



# Yucca Weekly Update



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**City of Glendale Statement Regarding Purchase of the NHL Coyotes.** The city of Glendale is very pleased with the announcement from the National Hockey League (NHL) that IceArizona Acquisition Co., LLC has finalized its purchase of the team. The city is looking forward to working with IceArizona to continue the long-term presence and success of the Coyotes in Glendale. As we move forward, the city and team will focus on building momentum for this season by welcoming new and returning fans to Glendale's Sports and Entertainment District and supporting the many shops and restaurants that make up this important economic engine for the city.

We want to thank the dedicated fans for their ongoing support of the team and the city of Glendale. As the anchor tenant for Jobing.com Arena, the Coyotes play more than 40 home games in our city that annually attract over 500,000 fans and we are looking forward to many successful years ahead.

Watch video [click here](#)



**G.A.I.N. Night.** The Glendale Police Department Community Action Teams believe in the power of prevention, encouraging residents, businesses, public and private institutions and faith-based organizations to work in collaboration with the Police Department to make our community a safer place to live and work. This year G.A.I.N. Night will be held on Saturday Oct. 26.

G.A.I.N. is an annual event designed to heighten crime awareness, and generate support and participation in local anti-crime efforts, by uniting community members to help create safer neighborhoods. October is National Crime Prevention month and a perfect opportunity to celebrate the successes of crime prevention through community involvement.

Neighborhood Watch Captains, HOAs and Apartment Communities are encouraged to host parties in their communities. There will be no G.A.I.N. Kick-Off event this year but, for questions or additional information please contact the 2013 G.A.I.N. Coordinator, Foothills North Community Action Team Crime Prevention Specialist, Angela Freeman. She can be contacted at 623-930-2540 or [afreeman@glendaleaz.com](mailto:afreeman@glendaleaz.com).

**High School Students Needed to Serve on Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission.** The Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission (MYAC) is seeking new members. Several vacancies have been created as a result of former MYAC members graduating from high school this past spring. This is a great opportunity for Glendale's high school students to learn about their city first hand and see what goes on behind the scenes.

MYAC provides high school students with opportunities to make a positive impact in Glendale by getting involved in their local city government and community. Youth commission members volunteer for community service activities, raise funds for projects and serve as a liaison to the mayor as the foremost voice on local youth-related issues.

Commission members must commit approximately five hours per month to attend meetings and participate in activities. Standing commission meetings are held each month at Glendale City Hall.

To be eligible for the competitive selection process, teens must reside in Glendale and be enrolled in high school for the 2013-14 school year, as well as submit a completed membership application.

Applications are available online. The deadline to submit an application is Friday, August 23. Completed applications can be dropped off or mailed to: Office of the Mayor, City of Glendale, 5850 W. Glendale Ave., Glendale, AZ 85301. [Click here](#) for the application or for more information, call 623-930-2260.

**Important Traffic and Parking Information for Upcoming Cardinals Season.** With the Arizona Cardinals first home preseason game just around the corner, the city of Glendale wants to inform football fans of important parking and traffic information to ensure the best fan experience possible in the city's Sports & Entertainment District this season.

Season Ticket Holders. As in past years, season ticket holders have received parking passes from the Arizona Cardinals with specific parking and traffic instructions. Maps to the assigned parking lots are printed on the back side of parking passes. However, season ticket holders should pay special attention to the newly designated parking lots and color-coded sections in and around Westgate Entertainment District. For information, [click here.](#)

Westgate/Cash Parking Lots. Westgate Entertainment District offers fans free parking for pre-season games and \$10 game-day parking during regular season games in the five parking lots that surround the center. A parking map and information can be found at [www.westgateaz.com/visitorinfo/parking](http://www.westgateaz.com/visitorinfo/parking).

Additional Information. Pedestrian walkways will be different than in years past. Make sure you are sticking to sidewalks and crosswalks to ensure the safety of drivers and pedestrians.

Limited parking spaces for single-game ticket holders are located at the Kellis High School lot, which is on the east side of 91<sup>st</sup> Avenue just north of Orangewood Avenue. A free shuttle service will run between the high school and the stadium, beginning two hours before game time and ending one hour following the game.

Season ticket holder parking lots open four hours prior to kick-off. Westgate lots are open all day. Vehicles will not be permitted to stage on city streets prior to the lots opening.

The NFL has implemented new safety procedures regarding bags that fans are allowed to bring into the stadium. Acceptable bags include a clear plastic bag (sized 12" x 6" x 12"); a one-gallon plastic freezer bag; or a clutch (with either a shoulder or wrist strap) no larger than 4.5" x 6.5". For more information, visit [www.NFL.com/allclear](http://www.NFL.com/allclear).

The new parking maps are available on the city's website for both fans as well as taxi and limo drivers. Visit [www.glendalestadium.com](http://www.glendalestadium.com) to download them.

Updates on Game Day. The city of Glendale has partnered with ADOT to provide real-time traffic information, and fans are encouraged to call 511 for updated traffic information. In addition, updates are available via Twitter at [www.twitter.com/GlendaleTraffic](https://www.twitter.com/GlendaleTraffic).

Glendale Police will be directing traffic to establish a safe and steady traffic flow. Multiple dynamic messaging signs will be in place to direct traffic, as well.

## Around Town

**Council Meetings and Workshops.** To review the posted agenda and web video of Council Workshops and meetings, please [click here.](#)

**Rock & Roll Paint-A-Thon Seeks Homeowner Applicants & Volunteers to Paint Homes.** Do you own a single-family home but due to age or physical impairments are unable to keep it painted? If so, the Annual Rock & Roll Paint-A-Thon on Saturday, Oct. 26 may be able to help.

This program, which matches volunteers with those in need of assistance, helps maintain neighborhoods by painting homes of applicants who are ages 60 and older and/or have a permanent disability, limited financial resources, are veterans, or are unable to do the work themselves.

Glendale residents who match the above criteria are encouraged to apply to have their homes painted. Volunteers willing to wield a paint brush are also encouraged to get involved.

The deadline for both homeowners and volunteer teams to apply for the program is Sept. 4. Volunteers willing to paint homes at the event on Saturday, Oct. 26, should form a team of 15 to 25 people. All volunteers must be at least 14 years old and those under 18 must have a signed parent permission form.

For more information, or to apply, [click here.](#)

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