

Sahuaro Weekly Update



"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."

Vice Mayor Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

July 16, 2010



A highlight of the Centennial event on June 18 was the debut of the Glendale Centennial postmark from the US Postal Service. Vice Mayor Frate joined Council for a presentation of envelopes with the postmark at the event. The envelopes are still available for purchase at the [Glendale Visitor Center](#), located at 5800 W. Glenn Dr. Suite 140.



On July 1, Vice Mayor Steve Frate and wife Sandy attended an open house for the new, highly advanced Heart and Vascular Center at [Banner Thunderbird Medical Center](#). Pictured is a new MRI suite.

Calling All Jackets! Although it's hard to think of winter when it's 110 degrees outside, employees from Glendale's Community Development Group are hosting a "Jacket Drive" to assist residents in need during the upcoming cold season.

The "Jacket Drive" will benefit individuals from infancy to elderly who are victims of crimes. Donations will be given to the Glendale Family Advocacy Center and the "[A New Leaf](#)" Faith House, organizations that provide resources to crime victims. Requested items include new and gently used jackets, scarves, gloves, beanies and sweaters. Collection barrels are available at:

- Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.)
- Velma Teague Library (7010 N. 58th Ave.)
- Foothills Library (19055 N. 57th Ave.)
- Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau (5800 W. Glenn Dr., Suite 140)
- City Hall 1st & 2nd floor (5850 W Glendale Ave.)
- Glendale Police Headquarters (6835 N. 57th Dr.)

The "Jacket Drive" will take place through the end of July. For information call (623) 930-3148.

Christmas in July – Saturday, July 17. Join us at "Christmas in July" this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and enjoy a fun-filled day of holiday crafts, sweet treats and exclusive deals in Historic Downtown Glendale.

Christmas cheer begins at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, Suite 140, where you'll pick up your holiday map, coupons and gift bag (for the first 500 visitors) and take a spin on the prize wheel.

In the spirit of holiday giving, the Glendale Visitor Center will be accepting school supplies for the Annual Back to School Supply Drive, which will benefit local elementary schools. Items being collected include:

- Backpacks
- Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- Erasers
- Paper
- Folders
- Binders
- Crayons
- Glue

Admission and parking are free. For more information, contact the Glendale Convention and Visitors Bureau at (623) 930-4500 or [click here](#).

New Heart and Vascular Center at Banner Thunderbird. Banner Thunderbird Medical Center is set to open a highly advanced center for heart and vascular care that will include a level of technology found at only a few hospitals in the Valley and only a select number of hospitals across the country.

The new area, which opened on July 13, will provide Banner Thunderbird's cardiologists, neurologists, radiologists and vascular surgeons access to the best tools available for safely and quickly diagnosing and treating patients experiencing serious heart problems, circulatory issues and other illnesses.

Firefighters Remind Folks to be “Heat Safe.” Glendale Firefighters are advising the public to think “heat safety” heading into a week with expected temperatures of about 110 degrees. The Arizona summer heat can be deadly and should NOT be underestimated. Following these Glendale Fire Department Safety Tips will add to the safety of you and your family:

- Stay hydrated. Drink plenty of fluids and limit beverages such as soda and those containing caffeine and alcohol. These types of beverages can cause dehydration.
- Use sunscreen.
- Exercise should take place indoors or as early in the morning as possible.
- Cover your head. Wear a hat to provide shade.
- NEVER LEAVE CHILDREN OR PETS INSIDE OF AN UNATTENDED VEHICLE.
- WATCH YOUR CHILDREN AROUND WATER.

Around Town

CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

ONGOING RESTRICTIONS

Loop 101 and 75th Avenue

The southbound Loop 101 on-ramp at 75th Avenue will be closed until late November to reconstruct the ramp.

DETOUR: Drivers may take 75th Avenue south to Bell Road and west to Loop 101.

- Through late November

Beardsley Road between 81st and 83rd avenues

Portions of the sidewalk on Beardsley Road between 81st and 83rd avenues will be closed through fall 2010 for utility work and sidewalk removal. Pedestrians will be guided around the work area, and the sidewalk on the opposite side of Beardsley Road will remain open for pedestrians.

- Through fall 2010

Union Hills Drive at Loop 101

Left turns from eastbound Union Hills Drive to northbound Loop 101 will be restricted to one turn lane through late 2010 for interchange improvements.

- Through late 2010

For more closures and restrictions, [click here](#).

World Records Day. Think you’ve got what it takes to break a Guinness World Record? If so, come join the fun and give it your best shot at the Foothills 4th Annual World Records Day. A variety of established world records are waiting to be broken from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, July 17 at Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Rd. For more information, call (623) 930-4609.

Recession Response – Search for a Job Online. Glendale Community College instructor Kate Sylvester will demonstrate how to search for a job online from 1-3 p.m., Saturday, July 17, at Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. To save a spot, call (623) 930-3531 and press “5”. The Recession Response project is funded by a grant from the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records Agency under the Library Services and Technology Act, through the Institute for Museum and Library Services. Local partners include Jobing.com, Goodwill, AARP and Consumer Credit Counseling Services Southwest.

Reel Talk Film Series. Forrest Gump (1994), starring Tom Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise will play at 1 p.m., Saturday, July 17 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Join film expert Jeannie Berg in the Auditorium. For more information, call (623) 930-3573.

Authors @ the Teague. “New York Times” bestselling crime novelist Lisa Gardner will discuss and sign the fourth entry in her D.D. Warren series, “Live to Tell,” during the upcoming Authors @ the Teague event at 2 p.m. on Monday, July 19 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. The program is free. Books will be available for purchase and signing. For more information, please call (623) 930-3439.

Recession Response – Job Searching Lab. Do you need help with job searching, creating a resume or applying for employment online? Steve Schrade, a recently retired Bashas Human Resources Director and an Estrella Mountain Community College instructor, will offer job coaching assistance from 10 a.m.-noon., Tuesday, July 20, at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Last Summer Band Concert of the 2010 Season, July 22. If you haven’t made it to a Glendale Summer Band Concert this year, don’t miss out! Enjoy renditions of marches, ballads and show tunes at 8 p.m., Thursday, July 22. It’s FREE and the entire family is welcome! The concert will take place in Historic Downtown Glendale at the Glendale Amphitheater, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. [Click here](#) for more information.

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