

THE CONNECTION

Keeping Glendale Residents Connected

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The Fall Green-Living Class Series is Live and Virtual

The city of Glendale Water Services Department is partnering with the Watershed Management Group to offer a free, virtual class series to help Glendale residents create a more water and energy-efficient home and yard.

Wednesday, November 4, 5:30 – 7 p.m. – Plant a Pollinator-Friendly Yard Wednesday, November 18, 5:30 – 7 p.m. – Sustainable Landscape Design

INFO & REGISTRATION: www.glendaleaz.com/waterconservation or 623-930-3596

#ShopGlendaleAZ Campaign Launches

Glendale's Economic Development department and the Glendale Chamber are excited to announce #ShopGlendaleAZ, where each week a lucky winner will receive a \$100 gift card. Patronize any Glendale business and be sure to get your entries in for a chance to win! Participation is easy:

- 1. Shop at any Glendale business
- 2. Snap a photo of you supporting the business (online or in person)
- 3. Post the picture on your social media feed using the hashtag #ShopGlendaleAZ. Tag the Glendale Chamber of Commerce and #GrowGlendale. Then tag two of your friends.

Follow these steps and you will be entered in the sweepstakes. The winner will be drawn and announced on Facebook Live every Monday. Weekly cut-off will be Sunday at 11:59 p.m. Limit: 3 entries per week. This contest will continue through January 2021.

Recycle Right Wizard

The city of Glendale Solid Waste Services proudly introduces the Recycle Right Wizard as a way to reduce recycling contamination. When non-recyclable items are placed in bins and intermixed with recyclable items, the collection becomes contaminated. The process to separate these items is time-consuming and expensive. This new feature on our website will allow residents to search a long list of items and view information on proper disposal (refuse or recycle bin), helping everyone to recycle more and recycle right to divert as much as possible from the landfill.

The Recycle Right Wizard is aimed at reducing contamination. Contamination increases recycling costs and decreases the number of recyclable items that can be recovered. When you put non-recyclable items in your recycling bin, you run the risk of contaminating the other items in your bin.

For more information about recycling or to test your recycling knowledge, visit us at www.glendaleaz.com and search for Recycling.

Glendale Collects Cell Phones for America Recycles Day

Time to clean out the drawers for those old cell phones! In celebration of America Recycles Day on November 15, Glendale has developed a special cell phone-recycling program which will run the entire month of November. The public is encouraged to drop off old cell phones at Gila River Arena at Gate 3 on the Northwest corner of the building, Glendale Community College or at any of Glendale's four public libraries.

The cell phones will then go to the Glendale Family Advocacy Center to be refurbished and will become available for victims of stalking and domestic violence. Statistics show that cell phones are replaced approximately after only 18 months of use. It is important to keep cell phones out of landfills. **Drop off locations could change. Please visit www.glendaleaz.com or call 623-930-2660 for the most updated information.**

CITY OF GLENDALE FESTIVAL UPDATE

Due to guidelines outlined by health agencies, the city of Glendale will announce the upcoming festival schedule at a later date. We will continue to monitor the situation and post updates as we have them. Thank you for your continued patience and support! Please check our website or our Special Event Hotline for the latest updates.

INFO: glendaleaz.com or 623-930-2299



A Message from Councilmember Bart Turner

A single mother and her three school-aged children, a father and his disabled son, a young couple living in an upstairs apartment, a middle-aged gentleman living alone...

These are lives that have been lost in recent months to residential fires in which no working smoke detector was present. Yes, right here in Glendale.

So far this year, of the 61 residential fires causing extensive damage to the living area of the home, 20 had working smoke detectors, 24 homes DID NOT have working smoke detectors, and 17 homes were destroyed to the point it couldn't even be determined if a smoke detector was present.

We know smoke detectors save lives — but only if they are installed and working! New batteries cost only a few dollars, and a new smoke detector with a ten-year battery can be purchased for around \$20.

October is National Fire Prevention Month. What better time is there to ensure you, your family members, and your pets are protected by working smoke alarms? Please, test your smoke alarms, replace batteries every six months, and consider replacing the entire unit if it is more than ten years old. If your home doesn't have a smoke detector get at least one — more are recommended — and install it today!

Another fire safety practice you may not be aware of is to close bedroom doors when you and your family go to bed. Over a decade of research conducted by Underwriters Laboratories has proven closing doors slows the spread of smoke and flames, which could have potentially life-saving impact during a fire. Learn more about the "Close Before You Doze" campaign at CloseYourDoor.org.

24th Annual Holiday Open House in Historic Downtown Glendale Nov. 14

The Old Towne and Catlin Court Retail Districts will be ready to kick off the holiday shopping season at the Annual Holiday Open House on Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. with fun for all ages. Start your holiday shopping and find unique and handcrafted gifts at many of the locally owned shops. Enjoy delicious treats at the wide variety of restaurants and view the dazzling holiday shop window displays throughout the area. Returning this year, follow the 'Tree Trail' featuring festive, retro-themed trees. Start at the Arizona Information Center located at Memory Lane Trinkets and Treasures (5836 W. Palmaire Ave.) to pick up the activity list. INFO: visitdowntownglendale.com



New Readers Concierge Service at the Library

So many books, so little time -- how's a reader to choose?

Let the Glendale Public Library help you find your new favorite reads! We've created an online Readers Concierge Service at http://bit.ly/gplreaders to help you with your reading selections. Just complete a short survey to give us a sense of what you like to read, and library staff will email you a personalized list of five to ten titles within three to five days. We can provide lists for the whole family – adults, teens, and kids.

You can place these titles on hold in our library catalog to pick up during your next library visit, check them out through our eBook resources like hoopla digital or Libby, or even purchase them from your favorite bookstore for your holiday shopping. Try our Readers Concierge service today and get ready to give thanks for all the great new books you'll soon discover!

Free STEM-based Presentations & Resources for Teachers

The city of Glendale Water Services Department can provide virtual guest speaker presentations for students in grades K-12 on the following topics: watersheds, water resources, Sonoran Desert ecology, conservation and sustainability as a career. Teachers can request water and energy- related activity booklets and virtual presentations at http://bit.ly/YouthSTEM or 623-930-3550.

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