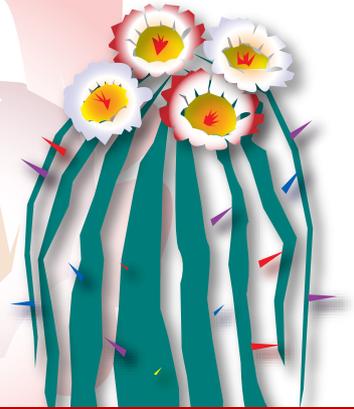




Barrel District Network News



Councilmember Bart Turner - Glendale, Arizona

May 1, 2015

Greetings,

This weekend our city is expected to reach a temperature of 100 degrees for the first time this year. With the summer months in full effect, may I remind you of some of the basic steps you can take to protect yourself and your loved ones. Please remember to stay hydrated, use sunscreen, watch little ones around water, and please provide shade and safe drinking water to your outdoor pets. Every summer dozens of humans and animals in Arizona die because of harsh summer conditions and with your help, we can keep Glendale from this awful tragedy.

There are a couple of events this weekend that I think you would find interesting.

Big Red Rib & Music Festival. The Fifth Annual Big Red Rib & Music Festival has become a springtime tradition in the West Valley! It will take place on the Great Lawn at Sportsman's Park, just outside of University of Phoenix Stadium. The four-day festival will start on Thursday, April 30th and run through Sunday, May 3rd. [Click here](#) for information on Rib teams, ticket info and parking instructions.

Opening Celebration of the City of Glendale Employee Art Exhibit. Gallery Glendale Westgate, located at 9380 West Westgate Boulevard, will host the 2015 City of Glendale Employee Art Exhibit. Gallery Glendale will open with a reception and light refreshments on Friday, May 1st, 6 to 9 p.m. Artwork on display will be provided by our very talented City of Glendale employees. The exhibit will be displayed from May 1st to May 30th. Gallery hours are 6 to 9 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, every week. For more information, contact Mojgan Vahabzadeh at 930-3557.

City Announcements

Glendale PD Hosts 2015 Citizens Academy. The Glendale Police Department is accepting applications through July 17th for the upcoming Citizen Police Academy which will begin in August, 2015. The Citizens Academy is a free program designed to offer participants the opportunity to learn, hands on, about many Glendale Police Operations, such as the use of Police Canines, Crime Scene Investigations and Tactical Operations. Participants must be at least 18 years of age and undergo a background check and fingerprinting process. The Citizen Police Academy is 12 weeks in length and is held on Wednesday nights from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Training Center and Glendale Police Main Station. There will also be one Saturday class. For further information, please contact Marie Shepherd at 623-930-3282 or via email at mshepherd@glendaleaz.com.

Renovations At Arrowhead Towne Center. Plans have been announced for key updates at Arrowhead Towne Center which will welcome a new, 25,000-square-foot H&M, free Wi-Fi throughout the entire mall, new restrooms, and a complete repainting of the mall's ceilings. Up-to-the-moment, technology-focused new amenities are a major focus of the interior and exterior renovation at Arrowhead Towne Center that starts this spring and will be complete by late 2015. New technology-focused amenities designed for shoppers include a brand-new Text Concierge program to provide shoppers with personalized customer service at their fingertips. Shoppers simply text their questions to 623-227-4227 and a friendly, knowledgeable, on-site guest services representative will get right back to them. A state-of-the-art, 17-foot-screen Center Court digital LED board, device charging stations, and four new digital directories add to the updated digital amenities for guests.

In partnership with the City of Glendale, Arrowhead Towne Center is also improving the transit center on the north side of the mall. “We are excited to partner with Macerich on our transit center project,” said Kevin Link, Glendale Transit. “This project will enhance passenger amenities, providing a shade structure, additional seating, a ticket vending machine and a new bus pull-out area for passenger loading and unloading.”

For a complete listing of family-friendly activities and details on the redevelopment, visit <http://www.arrowheadtownecenter.com/Redevelopment>.



Event Next Weekend

DOWNTOWN GLENDALE HOSTS MOTHER’S DAY CELEBRATION MAY 9. Poet Robert Browning said, “Motherhood: all love begins and ends there.” Show your mother how much you love and appreciate her with a special day in Historic Downtown Glendale and Catlin Court from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 9th. Mothers, daughters, sisters and friends are encouraged to start their day at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., Suite 140, to pick up an event map. The first 250 moms will receive a free gift grab bag and West Valley info pack. Once on your way, you’ll discover special deals, gift ideas and activities.

In addition, the Glendale Visitor Center, in partnership with Soroptimist International of the Kachinas of Glendale, wants to honor all deployed women by collecting donations for Operation Women Warriors. The Operation Women Warriors project will send specialized care packages to female soldiers stationed overseas. Needed items include bulk hard candies, travel-sized toiletries, facial lotion with sunscreen, foot cream, SPF lip balm, personal hygiene products, cough drops and hair bands. [CLICK HERE for a full list of needed items.](#)

Donations can be dropped off through May 9th at the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau located at 5800 W. Glenn Dr. For more information, call 623-930-2955. For more information about the Soroptimist International of the Kachinas of Glendale, visit www.sikachinas.org. The Mother’s Day Celebration is presented by the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Historic Downtown Business Community. More information about the Mother’s Day activities is available at 623-930-4500 or click [here](#).

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