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GLENDALE MAIN LIBRARY FEATURES FREE ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY

Glendale, Ariz. —The following free events and activities for youth, teens and adults will be held in February at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. For more information, and to register for programs that require it, call 623-930-3530 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Smart Start – Thursdays, Feb. 6, 13, 20 and 27

Caregivers and children are invited to grow together during this fun, interactive time for children from birth to age 3. The program held 10:30 to 11 a.m. includes songs, stories, activities and early literacy tips.

Wee Readers – Tuesdays, Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25

A storytime designed especially for toddlers 18-36 months and their caregivers that incorporates songs, fingerplays and stories. Held from 10:15 to 10:35 a.m. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Storytime Express – Tuesdays, Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25

This storytime program is for preschoolers ages three to six and their caregivers. The program, held 10:45-11:15 a.m., incorporates songs, fingerplays, stories and a short, story-based movie. All children are welcome, but an adult must accompany those under five.

A-B-C Storytime – Tuesdays, Feb. 4, 11, 18 and 25

A child and parent/caregiver program for children from birth to five years. From 6:30-7 p.m., listen to stories, sing songs and engage in guided play with your child to enhance early literacy skills.

Paws to Read – Saturday, Feb. 1

Wizardo is a great dog who loves books! He would love to have you read to him. This program is for readers ages 5-18. Sign up for a 15-minute session between 3 and 4 p.m. by calling 623-930-3537.

Arizona Broadway Theatre Presents "Tales Of A Fourth Grade Nothing" – Monday, Feb. 10

Arizona Broadway Theatre presents this free production of Judy Blume's classic novel "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing" at 6:30 p.m. Immediately following the performance will be a question and answer session with the crew. All ages are welcome at this show. No registration is required. For more information, call 623-930-3537.

MAIN LIBRARY FEBRUARY

Add 1-1-1-1

Crafty Kids – Wednesday, Feb. 12

Ages 5-12 can join us for a hands-on arts and crafts experience from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Crafty Kids is first come, first served, so check in at the Youth Desk. Younger children may attend with a parent.

Purposeful Play Group – Thursday, Feb. 13

Interested in socialization, creative play and stimulating brain development for your little one? Join Ms. Gabby, a family educator for Benevilla Family Resource Center, to learn why and how to play with your child to maximize brain and skill development. Guaranteed fun for parents and children ages 1 to 5 from 6 to 7 p.m.

STEM @ the Library: Taking Flight – Bernoulli's Principle – Wednesday, Feb. 19

At 4 p.m. tweens, ages 7-12, can create hands-on experiments like windbags and balloon helicopters to explore Bernoulli's Principle, which helps explain how to create lift with air pressure and air flow. This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. Registration is required. To register, stop by the youth reference desk, visit www.glendaleaz.com/library or call 623-930-3537.

Stem @ the Library: Tiny Explorers – Tuesday, Feb. 25

Toddlers, ages 18-36 months, and preschoolers, ages 3-5, can enjoy a storytime and activity that focuses on science, technology, engineering or math. February's theme is Arizona Archaeology. Toddlers will meet at 10:15 a.m. and preschoolers at 10:45 a.m. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

STEM @ the Library: LEGO® Mania! – Wednesday, Feb. 26

As part of our STEM @ the Library Series, children ages 5-12 can build LEGO® masterpieces at 3:30 p.m. while learning about STEM-related themes like symmetry, motion and friction. STEM is an educational initiative featuring science, technology, engineering and mathematics. This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk; visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

Toe-Tapping Thursday – Thursday, Feb. 27

Sing, clap and dance in this movement and music program held 10:30 to 11 a.m. This fun-filled program is perfect for active 2-6 year-olds and their parents/caregivers. First come, first served.

TEEN ACTIVITIES

STEM @ The Library: The Science of Zombies – Monday, Feb. 10

Teens, indulge both your love of zombies AND science in this hands-on program, held at 6 p.m. for ages 12-18, as we explore the world of viruses, germs and zombie hordes. Registration is required, is for teens ONLY. To register, stop by the youth reference desk, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537. This program is supported with funds granted by the Arizona State Library, Archives, and Public Records Agency, a division of the Arizona Secretary of State, under the Library Services and Technology Act.

