setting priorities and goals, determining your new budget, deciding on a plan of action and making the commitment. Join us for one of two free seminars at 9:30 a.m., Monday, June 15 at the Velma Teague Branch, 7010 N. 58th Ave. or at 6 p.m., Thursday, July 16 at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Reservations are not necessary to attend these free classes. For more information, call Velma Teague Branch at (623) 930-3431 or the Main Library at (623) 930-3531.

B.A.G. I.T. (Bus and Gus Individual Training). A class is being offered to Glendale residents who are interested in learning about how to travel on the bus. No need to register, just show up and learn how to ride Valley Metro Public Transportation or Gus the Bus. Join us on June 25 at 10 a.m. or 6 p.m., at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St., in room 102. For more information, click here.

Bobby Freeman. There probably isn't a musician in town who can command a live audience like Bobby Freeman can. You've heard him yourself if you've ever been to an Arizona Diamondbacks home game, pounding out the Mexican Hat Dance, the Hungarian czardas, or the opening riff from the Addams Family, Freeman's jersey sports the number 88-chosen for the number of keys on a piano-and he's been the Diamondback's organist since their first season. Join us at 2 p.m., Monday, July 6 at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

3rd Annual World Records Day. Do you have what it takes to break a Guinness World Record? If so, give it your best shot at Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Drive. World Records Day begins at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 25 and will showcase a variety of established world records waiting to be broken! For more information, call (623) 930-4610.

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