



Cactus Weekly Update



Councilmember Ian Hugh, Glendale Arizona

January 4, 2013

Mayor & Council Installation Ceremony. All residents are invited to attend the Mayor and City Council Installation Ceremony on Tuesday, January 15, 2013, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. [Click here](#) to fill out the online RSVP now.



Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party Rocks Downtown Glendale

January 12. Glitters holiday light display concludes with a rockin' block party, Glendale Glitter and Glow, on Jan. 12, from 4-10 p.m. with fun for the whole family! This will be the last night to see the lights until next season.

Take in the stunning 1.5 million lights along with more than 20 hot air balloons glowing brightly amidst the trees throughout 16 blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale. A highlight for visitors will be specially-shaped balloons, as well as mass glows, in which the balloon pilots will fire the balloons all at once to create an illuminating spectacle.

The dazzling scene of vibrant glowing colors and twinkling lights, combined with musical performances and delicious food and beverages, will be a feast for the senses. Thousands of people are expected to stroll along the closed downtown streets and watch tethered balloons, enjoying ten different bands performing rock, blues, reggae, country and jazz music as well as vibrant street performers for a climactic finale to a festive season. [Click here](#) for the entertainment line-up.

Glendale Glitter & Glow is produced by Glendale's Office of Special Events, and sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona, The Arizona Republic, ABC15, Monster Energy Drink, KOOL, KMLE, JAMZ, Buick-GMC, Sedona Pines, Diamond Resorts, Glendale Community College, the Phoenix Coyotes and Camelback-Ranch Glendale.

For more information, call the Special Events Hotline at 623-930-2299 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events.

More Than 100 New Year's Resolutions Solutions. What's your New Year's resolution? Lose weight? Exercise more? Improve your wellbeing? Spend more time with your family? Learn a hobby? Do something creative? Whatever your goals for 2013, Glendale Parks, Recreation and Library Services has more than 100 ways to help you reach them.

For information on all the solutions available to you and your family, call parks and recreation at 623-930-2820, the Glendale libraries at 623-930-3530 or [click here](#).

Free HOA Training. The City of Glendale, in partnership with Mulcahy Law Firm, is offering a free four-week HOA Training Academy this February. Serving on a homeowners' association board can be intimidating, yet to function well, boards need to have residents who are knowledgeable and willing to serve. Helping build that knowledge base and the pool of willing residents is the motivation behind this free HOA training series. Each of the classes in the series focuses on a different topic, including:

- The Business of the Community Association
- The ABC's of CC&R Enforcement
- Top 10 Common Errors Boards Make
- Creating a Successful Community through Proper Documentation

The series will run every Wednesday, Feb. 6-27, from 6 to 8 p.m. All classes will be held at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St.

Registration is open until Jan. 30. Early registration is encouraged as only a limited number of seats are available. To register, visit www.glendaleaz.com/education and click on "HOA Training" to print out an application, or call 623-930-2868 to receive an application by mail or fax.

To date, more than 500 people have taken the training to gain the tools needed to more effectively manage and lead their HOA. This training will be taught by HOA attorneys from the Mulcahy Law Firm. The classes are free to Glendale residents and cost only \$20 for non-residents.

Around Town

Council Meetings and Workshops. To review the posted agenda and web video of Council Workshops and meetings, please [click here](#).

Phoenix Artists Guild Show at Glendale Adult Center. An art exhibit juried by the Phoenix Artists Guild is on display through Feb. 1 at the Glendale Adult Center. This exhibit is open to the public for viewing and features many fine pieces for sale as well.

The show is open to the public during the Glendale Adult Center hours of Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The center is located at 5970 W. Brown St.

The Phoenix Artists Guild encourages the appreciation of fine art by offering exhibits to the public. The Guild also promotes ethical principles and practices of original art in all its forms, promotes educational programs in all areas of fine arts, along with camaraderie, cooperation and encouragement among artists.

For more information on the Phoenix Artists Guild, visit www.phoenixartistsguild.com.



Rose Pruning Demonstrations this Weekend. Consulting rosarians will be on hand this weekend to demonstrate rose pruning techniques, reveal the secrets of growing beautiful roses and answer your questions. Join the Rose Society of Glendale from 8-10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 5 or 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, Jan. 6 at Sahuaro Ranch Park, 9802 N. 59th Avenue.

6th Annual Health & Wellness Fair. Join us for the Health & Wellness Fair from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 12, at Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. Get the knowledge that will help you become healthier while getting free services such as chair massages and blood pressure checks. Find out more about natural and organic products, dentists, local cancer advocates, personal trainers, chiropractic services, holistic services, energy drinks, area health care professionals and more all in one location. FREE and open to the public. For more information, call 623-930-4608.

Free Energy-Saving Devices at Winter Classes. Learn easy tips on how to save energy in your home by attending a Simple Savings Energy Class. Glendale residents who attend a class will be given a free high efficiency showerhead, a programmable thermostat and a four-pack of CFL bulbs. Hundreds of Glendale residents have already taken the class, learning how to put energy dollars back in their pockets. The class will be offered at the Glendale Main Library at 5959 W. Brown St. from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan 17, 2013. To register, call 623-930-3760.

Local Romance Authors at the Library. With Valentine's Day and Glendale's Chocolate Affaire approaching, it's a good time to pick up a romance novel. Show support for local authors as they discuss and sign their small-press and self-published romance novels at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26 at Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

Authors will have approximately five minutes each to promote their book with a group signing afterward.

The program is free, but books will be available for purchase and signing. For more information, call 623-930-3439.

Also be sure to visit the Glendale Chocolate Affaire held at the park surrounding Velma Teague Library, Feb. 8-10, which will feature the largest gathering of romance novelists in the Southwest.

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