

PEORIA NOW

February 2012

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

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Economic Development Seminars

Art Gallery Displays Asian Costumes, Artifacts

Peoria Unveils Free Smartphone App for Visitors

Register for Peoria HOA Academy

Itty Bitty Open an Annual Tradition in Peoria

Bulk, Loose Trash Pick up Scheduled for 2012

Libraries Accepting Donated Books, Music, Movies

Be Aware of No Burn Days When Lighting Fireplace, Pits

Peoria Recognized For Hiring Practices

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Play Ball!

Spring Training is just around the corner, and the Peoria Sports Complex is ready to welcome visitors to watch the San Diego Padres and Seattle Mariners play against other Major League Baseball's top teams. Season starts March 3 through April 2. Tickets are \$6 to \$23. For more information, visit www.springtrainingpeoria.com or call 623-773-8720.

10 Miles of Continuous Trail

The weather in the Valley is perfect this time of year - so strap on those hiking boots and hit the trails! The city of Peoria recently completed a missing link in the New River Trail system to give users nearly 20 miles (roundtrip) of no vehicular traffic from Olive Avenue to Williams Road. Walk, bike, or horseback ride up (and down) the trail by hopping onto it from any point; or drive and park at Rio Vista Community Park, 8860 W. Thunderbird Road. For more information on Peoria trails and maps, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/parks or call 623-773-7137.



Cyclists and walkers enjoy the New River Trail during the bridge art dedication in 2009.

Cell Phone Users Must Register

Maricopa County residents who have discontinued their landlines for a cellular phone will not be notified when there is an emergency in their neighborhood, unless they register their cell phone number online at 911alertsyou.com.

The Community Emergency Notification System (CENS), also known as Reverse 9-1-1, is a rapid emergency notification system launched in the Maricopa County region in 2004. The system utilizes the 9-1-1 database to contact homes or businesses in a specific geographic area during times of emergency; informing them in English, Spanish and TTY (hearing impaired) of the nature of the situation and what steps to take to address it. Any emergency agency in the Maricopa County region has access to CENS, but it can only be activated for defined emergencies, such as fires, public safety threats, flash floods, hazardous material spills, police incidents, and endangered children or elderly persons.

Historically, the system was limited to the ability to notify only landlines (hardwired) phones listed in the 9-1-1 database. In late 2010, a self-registration webpage was developed to enable residents to register cell or Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) phones for notifications with a physical address of the user's choosing.

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february noted items

- 3&4** Centennial events at Peoria Sports Complex & Centennial Plaza
- 7** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. in Council Chamber
- 8** Registration begins for recreation classes
- 20** President's Day - city offices closed; trash collection change
- 21** Step Into Spring Senior Fun Walk
- City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. in Council Chamber

upcoming events march

- 3** P83 Party, 4 p.m. at Peoria Sports Complex
- 10** Bravo! Peoria at Sunrise Mountain Library

For the most up-to-date info on events, visit:
www.peoriaaz.gov

Bulk/Loose Trash Pick-Ups

Once a year, the city offers to residential solid waste services customers a free pick-up of large items. The 2012 Loose Trash Collection Program ends June 28. For collection dates, call 623-773-7160 or visit www.peoriaaz.gov/loosetrash.

New Website Design

The city's new website design promises to get you to where you want to go online, faster. Find meeting information, watch Peoria Channel 11, or pay your utility bill within seconds of linking to www.peoriaaz.gov.



Centennial Plaza Opens

The city celebrated Arizona's birthday on Feb. 3 and 4 with special events to mark the big occasion, including the official grand opening of Peoria's newest park, Centennial Plaza. The open area, which includes a Decades Walk and amphitheater, is situated behind City Hall in Oldtown.

P83 FEATURING CANDLEBOX
PEORIA EIGHTY THREE

Candlebox

IT'S SPRING AND IT'S TIME TO PARTY! COME TO THE P83 PARTY AND JOIN THE FUN OF MUSIC WITH HEADLINING BAND CANDLEBOX. PURCHASE A TICKET FOR THE SEATTLE MARINERS VS. OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING GAME ON MARCH 3 AND GET INTO THE CONCERT FOR FREE!

SATURDAY MARCH 3 4 - 9 P.M.

(BEER, WINE AND SPIRITS GARDEN OPENS AT 3:00 P.M.)
83RD AVENUE AT PEORIA SPORTS COMPLEX
16101 NORTH 83RD AVENUE

\$ 10 GENERAL ADMISSION
\$25 VIP TICKETS
CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER FREE

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