

SCOTTSDALE UPDATE

News for our residents and customers

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SCOTTSDALE BLOOMS IN OCTOBER

When the heat drops, Scottsdale comes to life with special events and community projects -- join in the fun!

Take a hike! October is McDowell Sonoran Preserve Month

Discover why the Sonoran Desert is one of the most beautiful regions in the world during McDowell Sonoran Preserve Month. A variety of public hikes are planned as part of the celebration. Learn more at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "preserve."

Get your caboose to the Railroad Park's Railfair, Oct. 8-9

This free event takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 8-9. Railfair features model train displays, exhibits, Jake 'N' Jane Wild West Show and face painting. Don't miss the award-winning Model Railroad Building displaying O, N and HO scale trains. Call 480-312-2312 for more info or visit www.therailroadpark.com.

Pitch in for National Make A Difference Day Oct. 22

You can make a difference in Scottsdale Saturday, Oct. 22, by taking part in Keep Scottsdale Beautiful Day, an annual citywide litter cleanup sponsored by the city and the nonprofit Keep Scottsdale Beautiful. For more information visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Adopt A Road."

Forget bobbing for apples; try dunkin' for a pumpkin Oct. 22

Join us at McDowell Mountain Ranch and Eldorado aquatic centers for our floating pumpkin patch! The pools will be heated, and there will be decorating stations for your pumpkin. The fun is 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22. Admission is \$10 per person and includes a pumpkin (while supplies last)! Info: ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "pumpkin," or 480-312-6677.

Don't lose -- G.A.I.N. -- parties take place Oct. 29

Scottsdale neighborhoods are hosting individual block parties from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. The celebration is part of G.A.I.N – Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods. The program aims to create safer, united neighborhoods. Learn more at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "block party."

Boo! Scottsdale's Fall Festival takes place Oct. 29

Come and have some spooky fun at this year's annual Fall Festival! The fun takes place at Eldorado Park from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. The event will consist of 25 game booths, more than 10 bounce houses, stage entertainment, fireworks, candy, a tot area and more. Learn more at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Fall Festival."

VOTE EARLY – AVOID CROWDS ON NOV. 8 ELECTION DAY



Scottsdale voters will go to the polls Nov. 8 to elect a mayor and three councilmembers, and decide on a City Charter amendment that corrects outdated charter language related to city election dates and when terms for City Council members begin.

Many Scottsdale residents receive early ballots – more than 100,000. But last election fewer than 30,000 were actually voted and returned (about 31 percent).

If you receive an early ballot, you can vote it, return it by mail and avoid long lines on election day – and the postage is paid.

A number of key election dates occur in October:

- Oct. 10: last day to register to vote in the general election.
- Oct. 12: early ballots are mailed.
- Oct. 12-Nov. 4: early voting at City Hall. We expect high voter turnout, especially the last week of early voting (Oct. 31 – Nov. 4). Avoid long lines and wait times - **don't wait until the last week to vote early at City Hall.**

For more information, in both English and Spanish, visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "elections."



The Children's Learning and Play Festival is a day of enjoyment for children and their parents at WestWorld from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1.

The free festival features interactive science and learning activities (like slimeOlogy and LEGO Robots) and lots of Scottsdale Public Library reading adventures, including a chance to meet popular children's author Marc Brown, creator of Arthur the Aardvark. Live music with local artists like Wayward Maggie and an imagination station will appeal to all ages.

In addition, the Scottsdale Show and Tell section features city vehicles, equipment and hands-on activities that reveal how city employees work every day to keep Scottsdale running.

Learn more at azchildrensfestival.com and at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Scottsdale show and tell."

SCOTTSDALE VETERANS DAY COMMEMORATION TAKES PLACE NOV. 11



Entrepreneur and philanthropist Bob Parsons is the featured speaker at Scottsdale's Veterans Day event. Activities run from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park, 7301 E. Indian Bend Road.

Parsons is a Purple Heart recipient who served with the Marines in Vietnam. He credits his military experience for much of his business success. He's founded several companies including Go Daddy and Parsons Extreme Golf.

The ceremony also features a performance of patriotic music by the 108th Army National Guard band. The program is free and open to the public. Learn more at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Veterans Day."

RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

The city will not pick up recycling on Thanksgiving Day. If Thursday is your typical collection day, collection will take place one day later – Friday. If you receive collection Friday, it will move to Saturday, Nov. 26.

For more information, call Solid Waste at 480-312-5600 or visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov and search "recycling."

Most city offices will be closed for Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 24 and Friday, Nov. 25.

CATCH FUTURE STARS AS FALL LEAGUE RETURNS TO SCOTTSDALE STADIUM



The Arizona Fall League serves up great, affordable baseball fun at Scottsdale Stadium beginning Oct. 12. Come cheer the Scottsdale Scorpions as they take on other top minor league players from both the American and National leagues. Games take place throughout the fall and conclude with the championship game Nov. 19 at Scottsdale Stadium, 7408 E. Osborn Road.

Individual adult game tickets are \$8. Senior and child tickets are \$6. Groups of 20 or more are \$4 each. Season passes also are available.

For schedule & info visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov and search "Fall League" or call 480-312-2586.



The Scottsdale Shares campaign returns this holiday season to make it easier for residents to get information about city charitable programs and how to make donations. The Scottsdale Shares campaign provides one point of contact for residents, businesses and organizations seeking to assist those in need through donations or volunteer activities.

Programs participating in this year's campaign include:

- Scottsdale's Adopt-A-Family Program
- Scottsdale's Adopt-A-Senior Program
- Scottsdale Fire Department's annual toy drive
- Paiute Neighborhood Center's annual toy and teen gift card program.
- Vista del Camino Food Bank
- Scottsdale Cares utility bill donation program

To learn more about Scottsdale Shares, call 480-312-3111 or visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov and search "Scottsdale Shares."

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BREAKFAST IS OCT. 6

Keynote speaker Anthony Wanger, president and founder of IO Data Centers, is central to this annual exploration of economic development activity in Scottsdale.

The breakfast is Thursday, Oct. 6.

Registration is full, however, a video of the event will be available on Scottsdale Video Network shortly afterward.

Visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov and search "Scottsdale Video Network."

THINGS TO DO

For details, search terms in bold at ScottsdaleAZ.gov:

- Visit the Scottsdale **Xeriscape** Garden any day
- Take advantage of free **electronics** recycling Oct. 8
- Enjoy **Date Night** at Scottsdale Stadium Oct. 22
- Celebrate love and friendship - **Out@SMOCA** Oct. 27
- See Spot run (and jump) at the U.S. Dog Agility **Cynosport** World Games at WestWorld Nov. 9 - 13
- "**Gobble** 'til you Wobble," Nov. 16 and 22

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