



# Cactus Weekly Update



Councilmember Ian Hugh, Glendale Arizona

January 11, 2013

**Residents Invited to Attend Installation Ceremony.** Glendale's new mayor and three councilmembers will be sworn into office at 7 p.m. Tuesday, January 15, 2013 to officially begin their four-year terms on the City Council.

Residents are invited to attend the installation ceremony for Mayor-elect Jerry Weiers, Yucca District Councilmember-elect Sam Chavira, Cactus District Councilmember Ian Hugh and Sahuaro District Councilmember-elect Gary Sherwood.

The ceremony will be held in the Council Chambers at Glendale City Hall, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue. Coffee and cake will be served immediately following the ceremony.

## *From The Heart*



### **Social Service Agencies Invited to From The Heart Grant Application Workshop.**

Representatives from social service agencies that provide services to Glendale residents are invited to a workshop on Friday, January 18 to learn how to apply for From The Heart grant funds. The workshop will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Glendale City Hall, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. Grant applications will be available at the workshop. Applications can also be downloaded online by visiting [www.glendaleaz.com/fromtheheart](http://www.glendaleaz.com/fromtheheart) and clicking on documents. In order to be considered for funding, social service agencies must be non-profit 501(c)3 organizations that serve Glendale residents. Agencies must also be operational for at least two years prior to applying for grant funds, which range from \$2,500 to \$20,000.

The deadline to submit a completed application packet is 4 p.m. Friday, March 15.

From The Heart's mission is to promote the positive development of youth, strengthen the capabilities of families and assist residents in addressing crisis needs. The program is a partnership with Glendale residents and businesses, the Gila River Indian Community and the city of Glendale. Funds are raised through the generosity of residents, who add \$1 to their monthly city utility bill payments, and through corporate donations.

The Gila River Indian Community is providing a \$75,000 match to the funds raised through resident and business donations.

For more information on the From The Heart grant application process, call 623-915-3711 or e-mail [paulafmoloff@gmail.com](mailto:paulafmoloff@gmail.com).

**Annual Songwriters Event.** The Glendale Main Library will become a powerhouse of song and music during the 17th Annual Arizona Songwriters Gathering event from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 19.

The gathering is free and offers live musical performances on two stages throughout the day. Songwriters perform in front of audiences and their peers, gaining an opportunity to showcase their talents and entertain. Songwriters will also have the opportunity to receive song critiques and experience lectures and workshops from some of the best names in the songwriting business.

The free workshops and lectures are designed for songwriters and others interested in the business and include topics such as crafting songs, getting songs into film and television, music technology and using social media to market music. The event is a collaboration between the Glendale Main Library and the Arizona Songwriters Association.

People come from across the country to attend this annual gathering started as an event held by Phoenix at Encanto Park. It was moved in 2009 to the Glendale library after changes in Phoenix would have required it to be a fee-based event.

The ASA's mission is to help songwriters learn more about writing songs and what to do with them once they're written. The association helps connect songwriters with other writers, musicians, singers, recording engineers, producers and others that are essential to the industry. The Glendale Main Library is located at 5959 W. Brown St. Angie's Dog Haus will provide food and refreshments for sale during this event. For more information, call 623-930-3573 or visit ASA at [azsongwriters.com](http://azsongwriters.com).

# Around Town

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**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 February 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](http://www.phoenixartistsguild.com).

**Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party Rocks Downtown Glendale.** Glendale 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!

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.

For more information, call the Special Events Hotline at 623-930-2299 or visit [www.glendaleaz.com/events](http://www.glendaleaz.com/events).



**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.

**Live at the Library: Starry Messenger – The Life of Galileo.** Enjoy the entertainment of Hannes Kvaran presenting “Starry Messenger,” a one-man musical based on the life of Galileo, the famous Italian scientist. Hannes lives in Glendale and teaches economics at Glendale Community College. “Starry messenger” will be presented on Thursday, January 24 at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

**Acoustic Jam.** Join us for the Acoustic Jam from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Bring your acoustic instrument and play round-robin style. The public is also invited to enjoy the music. For more information, call 623-930-3573.

**Childsplay Theatre: Recipe for Disaster.** Join us with theatre troupe, Childsplay, as two “master” chefs’ constant arguing makes a mess of an important exam for one struggling young apprentice. Culinary chaos ensues, as one chef struggles to top another and the apprentice tries desperately to convince them to put down their spatulas and work together. This hilarious new play mixes physical comedy and music tossed with a dash of improvisation teaching civility in a most delicious way. This free performance is recommended for grades 2-12; audience members of all ages are welcome. The performance of “Recipe for Disaster” will be held from 6 to 7 p.m., Monday, Feb 4 at Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57<sup>th</sup> Ave. For more information, call 623-930-3837.

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