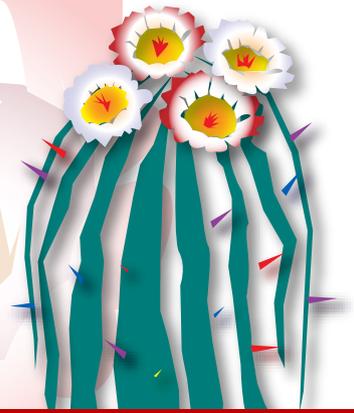




# Barrel District Network News



Councilmember Bart Turner - Glendale, Arizona

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Greetings,

Sunday is Mother's Day! One way you can show some love to your mother is to take her to this year's **Mother's Day celebration** in Catlin Court in Historic Downtown Glendale on Saturday. The event begins at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr., Suite 140. The first 250 moms will receive a free gift grab bag and an event map. Once on your way, you'll discover more special deals, gift ideas and activities provided by Catlin Court merchants. Mothers, daughters, sisters and friends are all invited. This event is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

And let's not forget moms (and daughters) serving in our armed forces! You can donate personal care items to **Operation Women Warriors**. Soroptimist International of the Kachinas of Glendale, in partnership with The Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau, is collecting donations to benefit 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, face lotion and lip balm with sunscreen, foot cream, personal hygiene products, cough drops and hair bands. Donations can be dropped off at The Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau or the first floor entrance of Glendale City Hall located at 5850 West Glendale Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85301. [CLICK HERE](#) for a full list of needed items. The deadline to donate is May 16th! For questions or to seek additional information, call the Glendale Visitor Center at **623-930-4500**.

**Are you looking for a place to host a family gathering or other outdoor event this summer?** Ramadas at Sahuaro Ranch Park are available to Glendale residents and are a great way to reserve shaded space for birthday parties, holiday celebrations, and reunions. The group picnic area contains nine covered ramadas, with each having nine tables seating eight people each, for a maximum of 72 per people per ramada. Each ramada has a grill, sink, counter top/serving area and electrical receptacle. For more information, rates and availabilities, please call **623-930-2820** or visit the Parks & Recreation website at <http://www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation/RamadaReservations.cfm>

**Swim lessons** begin the week of June 1st at both the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center and Rose Lane Aquatic Center. Registration for residents begins May 11th at 8am. Look online for the 2015 Splashbook with all summer Aquatics information at [www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation](http://www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation) or call **623-930-2820**.

**Glendale Police Department to Host 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](mailto:mshepherd@glendaleaz.com).

**The Heritage Elementary Glendale Color Run/Walk** will take place this Saturday, May 9th from 9am – 12pm at Heritage Elementary School, 6805 North 125th Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85307. Participants can register at the event, but are encouraged to come early as the event will begin at 9am sharp. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for kids, and these prices include a tee-shirt, a water bottle, and a run/walk number. All entry fees support Heritage Elementary School's Glendale campus. For information visit <https://hesarizona.org/glendale-color-run/> or call Danielle Elkin **623-742-3956**.

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