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MARCH 2014 EVENT AND ACTIVITY LISTINGS

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The following events are offered from the city of Glendale Parks, Recreation and Library Services Department in March. The programs are free unless otherwise stated.

Walk-In Counseling With Score

12:15 p.m., Saturday, March 1 at the at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Receive free business counseling from SCORE (Counselors for America's Small Business). SCORE can advise on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns. No appointment is necessary. Call 602-745-7250 for more information.

STEM @ The Library: LEGO® Mania

4 p.m., Monday, March 3 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

3:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 26 at the at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

As part of our STEM @ the Library Series, children ages 5-12 can build LEGO® masterpieces at the library 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 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm. You can also call 623-930-3837 (Foothills Branch) or 623-930-3537 (Main Library).

Spring Adult Softball Leagues

Organizational Meeting - 6 p.m. for teams returning from the winter season and at 7 p.m. for new teams, Monday, March 3 at the Glendale Main Library Auditorium, 5959 W. Brown St.

Glendale will be offering an adult spring softball league beginning the end of March with men's and coed divisions playing at Sahuaro Ranch and Foothills softball complexes. Teams play a double-header format, one night a week with a 14-game regular season and a single-elimination tournament. The registration fees are \$505 for returning and Glendale resident teams (minimum number of four Glendale residents) and \$595 for new, non-resident teams. Teams represented by a manager or team player during the organizational meeting will receive a \$50 discount on the registration fee. Meeting topics will include league format, rule changes, sign up and lottery information. Registration, requiring roster and payment, will be held March 4-7. For specific divisions, days and locations, visit www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation or call 623-930-2841.

Book Buddies

4:15 or 4:45 p.m., Tuesday, March 4 and 11 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

During Book Buddies, kids ages 5 to 9 meet one-on-one with a teen volunteer "buddy" to share books and read aloud, developing reading and listening comprehension skills. This program is a fun and enriching interactive experience for kids and teens. Call 623-930-3837 to register up to one week in advance to schedule your child's 30-minute session.

Foothills Coffeehouse: Live Acoustic Music

6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 5 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Head to the library on the first Wednesday evening of every month for acoustic music performed by local musicians. For more information, call 623-930-3844.

Spring Break GRASP Program

7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday – Friday, March 10-14 at Sahuaro Ranch Elementary School, 10401 N. 63rd Ave.

7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday – Friday, March 17-21 at Desert Mirage Elementary School, 8605 W. Maryland Ave.

Slide into some spring excitement during the break from school with this week-long program packed with games, arts and crafts, field trips and more. Registration is \$100 per child for the week or \$25 daily. To register, call 623-930-2820.

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Foothills 360 “Spring Break” Edition

7 a.m. to 6 p.m., March 10-14 or March 17-21 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.
Children ages 5-11 can enjoy the rock wall, arts and crafts and active games, while being supervised by trained recreation staff. Sign up starts Feb. 17 for this spring break edition of our very popular Foothills 360 program. No recreation swim is available for this session. Space is limited and available on a first-registered, first-served basis. The price is \$99 a week, per child (non-residents \$129). For more information, call 623-930-4610 or 623-930-4608.

Divergent Release Party

6 to 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 10 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
Amity, Abnegation, Candor, Dauntless, Erudite. Choose your future faction in this teens only program, ages 12-18, for “Divergent” fans, then compete, create, and get the chance to win prizes direct from the set of the new movie. Registration is required. For more information or to register, stop by the youth desk, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Library/LibraryEvents.cfm or call 623-930-3537.

Benevilla Family Resource Center: Application Help

All day, Tuesday, March 11 at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.
The Benevilla Family Resource Center, "The Family Link to Community Resources," will help adults apply online for AHCCCS Health Insurance, KidsCare, SNAP-Nutrition Assistance (formerly Food Stamps) and TANF Cash Assistance, using Health-e-Arizona. Appointments will be taken every second Tuesday of the month. Appointments are limited, so call 623-207-6016 to sign up.

Acoustic Jam Sessions

6 p.m., Tuesday, March 11 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.
6 p.m., Wednesday, March 26 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
Bring your acoustic instrument and play round-robin style. Audience members are welcome. For more information at the Foothills Library, call 623-930-3844, and at the Main Library, call 623-930-3573

CPR and First Aid Training

6 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, March 12 at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.
Learn basic CPR and first aid, providing you the knowledge and skills necessary to administer emergency care in cases of injury or sudden illness. Successful completion cards will be distributed. Health care provider certification cards are offered for an additional \$5, payable at class. Class is available to anyone over 12 years old. Price is \$37 (non-Glendale resident, \$44). For more information or to register, call 623-930-4613.

STEM @ The Library: I Love Pi Bracelet Craft

6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 12 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.
Teens ages 12-18 can learn about the mathematical principle of Pi by making a colorful bracelet and enjoying some pie to eat as well. Registration begins two weeks before the program date. 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 623-930-3837.

Glendale Coffeehouse

6:30 p.m., Thursday, March 13 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.
Join the library on the second Thursday evening of every month for acoustic music from area musicians. For more information or to find out who the guest musician is, call 623-930-3573.

