

THE CONNECTION

Keeping Glendale Residents Connected

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Downtown in December: Glittering Nightly through January 9

The dazzling Glendale Glitters will continue to shine nightly from 5 p.m. -10 p.m. through January 9. Glittery lights, sweet shops and delicious dining can all be found in Downtown Glendale! INFO: glendaleaz.com or 623-930-2299

Lower Your Sewer Fee

Did you know that your water usage billed in January, February, and March is used to calculate your annual sewer fee? Reducing your water usage during these months will result in lower water and sewer charges. Follow these easy tips on how to lower your monthly water bill: 1) Fix leaky toilets, faucets, and showerheads 2) Fix irrigation and pool leaks 3) Adjust your irrigation schedule monthly. If you do have a leak or fill your pool during the sewer average period, you can appeal your sewer charge. For more information, visit www.glendaleaz.com/watersewertrashbilling.

Seed Library Now Available

Calling all gardening novices and experts alike! The Glendale Seed Library allows adults to "check out" up to three different types of seed packets every seven days. Different varieties of seeds are available for spring and fall planting. Seeds are sourced from Native Seeds/SEARCH and provided by the Glendale Water Services Department – Conservation & Sustainable Living Division. Stop by any of our four library locations to select the perfect seeds for your garden. For more information, visit www.glendaleazlibrary.com.

The Right Tree

You may notice crews removing trees located near SRP power lines over the next few months. Don't be alarmed. This is part of the Right-Tree Right Place program. If you live in an area with overhead power lines or other electric infrastructure, tree height and distance from the power lines can cause safety concerns. Trees can spark a fire or power outage, especially during monsoon storms. For every tree removed, SRP will provide the city with three power-line friendly trees, to help ensure safety and expand Glendale's urban shade canopy along public streets and in parks. In all, more than 500 new trees will be planted. The Right Tree-Right Place program will help SRP and Glendale maintain electric reliability, ensure public safety and work toward the goal of adding shade and reducing the urban heat island effect. For more information on the program, please call 623-930-2000 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/RightTree.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service January 16

Saturday, January 16, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area (9802 N. 59th Ave.)

To ensure safe distancing, we will be limiting the number of volunteers and scheduling by 2-hour shifts. Throughout his life, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. advocated peace, unity and service and was committed to creating change in his community. Volunteers are needed to pick citrus at Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area for use in food boxes by the St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance. This vitamin-rich resource will be distributed to families in need. In partnership with HandsOn Greater Phoenix, we can work together to create change in our community by volunteering at this event. To register or for more information, please contact Michelle Yates at 623-930-2044 or myates@glendaleaz.com.



A Message from Councilmember Ian Hugh

This holiday season, I encourage you to explore **Glendale Public Library's** vast digital library and great online programming lineup. With our community spending more time at home this year, now is the perfect time to check out all that the library has to offer.

Digital Library Open 24/7: Read eBooks and magazines, listen to audiobooks and music, and watch streaming videos on-demand, at your convenience. The digital library and databases are available anytime with your Glendale Public Library card and PIN number (by default, your PIN is the last four digits of your phone number).

eCards Now Available: Don't have a library card yet? No problem! Request an eCard from home and enjoy access to the library's online content for free. After submitting your eCard application, you will receive a response containing your new eCard number and PIN within two business days.

Online Programs & Events: Visit the library events calendar at bit.ly/gplazevents for information about book groups, classes, and other great programs being held online via video conferencing. The library is also offering pre-recorded musical performances, story times, crafts, and more!

For more information on the Glendale Public Library, including current safety guidance and hours of operation, visit www.GlendaleAZLibrary.com or call 623-930-3600. Please feel free to contact my office anytime at 623-930-2249 or email me at IHugh@GlendaleAZ.com. Get Cactus District updates delivered straight to your inbox by signing up for my e-newsletter at bit.ly/cactusupdate.

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe and happy holiday!

Holiday Tree Drop-off Begins December 26

The Solid Waste Department has established drop-off sites for residents to bring trees for recycling from December 26 – January 9. Please remove all stands, ornaments, tinsel and decorations before dropping off your tree.



- Tree drop locations include: Acoma Park (53rd Ave. & Acoma Rd.), Fire Station No. 156 (67th Ave. & Deer Valley Rd.), Heroes Regional Park Library (6075 N. 83rd Ave.), Foothills Park (57th Ave. & Union Hills), Sahuaro Ranch Park (SE corner of 63rd Ave. & Mountain View Rd.), O'Neill Park (64th Ave. & Missouri Ave.) and Rose Lane Park (51st Ave. and Marlette Ave.).
- Also, you can leave your tree out for the monthly Bulk Trash collection scheduled for your area. Visit http://www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation/bulk trash.cfm for the schedule. INFO: 623-930-2660

New Stories for the New Year!

This January, the Glendale Public Library is starting off the new year by giving your child all the stories they can imagine. "Once upon a time..." is anytime!

Call the Storyline for Stories on Demand Each week, 24/7, a new story is read aloud by our storytelling squad! Call 623-930-3600 and select option 7.

Stroll through Glendale Storywalk

Featuring a brand-new tale: Woodpecker Wham by April Pulley Sayre. Combine the pleasures of reading with the joys and benefits of being together outdoors as a family—at Foothills Park.

Check out a VOX Book That Will Read Itself VOX Books are the world's first audiobooks that live in print books. The permanently attached VOX Reader transforms an ordinary print book into an all-in-one read-along. There's no need for computers, tablets, or CDs. Children simply push a button to listen and read. Look for Vox Books on display in the library walk-through service areas.

Explore Stories on Video with Kanopy Kids

The library's new video streaming service, Kanopy, includes Kanopy Kids: thoughtful entertainment for children aged preschool and up. Parents and caregivers can stream unlimited videos from a curated selection of educational and enriching content, with developmentally appropriate, age-based ratings from Common Sense Media, as well as additional parental controls to help keep kids safe. New videos are added each month! Access Kanopy Kids at https://glendaleaz.kanopy.com/kids.

Improve Your Child's Reading Skills with Brainfuse

Brainfuse HelpNow offers live chat homework help for every grade and subject from kindergarten through college, in both English and Spanish, every day from 1–10 p.m. Even reluctant readers will enjoy reading stories on their own with help from the experts at BrainFuse. Visit http://bit.ly/gplbrainfuse to log in with your library card number and PIN.

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