

Glendale  
Glitters



## Award-Winning Glendale Glitters Illuminates the Valley November 27–28

What captures the magic of holiday lights in the Valley of the Sun better than Glendale Glitters? Glendale's award-winning holiday festival has become a family tradition across the Valley and state, and this year the celebration kicks off on Friday, November 27 and Saturday, November 28, from 5–10 p.m. each evening. The stunning display of 1.5 million LED lights will illuminate sixteen blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale, making it the largest free holiday light display in Arizona. Free admission and free shuttles make this award-winning event family friendly.

Visitors of all ages will delight in holiday entertainment, delectable food, hand-crafted holiday gifts, a children's winter wonderland and petting zoo, shopping and, of course, visits with Jolly Ol' St. Nick.

The always entertaining stage show will feature special honored guests to help flip on the lights, as we count down to the lighting ceremony on Friday evening, November 27 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The glittering magic of Glendale's holiday display remains lit nightly through January 9, from 5–11 p.m. each evening. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58th and Glendale avenues. **INFO:** 623-930-2299 or [glendaleaz.com/events](http://glendaleaz.com/events)

Glendale Glitters is sponsored by APS, Cerreta Candy Company, Arizona Republic, ABC15/KNXV, KMLE, KOOL, Live 101.5, Kalil Bottling, Camelback Ranch-Glendale and the Arizona Coyotes. Free Shuttles sponsored by Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona.

### December Weekends: Friday and Saturday nights from 6 – 10 p.m.

*December 4 – 5: Glendale's Jingle Bell Rockin' Nights • December 11 – 12: Glendale's Winter Wonderland Weekend  
December 18 – 19: Glendale's Spirit of Giving Weekend*

## 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, at the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau, Glendale Community College or

at any of Glendale's three 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

## Annual Open House event in Downtown Glendale November 14

Start your holiday shopping at the 19th Annual Holiday Open House in Historic Downtown Glendale on Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Enjoy spectacular shopping, delicious dining and plenty of free parking. Shops throughout Old Towne and Catlin Court will be decorated and filled with gifts, decorations, home décor and all your needs for the

holidays. In addition, the Glendale Visitor Center is collecting items for a "Treats for the Troops" drive to send holiday care packages to deployed service men and women. For a complete list of needed items and more information about the event, call 623-930-4500 or log on to [visitglendale.com](http://visitglendale.com).



## A Message from Mayor **Jerry P. Weiers**

As Mayor, I have worked hard to preserve Glendale's hometown feeling by creating and bringing back events that bring our community together – all without using taxpayer money.

Of all the events I have worked on, the one that best conveys that hometown feel is the Hometown Christmas Parade. The parade is an old-fashioned community event for the whole family—to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. And we are proud to bring it back for a third year!

While this event is not sponsored or funded by the City, it is an incredible benefit to our community. Last year's parade was a huge success that attracted more than 10,000 attendees! And more importantly, we were able to again, present a check for \$10,000 to local food bank Hope for Hunger.

And this year, the parade will be bigger and better, as it will benefit Hope for Hunger and Sanderson Ford's Operation Santa Claus. Operation Santa Claus supports St. Mary's Food Bank, Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center, Military Assistance Mission and Ronald McDonald House Charities of Phoenix.

The parade will be held on December 12, 2015, starting at 11:00 a.m. in Historic Downtown Glendale. The parade route proceeds west along Glendale Avenue, from 52nd Avenue to 58th Avenue.

If you or any organization you belong to would like to participate, please visit [www.hometownchristmasparade.org](http://www.hometownchristmasparade.org) (parade entries due by December 4).

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

In your service,  
Jerry P. Weiers  
Mayor

## **Glendale Safety Series – Holiday Safety November 4**

The Glendale Fire Department will continue their Safety Series in November with a free presentation on holiday safety on Wednesday, November 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown Street). This educational evening will feature information on the following topics: holiday cooking, decorations, holiday fire hazards, pet safety, shopping, travel and water safety. Learn to keep your home and family safe by attending this free event. Open to everyone, ages 10 and up. **INFO:** [glendaleaz.com/fire](http://glendaleaz.com/fire)

## **Mystery Shopping Class November 4**

Looking for extra income? Imagine eating at a restaurant or going to the movies and getting paid to do it. Learn what mystery shopping is, how to get started, get assignments and evaluate businesses such as restaurants, movie theaters, etc. Class is based on instructor's 15 years of experience in the field. This class is for ages 18+ and will be held on Wednesday, November 4 from 10 a.m.– 2 p.m. at the Glendale Adult Center (5970 W. Brown Street). Preregistration is required. Class price is \$35 (non-resident \$42). **INFO:** 623-930-4613

## **Foothills Coffeehouse: Live Acoustic Music November 4**

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

Join us for acoustic music performed by local musicians on Wednesday, November 4. From 6:30–8 p.m. **INFO:** 623-930-3844

## **Tell Your Story: Lego Mania November 9**

*Foothills Branch Library (19055 N. 57th Ave), Storytime Room*

Come and build Lego masterpieces with us! Work together in groups or alone to make a Lego creation. Then share a story about your creation with one another! This event will be held on Monday, November 9 from 4– 5 p.m. and is for ages 3–12. No registration is necessary. **INFO:** 623-930-3837

## **Bluegrass Jam November 6 and November 20**

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

Bring your acoustic instrument and play bluegrass, country, folk, gospel, and more round-robin style! All levels of players welcome. Audience and singers are also encouraged to attend. Join us from 1–3 p.m. on the first and third Friday of each month. **INFO:** 623-930-3844

## **Help with Ebooks and Tablets November 18**

*Foothills Branch Library (19055 N. 57th Ave), Hummingbird Room*

Drop in for help with eReader questions, including Axis 360, Greater Phoenix Digital Library and Zinio. Library staff will be on hand from 1–3 p.m., Wednesday, November 18 to offer assistance, and an assortment of the most popular readers/tablets will be available for you to explore. Bring your own device for specific advice. Working knowledge of your own device is a prerequisite. No registration is necessary. **INFO:** 623-930-3849

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