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A Message from Councilmember Malnar

Greetings Sahuaro District Residents,

This week I held my first district meeting at Paseo Racquet Center. The center is a Glendale owned facility that is operated by the Prudhomme family. We had most of the city departments present as well as many of our Sahuaro District citizens.



I gave a short report on my first 4 months on the council and feel it appropriate to restate and elaborate in this newsletter:

The Sahuaro District is top notch, filled with friendly people, thriving businesses, and fantastic employers. Sahuaro is home to the largest employer in Glendale, Banner Thunderbird. We have hundreds of offices, retail stores, restaurants, and public and private schools that really make Glendale a great place to live.

One of my priorities was to gain an understanding of what it really takes to operate a city of our size. It is complex, and requires the efforts of many employees and volunteers to make it work. I have worked diligently over the past several months to understand the various operations of the City of Glendale in order to be informed when actions by the council are required concerning those departments.

Another one of my priorities is to stay in touch with my constituents and respond to all communications in a timely manner. I have created a citizens' advisory committee and have invited citizens from the district to join. Our first meeting is scheduled in April. I am looking forward to a candid discussion from this group about many of the issues facing the City of Glendale.

I am pleased with the current economic growth we are seeing in the district. Retail stores are opening; small businesses are expanding and spreading across the district. We just received news this week that a major retailer has submitted an application to do some major remodeling with plans to open a new store at the now vacant K Mart building on 67th and Bell.

The City has had a major course change over the past year. I have helped maintain this course change with the decision we have made since I have been on the council, such as the approval to move forward on a new arena management group at Westgate. Recently, S & P increased our bond rating to A+. This alone will save millions of dollars in bond related expenses. The S & P Rating increase also says to the world that Glendale is back on track.

Recently, the council voted to approve the beautification corridor along the Loop 101, which prohibits electronic billboards. I was proud to be a part of that effort.

I am committed to making decisions that are based on the voice of the people, input from experts, and careful analysis of the facts, in order to make the best decisions for the future of our City.

- Ray Malnar

PS- I am looking for a few bowlers to join me on a team to raise money for the YMCA for prevention of drowning and other programs. There is no cost or donation expected from those who join the team. Please let me know if you would like to bowl in the event scheduled for April 21st.

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

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT -

GLENDALE/ PEORIA YMCA
FRAMES FOR FAMILIES BOWLING
CELEBRATION
THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016, 5:30pm
AT GLENFAIR LANES



WHAT: "Frames for Families" is a fun, community celebration in which teams who have secured donations to support the Glendale/Peoria YMCA bowl 100 frames on April 21st at Glenfair Lanes.

WHEN: Thursday, April 21st 5:30pm to 8:30pm,

WHERE: Glenfair Lanes, 6110 N. 59th Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85301

TEAM: Teams are comprised of individuals who have been a part of our Annual Community Support Campaign. Each team of 5 bowlers will be bowling for a team cause.

DONATIONS: must be made in lump sums by April 14th or through pledges paid throughout the year. **All donations are tax deductible*

We will be holding a raffle drawing for a wide array of items such as:

- > Autographed Sports Merchandise
- > Wet & Wild Waterpark Tickets
- > Event Tickets
- > Family Movie Packages
& So Much More!

For more information, contact
Shelly Smith at 602-212-5199 / slbrown@vosymca.org
The Glendale/ Peoria YMCA is a 501c3- all donations are tax deductible.

Team Bowler Description

Specific Tasks:

- Bowl on Thursday, April 21st, Participate as a **BOWLER** and help secure pledges as a part of the team goal.
- Be a **DONOR** and support the Y in its efforts to make a difference in the community.
- Participate as a **CAMPAIGNER** and help secure pledges to help your team reach its \$1,000 fundraising goal.
- **SUPPORT** a team Cause- \$1,000 will support a team bowling for:

Drowning Prevention through swim lessons and water safety sessions. Every \$50 will support 1 child with swim lessons and water safety education.

Preparing Young Adults to Be Self-Sufficient through our teen Leaders Club program. \$1,000 will provide a teen program to young adults to focus on leadership, wellness and volunteerism.

Reducing Chronic Disease by providing affordable memberships for families to develop a healthier lifestyle. \$1,000 will provide a family with a 1 year membership to the YMCA.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS -



Special Joint Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission and the Library Advisory Board-

10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Saturday, March 26, 2016,
Glendale City Hall, Room B-3.

