Sahuaro Weekly Update

"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."

Councilmember Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona **October 24, 2008**

Councilmember Frate and Vice Mayor Martinez attend the Centerline Vision Fair.

Interactive Centerline Vision Fair. On Saturday, October 18, Councilmember Frate attended the Centerline Vision Fair, a fun and interactive event inviting feedback from citizens on the Glendale Centerline Project. Click here to learn more about the project, and keep checking the site for information about upcoming public events.

GlendOberfest at the Ranch. Journey back in time to the late 1800's to an atmosphere of Sleepy Hollow with dirt roads and dark orange groves, overshadowed by old farm houses. Explore what's lurking around every corner of the 17-acre Sahuaro Ranch Park historic area at the city of Glendale Parks and Recreation GlendOberfest presented by Banner Thunderbird Medical Center.

Round up all your ghosts and goblins for a safe and exciting Halloween night with Glendale Parks and Recreation. The event will be held from 6 to 9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 31 at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 59th Avenue and Mountain View Road. Event parking will be at Glendale Community College; enter from 59th and 67th avenues and Via Gaucho. Look for the park shuttle hay rides to hitch a ride to the main gate. Event gates open at 6 p.m.

Plenty of candy and prizes will be awarded to children participating in the activities. Children can also trick-or-treat at the ranch's historic buildings. For more information, call (623) 930-2042.

Be Safe On Halloween. Children are four times more likely to be struck by a car on Halloween than any other night of the year. The City of Glendale wants you to have a "spooktacular" night, so this is why the city is promoting the message "Be Safe, Be Seen" to remind families of some precautions while enjoying the much anticipated night of fun. Click here for the Glendale Fire Department's safety tips for a safe and fun Halloween.

GPEC Award. The city of Glendale was recently presented the 2008 Outstanding Regional Contribution Award by the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC).

The award, which recognized Glendale's efforts to successfully attract and execute Super Bowl XLII, was presented to Glendale Mayor Elaine Scruggs and Glendale City Manager Ed Beasley at GPEC's Annual Dinner held at the Arizona Biltmore.

Super Bowl XLII had an estimated regional economic impact of more than $500 million dollars and drew incredible attention to the region. Click here for more information about Glendale's Economic Development efforts.

Self Check-out at Main Library. Glendale Main Library has a new "helper" at the check out desk. It's a 3M Self-Check machine purchased with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records Agency under the Library Services and Technology Act, which is administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Come by the library, at 5959 W. Brown St., and "check it out."

Domestic Violence Month - WEEK FOUR: RESOURCES

Victims of abuse have choices and there is help! Glendale has taken an innovative approach to the problem of Domestic Violence. The Glendale City Court, Prosecutor's Office, and Police Department's Family Violence and Victim's Assistance Units have partnered with A New Leaf, provider of additional victim services, Justice Services provider of offender treatment, and Maricopa County Adult Probation to provide victims with a multi-agency response. If you or someone you know is in a violent relationship and would like more information, call the West Valley Advocacy Center at (623) 930-3720 or contact any of the agencies listed below:

West Valley Advocacy Center..... (623) 930-3720
Glendale City Court..... (623) 930-2400
GPD Family Violence Unit (victims assistance).... (623) 930-3300
Glendale Prosecutor's Office..... (623) 930-3475
A New Leaf..... (480) 969-4024
Justice Services (offender treatment)..... (623) 931-6354
Maricopa County Adult Probation ..... (602) 506-7249
Maricopa County Victim's Assistance Unit ..... (602) 506-8522

Around Town

Click here for the City Council Meeting schedule.

Fall Book Sale. Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave., is gearing up for its semi-annual book sale, which will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, October 25. The Fall Book Sale will be held in the meeting rooms and has something for everyone.

Expect to find fiction and non-fiction books, children's books, and even videos, recorded books and CDs, depending on donations from the community. The tables are jam-packed with bargains and treasures ranging from Dr. Seuss to Aristotle. The final hour becomes a shopper's dream, with $1.00 bags. The library supplies the bag, and bargain hunters can fill them with whatever is left. For more information, call (623) 930-3849.

VIN Etching. Bring your vehicle to the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown Street, on Saturday, October 25 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. for free VIN Etching. VIN Etching is the process of permanently etching the vehicle's 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number on each window on the vehicle and serves as a visual deterrent against auto theft. As owner of the vehicle, you must show proof of ownership, current registration and complete a consent form. Call the Glendale Police Department at (623) 930-4030 for more information. Read more.

High School Musical 3. Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., is holding a free "High School Musical 3" Release Party at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25 in the auditorium. Obviously, the newest adventures of the East High students will not be shown, but youths can relive previous escapades of these talented students. Sing a-long to "High School Musical" and "High School Musical 2," play Wildcats trivia, dress like your favorite character and more fun activities. Families are welcome, but anyone over 18 must be accompanied by a child. For more information, call (623) 930-3537.

Landscape Plants for Small Spaces. Learn how to create an exciting landscape with interesting, yet appropriate, plants for those small spaces. Join us from 6:30-8:30 p.m., on Wednesday, October 29 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., in the Auditorium. Read more. Call (623) 930-3760 to register.

Live at the Library. Join us for Glendale's Live at the Library, a free performing arts series, at 7 p.m. Thursday evenings in the auditorium of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. On October 30 – The Dane Johnson Trio will entertain with a bevy of unusual instruments. Read more. Call (623) 930-3760 to register.

$100,000 Hole-In-One Shoot-Out. Get a hole-in-one and win $100,000! It all happens at Glen Lakes Golf Course, 5450 W. Northern Ave. Qualify between November 15 and 22; the Finals will be held on Sunday, November 23. Proceeds benefit the Hook A Kid on Golf program. For more information, click here or call (623) 930-2042.

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