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GLENDALE RECOGNIZED AS *BEST IN THE WEST*

GLENDALE, Ariz - Strong leadership, skilled creativity and innovation brought recognition once again to Mayor Scruggs, Glendale's Marketing Team and the Parks and Recreation Department at the *Best of the West* awards ceremony.

The West Valley leaders accepted their awards during WESTMARC's 15th anniversary awards ceremony, presented by Cox Communications. The event was at the newly opened Renaissance Hotel, Conference and Media Center in Glendale.

The 2007 Chairman's Award went to Mayor Elaine Scruggs for her "forward looking leadership for tomorrow's Glendale." The city's marketing department was recognized for its creation and implementation of the "Glendale's Got Game" campaign, which brought the city unprecedented media coverage. The Parks and Recreation Department was honored for its outstanding contributions to the community with the new Foothills Aquatics and Recreation Center.

There were nearly 80 nominations in eight categories; including Architectural Innovation, Arts, Culture and Entertainment, Attractions, Destinations and Tourism; Building Business; Education; Leadership; Service to Communities; and Sports categories.

Award winners were noted for their contributions to Western Maricopa County's growth and economic development. For more information about Glendale, visit www.glendaleaz.com.

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