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Sale makes thrift shop thriftier



No doubt hardcore thrift shoppers have visited My Sisters' Charities, the south Chandler thrift store that opened July 1.

However, for those looking for even larger savings, the official grand opening is Friday, Aug. 1. The first 50 people will receive a 50 percent-off certificate good for anything in the store.

My Sisters' Charities, 4985 S. Alma School Road, at Fulton Ranch Promenade, is the first thrift store from sisters Ann and Jenny Siner and Tess Loo, who are behind Eco-Chic Consignments Inc. Through Eco-Chic, they run three high-end consignment stores: My Sister's Closet (women's clothes), My Sister's Attic (home furnishings) and Well Suited (men's clothes). The thrift shop is their 15th store.

Proceeds from the thrift store will go to charities that benefit homeless pets, the environment and to helping women.

My Sisters' Charities, with 3,200 square feet, carries clothing, shoes, household items and furniture. Information: www.mysisterscharities.com.

Progressive deals

For bargain hunters who like a good mystery, there's a progressive sale starting Saturday, Aug. 9, at My Sister's Closet and Well Suited stores Valley-wide.

In a progressive sale, stores offer an increasing percentage off merchandise.

The My Sister's Closet and Well Suited progressive sale has a twist: Shoppers are asked to check in through Facebook or sign up for e-mail updates at www.mysisterscloset.com to learn the discount for the day. The discounts will be 20 to 70 percent.

The sale runs 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, through 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22.

My Sister's Closet is at 2915 S. Alma School Road, at Las Tiendas in Chandler. Other locations:

www.mysisterscloset.com,
www.shopwellsuited.com.

All items not sold will be donated to charities, including My Sisters' Charities Thrift Store.

Late summer fun

Chandler Fashion Center has kid-theme events, including Back-to-School Fashion Bash, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, in the Sears court.

The mall's Kids Club is fun with learning. The free sessions, in partnership with National Geographic Kids, are 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays through mid-November. Upcoming themes include dragonflies, hip-hop dancing and insects.

Information: www.ShopChandler-FashionCenter.com/events.

SanTan Village and Tempe Marketplace have splash pads, too.

Splash pads are open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily through Oct. 26 at SanTan Village. SanTan Village also has Kids Club 10-11 a.m. on the fourth Friday each month.

Information:
www.shopsantanvillage.com/events.

At Tempe Marketplace, splash pads are open 7 a.m.-11 p.m. year-round.

Tempe Marketplace has special deals the final weeks of summer. Select merchants have back-to-school deals through Sept. 30 on the mall's Website.

Information:
www.tempemarketplace.com.

Chandler Fashion Center will unveil its outdoor village lawn and splash pads Aug. 30.

Help military families

Dollar Tree stores in the region are teaming with Operation Homefront to gather school supplies for children of military personnel.

Through Thursday, Aug. 14, purchase school supplies at participating Dollar Trees and place them in store collection boxes. Operation Homefront volunteers collect and distribute the supplies in August and September.

Information:
www.operationhomefront.net.

Coldwater Creek closing

Coldwater Creek, in Dana Park in Mesa and Chandler Fashion Center, is in the final days of a bankruptcy liquidation sale.

Bargain hunters can save as much as 80 percent on women's clothes and accessories. Store furniture and fixtures are also on sale.

Information:
www.coldwatercreek.com.

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