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A Message from Councilmember Malnar

Greetings Sahuaro District Residents,

In light of some of the news reports recently, I thought it would be very appropriate to relay information about the recent trip I took with other city council members to Washington, D.C. for the National League of Cities and Towns Conference.

I found the trip to be very informational for myself as a new council member and for the district as a whole. I believe my attendance at the conference was a valuable investment that will have many benefits for our citizens.

During my time there, I was briefed by our Luke/F-35 advocacy group Baker Donelson, who was instrumental in getting the F-35 stationed at Luke, and also provided information on plans for retaining the F-35 at Luke long-term. We also met with Lockheed Martin, who builds the F-35, and received updates on the construction and planned deployment of the jets.

Additionally, we met with Senator Flake and US Representative Gallego; where we gave them an update on the status of the city and issues we face, and discussed their involvement where they could help the city at the national level.

The League of Cities has organized numerous policy committees in order to receive input from council members for the purpose of developing a platform on issues that concern cities. The League works with congress to advance these causes, and participation in these committees will provide Glendale a voice at the national level. These policy committees meet during the conference to discuss and vote on the issues that will be presented to congress annually. I have yet to join one of these committees, so I attended several meetings to determine which one would be most beneficial to me and the City of Glendale.

In addition to the committee meetings, the League holds numerous training sessions on topics relevant to council members' responsibilities. I attended many of these workshops and walked away with a better understanding of national and local issues. In particular, I found the federal agency round robin very informative. I met with federal agency representatives from FEMA, EPA, Federal Grants, Immigration, and many others. I plan to utilize the information I gathered to make Glendale a better place to live and raise a family.

Again, please reserve the evening of **March 24th at 5:30 pm** to attend the Sahuaro District meeting at the Paseo Tennis and Racquet Center (See details below).

Lastly, please see the updated Union Hills Dr. street overlay process currently taking place, and will take approximately 2-3 weeks to complete (See below for further details).

- Ray Malnar

Boards and Commissions-

Are you looking for a way to serve and shape your community? Citizen involvement and input is essential to the success of local government. The city encourages you to consider submitting an application for appointment to one of Glendale's boards and commissions. Most boards/commissions meet once a month. We encourage you to apply for more than one board/commission because vacancies occur monthly.

For the most current vacancies or a list of boards/commissions to serve on visit <http://www.glendaleaz.com/boardsandcommissions/>. For further information you may contact Kriss Carneal at 623-930-2814 or e-mail her at kcarneal@glendaleaz.com.

Current Sahuaro and At-Large Vacancies:

Sahuaro

Aviation Advisory Commission

Citizens Transportation Oversight Commission

Community Development Advisory Committee

At-Large

Citizens Bicycle Advisory Committee - 3 openings

Industrial Development Authority

Judicial Selection Advisory Board

Risk Mgt/Worker's Compensation Trust Fund Board



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Sahuaro District Meeting

Thursday, March 24
5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Paseo Racquet Center
63rd Avenue and Thunderbird Road

Join us for some fun tennis,
food & prizes!

Learn from city staff about
Envision 2040 (Glendale's General Plan),
Neighborhood Services, Parks and Recreation,
Public Safety and Public Works

RSVP: vornelas@glendale.az.com or 623-930-2016



Ribbon Cuttings -

Deseret Industries, Thursday, March 17, 2016 -

Ribbon Cutting at 8:45 am

6825 W. Bell Road, Glendale, AZ 85308

Join Deseret Industries to celebrate the Grand Opening of the Desert Industries thrift store and training program of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints!

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT -

Register on our Website WWW.AZSTEAMSHOP.ORG

**Martin Art Center's
AZ STEAM SHOP
14075 N. 59TH AVE. GLENDALE, AZ 85306
PHONE 623 240-2206 or 602 791-3935**

We offer FREE summer programs for youth ages K-12 grades
3:00-6:30pm Daily and Saturday 10-4pm
We also have extended in-depth classes with low fees.

Kids will enjoy:

- Robotics
- Drawing
- Computer Programing
- FREQ FREAK
- String Art
- Painting / BEAT LAB
- Stamp / Print Making
- Paper Rockets and MORE!

STE[+a]M = (Science, Technology, Engineering, ART and Math)

With FREE programs, Kids are given the chance to explore, create, and develop an awareness of STEM.

The AZ STE[+a]M Shop welcomes Out of School Time (OST) K-12 area kids to have fun with science and technology while making ART! Our Multimedia Stage, Computer Center, and Maker Space fill the day with fun so kids have an Extraordinary Opportunity to be Creative.

