

The *Keeping Glendale Residents Connected* Connection January 2014



Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party

Glendale Glitter & Glow Block Party Rocks Downtown Glendale January 11th

Glow, Baby, Glow! Glendale Glitters holiday light display concludes with a rockin' block party, Glendale Glitter and Glow, on Jan. 11, 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.

The dazzling scene of vibrant glowing colors and twinkling lights, combined with musical performances and delicious food and beverages, will be a feast for the senses. Thousands of people are expected to stroll along the closed downtown streets and watch tethered balloons, enjoying ten different incredibly talented bands performing rock, blues, reggae, country and jazz music as well as vibrant street performers for a climactic finale to a festive season.

Glendale Glitter & Glow is produced by Glendale's Office of Special Events, and sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona, SRP, Valley Buick-GMC, Sears Vacations, The Arizona Republic, Monster Energy Drinks, ABC-15, KOOL, KMLE, JAMZ, Camelback-Ranch Glendale and the Phoenix Coyotes. INFO: glendaleaz.com/events or 623-930-2299



Volunteer on MLK Day. A Day On, Not Off Project

Each year, Glendale's Neighborhood & Human Services Office partners with HandsOn Greater Phoenix to bring together more than 200 volunteers to participate in the MLK Day, A Day On, Not Off project at Sahuaro Ranch Park. Volunteers pick citrus that is donated to St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance to help feed the hungry. Last year, volunteers picked close to 30,000 pounds of grapefruit. During his lifetime, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. worked tirelessly toward a dream of equality. The King Day of Service is a way to transform Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life and teachings into community service that helps solve social problems. To volunteer, contact HandsOn Greater Phoenix at handsonphoenix.org



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Coyotes Make Playoff Push!

With their sights set on qualifying for the Stanley Cup Playoffs in April, the Coyotes will plow through the second half of the season with several key homestands at Jobing.com Arena on their schedule.

They'll also have a nice break in February as the NHL shuts down for two-plus weeks so its players – including some of the Coyotes - can participate in the 2014 Winter Olympics. Just before the break for the Games, the Coyotes will play a key three-game homestand vs. Pittsburgh (on Feb. 1), Dallas (on Feb. 4) and then Chicago (on Feb. 7). All three opponents are considered contenders for the playoffs, so the Coyotes will be tested as they seek momentum heading into the hiatus.

Soon after the NHL season resumes, the Coyotes will be back on home ice for another key three-game stretch against three more likely playoff teams: St. Louis (on March 2), Vancouver (on March 4) and Montreal (on March 6).

Last but not least, the Coyotes will close the 2013-14 regular season with two home games on back-to-back nights - vs. San Jose (on April 12) and vs. Dallas (on April 13). These two games in Glendale likely will be critical for the Coyotes as they jockey for playoff position in Western Conference standings.

The players are hopeful fans will continue to come out to Jobing.com Arena to support them as they look to secure a spot in the playoffs. To view the schedule or purchase tickets, visit coyotes.nhl.com.



A Message from Mayor Jerry Weiers

From the Heart

One of the things in our City I am most proud of is a program we have called From the Heart. This program allows Glendale residents to help Glendale residents by adding \$1 to their water bill. From the Heart helps thousands of residents by funding organizations that provide support to families and individuals.

From the Heart is funded entirely through donations from Glendale residents and a grant from the Gila River Indian Community. A few of the organizations that benefit from your generous donations are: Big Brothers Big Sisters, Hospice of the Valley, St. Mary's Food Bank, the Salvation Army, and the YWCA.

However, the need for help is more than what From the Heart can fund. Contributing is as easy as adding \$1 to your water bill. And even \$1 can make a difference helping a child at a shelter or a family at a food bank.

You can also mail a separate check in any amount to From the Heart c/o Glendale's Customer Service Office, 5850 W Glendale Ave., Glendale, AZ 85301. I am asking that you lend a hand to your fellow Glendale residents and consider making a cash donation to From the Heart.

Please join me in supporting a program that helps so many children, families, and individuals in need.

As always, you can reach me by phone at 623-930-2260 or email at mayorweiers@glendaleaz.com. You can also follow me on Facebook ([facebook.com/MayorWeiers](https://www.facebook.com/MayorWeiers)) or Twitter (@MayorWeiers).

In your service,
Mayor Jerry P. Weiers

Glendale Residents Offered Exclusive Pre-Sale Tickets at Camelback Ranch – Glendale!

Everybody knows that living in Glendale has its perks. Beautiful weather, top sports and entertainment destinations, and a vibrant downtown. Here's another special benefit just for you! Between January 6-12, 2014, Glendale residents can enjoy an exclusive pre-sale opportunity to purchase 2014 Dodgers and White Sox Spring Training tickets before they go on-sale to the public.

That's not all. During this exclusive pre-sale period, Glendale residents will receive a \$5 price discount over day-of-gameticket prices. To take advantage of this offer, visit CamelbackRanchBaseball.com and select the "Buy Your Tickets" link on the home page. Use your personal passcode, "GLENDALE" when ordering. This offer is exclusive to Glendale residents only! If you'd like to receive special offers from Camelback Ranch-Glendale and the Los Angeles Dodgers and Chicago White Sox, sign-up for the Camelback Insider newsletter at CamelbackRanchBaseball.com!



Options for Paying Your City Water Bill

Did you know you can pay your water bill online or on our automated phone line?

Automated phone payment – (623) 930-3639

Online Payments – <https://myutility.glendaleaz.com/login.asp>

Direct payment (Surepay) – <http://www.glendaleaz.com/finance/documents/SUREPAY0606.pdf>

Free Winter Class Sampler

Experience a FREE week and sample special interest activities January 6-11, provided by the Glendale Parks, Recreation & Library Services Department. Featured classes include Zumba, boot camps, yoga, dance and more. INFO: 623-930-4613

For a complete listing of city events, activities and meetings, visit glendaleaz.com/calendar.

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