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BIG FISH

Trout anyone? The **Phoenix New Times** named Tempe Town Lake 'Best Urban Fishing' spot. The award is timely since November 24 is the date for the annual Trout Release with more release dates to follow. **Kirk Young**, Fisheries Branch Chief for the **Arizona Game and Fish Department** said, "This will be our eighth year for winter trout, and Tempe Town Lake continues to be a tremendously popular fishery for families and friends who want an enjoyable outdoor experience without having to leave town. It's a real treasure trove for bass, sunfish, catfish and during the winter, for trout as well." Mayor **Hugh Hallman** agreed. "It's great to see hundreds of people at Tempe Town Lake each year when, along with Arizona Game and Fish, we stock the lake with rainbow trout. It is great fun watching kids catch their first fish while the more experienced anglers teach them the joys to be had outdoors."

www.phoenixnewtimes.com/bestof/2009/award/best-urban-fishing-1454075/



VNB DOME RELOCATED to VISTA del SOL

The landmark geodesic dome that was originally the roof of the **Valley National Bank** branch located at 826 E. Apache Blvd has been adapted for a new use as the focal point of the pedestrian plaza on campus at **Arizona State University**. Relocated across the street, the dome now shades open space at the heart of ASU's **Vista del Sol**, a residential community that provides a unique on-campus living experience for 1,866 students that opened in fall of 2008. Designed by renowned local architects **Weaver & Drover** and constructed in 1962 during the administration of VNB President **Walter Bimson**, the former landmark has traded its prominent location at the NEC of Apache and Rural Road for a site and setting where it can be enjoyed daily by thousands of students that traverse the nearby site. A unique piece of architecture in Tempe, the geodesic roof was a type of structural system advocated by architect, theoretician and futurist **Buckminster Fuller**. For information on ASU's Vista del Sol visit <http://vistadelsol.com/>.

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BikeTown 2009

It's true. Bikes can change lives . . . and communities, and families, too. This year **Bicycling Magazine** selected Phoenix along with Atlanta, Chicago, Jackson MS, Long Island, Los Angeles, and Miami FL, as venues for its **2009 BikeTown USA Program**. Through the program presented by Bicycling Magazine, **MetLife**, **City of Tempe**, **Valley Metro**, **Jamie Bicycles**, **Global Bikes**, and other sponsors, hundreds of people will experience the life-changing gift of a bike this year. Contestants entered to win a new commuter bike by writing essays telling how a new bike would change their world. **Councilmember Corey Woods** addressed the crowd in an award ceremony hosted by Tempe Transit where 30 essay winners from the metro area received their new bikes. CDD's own **Joe Nucci** was among the lucky winners. Nucci enjoys biking as a pleasant alternative commute to work - Ride safe Joe! For information on BikeTown USA visit:

www.bicycling.com/biketown/home.html



TASTE OF TOPS

Tops Liquor is expanding its Tempe store with a tasting room. Featuring about eight appetizers, 10 red and 10 white wines, 12 draft speciality beers and 500 different bottled beers, the room will allow customers to relax and try some new labels. Hours of service are 3PM - midnight on Sunday - Thursday, and 3PM - 2AM on Fridays and Saturdays. Taste of Tops will open earlier on football Sundays. The Eccles family includes owners **Lori**, **Greg** and **Trish**, who have owned the 402 W. University location for the last 27 years. **Tops Liquor** was recently named "Best Old School Liquor Store 2009" by **Phoenix New Times**. 480.967.5643 <http://topsliquors.com/> facebook.com/topsliquors

Congratulations and thank you, Hansen, for over 10 years of service to the City of Tempe.