Scottsdale Shares provides one point of contact for residents, businesses and organizations seeking to assist those in need through donations or volunteer activities. Learn more at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search “Scottsdale Shares.”

Dash, dance and prance your way to Pinnacle Peak Park’s Jingle Hike, Dec. 1. Enjoy a ho-ho-ho hike and a trailside visit with the jolly old guy himself. Various times are available Saturday, Dec. 1, at the park: 9 to 9:30 a.m., 9:30 to 10 a.m. or 10 to 10:30 a.m. The cost per family is $10 for residents; $15 for nonresidents. Children must hike with a registered adult; strollers and bikes are not allowed. Register at Recreation.ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search “Jingle Hike.”

“Rides for Toys” is Dec. 1. Children can ride in a fire engine from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Loop 101 and Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard Target store by donating a new unwrapped gift for Scottsdale Fire’s annual holiday toy drive. You can also donate toys at any fire station through Dec. 21. Call 480-312-1817 for more information.

Civic Center Library hosts “Aspenglow: A John Denver Winter Wonderland Concert.” Cottonwood Stone performs John Denver’s holiday songs to bring in the joy of the season 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, in the library auditorium. More info on the events calendar at ScottsdaleLibrary.org.

Rock ‘N’ Roll Marathon runs through Scottsdale Jan. 20. The full-marathon course enters Scottsdale along Indian School Road and includes a portion of Old Town. The half-marathon course includes Scottsdale sections of Thomas, McDowell, Hayden and Scottsdale roads. Road closure information will be available on the marathon website: RunRockNRoll.com.

The Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction returns to WestWorld Jan. 12-20 bringing hundreds of the world’s finest collector automobiles and thousands of spectators to Scottsdale. The auction also features an exhibitor marketplace and hours of live worldwide television coverage. Get more information and buy tickets at Barrett-Jackson.com.

Old Town’s free Sunday A’Fair minifestivals return Jan. 13 featuring the Valley’s top musicians, an arts-and-crafts market and fun activities for children and families. The concerts are noon to 4 p.m. most Sundays through April 7 on the Civic Center Mall. Information: ScottsdalePerformingArts.org.

Steam into the holiday season with McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park’s Holiday Lights

Opening night is Friday, Nov. 30, and the event runs through Sunday, Jan. 6. Festivities take place 6:30 to 9 p.m. nightly, with a few exceptions.

The Holiday Lights experience on the Paradise & Pacific Railroad is $5; children two and younger ride free with a paying adult. Avoid lines by buying a fast pass available beginning Thursday, Nov. 1.

Find details at TheRailroadPark.com.
**Work begins to repair, rebuild high-profile Scottsdale bridges**

Work will begin this winter to repair Scottsdale’s Drinkwater Boulevard Underpass and 68th Street bridge. Emergency funding to repair the damaged infrastructure was approved by the City Council Oct. 16. Portions of both bridges were closed earlier this year due to structural concerns found during inspections.

The money to pay for repairs will come primarily from deferring other planned projects and using savings from recently completed projects.

The 68th Street bridge spans the Arizona Canal just north of Indian School Road. The bridge’s inside lanes were closed after a routine inspection discovered deterioration of the structure. Further inspection and testing of the structure determined the entire bridge needed to be replaced – work will occur January through March 2019 and cost approximately $3.4 million.

The Drinkwater Boulevard Underpass, between Second Street and Indian School Road, was closed after inspections uncovered structural deterioration. The closure also included portions of the Civic Center Mall, a popular event and community space. Work will begin this December to build a new supporting wall below the mall structure and fill in an open area of the bridge deck. Repairs will cost about $6.6 million and are scheduled to be complete next fall.

The Drinkwater underpass was built in the mid-1980s and allowed expansion of the mall, an open space of grass, shade trees, public art and fountains.

**MLK Jr. Community Dinner Celebration is Jan. 16**

Modern-day activist Carmen Perez headlines Scottsdale’s 25th Anniversary Martin Luther King Jr. Community Dinner Celebration. The event takes place Wednesday, Jan. 16. Perez has dedicated 20 years to advocating for many of today’s civil rights issues and was named one of Fortune’s Top 50 World Leaders and one of TIME’s most influential people in 2017. Find more information and purchase tickets at ScottsdaleMLK.org.

**Things to do**

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

- **Electronics recycling** takes place Dec. 1
- Learn about “Building Our New Energy Future” at the Dec. 6 Green Building program
- Attend the Cure Corridor event Dec. 7 to learn about health care and bio-life science innovation happening in Scottsdale
- Don’t toss personal info: “Shred It” Dec. 8
- Explore Civic Center Library’s Frank Lloyd Wright exhibit through Dec. 31

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