For more information about us or STEAM Resources E-mail Marty

Marty.W@MartinArtCenter.org

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS -



CITY OF GLENDALE PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, OVERLAY INFORMATION (UPDATE) -

The following is a tentative schedule and information on the overlay process for Union Hills Drive, from 59th Avenue to 75th Avenue; and 59th Avenue, from Bell Road to Union Hills Drive:

- **The overlay process is currently scheduled to take place daily beginning Thursday, March 3rd, and will take approximately 2-3 weeks to complete.**
- Prior to milling (removing) asphalt, the contractor will work to lower utilities (water valves or sewer manholes in the roadway).
- Scheduled to take place Saturday, March 5th, the contractor will mill up (remove) the existing asphalt, in the 59th Avenue/Union Hills Drive intersection; and the westbound lanes (north side) of Union Hills Drive, from 59th Avenue to 67th Avenue. This work will be directly followed with paving back asphalt and striping in these respective areas. **To accommodate the milling and paving of the intersection, the 59th Avenue/Union Hills Drive intersection; and WESTBOUND Union Hills Drive, between 59th and 67th avenues will be CLOSED on Saturday, March 5th beginning at 12:00 am. The intersection will reopen at 12:00 pm; however, WESTBOUND Union Hills Drive, between 59th and 67th avenues will remain closed until paving and striping are complete later that evening. Business access will be maintained as much as possible during these closures, and law enforcement officers will be on-site throughout the process to assist with traffic management.**
- Scheduled to take place Sunday and Monday, March 6th and 7th, crews will mill up the existing asphalt in the eastbound lanes (south side) of Union Hills Drive, from 67th Avenue to 59th Avenue. This work will be directly followed with paving back of asphalt and striping in this area. **To accommodate this activity, EASTBOUND Union Hills Drive, between 67th Avenue and 59th Avenue, will be CLOSED on Sunday, March 6th and Monday, March 7th.**
- Scheduled to begin Monday, March 7th for approximately four days, the contractor will mill up the existing asphalt on 59th Avenue, from Bell Road to

Union Hills Drive, beginning with the outside lanes (curb lanes). This work will be directly followed with paving back of asphalt and striping in the outside lanes. The contractor will then conduct the same process on the inside lanes of 59th Avenue. **59th Avenue will remain open for travel, but traffic will be shifted away from the work area, with at least one lane in each direction. Some side streets and driveways, where multiple driveways are present, will be CLOSED until the outside lanes are paved back. Traffic will be detoured during this time, with Grovers Avenue being the primary access point to 59th Avenue.**

- Scheduled to take place Saturday, March 12th, the contractor will mill up the existing asphalt, in the 75th Avenue/Union Hills Drive intersection and the eastbound lanes (south side) of Union Hills Drive, from 75th Avenue to 67th Avenue. This work will be directly followed with paving back of asphalt and striping in these respective areas. **To accommodate the milling and paving of the intersection, the 75th Avenue/Union Hills Drive intersection; and EASTBOUND Union Hills Drive, between 75th and 67th avenues will be CLOSED on Saturday, March 12th beginning at 12:00 am. The intersection will reopen at 12:00 pm; however EASTBOUND Union Hills Drive, between 75th and 67th avenues will remain closed until paving and striping are complete later that evening. Business access will be maintained as much as possible during these closures, and law enforcement officers will be on-site throughout the process to assist with traffic management.**
- Scheduled to take place **Sunday, March 13th beginning at 12:00 am**, the contractor will mill up the existing asphalt in the westbound lanes (north side) of Union Hills Drive, from 67th Avenue to 75th Avenue. This will again be directly followed with paving back of asphalt and striping. **To accommodate this activity, WESTBOUND Union Hills Drive, between 67th Avenue and 75th Avenue, will be CLOSED on Sunday March 13th until paving and striping are complete.**
- Following this work, crews will raise utilities to make them flush with the new road surface.

We appreciate your patience during this project. For comments/questions, please contact our **Project Hotline: 602.532.6250.**

Glendale To Offer Free "HOA Academy" Classes

Community members looking for advice on how to run neighborhood and homeowner associations are invited to participate in a free four-week HOA Academy training series conducted by the city of Glendale in partnership with Mulcahy Law Firm, P.C. The classes will be held Tuesday afternoons, April 5-26, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., at the Glendale Adult Center located at 5970 W. Brown St.

The seminar-style courses, taught by industry experts and HOA attorneys from the Mulcahy Law Firm, focus on key issues commonly faced by HOA groups, including:

- Secrets and Available Legal Remedies for Collection of Delinquent Assessments
- Board Member Roles and Responsibilities
- Self-Managed vs. Professionally Managed Associations - 101
- Dealing with Difficult People and Harassment
- Solar Panels and Creating a Green Community
- Environmental Awareness - Resources for You!

