



# Barrel District Network News



Vice Mayor Yvonne Knaack - Glendale, Arizona

March 8, 2013



### Get Energized at Glendale Solar Day

March 9  
10 a.m. to Noon  
Glendale Main Library  
5959 W. Brown St.

Choosing to go solar at home is a complicated decision. We're bringing in the solar industry experts to help answer your questions and provide the latest information. Bring the kids, too! They will learn how solar energy works and take part in fun solar activities at Glendale Main Library. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Help Plan Future Transit Facilities for North Glendale.** The City of Glendale Transportation Services Department has initiated a North Glendale Park-and-Ride/Transit Center Study to determine the appropriate location and type of new transit facility(ies). Six sites have been recommended for continued assessment based on technical evaluation and public input. [Click here](#) for more information on the study and plans.

The public is being asked to provide input on potential sites to assist in the evaluation of the alternatives.

#### **Get Involved!**

Please join us at the second of three public meetings planned to gather citizen input on this new project in north Glendale.

#### **Public Meeting:**

Tuesday, March 12, 2013  
6-7:30 p.m.

Arrowhead Towne Center, 7700 W. Arrowhead Towne Center  
Suite 1184, located on the first floor next to the Oakley store

A presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m.

An informal open house will also be held from 3-6 p.m.

To provide your comments online, [click here](#).

**Free Tax Service Helps Increase Financial Stability.** Hard-working Glendale residents and families can benefit as the Valley of the Sun United Way launches its third year providing Volunteer Income Tax Assistance sites. Trained volunteers provide free tax preparation for residents to help them obtain important tax credits to use toward increasing their financial stability. The service is offered as part of United Way's strategic focus to increase financial stability and independence of individuals and families.

Taxpayers who earned up to \$50,000 in 2012 could qualify for up to \$5,800 in the Earned Income Tax Credit as part of the tax preparation. The federal government reports that only four of five EITC-qualified taxpayers claim their refund. [Click here](#) for more information.

The Valley of the Sun United Way-sponsored locations offer walk-in, first-come first-served preparation service. The Glendale locations are:

- **National Bank of Arizona**  
9878 W. Camelback Rd.  
Tuesdays 11 a.m.-3 p.m., through April 9
- **Vineyard Church**  
6250 W. Peoria Avenue  
Fridays 5- 8 p.m., through April 12

**Glendale Community Action Program and Parks, Recreation and Library Services Relocation.** The Community Action Program (CAP) will be relocating from its current location at 5949 West Northern Avenue, to Glendale City Hall, Suite B51 (Basement Level), and will open for service at this new location on Monday, April 1st. This move allows for a reduction in operating expenses while allowing CAP to continue to provide Glendale residents with convenient access to critical assistance services.

Suite B51 is the office space currently occupied by the Parks and Recreation Office and Parks, Recreation and Library Services (PRLS) administrative staff. These offices will be relocating to the Glendale Adult Center located at 5970 West Brown Street which provides a more centrally located customer service location for residents. PRLS will begin their new operations at the Adult Center on Monday, March 18th

**Still Time to Reserve Household Hazardous Waste Pick-up Appointments.** The first 750 Glendale households who schedule a home pick-up of hazardous waste can avoid having to transport toxic chemicals in their own vehicles. Twice a year, Glendale's Sanitation Division offers this free service. Glendale residents can call 623-930-2660 through March 22 to request the service. Collections will be scheduled through April 5. [Click here](#) for more information.

## *Around Town*

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**Council Meetings and Workshops.** To review the posted agenda and web video of Council Workshops and meetings, please [click here](#).

**Upcoming Water and Home Energy Efficiency Classes.** The city of Glendale's Conservation and Sustainable Living Program offers a variety of free classes for Glendale residents. [Click here](#) for upcoming events.

**Job Searching Assistance and Workshops.** Steve Schrade, former director of Human Resources for Bashas, and Estrella Mountain Community College instructor, will be available to offer coaching assistance to job seekers. These open labs include online job searching, resume writing and other job-related activities. Workshops are available at all three Glendale Library locations. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival.** Join us for the Glendale Folk & Heritage Festival from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday March 23 & 24 at [Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area](#), 9802 N. 59th Ave. Enjoy more than 150 performers featuring everything from folk and bluegrass music to cowboy poetry and storytelling or participate in a hands-on workshop. Bring your whole family to enjoy the rich music and entertainment, historic home tours and food vendors. Admission is free, call 623-930-4200 for more information. [Click here](#) for the entertainment schedule.

**Glendale Family Bike Ride – Save the Date.** One of Glendale's favorite family traditions is back! Join hundreds of riders for wonderful weather and great exercise at the annual Glendale Family Bike Ride on Sunday, April 14 at Sahuaro Ranch Park. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Upcoming Police Department Community Events**

- Safely and conveniently dispose of expired, unwanted or unused medications from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, April 27 at the following CVS Pharmacy locations: 59<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Union Hills Dr. and 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave. & Bethany Home Rd.
- Safely discard unwanted personal paperwork at the 'Shred It & Forget It' event from 8 to 11 a.m., Saturday, April 20 in the Walmart parking lot at 59<sup>th</sup> Ave. & Bell Rd.

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