

Cityline

Glendale Receives Federal Funding For Countdown Pedestrian Signals

Glendale will soon receive funding through the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) from the federal government to install pedestrian countdown signals at 23 intersections. This project will increase safety for pedestrians and drivers. Pedestrian countdown signals use flashing numbers to countdown the number of seconds remaining until the end of the pedestrian crossing phase at a signalized intersection. With the addition of these countdown signals, pedestrians can judge whether they have enough time to complete their crossing and adjust their speed accordingly. INFO: 623-930-2940 or glendaleaz.com/transportation

VIN Etching Event

Bring your vehicle and proof of ownership to Arrowhead Towne Center on Saturday, November 6 for free Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching. VIN Etching is the process of permanently etching a vehicle's 17-digit vehicle ID number on each piece of window glass on your vehicle to deter auto theft. Event hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. INFO: 623-930-2571.

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Award-Winning

Glendale Glitters

Illuminates the Valley!

What is synonymous with holiday fun on Thanksgiving weekend in the Valley of the Sun? Glendale Glitters! The stunning display of 1.5 million lights will illuminate sixteen blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale, making it the largest free holiday light display in Arizona, and it all kicks off November 26-27 from 5 to 10 p.m. Free admission and free shuttles make Glendale Glitters one of the best-loved festivals in Arizona year after year. In fact, the event was named *azcentral.com's* Critics' Choice for the Best Festival in the Valley in 2008.

Visitors of all ages will delight in holiday entertainment, delectable food, hand-crafted holiday gifts, a children's winter wonderland, horse-drawn carriage rides, shopping and, of course, visits with Jolly Ol' St. Nick. The always-entertaining stage show counts down to the lighting ceremony on Friday evening, November 26 beginning at 5:30 p.m. The glittering magic of Glendale's holiday display remains lit nightly through January 8, from 5 to 10 p.m. INFO: 623-930-2299 or glendaleaz.com/events



The holiday magic continues with more events in downtown Glendale, each Friday and Saturday, from 6-10 p.m.

Dec. 3-4:

Glendale's Gingerbread Nights

Dec. 10-11:

Glendale's Spirit of Giving Weekend

Dec. 17-18:

Glendale's Jingle Bell Rockin' Nights

Annual Holiday Open House November 13

Start your holiday shopping at the Annual Holiday Open House in Historic Downtown Glendale. Enjoy spectacular shopping, delicious dining, museum and cultural attractions and plenty of free parking. Event hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shops throughout Old Towne, Catlin Court and the Promenade at Palmyra will be decorated and filled with gifts, decorations, home décor and all your needs for the holidays. Many shops will have refreshments, special promotions, gifts and prizes. INFO: 623-930-4500 or visitglendale.com

Community Education Expo

Saturday, December 4, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Start the New Year by discovering a new talent or skill. Plan now to attend this FREE expo., where you can explore a variety of cultural, culinary, language, music, and personal development offerings. It's a fun family event with hands-on opportunities for all ages and an opportunity to learn about the Special Interest Classes offered by Glendale Parks and Recreation. INFO: 623-930-4612.

A Message from Mayor Elaine Scruggs



Air Force Selects Luke AFB as Preferred Location for F-35, Historic Thunderbird Tower Restoration Project

The City of Glendale is a dynamic, progressive, successful city because of your participation and I want to thank you for your continued interest. This month I would like to ask for your continued involvement in two ongoing efforts.

As you know, the U. S. Air Force recently announced Luke Air Force Base as its preferred location for the F-35 Pilot Training Center. Public support played a key role in this decision. The Luke Forward Campaign was developed to show how much Arizona supports Luke and recognizes its vital role in our nation's defense and our state's economy. There is a lot of work yet to be done and you can help with the efforts by signing up as a Luke supporter or, if you are a business owner, submitting a letter of support. Both can be easily accomplished on lukeforward.com.

Another project for which I am asking your participation is the Historic Thunderbird Tower Restoration Project. Thunderbird School of Global Management is an extraordinary piece of our history and a valuable community partner. It began as Thunderbird Field 1, a training base for World War II pilots. The historic tower building in the center of campus once served as the Air Control Tower. It is being restored to once again be a center of activity. You can become a part of Glendale's history by making a contribution in any amount and having your name placed on a donor wall. Find more information on our website at glendaleaz.com or on Thunderbird's website at thunderbird.edu/tower.

Around the Horn

Glendale Adult Center AARP Tax-Aide Site Seeks Volunteers for 2010

The Glendale Adult Center AARP Tax-Aide Site at 5970 W. Brown Street, a free, volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service is seeking volunteers to assist in tax assistance and preparation and to become leadership coordinators. Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds are welcome. You do not need to be an AARP member or retiree to volunteer.

For more information on how you can join the AARP Tax-Aide team, contact Nancy Gililland at 623 584-9823, or 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277), or visit aztax-aidе.org/Pages/Volunteer.html. AARP Tax-Aide is a program of the AARP Foundation, offered in conjunction with the IRS.

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

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Deposit Your Old Cell Phones November 1 - 30

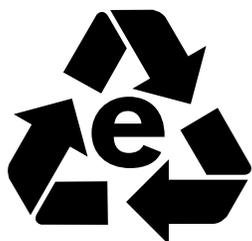
corner of the building, or at any of Glendale's three public libraries. The Glendale Police Department's Family Advocacy Center will collect and arrange the phones for recycling. Once the cell phones are refurbished, they will become available for victims of stalking and domestic violence. For more information, contact Glendale's Sanitation Division at 623-930-2660.

Glendale Collects Cell Phones for America Recycles Day

Time to clean out your 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. Did you know that on average, cell phones are replaced approximately after only 18-months of use? The public is encouraged to drop off old cell phones at Jobing.com Arena, Gate 3 on the Northwest

Electronic Recycling Event on November 13

The City of Glendale is hosting an electronic recycling event on Saturday, November 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Glendale Community College. Items accepted are computers, power supplies, cell phones and accessories, electronic games and equipment, televisions, stereos, speakers, DVD and VCR players and batteries. INFO: 623-930-2660 or glendaleaz.com/recycling



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