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The Chocolate Experience Puts a New Flavor on Annual Event



Discover a new spin on the Chocolate Affaire for 2020, as the city of Glendale presents The Chocolate Experience, February 8 and 9. Held at the Glendale Civic Center this year, the event will move from an outdoor festival

to a more intimate experience, with select chocolatiers and confectioners, craft artisans, artistic performances, wine and chocolate pairings and live music on the fountain terrace. Cerreta Candy Company will offer free tours of the candy factory, as well as its popular chocolate-pizza making booth. The event offers free admission and parking, plus free shuttle rides to and from Cerreta's. Event hours are 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Saturday and noon – 5 p.m. on Sunday. The Glendale Civic Center is nestled in the heart of Historic Downtown Glendale at 5750 W. Glenn Dr. While downtown, visit the many charming shops and renowned restaurants to complete the day. INFO: glendaleaz.com/events or 623-930-2299

Spring 2020 Household Hazardous Waste Schedule

Dispose of unwanted household hazardous waste products by scheduling an at-home pickup between February 24 and March 20. **An itemized list is needed, so please have that ready when you call to schedule your appointment.** The actual collections will be handled March 16 through April 3. Call the Solid Waste Division at 623-930-2660 to make your appointment.

Hazardous materials that will be accepted include paints and wood stains, antifreeze and other automotive fluids, motor oil and filters, car batteries, pesticides, pool chemicals and household cleaners. Items that are unacceptable are explosives, radioactive materials, tires, drums, ammunition and medical or business wastes.

There is a 20-gallon limit per item on paint, oil, gasoline, antifreeze and other automotive liquids. No single container may be larger than 5-gallons. All items should be in their original containers and must be clearly marked to identify their contents. For complete details, visit glendaleaz.com/sanitation and click on "hazardous materials."

Make Your Appointment: February 24 - March 20

Collections: March 16 – April 3

Shred Event February 22

Join us Saturday, February 22 at the Foothills Library (19055 N. 57th Ave.). Each household can bring up to six banker-size boxes to be shredded on site. This free service will be offered from 8-11 a.m., or until the disposal trucks are full. INFO: 623-695-0440

Camelback Ranch-Glendale Kicks Off 12th Spring Training Season on February 22



Camelback Ranch-Glendale, Spring Training home of the Los Angeles Dodgers and Chicago White Sox, opens its 12th season of Cactus League play on Saturday, February 22. With great fan amenities, amazing ballpark food and a schedule packed with awesome match-ups, there's something for everyone at "The Ranch." The clubs will play a combined 30 games this season at Glendale's own ballpark, including four evening contests.

At all Sunday games, children ages 12 and under can receive a lawn ticket for just \$5. Following the game, kids can run the bases like their favorite Major League star!

At all Sunday-Wednesday games, senior citizens ages 65 and over and active and retired military members can receive 50 percent off day-of-game pricing for Infield Box tickets! On Thursdays, seniors can stroll around the bases postgame. Back for 2020, Glendale residents will be able to take advantage of the popular "Glendale Resident Pass" which gives locals the opportunity to purchase \$5 tickets for Sunday – Thursday games (based on availability, online purchases only).

Parking at Camelback Ranch-Glendale is FREE, and tickets start at just \$10 per game. Fans purchasing tickets in advance of the game date save \$3 per ticket off day-of-game pricing. SCHEDULE/TICKETS: CamelbackRanchBaseball. com or 623-302-5099

A Message from Councilmember Lauren Tolmachoff



New Year Brings Improvements in Service Delivery



YOUR ONE STOP FOR SERVICE

The City Council's highest priority is to provide outstanding service for residents. As we welcome the New Year, we are excited to deliver a comprehensive, modernized service request experience for our community. **GlendaleOne** is an

easy to use, one-stop service that can be used to report potholes, graffiti, or any other issue. Service requests city-wide will be tracked and managed in one place, whether submitted directly through our website, mobile app, or reported to a city representative.

When initiating a request, you will receive a response with how long it should take to address your service request type. If there is a delay in resolving the request, GlendaleOne will automatically escalate the issue to a supervisor. Best of all, by opting in, you will receive automatic status updates by phone, text message, or automated calls. You can create an individual account to view your service request history and manage notification options. Other key features include a knowledge base of frequently asked questions, automatic location identification, and the ability to include photos. When you need to request service, we hope you will turn to GlendaleOne, giving us the opportunity to deliver quality service in a timely, cost-efficient, and effective manner while keeping you informed.

Outstanding service is our priority, and GlendaleOne demonstrates our commitment to deliver excellence and innovation as we strive to make Glendale the community of choice for residents, businesses and employees.

Watch for the launch this month at www.glendaleaz.com, in Council newsletters, and on social media. Wishing you a Happy New Year!

Vegetable Gardening in the Low Desert February 1

This class will cover soil preparation, plant selection and plant care. Saturday, February 1 from 10 a.m. – Noon. Register at www.bit.ly/DesertVeggies, 623-930-3760 or greenliving@glendaleaz.com.

Warring with Weeds February 12

Learn from a garden expert on how to sustainably control the weedy enemy before your entire landscape becomes a battlefield. Wednesday, February 12 from 6-7:30 p.m. Register at www.bit.ly/WaringWithWeeds, 623-930-3760 or greenliving@glendaleaz.com.

Classes above are free and held at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.) Find additional class information at www.glendaleaz.com/waterconservation.

American Native: Native American February 1

Heroes Regional Park Library, Yucca Room (6075 N. 83rd Ave.)

What is the experience of Native Americans in the U.S.? What is Native? What is Indian? What is Indigenous? The experiences of Native Americans in the U.S. are complex and filled with a rich history marked simultaneously by pride, honor and achievement, and by political, religious and racial disparity. How does social media perpetuate stereotypes about Indians? How can we learn to understand and appreciate the diverse culture, language and history of the first people? On Saturday, February 1, from 2 – 4 p.m., come to the Heroes Regional Park Library to develop skills and knowledge that will help you counter false narratives about Native Americans then and now. Presenter Rowdy Duncan has worked in the field of diversity and inclusion for over a decade. INFO: 623-930-3600

Vision & Sound: An African American Experience February 4 & 20

Main Library, Auditorium (5959 W. Brown St.)

Celebrate Black History Month with two programs at the Main Library about the African American experience. Begin the month with the award-winning film Souls on Tuesday, February 4, from 6 – 7:30 p.m., presented by director, visual activist and philanthropist Malakai Johnson. This visual exhibition, photographic art and film installation captures the totality of mortality, blackness, and Afro futurism, featuring music and dance as part of the presentation. Then on Thursday, February 20, from 6 – 7:30 p.m., Richard Retter, Director of United Art of Arizona, will speak about his development as an artist. In 2013, Mr. Retter created the award-winning United Art of Arizona in Greater Phoenix, AZ, a group that works with creative autistic artists who develop art using all media. These programs are funded by the City of Glendale Public Art Program, and are a part of West Valley Arts' Vision & Sound: An African American Experience, a series of art exhibits, artist presentations, and events. INFO: 623-930-3600

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