

# PEORIA

# NOW

April 2015

A monthly publication of city-centered news and current events for the citizens of Peoria, Arizona.

[www.peoriaaz.gov/news](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/news)

## in the news

Spring Swim Lessons Begin

Sign up your kids for Summer Camp

Upcoming Events at the Library

Free Sustainable U Workshops

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The Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off is scheduled for Saturday, April 25 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Municipal Operations Center, located at 8850 N. 79th Ave. Acceptable items include paint, motor oil, antifreeze, batteries, paint thinners, light bulbs, household cleaners, gardening supplies, tires, household appliances and computer equipment. For more information, visit [www.peoriaaz.gov/hhw](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/hhw) or call (623) 773-7160.

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## Get Green for being Green!

The city of Peoria offers various rebate programs in an effort to promote water conservation.

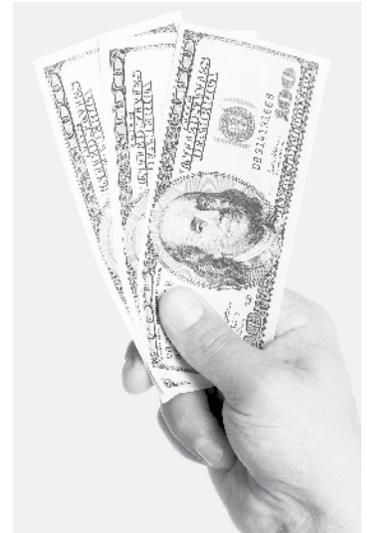
**Xeriscape Conversion** - Earn a credit of up to \$1,650 by converting high water use landscaping (i.e. grass) to xeriscape (low water use landscaping that includes plant material).

**New Home Xeriscape** - Receive a credit of \$150 if they purchase a newly constructed home and choose xeriscape landscaping.

**Smart Irrigation Controller** - A credit of up to \$250 if you purchase and install a new smart irrigation controller, which automatically adjust to environmental conditions such as wind, rain, temperature, moisture, and evapotranspiration.

**High-Efficiency Toilet** - A \$100 rebate is available to customers who upgrade their high water use toilets with high-efficiency Environmental Protection Agency WaterSense units in their homes. The new toilet must carry the EPA WaterSense label.

City of Peoria water customers who participated in the Xeriscape Conversion Rebate reduced their water consumption by 19% while creating aesthetically pleasing yards with shade, seasonal color and even retaining some lawn. For more information, visit [www.peoriaaz.gov/waterconservation](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/waterconservation).



## Youth Citizen Police Academy Starts in June

During the month of June, the Peoria Police Department will hold a Youth Citizen Police Academy for students entering 7th and 8th grade who want to learn about the world of law enforcement. The academy provides students with a range of educational experiences, and allows them to build relationships with police officers and employees within the department. The week long program ends with students working alongside officers to investigate a mock crime scene. All participants will receive a T-Shirt and a certificate upon completion. This program is FREE, thanks to the Peoria Police Department Police Activities League. For more information visit [www.peoriaaz.gov/ycpa](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/ycpa).



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# Meet Your 2015 City Council Representatives



**Cathy Carlat**  
Mayor



**Jon Edwards**  
Vice Mayor  
Willow District



**Vicki Hunt**  
Councilmember  
Acacia District



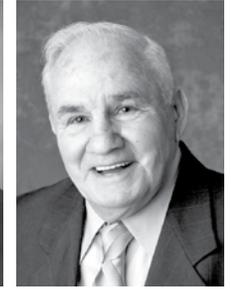
**Bill Patena**  
Councilmember  
Ironwood District



**Bridget Binsbacher**  
Councilmember  
Mesquite District



**Michael Finn**  
Councilmember  
Palo Verde District



**Carlo Leone**  
Councilmember  
Pine District



## PARTY FOR THE PLANET

**RIVER & TRAIL CLEAN UP**  
April 18, 7-10 a.m.  
Register to volunteer online at [www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents)

**Additional activities:**

- Bulk Trash Clean Up
- Neighborhood Pride Projects
- Tree Planting for Arbor Day
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection
- Earth Day Activities at the Libraries
- Operation Pill Drop-Off
- Environmental Workshops

**CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR DATES AND TIMES**

City of Peoria COMMUNITY SERVICES  
For more information, call 623.773.7137 or visit [www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents](http://www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents)

SNP KEEP ARIZONA BEAUTIFUL TREE-CITY USA GLENDALE Sustain & Grow

## Annual Celebration of Artists 2015 on Display at Peoria City Hall Art Gallery

The highly anticipated Celebration of Artists 2015 juried exhibition sponsored by the West Valley Art Museum is on exhibit until May 14. This year's show features more than 100 works of art by top-notch artists from the greater Phoenix area, as well as throughout Arizona, using oils, acrylics, pastels, drawings, photography and mixed media. The Art Gallery is located on the first floor of Peoria City Hall at 8401 West Monroe Street and is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursdays from noon to 6 p.m. For further information, contact West Valley Art Museum at **623-972-0635** or [www.wvam.org](http://www.wvam.org)




## CHALLENGER SPACE CENTER

## ADVENTURES IN SPACE SUMMER CAMP

### CHALLENGER SPACE CENTER, AZ

June 8 - July 27, 2015

- HALF & FULL-DAY SESSIONS**
- Astro-Tots (Grades K-1)
  - Mercury (Grades 2-3)
  - Gemini (Grades 4-5)
  - Apollo (Grades 6-8)

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