

October 2017

Halloween fun, October events and fall break camps

We've got nothing but treats up our sleeve this month as Halloween costume choices are made and fall event calendars quickly fill up. Here's everything you need to know for October, along with an introduction to a Marine veteran and a bicycle that give new meaning to the word *service*.



FALL EVENT GUIDE

Tempe Tardeada

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the 19th annual Tempe Tardeada on Sunday Oct. 8 from noon to 8 p.m. at the Tempe Community Complex (Rural and Southern). This is a free community event with live entertainment, arts and crafts, dancing and more. The celebration commemorates the historical significance of Hispanics in the Tempe community. Visit www.tempe.gov/tardeada for more information.



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Movies in the Park returns



Enjoy four of cinema's most iconic kids' movies on one of the biggest inflatable screens in the Valley. All four movies are free to attend, begin at dusk (around 6 p.m.) and take place at [Kiwanis Park](http://www.kiwanis.org). Bring blankets and a picnic dinner. This month's line up may make you want to phone home again:



- Oct. 6: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (G)
- Oct. 13: Moana (PG)
- Oct. 20: Monsters Inc. (G)
- Oct. 27: E.T. (PG)

Visit www.tempe.gov/movies for more info. Movies in the Park is made possible by a grant from the Tempe Diablos.

FALL EVENT GUIDE (CONT.)

Four Peaks Oktoberfest

Support Tempe students while having a great time at Four Peaks Oktoberfest from Oct. 13-15 at Tempe Town Lake. There are plenty of kid-friendly things to do including a carnival and Kinderfest area full of activities. Admission is free; there are costs for the carnival, food and drinks. Event proceeds go to Tempe Sister Cities, a non-profit that sends local students to cities around the world. Visit www.fourpeaksoktoberfest.com for more info.



Fall Arts and Crafts Boutique



Tempe is filled with talented jewelry makers, wood turners, quilters and crafters. Want proof? Stop by the [Pyle Adult Recreation Center](http://www.tempe.gov/FamilyFun) for the Fall Arts & Crafts Boutique to see what local creative minds and hands can do. Get more information at www.tempe.gov/FamilyFun. Here's the schedule:
Friday, Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 21, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

40th annual Halloween Carnival

Tempe's 40th annual Halloween Carnival is on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 5-9 p.m. at [Kiwanis Park](http://www.tempe.gov/KiwanisPark), Guadalupe and All-American Way. The kids can dress up and enjoy carnival games, live entertainment, train rides, inflatables and more. Admission is free; tickets for attractions and food booths can be purchased for 25 cents a piece. Most activities are 3-4 tickets. More info at www.tempe.gov/halloween. View the Halloween Carnival video [here](#).



Get involved on GAIN Night

GAIN Night (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods) activities will take place the evening of Saturday, Oct. 21. Check with your HOA or neighborhood association to see if your neighborhood is taking part. Visit www.tempe.gov/GAIN for more info.

TEMPE PUBLIC LIBRARY, MARINE VETERAN BRINGING BOOKS TO UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES

Everyone should have access to books. Everyone should be able to experience the sense of community that a library offers to its patrons. But there are many people who don't go to the library, either because they have no way to get there or they aren't sure what to expect when they do show up.

The Tempe Public Library is trying to bridge that gap.

The [Tempe Book Bike](#) program is the first of its kind in the Valley. Through grant funding, the library purchased a specially outfitted bicycle that can carry dozens of books. The Book Bike will travel around Tempe to community centers, senior centers, parks and events while also cruising the streets of Tempe. Anyone who comes across the Book Bike can check out books, sign up for a library card and learn about library and city services.



“The Book Bike will help us reach out to those who are underserved in our community,” said Tempe Public Library Supervisor Nick Escalante. “We will bring the books to them. Book Bike lets us remove barriers and develop personal connections with people who may not be familiar with all of the services provided by the library and the city.”



To accomplish this task, library staff needed to find the perfect ambassador to ride the bike. Someone who could build those strong community ties while encouraging literacy and sharing information in a way that resonates. They succeeded.

Meet Sean King, Tempe's new Book Bike Ambassador. He's a Marine veteran, having served two tours in Afghanistan from 2008-2012. He says his time overseas made him much more appreciative of everything he has back home. It also sparked a fire that has called him to community service ever since.

“It's important to help people, to be productive and to make an impact in the community,” said Sean. “With Book Bike, we can reach an entire community that doesn't have access to the library and guide them towards literacy and services.”

Though Book Bike will serve everyone, a special emphasis will be placed on veterans, seniors and the city's homeless population, which hits home for Sean.

“I've worked security and have seen first-hand how hard it is for homeless people to survive on the streets,” he said. “This is a chance for me to help them out by sharing information and resources that could change a life one day.”

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TEMPE PUBLIC LIBRARY, MARINE VETERAN BRINGING BOOKS TO UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES (cont.)

Sean also teaches art at retirement communities and to elderly people suffering from dementia. An avid artist, he has a passion for teaching people, a skill that will transfer well to his new Book Bike duties. He is currently going through training and will work closely with the city's HOPE (Homeless Outreach Prevention Effort) team to become well-versed in the city's programs and resources. The HOPE team will also introduce Sean to many of these underserved populations.



"We want to increase literacy across the board," said Tempe Public Library Supervisor Nick Escalante. "We want to help fill people's days with something productive. Literacy is important and we want to meet the needs of everybody."