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Kearsten's Book Club – Monday, Feb. 24

Join other teens, ages 12-18, on the fourth Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. to snack, chat and discuss a variety of titles for teens (or of teen interest). This month's book is "Bittersweet" by Sarah Ockler. You do have to read to attend, so call ahead to register and reserve a copy of the book. For more information or to register, email Kearsten at 59Square@gmail.com.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Walk-In Counseling with Score – Saturday, Feb. 1

Receive free business counseling from SCORE (Counselors for America's Small Business) at 12:15 p.m. SCORE can advise on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns. No appointments are necessary. Call 602-745-7250 for more information.

Affordable Health Care Navigation – Sundays, Feb. 2, 16, 23 and Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 9, 12, 19 and 26

Need help navigating your Affordable Health Care options? Schedule a free individual appointment with an Affordable Health Care Navigator who can assist you with using the system. Appointments can be made between 1 and 5 p.m. on Wednesdays at the Glendale Main Library. Registration is required. To book your spot, call the Greater Phoenix Urban League at 602-254-5611.

Business Forum: How To Survive In The New Economy - Wednesday, Feb. 5

The business forum is an open group of business-minded people, learning and growing through networking and speakers sharing business expertise. In February Steve Kellogg will speak about "How to Survive in the New Economy." Learn to reinvent yourself in tough times using your skills, talents and expertise to create a consulting, coaching or service business. Topics will include: differentiating your services, positioning you and your services in the marketplace and packaging services for value and acceptance. The program begins at 5:30 p.m. and no registration necessary. For more information, contact Joan Howard at 602-725-3246 or joanhoward@cox.net.

Mystery Readers Group – Tuesday, Feb. 11

Join the library for discussions about mysteries on a chosen theme. Call 623-930-3573 for this month's topic.

Best Of The West Book Discussion Group - Thursday, Feb. 13

At 2 p.m., participate in the discussion of books with Southwest themes. This month's title is "Ask me Why I Hurt" by Randy Christianson. For more information, call 623-594-6030.

Glendale Coffeehouse: Starry Messenger, the Life of Galileo – Thursday, Feb. 13

Join the library on the second Thursday at 6:30 p.m. of every month for acoustic music from area musicians. This month Hannes Kvaran presents a musical biography of the life of the scientist Galileo. His struggle to advance science against the powers of his day is still inspiring and important. Kvaran, a Glendale resident, teaches economics at Glendale Community College. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

Kitabu Reading Loom – Wednesday, Feb. 19

The Kitabu Reading Loom group reads and reviews literature by and/or about people of African descent from 6 to 8 p.m. This month's selection is "The Color Complex" by Kathy Russell, Midge Wilson and Ronald Hall. For more information, call 623-974-0238.

MAIN LIBRARY FEBRUARY

Add 3-3-3-3

Afternoon Readers' Group – Thursday, Feb. 20

This reader's club meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of every other month. This session's selection is "Doc" by Mary Doria Russell this month.

Socrates Café: A Philosophical Discussion Group – Saturday, Feb. 8 and Sunday, Feb. 23

Gather with people from different backgrounds and beliefs to exchange thoughtful ideas and experiences from 2 to 4 p.m. This group is facilitated by Douglas Groves. For more information call 623-930-3573.

eBook Reader Lab – Thursday, Feb. 27

Gain valuable information from digital librarian Marlene Jacobson 1 to 2:30 p.m. Bring your own eReader for specific advice. An assortment of the most popular readers will also be available for you to explore. No registration is necessary. For more information, call 623-930-3531.

Live At The Library: "Peter And The Wolf" & "Aesop's Fables" – Thursday, Feb. 27

Mill Ave Chamber Players will perform the infamous "Peter and the Wolf" by Sergei Prokofiev transcribed for woodwind quintet and narrator. Perfect for audiences of all ages, this concert will also include "Aesop's Fables" by American composer Rebecca Oswald. This program is funded by the Glendale Performing Arts Partnership program. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

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