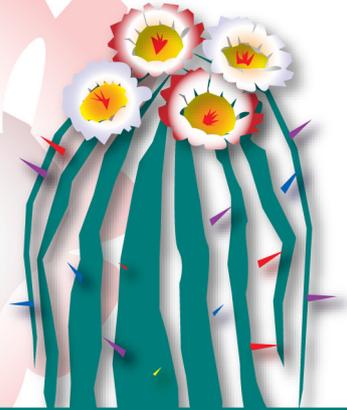




Barrel District Network News



Councilmember Yvonne Knaack - City of Glendale, Barrel District

August 20, 2010



International Garbage Truck Competition. Garbage trucks and their drivers will be rolling into the city of Glendale from all over the globe to participate in the International SWANA Road-E-O. The competition takes place at the University of Phoenix Stadium on Saturday, September 4, 8 a.m.-noon. Coined the Olympics for garbage truck drivers, this competition puts the best of the best drivers' skills to the test on a fierce competitive course.

The free community event is sponsored by Beall Trailers of Arizona, and will take place on the north side of the stadium. Some of the activities include a "Touch-a-Truck" event, Recycling Games and Activities and a raffle to benefit the West Side Food Bank. [Click here](#) for more information.



Parks & Recreation Master Plan Meeting. The next meeting for the Glendale Parks & Recreation Department Master Plan Update will be held at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 22 at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St. Help shape the future of recreation programs and the parks system! [Click here](#) for information on the master plan process and the master plan being updated.

National "Take Back Initiative." The Glendale Police Department is coordinating a one-day collaborative effort with the Drug Enforcement Administration to remove potentially dangerous prescription drugs from our nation's homes. The "National Take Back Initiative" Day will be held on Saturday, September 25, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Target Parking Lot at 10404 North 43rd Ave. This is an opportunity for residents to safely and conveniently surrender expired, unwanted, or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications.

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container. If an original container is submitted, we ask that you remove and shred any identifying information from the label. All solid dosage pharmaceutical product and liquids in consumer containers will be accepted. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain in their original container. Intravenous solutions, injectibles, and syringes will not be accepted. Call 623-930-2571 for more information.

Glendale Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month – September 16. The city of Glendale is inviting the community to its Glendale Hispanic Network Luncheon on September 16 in celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month.

The event is sponsored by the city's Hispanic Network, an employee organization committed to promote cultural awareness and professional development. The Glendale Hispanic Network is proud to present Armando Flores as the keynote speaker for this event.

The Glendale Hispanic Network Luncheon will be held at noon on Thursday, September 16 at the Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Dr. Doors will open for registration at 11 a.m. Individual tickets are \$35 per person or \$350 per table. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau at 623-930-4500. The deadline to purchase tickets is Wednesday, September 8.

Shred It and Forget It. Join the Glendale Police Department's Community Action Teams Saturday, October 2 at the Target parking lot at 43rd and Peoria avenues for the next Shred It and Forget It event. Each household can bring up to three boxes of personal documents to be shredded on site. This free service will be offered from 8-11 a.m., or until the trucks are full. For more information, call (623) 930-2571.

City Construction Project Status

Loop 101/Beardsley Road Connector Project

Northbound Loop 101 will be closed two consecutive nights at Union Hills Drive for concrete pour on bridge.

Traffic will exit and re-enter at Union Hills Drive.

10 p.m. Thursday - 5 a.m. Friday (Aug. 20)

11 p.m. Friday - 6 a.m. Saturday (Aug. 21)

Eastbound Union Hills Drive narrowed between 83rd Avenue and Loop 101 for traffic signal work.

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday (Aug. 23), Tuesday (Aug. 24) and Friday (Aug. 27)

10 p.m. - 5 a.m. Monday (Aug. 30) and Tuesday (Aug. 31)

Westbound Union Hills Drive narrowed between 81st Avenue and Loop 101 for traffic signal work.

10 p.m. - 5 a.m. Wednesday (Aug. 25), Thursday (Aug. 26) and Friday (Aug. 27)

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday (Aug. 30) and Tuesday (Aug. 31)

For an overview of this project, [click here](#). For this week's update, including upcoming and ongoing restrictions, [click here](#).

Northern Avenue Storm Drain Project. Traffic on Northern Avenue from 47th to 63rd avenues will be reduced to a single lane in each direction through September 30. Traffic on 59th Avenue will be restricted to a single lane north and southbound through the Northern Avenue intersection through September 15.

Glendale Avenue Rubberized Asphalt Overlay Project. Work to mill (remove asphalt) and overlay Glendale Avenue from 57th Drive to 59th Avenue is scheduled to take place this weekend (August 20-22.) During this time, Glendale Avenue will be CLOSED from 57th Drive to 59th Avenue.

Camelback Storm Drain project. East and westbound traffic will be reduced to a single lane in each direction from 71st to 75th avenues for utility work and pipe installation. For more information, please call 623-930-2940.

For up to date information on the Glendale Avenue Rubberized Asphalt Overlay Project or the Northern Avenue Storm Drain Project, call the project hotline at **1-877-203-0042** or [click here](#) for general information on all Glendale construction projects.

Around Town

[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.



Friday Nite Lights: Tonight! Enjoy this fun filled night with your pet from 5-9 p.m., Friday, August 20. Start your evening at the Glendale Visitor Center to pick up a walking map and take a spin on the prize wheel. Some of the activities include photo stations, Frosty Paw treats, Topaz from the Glendale Fire Department, watering stations, story hour, pet aura photos, fresh baked dog treats, pet gifts & accessories and a pet parade. The Glendale Visitor Center, located at 5800 W. Glenn Drive, #140, is also collecting pet supplies to benefit the Sun Valley Animal Shelter during the event. [Click here](#) or call 623-930-4500 for more information. Friday Nite Lights is held the 3rd Friday every month, year-round with new themes and is presented by the Downtown Historic Business Community and the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Upcoming Election Information. The next city of Glendale election primary will be held on August 24, 2010. Early ballots are due on or before election day. [Read more.](#)

September Business Forum. Business networking through The Business Forum at Glendale Library is a great way of establishing beneficial relationships with potential clients and area business people. On Wednesday, September 1, you are invited to join the group in the large meeting room at Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. The free event is from 5:30 -7:15 p.m. September's speaker, Sharon Ravenscroft, will present "Protect Your Assets: Your Business and Your Family – Wills, Trust, Probate and Estate Administration." Call 602-725-3246 for more information about the program or to RSVP.

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