"Leadership in the community begins in our neighborhoods, and I highly encourage people to get involved because these classes can be very helpful from a communication and an information standpoint," said Mayor Jerry Weiers. "The better informed we are, the better decisions we make."

The HOA Academy series is free to Glendale residents and \$20 for non-residents. Class size is limited and early registration is recommended. To learn more or register, contact Glendale Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services at 623-930-2820 and use code #474099-04. For online registration or more information about class content, please visit www.glendaleaz.com/neighborhoodservices.

Visit Glendale Holds Photo Challenge Conjunction With Arizona PBS Station. Contest Highlights 'Living the Sweet Life in Glendale, AZ' -

GLENDALE, Ariz. - The Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau, newly rebranded as Visit Glendale, has recently launched a photo challenge in conjunction with KAET, Arizona's PBS station. The photo challenge is themed 'Living the Sweet Life in Glendale, AZ'.

The contest, called 'Capture My Arizona,' is an ongoing campaign designed to showcase Arizona through the eyes of Arizona photographers. Through the contest, individual challenges focus on particular areas, events, or other items of interest. "This time of year is all about the sweet life - whether it's the Glendale Chocolate Affaire, an upcoming spring training game, or even just a sweet walk with your dog in the park," said Lorraine Zomok, President & CEO Visit Glendale. "We are looking for what the sweet life means to both residents and visitors."

The 'Living the Sweet Life in Glendale, AZ' challenge, which runs Feb. 1 through March 31, will offer two prizes, both Cerreta Candy Company chocolate baskets, one for editor's choice and one for people's choice.

To enter, visit <http://www.capturemyarizona.com/challenges/living-the-sweet-life-in-glendale-az>. The contest ends on March 31. Find additional information on Glendale online at www.visitglendale.com or call the Glendale Visitor Center at 623-930-4500.



Community Input Sought on Glendale's General Plan -

Community Workshop # 2
Glendale Main Library
5959 W. Brown Street
Monday, March 14, 2016

6pm - 7:30pm.

The City of Glendale has released the Public Draft of the 2040 General Plan and is pleased to invite you to a public workshop to discuss and review the major components of the Plan. The City and the General Plan Steering Committee have been working to update the General Plan since the Spring of 2014. The Public Draft General Plan can be downloaded at www.glendale2040.com.

In order to develop a plan that is responsive to local needs, input from the community is essential. The public is encouraged to join us at this workshop to learn more about the Public Draft General Plan and learn how to provide comments to ensure that the Plan addresses community desires and interest.

The Steering Committee meets every other month. Please contact Jon Froke, Planning Director at (623) 930-2585 or jfroke@glendaleaz.com if you have any questions about Glendale 2040.

We Need Your Input!

Conceptual Analysis of Possible Western Area Branch Library -



In October 2015, the Glendale City Council provided direction to explore the possibility of constructing and opening a modified version of a planned Western Area Branch Library to serve the residents of Glendale. The [Library Advisory Board](#) is hosting a series of public meetings to gather community input and feedback regarding preliminary design concepts for the two proposed sites. You can review and comment on the proposed floor plans, ask questions of the architect and learn about the planned scope of library services. [Details](#)

2016 Glendale Family Bike Ride Online Pre-Registration is Open -

www.glendaleaz.com/glendalefamilybikeride
to pre-register and complete waiver forms.



Join hundreds of riders for wonderful weather and great exercise at the free annual Glendale Family Bike Ride on Sunday, April 10 at Sahuaro Ranch Park, located at 59th Avenue and Mountain View Road.

This is a ride for all ages and features three routes - short, long, and extended (6, 15, or 23

miles) through Glendale's neighbourhoods and sections of the Thunderbird Paseo, Skunk Creek pathways and across the pedestrian bicycle bridge. For more information go to <http://www.glendaleaz.com/GlendaleFamilyBikeRide> or call 623-930-2940.

GLENDALE EVENTS -

The Folk & Heritage at Sahuaro Ranch

on Saturday, March 19th & 20th @ Sahuaro Ranch Historic Area, 9802 N. 59th Ave., Glendale. ~

The FREE event features folk and bluegrass music performed by more than 250 musicians, authentic storytelling and cowboy poetry. The FREE event features folk and bluegrass music performed by more than 250 musicians, authentic storytelling and cowboy poetry.

Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. Some seating is available, however, attendees are advised to bring their own lawn chairs or picnic blankets. For more information about times and listings of entertainment and activities, please visit www.glendaleaz.com/SRPH, or call 623-930-4201.

