Yucca Weekly Update

Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona

Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet. **October 14, 2011**

YUCCA DISTRICT MEETING

Thursday, November 17, 2011 • Coyote Ridge School • 7677 W. Bethany Home Road • 6:30 p.m.

NFL Selects Glendale for Super Bowl 2015. Glendale, Arizona is proud to be the host city for the 2015 Super Bowl, an economic engine that benefits our entire state. This decision is a positive reinforcement on the entire region, highlighting our ability to put Arizona on a stage for the world to see. Glendale's opportunity to host a Super Bowl honors the continued commitment to Arizona voters to use the state-of-the-art University of Phoenix stadium and the amenities and infrastructure that were built around the stadium in Glendale to attract hundreds of thousands of people while also pumping money into the local economy. Just like in 2008, Glendale intends to once again make it one of the best bowl experiences for fans and for the entire region and looks forward to working with the Arizona Super Bowl Host Committee to make the biggest game in the world the biggest success.

Website Maintenance Scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 15th - 10:30 p.m. The city's online payment services are undergoing regular maintenance from 10:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. Payments will not be processed during this time. We apologize for any inconvenience.

REMINDER – Fall Hazardous Waste Pick Up, Call by Oct. 21 to Schedule. The first 750 Glendale households that call for an appointment can schedule a home pick-up of hazardous waste. Glendale's Sanitation Department offers this free service twice a year. Residents can call through Oct. 21 to request the service. Collections will be scheduled for Oct. 17 through Nov. 4.

Hazardous materials that will be accepted include paints and wood stains, antifreeze and other automotive fluids, motor oil and filters, car batteries, pesticides, pool chemicals and household cleaners. Items that are unacceptable are explosives, radioactive materials, tires, drums, ammunition and medical or business wastes. There is a 20-gallon limit on paint, oil, gasoline, antifreeze and other automotive liquids. No single container may be larger than 5 gallons. All items should be in their original containers and must be clearly marked to identify their contents. Click here for more information.

Record-Breaking Swim Lessons Led to Increase in Safety and Fun in Glendale. Glendale's dedication to educating its residents on important safety issues along with its longstanding commitment to working with valued community partners has resulted in a 14 percent increase in participation in the city's various aquatics programs this past summer. More than 80,000 people used the city's pools for lessons, safety training or recreational swim.

The city's aquatics programs are not just fun and a way to stay cool during Arizona's hot summers; they provide important safety lessons too. Preventing drowning is an important message year round, and Glendale's swimming lessons not only teach children how to swim but also emphasize important safety measures for being in and around water.

In addition to the preventative measures from the city's aquatics programs, the Glendale Fire Department conducted several water safety events including neighborhood walks and a water safety day at Rose Lane Aquatics Center offering residents free swimming, safety information and a mock drowning demonstration.

Adding to the outreach efforts, Southwest Ambulance donated $5,000 to provide free lessons to young swimmers at Glendale pools.

Glendale's swimming season finished with the following participation levels:

- Private swimming lessons: 374
- Group swimming lessons: 3,037
- Junior lifeguards mentored: 47
- Water aerobics: 1,453
- Recreational swim: 77,527

For more information about Glendale's aquatics programs, click here or call 623-930-2838.

Check in With Foursquare at the Glendale Main Library and Check out the Free Prizes. Users of the social networking site Foursquare know that one of the most rewarding places to "check-in" is at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. That's because in addition to the other features associated with Foursquare, Glendale Library patrons can win instant prizes such as free digital movie downloads and audio CD books.

Foursquare is a free location-based smart phone application with over 10 million users worldwide. When people check-in to a location using a smart phone, such as an iPhone or a Blackberry, they can unlock specials or collect points at participating locations. In addition, their location is broadcast via Facebook or Twitter, allowing their friends to see where they are. Visit the Glendale Public Library at www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Around Town

Wild Western Festival: History Meets Hollywood. Enjoy good old fashioned family fun October 14-16 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 9802 N. 59th Ave. There will be gun fights, stunt shows, trick horses, magic shows, musical entertainment, food vendors and much more. Click here for more details, admission charges and printable discount coupons.

Front Porch Festival & Old Towne Marketplace. On Saturday, October 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. more than 80 shops and eateries will have lots of special activities, including demonstrations, make & take crafts, special treats and more. The shops in Catlin Court will showcase their specialties on their lawns and porches, while the shops in Old Towne always have something wonderful going on inside. Plan to spend your day in the area. Start at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., suite 140 and pick up a downtown walking map. For more information, call 623-930-4500.

Authors @ the Teague. Local mystery authors from the Arizona-based Desert Sleuths chapter of Sisters in Crime will discuss and sign their latest themed anthology, *So West, So Wild*, at this upcoming event on Saturday, Oct. 15 at 2 p.m. at Velma Teague Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Free American Roots Music Series at Glendale Library. Enjoy America's roots in music with free monthly performances at Foothills Library,19055 North 57th Avenue! Music lovers won't want to miss the genres of rockabilly, blues, rock, Americana and Dixie Land jazz. Performances are the last Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. On Wednesday, October 26: The Sugar Thieves: Blues, Rock Americana. For more information, click here or call 623-930-3844.

Looking for an Alternative to Traditional Trick or Treating? Join us for the 2nd Annual Neighborhood Trick or Treat from 6 to 8 p.m., Friday, October 28 at Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. The fun will include carnival games, face painting, costume parade, and arts and crafts. The Lil' Drama Dance Troupe will also be there to perform their "Thriller" dance performance. The Trick or Treat passport is $4 for residents and $5 for non-residents. Parents are free and are required to stay. For more information, call 623-930-4610.

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