This meeting will present final conceptual renderings, based on citizens' input, of both potential Western Area Branch Library sites. Staff contact: Mike Beck at 930-3546.

Glendale Youth League Baseball Registration Opens March 14 -

The Glendale Youth Sports League (GYSL) is winding up for the exciting Summer 2016 Baseball, Softball and T-Ball season. Registration takes place March 14 - April 8, practice starts mid-May and games begin June 6.

Batter up! The following brackets are being offered:

T-Ball: Co-ed Ages 4-6

Baseball: Pee-ewe Ages 6-8 (coach pitch) Rookies Ages 8-10 (machine pitch)

Softball: Ponytail Ages 6-8 (coach pitch)

Cholla Ages 8-10 (machine pitch)

Registration fee is \$55 for Glendale residents (or \$75 for non-residents) and includes a team t-shirt and baseball cap. An additional fee of \$10 will be charged during late registration April 11-15, 2016. Sign up online at www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation or call 623-930-2820. Players can also register in person on Saturday, March 26, 1-4 p.m. at Peter Piper Pizza, 4315 W. Glendale Ave. in Glendale.

Glendale Youth Sports League emphasizes physical fitness, equal participation and social and skill development. "These leagues are designed to teach kids the skills they need to play, while developing friendships and having fun," said Mike Davis, GYSL program coordinator. "Our philosophy is: the outcome of the child is more important than the outcome of the game," The program is sponsored in part through a \$7500 grant from Land O'Frost Youth Sports Program.

BE A VOLUNTEER COACH!

Persons age 18 and older can submit a Coach Application to Glendale Parks and Recreation Office, 5970 W. Brown St., by Friday, April 15. For more information about GYSL, volunteering as a coach or to learn about program sponsorship opportunities, contact Mike Davis, Glendale Parks and Recreation, at 623-930-2841 or via email at mdavis@glendaleaz.com.

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' -

GLENDALÉ, 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.

SPECIAL FEATURE -



PRESS RELEASE

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

Luke Night Flying through March-

LUKE AIR FORCE BASE, Arizona-Luke Air Force Base is scheduled to conduct night flying through the remainder of March.

The evening flights are scheduled to occur Monday through Thursday with no planned operations during the weekends.

Night training is an integral phase for student pilots. Learning this critical skill over Arizona's skies ensures the pilots' safety and mission success while supporting combat operations around the world.

While Luke AFB reserves the right to fly 24 hours a day if needed, the base has been successful in minimizing late-night flights to reduce the impact on West Valley and neighboring communities.

[Press Release](#)

GLENDALE LIBRARY, PARKS AND RECREATION EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR APRIL 2016-



The following featured events are offered by Glendale's Parks and Recreation and Library divisions in April.

The programs are free unless otherwise stated. To see many more events and activities, please visit www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation and www.glendaleaz.com/library.



Community Input Sought on Glendale's General Plan -

The City of Glendale has released the Public Draft of the 2040 General Plan and is pleased to invite you to a download 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 download and comment on

the Public Draft General Plan 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.



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.

Click [here](#) to see bike route.

GLENDALE EVENTS -

New Glendale Farmers Market Begins April 9 In Historic Downtown Glendale. Twice-Monthly Market Promotes "Eat Fresh ~ Buy Local ~ Eat Seasonally" -

A new event is 'sprouting' in downtown Glendale this April, with the goal to bring fresh, local produce and handmade goods to Glendale and the West Valley. The new Glendale Farmers Market will kick-off their season on Saturday, April 9, between 8 a.m. and noon. The market will be located in the parking lot of the First United Methodist Church, 7102 N. 58th Dr.

The market will be held in the heart of historic Downtown Glendale, at the southwest corner of 58th Drive and Palмира, every second and fourth Saturday for the months of April through July, with a brief break and will resume again for the months of September through November. Abundant free covered parking is available in the

adjacent parking garage.

"We invite everyone across the Valley to come down on these Saturday mornings to the charming, tree lined area that is the perfect spot to purchase fresh, locally-farmed produce and browse vendors selling other goods that are also made here locally," said Linda Moran-Whittley, owner of Papa Ed's Ice Cream in the Catlin Court Historic District. "And not only that, visitors can have breakfast or lunch, and enjoy a stroll to the many shops and boutiques that have made downtown Glendale such a unique and popular destination."

