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Movies by Moonlight November 18

Movies by Moonlight returns the 3rd Friday of each month through April. Join us for a drive-in movie at ASU West on November 18 at 7 p.m. for Jumanji. Check the website for updated information: **www.GlendaleAZ.com**/ **Events** or follow us on Facebook @GlendaleParksandRec

Touch-A-Truck Event November 19

Join us on Saturday, November 19 from 9 a.m. – noon at Westgate Entertainment District (6770 N. Sunrise Blvd., East Parking Lot). Industrial, commercial, fire and city vehicles will be on display. Bring your camera to capture those special shots. INFO: **www.GlendaleAZ.com/Events**

Solid Waste Residential and Commercial Rate Increases

We would like to remind you of a couple of changes you will see in your City of Glendale bill. Please note that one of these increases is only temporary. On August 9, 2022, the City Council approved solid waste residential and commercial rate increases, in addition to a temporary fuel surcharge that went into effect on September 1, 2022. The additional temporary fuel charge fee will be evaluated each budget year.

Prostate Cancer Screening at City Hall November 16

Prostate cancer screenings will be available in a mobile unit at Glendale City Hall (5850 W. Glendale Ave.) on Wednesday, November 16. Screenings are for all men over 40 years old. After skin cancer, prostate cancer is the most diagnosed cancer in Arizona and the second cause of cancer death in men. Early diagnosis is key. The 5-year survival rate for patients whose cancer is caught while still confined to the prostate is 100%. Call 480-964-3013 or 1-800-828-6139 to schedule your appointment. Accepted insurance: BCBS, Cigna, Health Net, United Health Care. The residential solid waste monthly rate will increase by \$2.25 to \$25.80. An extra waste container will increase by \$2.56 to \$11.26 and there will be a temporary fuel surcharge of \$1.54 per month. Commercial rates will increase 8% and there will be a 3% temporary fuel surcharge per month. For more information, please visit **www.GlendaleAZ.com**.

The Great American Smokeout November 16

Every year, on the third Thursday of November, smokers across the nation take part in the American Cancer Society Great American Smokeout event. Encourage someone you know to use the date to make a quit plan or quit smoking that day. By quitting – even for 1 day – smokers will be taking an important step toward a healthier life and reducing their cancer risk. Click here for more information on the GASO: www.cancer.org/healthy/stay-away-from-tobacco/ great-american-smokeout.html

Celebrate Small Business Saturday November 26

Historic Downtown Glendale's shops and restaurants will celebrate Small Business Saturday on November 26 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Small Business Saturday is the perfect opportunity to shop for one-of-kind holiday gifts and enjoy a

leisurely lunch with family and friends, all while supporting locally owned businesses. Start at the Arizona Information Center (5836 W. Palmaire Ave.) to pick up the Downtown walking map. INFO: **visitdowntownglendale.com**



A Message from Vice Mayor Jamie Aldama

It is an exciting time in Glendale, and I could not be prouder of all of the growth and activity that is taking place. As the representative for Downtown Glendale, I am particularly excited about the significant investment happening in the district and to the city hall complex. The downtown reinvestment project is in the beginning stages. The work

of designing and determining what a renovated City Hall, amphitheater and Murphy Park will look like will begin shortly. The 70-million-dollar project will be funded through a few sources, those being GO Bonds, ARPA Funds and General Fund Balance.

The reinvestment project in Downtown Glendale is significant and will bring upon much needed improvements to city hall and to Murphy Park. This project will require a great deal of community engagement and participation from Glendale citizens. A great deal of effort and many initiatives have been undertaken over decades to revitalize Downtown Glendale, and those efforts have not been in vain. These efforts have taught us a great deal, including the importance of community engagement and participation to ensure we are moving forward in the same direction. The public will have multiple opportunities to provide feedback on the project including any designs for Murphy Park. I encourage you to contact your representative to communicate your input and watch for upcoming community meetings. I am excited about the opportunity to reinvest in our downtown core and the possibility to ensure that an aging Murphy Park is available and accessible for future generations to enjoy.

26th Annual Holiday Open House: *Kick off the Holiday Shopping Season in Historic Downtown Glendale November 12*

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 12 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Start your holiday shopping and find unique and artisan created 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. Returning this year, follow the 'Tree Trail' featuring festive themed trees in front of many of the shops and eateries. Additional activities include make and take crafts, holiday music and ornament making for the Patriotic Community Tree. Start at the Arizona Information (5836 W. Palmaire Ave.) to pick up the activity list. INFO: **visitdowntownglendale.com**

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 Desert Diamond 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.

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 sink 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

For more information, visit www.GlendaleAZ.com/environmentalprotection

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