The Tempe Public Library is hosting a Book Bike unveiling event on Saturday, Oct. 14 at 10 a.m. The community is invited to check out the bike and to meet Sean.

For more information or to request the Book Bike for an event, visit www.tempe.gov/TempeBookBike.

ARTS, CRAFTS AND MUSIC THIS MONTH

Free Art Friday on Oct. 27

Don't miss the last fall session of Free Art Friday, a free family event where kids and caregivers take part in fun, creative art projects. The event is on Friday, Oct. 27 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the [Edna Vihel Center](http://www.tempe.gov/EdnaVihelCenter). The theme is *Pirates of the Edna Vihel*. Registration is not required. More info at www.tempe.gov/FamilyFun.



Storybook Chef for toddlers, students and parents



Get out those aprons – you're gonna need them! Storybook Chef Angie Sams shares her favorite books and healthy recipes with kids and their parents during this fun (and often messy) class. There are options for toddlers and children ages 5- 10. Parents or caregivers must also participate. The class is \$18. To see class dates and themes, visit www.tempe.gov/brochure, pages 8 and 14.

ARTS, CRAFTS AND MUSIC (cont.)

Halloween themes and garage-psych music at the museum

The Tempe History Museum is hosting two fantastic bands this month as part of its Performances at the Museum series. On Oct. 6, the Tetra String Quartet will perform the score to 1920s horror film *The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari* to get you into the Halloween spirit. On Oct. 28, all-girl, garage-psych band The Darts will perform live on the outside plaza. Visit www.tempe.gov/MuseumEvents for more information.



WAYS TO STAY ACTIVE ALL MONTH LONG

Free racquet for new tennis players

Tennis lessons for juniors are available in October. Players learn basic skills, sportsmanship and develop new friendships. Sessions are three weeks long and cost \$42. If you're enrolling a new tennis player, [click here](#) to get a free junior tennis racquet. For registration information, visit www.tempe.gov/tennis. Promotion valid through Oct. 8.

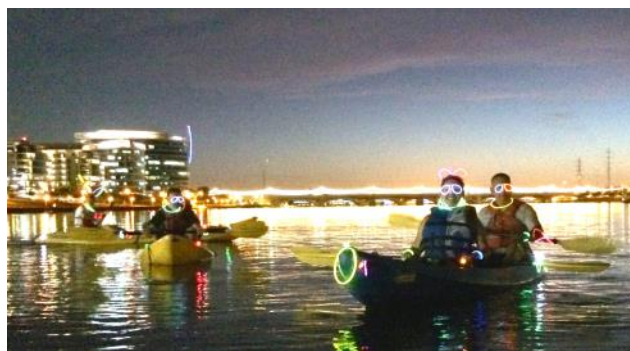


Kids Swim Free at Kiwanis Wave Pool

Free evening swim is back at Kiwanis Recreation Center. The indoor pool is open Monday through Thursday, from 5-8 p.m. Kids can enjoy the calm waters for free from Oct. 3 through Dec. 7. Two Children, ages 10 and under, swim free for every one \$4 adult admission. Visit www.tempe.gov/kiwanis for more information.

Glow Paddles at Tempe Town Lake

Light up the lake with Glow Paddles this month while enjoying the cooler evening air. There are two evenings available on Oct. 13 and 27. Both sessions are from 7-9 p.m., cost \$20 for youth and \$35 for adults. Children must be ten years or older. Register now – space is limited! Check out www.tempe.gov/boating for info.

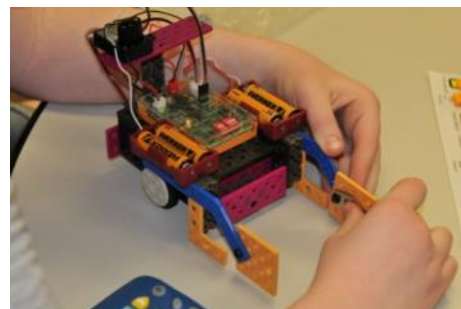


FALL TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING CAMPS

Keep those minds sharp this month with several camp options for your technology-savvy students. Download the [Tempe Opportunities brochure](#) and reference the page numbers below for more info.

NEW! *S.T.E.A.M. & Robotics®; Robo Frenzy*

Robotic engineering, battle bots, robo kits and more. Class begins on Oct. 22 and costs \$52. View page 17 in the Brochure for more info.



NEW! *Play-Well TEKnologies®; LEGO® Engineering Camps*

A week-long, hands-on camp during fall break that's suitable for LEGO® experts or novices. Fee is \$125. View page 16 in the brochure for more info. Fall break dates are Oct. 9-13.

CompuGirls Bootcamp



For girls ages 13-16, this class will cover basic technological applications through the use of circuitry and design expressive artworks with circuits while discussing cultural responsiveness and intersecting identities in our community. Session is from Oct. 9-13. Lunch is provided.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE EARLY NOVEMBER EVENTS!

Friday, Nov. 3, 7:45 a.m.: [State of the City Address with Mayor Mitchell](#)

Friday, Nov. 3, 6 p.m.: Opening reception for fall [Tempe History Museum](#) exhibit - Jan Young: Photographing Tempe in the 1970s

Saturday, Nov. 4, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.: [Tempe Book Festival](#)



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www.tempe.gov/recreation