Strong Swimmer? Be a Lifeguard

Lifeguard certification classes held at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr.
Lifeguarding is a leadership position where you will learn to handle emergencies in, on and around the water. If you are 15 years old or older, Glendale will be conducting interviews to hire summer, certified lifeguards at our two aquatic centers. Lifeguards will need to be certified and Glendale is offering three classes. Class 1: Pre-test 10 a.m. to noon, March 15; classes held 8 to 11 a.m., March 17-21 and 2 to 7 p.m., March 22. Class 2: Pre-test 10 a.m. to noon, March 15; classes held 12 to 3 p.m., March 17-21 and 2 to 7 p.m., March 22. Class 3: Pre-test 4 to 5 p.m., March 24; classes held 5 to 8 p.m., March 25-28 and April 1-4. The 03 section of the lifeguard certification classes is taught by an onsite instructor. Classes 1 and 2 are taught by a combination of online and personal instruction, and class 3 is taught by an onsite instructor. Classes 1 and 2 are \$150 (non-resident \$200), and class 3 is \$200 (non-resident \$250). For information or to register, call 623-930-2838 or 623-930-4608.

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St. Patrick's Day Luncheon

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday, March 17 at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

"Sham-rock" the house with Dale Matthies playing Irish tunes on his accordion and enjoy a traditional corn beef and cabbage lunch. Come dressed in green and see if you have the Luck O' the Irish to win one of the many great door prizes sponsored by CAREMORE. Tickets are \$6, (\$8 nonmember) and must be purchased at the Glendale Adult Center by Wednesday, March 12. For more information, call 623-930-4321.

STEM @ The Library: LEGO® Construction And Obstacle Course Challenge

6 p.m. Thursday, March 13 at the Velma Teague Branch Library 7010 N. 58th Ave

4 p.m., Monday, March 17 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

4 p.m., Wednesday, March 19 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Tweens ages 7-12 will create simple and complex machines out of LEGO® kits on loan by ASU's MarsEd program. Participants will use the machines in an obstacle course. Registration is required and begins on March 3. 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 623-930-3437 (Velma Teague), 623-930-3837 (Foothills Branch) or 623-930-3537 (Main Library).

Fandomonium: Sherlock

4 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 18 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Teens, 12-18, can meet other teens with like interests. Each month, a different Fandom will be represented with discussion, activities and fun. This month's Fandom: Sherlock. No registration necessary. For more information, call Kristin at 623-930-3840.

eBook Reader Lab

1 to 2:30 p.m., Thursday, March 20 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Gain valuable information from digital librarian Marlene Jacobson. 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.

Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival

**10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, March 22 and 23
at the Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area, 9802 N. 59th Ave.**

Attendees can participate in hands-on workshops or enjoy more than 150 performers featuring everything from folk and bluegrass music to cowboy poetry and storytelling. Musicians from across the nation will participate, including Dom Flemons of Grammy-award-winning "Carolina Chocolate Drops" fame who will conduct workshops and perform. Legendary folk performer and songwriter, Bill Staines, will also perform and conduct a songwriting workshop. Arizona's Official State Historian, Marshall Trimble, will kick off the festivities on Saturday. See interesting and unusual instruments, enjoy food vendors and browse the historic ranch during this unique and fun event. Admission is free. Call 623-930-4200 for more information.

The Center Dance Ensemble: Facts, Fads and Footwork

1 p.m., Monday, March 24 at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown Street

Center Dance Ensemble presents Facts, Fads and Footwork, a decade-by-decade survey of American society from the 1920s to the 1960s, looking at major events, music, books, fashion and more. The event is free through support from charities of the Phoenix Coyotes and the Arizona Cardinals. For more information, call 623-930-4335.

The Center Dance Ensemble: The ABCs of Dance

4:30 p.m., Monday, March 24 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Children should put on their dancing shoes and get ready to be introduced to the art of movement in this fast-paced, high-energy workshop that focuses on dance styles, terminology and interpretation. Presented by The Center Dance Ensemble is presenting this fast-paced, high-energy event, designed for children ages 5-11 years old, but all ages are welcome. For more information, call 623-930-3837.

STEM @ The Library: Tiny Explorers

Tuesday, March 25 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

10:15 to 10:35 a.m. for toddlers, ages 18-36 months, and their caregivers and

10:45 to 11:15 a.m. for preschoolers, ages 3-5 years, and their caregivers

A storytime and activity focusing on science, technology, engineering or math with a theme. 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. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For information, call 623-930-3537.

Afternoon Delight Show

1 to 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 26 at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

This free one-hour monthly show is sponsored by CAREMORE and features "Short and Sweet Entertainment." Following the entertainment is a free light snack. For more information, call 623-930-4335.

Live At The Library

6:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

Enjoy a free performance at the library. For details of this month's entertainer or theme, call call 623-930-3573.

STEM @ The Library: Tiny Builders

1:30 p.m., Friday, March 28 at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.

Little hands can make big things, and join us for this activity-based story and building program. Tiny Builders is aimed at ages 3-5, but younger builders can join in with a parent's help. 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, call 623-930-3837

Bingo Extravaganza Night

7 to 9 p.m., March 28, at the Peoria Community Center, 8525 W. Jefferson

This program is specially designed for individuals with physical, mental, emotional or social disabilities. Ages 10 and older can get the family together (siblings and parents are welcome) and enjoy an evening of bingo, prizes and a lot of family fun. Check in is from 6:30 to 7 p.m., and the first game begins at 7:10 p.m. The event is \$5 per person and preregistration is required. To register, call 623-773-7436. This program is held through a partnership, Glendale/Peoria Special Recreation Alliance, between the city of Glendale and the City of Peoria to offer cooperative programs to enhance programs for those with special needs.

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