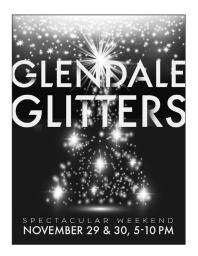


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## **Glendale Glitters Spectacular** Kicks Off a Breathtaking Display of Holiday Lights in Downtown Glendale November 29 & 30



Glendale's holiday lighting event has become a family tradition across the Valley and state, and this year the celebration kicks off on Friday and Saturday, November 29 and 30, from 5 - 10 p.m. each evening.

Glendale Glitters offers free admission and free parking shuttles for the opening weekend. Visitors will find their traditional festival favorites, including holiday entertainment, food, seasonal gifts, a children's snowfield, holiday storytelling, a Home Depot Kids Workshop and, the big guy himself, Santa Claus. The Countdown to Glendale Glitters stage show begins on Friday, November 29 at 5:30 p.m.

Free parking shuttles are available for the opening weekend from Glendale Community College, located at 59th and Olive avenues in the north parking lots. Access is from 59th Avenue, north of Olive Avenue. Downtown Glendale remains lit nightly through January 11. INFO: 623-930-2299 or glendaleaz.com

## Glendale Collects Cell Phones for America Recycles Day

Time to clean out the drawers for those old cell phones! In celebration of America Recycles Day on November 15, Glendale has developed a special cell phone recycling program, which will run the entire month of November. The public is encouraged to drop off old cell phones at Gila River Arena at Gate 3 on the Northwest corner of the building, Glendale Community College or at any of



Glendale's four public libraries. The cell phones will then go to the Glendale Family Advocacy Center to be refurbished and will become available for victims of stalking and domestic violence. Statistics show that cell phones are replaced approximately after only 18 months of use. It is important to keep cell phones out of landfills. INFO: 623-930-2660

### Valley Metro 101 November 19

Learn how Valley Metro buses, Gus, Glendale Dial-A-Ride, and light rail can take you around the Valley. Valley Metro and the City of Glendale are committed to help you learn the transit system. Training sessions include an overview of Valley Metro services, fares, trip planning, vehicle features, accessibility and more. Join us at the Velma Teague Library (7010 N. 58th Avenue) on Tuesday, November 19 at 4 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3508

### Glendale Police 2019 G.A.I.N. Kickoff

Join us Saturday. November 2 from 1 – 4 p.m. at Sahuaro Ranch Park (9802 N. 59th Ave.) as we celebrate Neighborhood Watch and the success of crime prevention through community involvement. G.A.I.N. (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods) is an annual event designed to heighten crime awareness, generate support and participate in local anti-crime efforts by uniting community members to help create safer neighborhoods. This year, the City of Glendale invites neighborhoods, businesses, civic groups and local officials to join us for the GAIN Kickoff & Fall Festival event at one central location. This event is designed to show support, create new and positive relationships in the community and motivate leaders to go out and promote cooperative, police/community crime prevention efforts. This free event will have music, refreshments, raffles, display and information booths, emergency response vehicles and fun activities for the entire family including havrides, pumpkin decorating and more.

Following the GAIN Kickoff & Fall Festival, we encourage the community to go back to their neighborhoods and host a block party, cookout and/or neighborhood walk for GAIN, to share and promote safety and awareness of community issues, and increase neighborhood communication. This is a time to turn on your porch lights, go out into your neighborhood and get to know your neighbors. INFO: 623-930-3380

## A Message from Mayor Jerry P. Weiers



#### GLENDALE PARADE FUN FOR ALL & BENEFITS LOCAL FOOD BANK

You are invited to enjoy the 7th Annual Hometown Christmas Parade that will be held along Glendale Avenue between 52nd Avenue and 59th Avenue on December 14, 2019. Spectators of all ages are encouraged to find their spot before the parade starts at 11 a.m. and then enjoy the 120 plus parade floats highlighting local schools, service organizations and businesses in Glendale.

The Parade also directly supports the local food bank with the parade's proceeds and food drive donations benefitting the Hope for Hunger Food Bank at 5605 N. 55th Avenue in Glendale and we are asking for your assistance to gather food for this year's parade. Last year's efforts were a huge success. We raised over \$20,000 that Hope for Hunger Food Bank used to purchase food throughout the year and we also gathered more than 25,000 pounds of food for their shelves. We are asking for your help collect canned goods for Hope for Hunger. You can either pick up and return collection boxes to City Hall or you may also bring your boxes to the parade and drop off at one of the collection points.

On behalf of those in need, thank you for your participation. Together we can make a positive difference in the lives of those most vulnerable in our city. For more information on how to be involved in the parade, support the food drive or watch the parade, check out our website at www.hcparade.org.

In Your Service, Jerry P. Weiers, Glendale Mayor

# 23rd Annual Holiday Open House: *A Christmas Village* in Historic Downtown Glendale November 9

Old Towne and Catlin Court will be transformed into a Christmas Village on Saturday, November 9 from noon – 8 p.m. in Historic Downtown Glendale with fun for all ages. Enjoy early bird shopping from 10 a.m. – noon. Start your holiday shopping and enjoy complimentary gift wrapping at many of the locally owned shops. Find delicious treats at the wide variety of restaurants and view the dazzling holiday shop window displays throughout the area. Returning this year, follow the 'Tree Trail' featuring festive retro-themed trees in front of many of the shops and eateries and delight in a synchronized storefront lighting ceremony at 5:30 p.m. (sundown). Activities include make and take crafts for all ages, holiday music and ornament-making for the Patriotic Community Tree. Start at the Portable Information Booth (5836 W. Palmaire) to pick up the activity list and event map. Admission is free, however, some-make-and-take crafts have a nominal fee. INFO: visitdowntownglendale.com

#### **Big Band Grandstand**

Foothills Library, Roadrunner Room (19055 N. 57th Ave.)

Become a part of Foothills Library's Big Band, rehearsing and performing a variety of popular big band tunes every Monday (excluding holidays) from 1 - 3 p.m. Musicians who can sight-read charts are encouraged to sign up, and everyone else is invited to attend rehearsals as part of our audience. All players must bring their own music stands and instruments. For more information or to sign up, please email bigbandgrandstand@ gmail.com. INFO: 623-930-3600

#### The Magnificent Seven: 4 Guys, 3 Guitars November 16

Velma Teague Library, E. Lowell Rogers Amphitheatre (7010 N. 58th Ave.)

Come enjoy live music in the E. Lowell Rogers Amphitheatre, located right outside the Velma Teague Library, on Saturday, November 16, from 1-2 p.m. Glendale singer/songwriters Calvin Rainwater, Ronnie Hazelett and Doug Barnett will team up to take back the city with outlaw country, western and rock, while performance poet Harryzona makes a special guest appearance. This concert is funded by the City of Glendale through its annual Performing Arts Partnership Program. INFO: 623-930-3600

# Photography Lighting November 23

Heroes Regional Park Library Yucca Room (6075 N. 83rd Ave.)

Improve your photo outcomes! On Saturday, November 23, from 2 – 3 p.m. at Heroes Regional Park Library, professional photographer Patricia Thornham will teach techniques of Arizona landscape photography, including how to deal with unwanted glare and reflections. Registration begins November 1. INFO: 623-930-3600

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