Make Your Taxes Less Taxing -

Tax Help from AARP Tax-Aide

8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday - Thursday, except holidays (Fridays by appointment only), through Apr. 18, at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will provide free basic assistance with filing federal and state taxes online. This service is open to anyone but is aimed at moderate-income and low-income people ages 60 and older. All volunteer preparers are IRS-trained and certified. Please note that volunteers cannot assist with business or complicated individual returns. Service is limited to the first 50 people per day.

For more information, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Preparing for Taxes

1 p.m., Tuesday, Mar. 15, at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. Natasha Lopez from Take Charge America will review the elements of a tax return, suggest what documents to prepare, and explain how your tax return is calculated. For more information, call 623-930-3430.

Geek Out with Computer Games & Coding -

*Go Mobile: Game Club (Ages 12-18) & Glendale Code Club (Ages 10-18)

3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Mar. 1-Apr. 26, at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Code Club requires registration but Game Club does not. For more information, call 623-930-3537 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

*Go Mobile: Game Club (Ages 12-18)

3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Thursdays, Mar. 3-Apr. 28, at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. For more information, call 623-930-3437.

Coding Club (Ages 7-11)

3 p.m., Saturday, Mar. 5 & 12, at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Registration required. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3837 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

*Go Mobile: More Games (Ages 18+)

6:30 p.m., Thursday, Mar. 17, at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave. Staff will demonstrate popular games designed for your Android tablets and/or phones. Registration required. For more information or to register, call 623-930-3430 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

Adult Coloring Club -

Monday, Mar. 21, at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Adults coloring? Absolutely! Become part of the newest trend in stress relief. Coloring pages and colored pencils will be provided, but feel free to bring your own art supplies, too. For information, call 623-930-3849 (FBL), 623-930-3573 (Main), or 623-930-3440 (VTL).

Arizona Artists Guild's Sixth Annual Juried Statewide Exhibition of Fine Arts March Gallery Hours: 6 to 9 p.m., Fridays, Saturdays & by appointment, from March 4th to 26th -

This exhibition will feature creations by artists from all over the state of Arizona working in all types of visual art media, including painting, drawing, photography, sculpture and digital art. The exhibit will be juried by three professionals in the arts:

Tim Conte, Visiting Artist - Arizona State University; John Tuomisto-Bell, owner of Tuomisto-Bell Studio and Foundry; and Nathan Feller, drawing and design instructor at Paradise Valley Community College. Prizes will be awarded by the jurors, including Best of Show (\$1000), Award of Excellence (\$500) and Award of Merit (\$250).

The Arizona Artists Guild was established in 1928 with the mission to encourage the support of local artists working in all artistic media. For more information about the Arizona Artists Guild, visit www.arizonaartistsguild.net.

Gallery Glendale at Westgate is made possible through a partnership between the City of Glendale and Westgate Entertainment District. The Gallery is located at 9380 W. Westgate Blvd., Suite D-102, next to Crave Waffle Sandwich Creations. Admission to the gallery is free and open the public. For more information, please call 623-930-3557, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/galleryglendale.

January - March, Mondays - 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.: (City-Wide) - Citizenship Classes:

Presented by the International Rescue Committee, this free, ten-week class will teach the fundamentals of United States Politics, Government, and History included in the U.S. Citizenship exams. The classes will be held on Feb. 22 and 29; and March 7, 14, 21, 28 at the Velma Teague Library. They are free and open to the general public. Registration is required. For more information, please contact Mike Beck at 930-3546.

Coffee with a Cop Events-

Join your neighbors and police officers for coffee and conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns and hear about crime trends in your neighborhood. For more information, contact your Community Action Team: Officer Andy Lynes, 623-930-2554, Crime Prevention Specialist Angela Botz, 623-930-2571.

- **March 15, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Manuel's Mexican Restaurant, 5670 W Peoria.**
- **March 16, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., The Place Restaurant, 5171 W Bell Rd.**

Service Spotlight

Some quick links to help our users:

[Water Services](#)

[Glendale Police Department](#)

[Glendale Fire Department](#)

[Join Nextdoor](#)- The Glendale Police Department is using Nextdoor to connect with residents to



promote stronger and safer neighborhoods. This page is not monitored 24/7. For emergencies call 9-1-1.

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My Glendale Today Show: [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh2ny1UEBrT9hsluOqpa3i7xt9Gs-r5V)

[list=PLh2ny1UEBrT9hsluOqpa3i7xt9Gs-r5V](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh2ny1UEBrT9hsluOqpa3i7xt9Gs-r5V)

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