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EQUINOX GROUND BREAKING

On Tuesday, April 8, **Gray Development** will break ground on its newest project **Equinox**. Located at Apache Blvd. and McClintock Drive, Equinox, formerly known as **Areté**, is an apartment complex that includes 408 residential units, 16,000 square feet of retail and 300 park and ride spaces in an enclosed garage. The development is adjacent to Light Rail Station 5. For more information, please contact **Daniel W. Tilton** of Gray Development at 602.508.7136 for details.

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Apache Boulevard



LAKE MAPPING

A Tempe Town Lake depth map will be featured in an article of the April issue of *Water and Land Magazine*. Photos of the lake provided to the editor are likely to be included. **Aquatechnex**, a water quality service provider and lake mapping partner of **Cabela's Trophy Properties**, authored the article about the lake depth measurements and mapping services.

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HOUSING AMERICA MONTH

The **National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials [NAHRO]** has designated the month of April as **Housing America** month. Throughout the month of April, there will be much attention and focus on the affordable housing and the community development needs of our communities. Bottom line, regional and state chapters of NAHRO have time to plan either a concentrated effort in April or a variety of events throughout the year. In essence, NAHRO is asking communities nationwide to "Make Something Happen" in effort to elevate the importance and benefits of affordable housing and community development in our communities.

To aid in efforts, please see the Housing America toolkit at www.nahro.org/legislative/housing_america/toolkit.pdf, and the Housing America 2007 scrapbook at www.nahro.org/legislative/housing_america/scrapbook.pdf.

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TEMPE KNOWS URBAN

The March Tour organized by **WeKnowUrban.com** hosted fifty people who toured the Tempe Town Lake communities of **Northshore Condominiums** and **Bridgeview at Hayden Ferry Lakeside** and the Mill Avenue District community of **Centerpoint Condominiums**. Thanks to **Mike Williard** who graciously shot and provided the photographs of each tour. To see photos of the tour visit www.weknowurban.com/High_Rise_Loft_Tour/2008-03_Tempe.htm.



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REGATTA 2008

Desert Sprints Regatta 2008 was held March 8. The 7th annual event was the largest thus far with over 300 competitors, with Arizona Attorney General **Terry Goddard** assisting in the mid-day medal awards ceremony. Visiting teams participating included: San Diego Rowing Club, San Diego, CA; Newport Aquatic Center, Newport, CA; Boulder Rowing Club, Boulder CO; Long Beach Rowing Association, Long Beach, CA; Lincoln Park Boat Club, Chicago, IL; and Tri City Prep, Prescott, AZ. Along with the 300 competitors we had approximately 500 spectators, so it was a very big marina crowd. Event participants booked approximately 40 hotel room nights in Tempe hotels.

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SPRING HAS SPRUNG

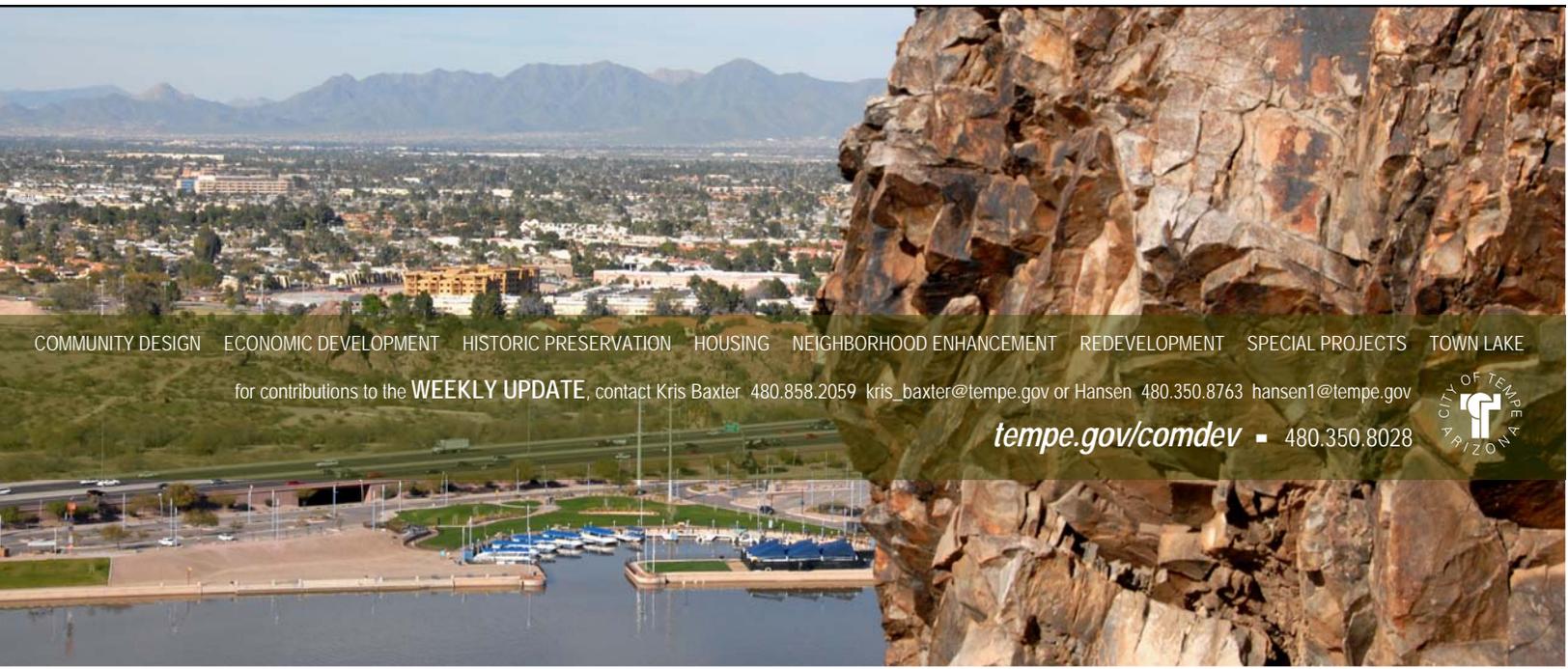
Spring blooms are abundant at the north bank linear park at **Playa del Norte**, near **Grigio** [left]. The combination of purple lantana, pink globe mallow and yellow brittlebush have blossomed into a colorful blanket on the hillside slope. Tempe [Hayden] Butte is in full bloom as well. Enjoy!

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TOUR de CURE

Community Development staff [left to right] **Alex Smith**, **Joe Nucci**, his wife **Lupe**, and **Durrant Williams** recently participated in the **American Diabetes Association's** annual **Tour de Cure**. The large-scale bicycle event raised money to be used in the fight to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes.



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