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“GLENDALE UNIVERSITY” OFFERS BEHIND-THE-SCENES LOOK AT CITY GOVERNMENT *City program celebrates 20TH Anniversary*

Glendale, Ariz. – Glendale University 101, an 11-session program sponsored by Cox Communications, is accepting applications now through Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2017. Classes begin on Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2017, and offer a close-up behind-the-scenes look at the inner workings of city government.

Glendale University 101 has been an ongoing educational program since 1997 and celebrates its 20th Anniversary in the new year. Citizens who have participated have gone on to serve in many leadership roles within the city, including Glendale boards, commissions and City Council. Nearly 1000 people have participated in the program since its inception.

Glendale residents and city business owners can sign up for Glendale University (GU) to learn more about city government directly from the mayor, councilmembers, city manager and top city staff.

GU 101 classes are held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning Feb. 1, 2017 and run through April 12, 2017. One class is held Tuesday, March 28, 2017, to coincide with an official City Council meeting.

The series kicks off with an opportunity to get to know Mayor Jerry Weiers and the city’s councilmembers. Subsequent sessions cover a variety of city services, including public safety, libraries, parks and recreation, water services, city courts, neighborhood services, public works, economic development, utilities, community services, finance and budget, elections and public records, tourism, public affairs and much more.

The classes are free and limited in size to encourage interaction between attendees and the elected officials and city staff who teach each unit. To participate in GU 101, you must be a Glendale resident age 16 or older or own a business in Glendale. Attendees who complete nine of the 11 GU 101 classes will be honored during a graduation ceremony on the final night of class.

The deadline to register for Glendale University 101 is Jan. 25, 2017. Register online at <http://www.glendaleaz.com/neighborhoodservices/GlendaleUniversity.cfm>. For more information or to request an application, please email glendaleuniversity@glendaleaz.com.

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