The Glendale Farmers Market's mission is to create a community gathering place in historic Downtown Glendale, while supporting local farmers, small businesses and community based organizations, many of which will also be invited to participate in various ways. In addition, the purpose of the market is to provide a marketplace for healthy, nutritious and sustainable foods systems for residents throughout the Valley.

Additional highlights planned for the market include:

- Meeting local farmers, agricultural vendors, and home product vendors
- Food truck specialties and a variety of local eateries
- Handcrafted and one-of-a-kind items for sale
- Community booth with information from area wide 501(c) (3) organizations, local program resources, services and more
- Educational seminars with information and demonstrations about healthy food choices and how to prepare nutritious meals for all ages
- Guest speakers presenting a variety of topics of interest including history of the area, gardening and art
- Kids activities

The Glendale Farmers Market is produced by Kathy VanDerworp and sponsored by Visit Glendale (Glendale Convention & Visitor Bureau) and The First United Methodist Church. For market information contact: glendalefarmersmarket58@gmail.com. For additional information, contact the Glendale Visitor Center at 623-930-4500 or www.visitglendale.com.

**ALL ABOARD FOR A GLENDALE HISTORICAL JOURNEY:
13TH ANNUAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION TOUR Space is Limited for
this Popular Tour Sponsored by Glendale Civic Pride -**

GLENDALE, Ariz. - Take a step back through time during Glendale's 13th annual Historic Preservation Tour. The event provides a guided, armchair tour of significant historic sites within Glendale, as well as walking tours of a few selected homes or other sites that are historically significant.

"The historic preservation tour remains a great way to see some of Glendale's most treasured landmarks and Historic Districts that trace the footsteps of the past," said

Glendale Historic Preservation Officer Jon Froke. "Glendale enjoys 10 Historic Districts and the tour will pass through many of them."

DATE & TIME OF TOUR

Date: Saturday, April 30, 2016

Check in and Boarding Time: 8:30 - 9 a.m.

Departure Time: 9 a.m.

Return Time: Noon

Point of Departure & Return: Glendale Civic Center

5750 W. Glenn Dr.

A detailed itinerary, along with maps and other informational items will be provided on the tour. Participation is limited to the 95 seats available on two motor coaches, and reservations will be made on a first-come-first-served basis. Children ages 15 and above are welcome, if accompanied by an adult. The tour is offered for free, thanks to a sponsorship from the Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors.

To make a reservation or request additional information, contact City Planner Martin Martell at mmartell@glendaleaz.com.

Adopt A Street Program Volunteer Cleanup (Sahuaro District)-

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., Friday, April 1, 2016

51st Ave Greenway to Thunderbird

Volunteers from Northwest Christian School will conduct litter patrol for their adopted street. Staff contact: Michelle Yates at 623-930-2044.

Glendale Empowerment Expo -

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Saturday April 23 from

Glendale Civic Center

The Glendale Empowerment Expo, hosted by Glendale's Commission on Persons with Disabilities, will connect local community members with nonprofits, community-based organizations and government agencies serving individuals with physical disabilities. The event will feature a resource and information fair, a town hall meeting to encourage public discussion, and awards recognizing the contributions of an individual and service provider who have improved the disability community in Glendale. Staff contact: Stephanie Miller at 930-3433.

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.

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.

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.

- **Shred Event (Cactus & Barrel District). The Glendale Police Department will host a Shred Event on Saturday, March 26, from 8-11 am.** The event will take place at Target, located at 10404 N. 43rd Ave. Each household is limited to five (5) banker's boxes and due to demand, this service may conclude if trucks are full. I would like to thank the Glendale Police Department for their assistance in scheduling and facilitating this event. For additional information, please call 623-930-2250.

- **Shred Event -Sponsored by Councilmember Tolmachoff & The Glendale Police Department**

Saturday, April 9, 2016

8:00am - 11:00am

Sierra Verde Elementary School

7241 Rose Garden Ln.

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=PLh2ay1UEBcT9holluQnpa3l7xt8Gs-t5V)

[list=PLh2ay1UEBcT9holluQnpa3l7xt8Gs-t5V](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLh2ay1UEBcT9holluQnpa3l7xt8Gs-t5V)

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