

Cactus Weekly Update



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Glendale City Prosecutor Recognized for DUI Prosecutions. Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) awarded Glendale's City Prosecutor Rob Walecki with the MADD DUI Enforcement Award last month. Walecki received the award for his work prosecuting thousands of cases against drivers under the influence during his 19 year tenure in the Glendale City Prosecutor's Office.

In nearly two decades of prosecuting for the City of Glendale, Walecki has worked closely with the Glendale Police Department to ensure successful convictions of impaired drivers. The award also recognized Walecki for his role as a victim advocate and his tireless work to support victims of impaired drivers.

"MADD is — at its core — a grassroots organization, and our lifesaving work depends on the dedication and passion of those around the country who serve in a variety of roles," MADD National President, Jan Withers said.

Additionally, Walecki's commitment to stop impaired drivers extends out of the courtroom. He visits Glendale schools to speak with students about the criminal justice system and has candid discussions about the harmful effects of underage drinking and the results of making bad decisions.

Glendale & the West Valley Showcased in Arizona's Only Welcome Center. Tourists and visitors entering Arizona through New Mexico will now get a greeting and a grand introduction to Glendale and the West Valley.

The Painted Cliffs Welcome Center, which is the state's only official welcome center, is now home to items showcasing the sports, culture and history of Glendale and the West Valley. The display is part of a partnership between the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Arizona Office of Tourism. The Painted Cliffs Welcome Center is on Interstate 40 in the town of Lupton.

The Painted Cliffs Welcome Center staff helps more than 100,000 visitors each year with travel information, maps and guides.

Glendale and the West Valley has established itself as a sports and entertainment destination with the Super Bowl, the Fiesta Bowl, the Arizona Coyotes and a future NCAA basketball Final Four and a College Football Playoff Championship game.

Learn more about the [Painted Cliffs Welcome Center](#). Explore all Glendale and the West Valley has to offer through [VisitGlendale.com](#). And take a virtual tour of the state on the website for the [Arizona Office of Tourism](#).

Glendale 11 & CBS 5 Continue to Team Up for Broadcast Blitz to Showcase City's Preparedness for Super Bowl XLIX. With just weeks to go before Super Bowl XLIX, Glendale's city TV station, Glendale 11, and CBS 5 (KPHO-TV) are continuing their partnership with a brand new series of reports showcasing how Glendale and its regional partners are preparing to host Arizona's third Super Bowl.

Back in 2008, Glendale 11 and CBS 5 teamed up on a similar initiative leading up to that Super Bowl, which was also held in Glendale. Those stories were recognized with a Rocky Mountain Emmy Award and honors from the government television industry association, the National Association of Telecommunications and Advisors (NATOA). This past fall, Glendale 11 produced an original wave of seven weeks' worth of stories, which aired on CBS 5. The stories also continue to run on both Glendale 11, the city's website and on the city's YouTube channel.

CBS 5 plans to air the second wave of four exclusive stories after NFL playoff games each Sunday in January. The first story aired on January 4th. The Glendale's Got Game Super Bowl stories will also air on 3TV, which is owned by CBS 5's parent company Meredith Corporation.

All of the stories airing on CBS 5 and 3TV will also be featured on Glendale 11 TV and online at [www.glendaleaz.com](#). For more information or to watch the stories online, visit [www.glendalesgotgame.com](#) or check out the City of Glendale YouTube Channel at My Glendale 11.



Around Town

The Associated Press Photo Exhibit Makes a Touchdown at Gallery Glendale! The host city of the 2015 Super Bowl is gearing up for the big game with “Super Moments, Superstars, Super Game — An Associated Press Photo Exhibit” at Gallery Glendale. Located inside Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd., the Gallery will be open from 6-9 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays in January. It will also be open on Pro Bowl game day, Sunday, January 25, and on Super Bowl Sunday, February 1, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The City of Glendale proudly presents this exhibit of 50 compelling AP images, including a photo from every championship game since the first game in 1967. The public is cordially invited to the opening celebration on Friday, January 9, from 6-9 p.m. *Relive* the trials and triumphs of these iconic moments as Arizona embarks in hosting its third Super Bowl.

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Gallery Glendale at Westgate is made possible through a partnership between the City of Glendale and Westgate Entertainment District. The Gallery is located next to Cold Stone Creamery. Admission to the gallery is free and open to the public. For more information, call 623-930-3557 or visit www.glendaleaz.com/galleryglendale. For more information about the Pro Bowl and Super Bowl hosted by Glendale, visit www.visitglendale.com/superbowl/index.html.

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