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Get Ready to Geek Out at LIBCON West!

Saturday, December 4, 12 – 5 p.m. Velma Teague Library (7010 N. 58th Ave.)

The Glendale Public Library is proud to present its fifth annual comic convention in the heart of downtown Glendale at the Velma Teague Library and the surrounding Murphy Park. This free, all-ages celebration of all things pop culture will feature comic book creators, cosplay groups, dozens of vendors, live performances, games, prizes, and crafts for kids. Following the convention, participants are encouraged to experience the delicious restaurants, holiday shopping and festive lights in the downtown area.

INFO: www.libconwest.org or 623-930-3600

Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade December 11

The 8th Annual Hometown Christmas Parade is back! Everyone is invited to downtown Glendale on Saturday, December 11 to enjoy the family-friendly festivities that will take place between 52nd and 58th avenues, along Glendale Avenue. Spectators of



all ages are encouraged to find their spot before the parade begins at 11 a.m. Enjoy more than 120 entries highlighting local schools, service organizations and businesses from around the Valley. The parade has become a tradition, and the committee that makes this event happen every year takes great pride in it. Face coverings are not required, but highly recommended. INFO: www.hcparade.org.

Jingle Bell Hike on December 11

Join us on Saturday, December 11 from 9-11 a.m. for a Jingle Bell Hike at Thunderbird Conservation Park. The event is free! INFO: glendaleaz.com/events

14th Annual Santa's Workshop December 18

The holidays will be here before we know it! Bring your children to shop for their friends, family members and even pets. All items are only \$2. Come early for best selection! Santa Claus will be at the event for pictures and his elves will be on site to wrap purchases. Join us at the Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center (5600 W. Union Hills Drive) on Saturday, December 18 from 10 a.m. – Noon. INFO: 623-930-4615.

From the Heart

In this season of giving, please consider giving to a program which annually provides grants to those most in need in Glendale. Whether serving meals to the elderly, giving emergency help to homeless families or supporting abused children, From the Heart gives agencies that provide services to our neighbors a helping hand. Making a donation is easy. You can donate \$2 per month through your water bill to "From The Heart." Or, you can mail a check in any amount to "From The Heart," City of Glendale, Customer Service Office, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, 1st Floor, Glendale, AZ, 85301.





A Message from Councilmember Bart Turner

Glendale's municipal water supply includes water from the Central Arizona Project (CAP) and the Salt River Project (SRP). CAP water begins as rain and snow falling high in the Rocky Mountains. This water flows into the Colorado River, through Lake Powell, the Grand Canyon, Lake Mead, and enters

the CAP canal near Parker, AZ, for the final 336 mile leg of its trip to Phoenix and Tucson.

SRP water originates right here in Arizona as snow and rain on the Salt and Verde River watersheds, where it is stored in nearby reservoirs like Roosevelt, Apache, Canyon, and Sahuaro Lakes. This water is diverted into the Arizona Canal and delivered to farms and treatment plants along its fifty-mile route beginning northeast of Mesa, traveling across the valley, before ending just south of Arrowhead Mall.

Approximately 45% of Glendale's water comes from the CAP, and 45% from the SRP, with the remainder coming from groundwater and reclaimed water.

The CAP watershed has been experiencing drought for over 20 years. The U.S. Secretary of the Interior recently declared a long-anticipated Tier 1 shortage for 2022. This declaration does not reduce the amount of CAP water delivered to local cities. Should the drought continue, additional shortages may be declared which would require reductions in the amount of CAP water for cities.

Glendale is well prepared for possible future water reductions. You can learn more about our drought management plan, our water portfolio and our conservation programs by searching "drought" at the City's website, www.GlendaleAZ.com.

Cease the Grease

Rethink what goes down the sink! Fats, oils and grease (FOG) poured down your kitchen drain can solidify in your pipes and cause sewage to back up into your home, lawn, streets and storm drains. Help prevent sewer blockages by following these best practices:

- Don't pour FOG down sinks, drains or toilets
- Pour used grease into a sealable container and discard it in the trash
- Scrape food residue from dishes and cookware into the trash before washing
- Put a strainer over the drain to catch food scraps and discard them in the trash

INFO: glendaleaz.com/environmentalprotection

Teen After Hours: Holiday Craft-a-thon!

Friday, December 10, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Velma Teague Library (7010 N. 58th Ave.)

Teen crafters unite! Why fight the crowds and spend your cash shopping this season when you can use our oodles of craft supplies to create delightful homemade gifts instead? Please note that only registered teens, ages 12-18, will be allowed in the building. Parents/ guardians will be able to drop off their teens and return at the end of the program. Registrants must remain for the full two hours. Registration and INFO: https://bit.ly/gplazevents or 623-930-3600

An Afternoon of Music with Dan McCorison

Sunday, December 12, 1 – 2 p.m., Main Main Library Auditorium (5959 W. Brown St.)

Join us for a special concert featuring Dan McCorison, an acclaimed country western singer/songwriter. His band, the Dusters, headlined packed shows in the 1970s. They opened for Merle Haggard, Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings, Chris Hillman of the Flying Burrito Brothers, Flatt and Scruggs and Linda Ronstadt, INFO: 623-930-3600

Live @ the Library: Women in Song Present Holiday **Favorites**

Monday, December 13, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Main Library Auditorium (5959 W. Brown St.)

Women in Song, ProMusica Arizona's community outreach chorale, will sing both sacred and popular holiday favorites. This performance is funded by a City of Glendale Performing Arts Grant.

INFO: 623-930-3600

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