

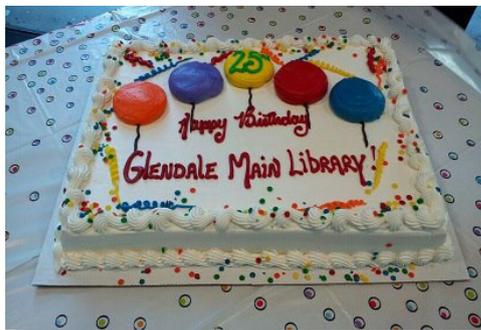
# Sahuaro Weekly Update



*"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."*

Vice Mayor Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

July 27, 2012



**Glendale Main Library Celebrates its 25th Anniversary.** On July 27, 1987, the Main Library opened its doors, and after 25 years it's still going strong! At a celebration on Thursday, patrons enjoyed a slice of cake and had a chance to reminisce about how the library has impacted their lives. For more information, visit the library website at [www.glendaleaz.com/library](http://www.glendaleaz.com/library). The Glendale Main Library is located at 5959 W. Brown Street.

### Trending Video

#### Family Reading

"If You Give a Cat a Cupcake"  
<http://youtu.be/ZFO04y3Eh9s>

**City of Glendale Adds New Pedestrian Beacon on Glendale Avenue.** Glendale's Transportation Department is installing a new traffic beacon that will assist pedestrians and create a safer option for both drivers and pedestrians. The unique device, called a High Intensity Activated CrossWalk (HAWK), located on Glendale Avenue west of 65<sup>th</sup> Avenue, will be operational beginning Wednesday, Aug. 1.

Because this beacon is new and unique in its operation, it is important for drivers to become educated on how it works. Motorists can expect the HAWK beacon to remain dark until a pedestrian activates it by pushing the pedestrian button. The light sequence for a HAWK is flashing yellow, solid yellow, solid double red, and alternating flashing red. The yellow indication is to warn motorists of an upcoming change. When the HAWK changes to a solid double red indication, motorists are required to stop. During the blinking red indication, motorists are required to stop and can proceed with caution if the pedestrian has cleared the crosswalk. Another pedestrian-friendly feature is a countdown display to easily determine how many seconds remain in the crossing time.

Glendale 11 has produced a video that shows residents the site, how the HAWK beacon operates and more. A link to the video is available at [www.glendaleaz.com/transportation](http://www.glendaleaz.com/transportation).

This will be the second HAWK in the city. The first HAWK beacon was installed on the north side of Loop 101 on the westbound Beardsley frontage Road, adjacent to the pedestrian-bicycle bridge built last year. The HAWK beacon was developed by the city of Tucson, and is now being implemented in cities across the country.

This project was funded through the GO (Glendale Onboard) Transportation program.



**Dog Days of Summer – Glendale's Annual Canine Celebration.** Don't let the dog days of summer get you down; instead celebrate with your pooch at Glendale's Dog Days of Summer event on Saturday, Aug. 4, from 7-10 a.m. This year's fun will begin in the morning with a "picnic" breakfast for dogs and their owners, and then follow it up with lots of great deals and more treats for man and best friend alike.

Start the day at the Glendale Visitor Center booth in Murphy Park, located at 58<sup>th</sup> and Glendale avenues, where you will receive a listing of the day's activities. Plus, the first 100 people who stop by the Visitor Center booth will also receive a gift bag.

A picnic breakfast in the park will be served between 7 and 9 a.m. Pratt's Pets will be cooking up free "Woofles" pancakes for dogs and Bitz-ee Mama's will be serving breakfast burritos for a nominal fee. All proceeds from the breakfast sale will benefit the Sun Valley Animal Shelter.



#### Additional highlights of Dog Days of Summer will include:

- Presentations by Sun Valley Animal Shelter and Glendale's Crisis Response Team
- Visits with Glendale's favorite furry employees, the Fire Department's Crisis Response Dogs
- Free Frosty Paw frozen treats for dogs at Papa Ed's Ice Cream (while supplies last)
- Pet massages, water and cool pool stations, pet gifts and accessories
- Exhibit booths, raffles and prizes
- The announcement of the winner of the online Dog Look-Alike Contest. ([Read more.](#))
- A Pet Food Drive to benefit [Sun Valley Animal Shelter](#)

The Dog Days of Summer event is sponsored by the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau, Papa Ed's Ice Cream, Bitz-ee Mama's, Republic Services, Pratt's Pets, Woofles Dog Treats and Sun Valley Animal Shelter. For more information [click here](#) or call the Glendale Convention & Visitor Bureau at 623-930-4500.

## ADAPTIVE RECREATION

**Special Olympics Softball.** This softball league is designed especially for individuals with physical, mental, emotional or social disabilities. Players can enjoy the ballpark with friends and family and get their swing ready. The program is for ages 21 and older, but those under 21 with prior softball experience may be considered. A medical release is required. The fee is \$25. Sign up at the Peoria Community Center, 8335 W. Jefferson St., Peoria. For more information, call 623-773-7436.

### August 15 – October 6

- Wednesdays – 6:30-8 p.m. at Rio Vista Community Park, 8866-A W. Thunderbird Rd., Peoria
- Saturdays – 8:30-10 a.m. at Cheyenne Elem. School, 11806 N. 87th Ave., Peoria

**Theatre Kidz.** This special activity is designed for individuals ages 8-22 with physical, mental, emotional or social disabilities to learn the joy of singing, acting and dancing, while improving confidence levels and making new friends. The class ends with a live performance, on stage, at the Adult Center on November 15. The program fee is \$20 for Glendale residents and \$24 for non-residents.

For more information or to sign up, call 623-930-4335.

### August 23 – November 15

- Thursdays – 5:30-7 p.m. at the Glendale Adult Center, 5790 W. Brown St.

# Around Town

**Rock Wall Adventures.** Rock Wall Adventures is great for first-time climbers or anyone who wants to learn more about the sport of rock climbing. Professionals from Arizona Hiking Shack will present topics such as climbing technique, knot tying, belaying, strategy and safety. Participants, ages 10-17, should bring a water bottle and wear comfortable workout attire and tennis shoes. No jeans, dresses or open toe/heel shoes. Join us from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, July 28 at Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. Price is \$50 (non-resident \$63). To sign up, call 623-930-4600. For more information, call 623-930-4610.

**Marvelous Mondays.** *Dolphin Tale!* will be shown on Monday, July 30 at 2 p.m. in the Glendale Main Library auditorium. Based on true events, this family film is about Winter, a young dolphin who lost her tail in a crab trap, and Sawyer, the introverted 11-year-old boy who befriends her. Sawyer meets the rescued dolphin at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium, a marine rehabilitation center where she lives. Sawyer rallies friends and family alike to save Winter by convincing a pioneering doctor to create a unique prosthetic appendage to restore the dolphin's ability to swim.

**"The Four Paths to Getting Published."** Are you interested in publishing your own works? Join us from 2-3:15 p.m., Saturday, August 4 at Velma Teague Branch Library as Kris Tualla, provides a concise and complete explanation of your publishing options. Tualla will explain what each path requires and what it pays. An active member of Romance Writers of America, the Historical Novel Society and Sisters in Crime, Kris created Arizona Dreamin', Arizona's first romance-reader event. Velma Teague Branch Library is located at 7010 N. 58th Ave. For more information, call 623-930-3431. This is a free program.

## Glendale's YouTube Channel Trending Videos

### Jivemind Cooperative Music Lab

"The best way to describe it,  
is a fitness center for musicians."  
– Jeff Rose, President and Founder

<http://youtu.be/96vIF9Bs4P4>

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