



Thursday, Oct. 5

HEADLINES

Scottsdale's annual Report to Our Citizens is available online. Scottsdale opened 7.5 miles of new trails in the preserve and improved green waste recycling from single family homes by 7 percent within the past year. This information, and more, is found in the latest annual [Report to Our Citizens](#), which covers the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2017.

Phoenix Open brings in nearly \$400 million to Arizona economy. This year's Waste Management Phoenix Open brought in \$389 million to Arizona's economy, according to an Arizona State University W.P. Carey School of Business study. The event's economic impact increased 65.4 percent – or \$222 million – compared to 2012. Direct sales tax revenue for the city was estimated at \$4.1 million. Source: [Scottsdale Independent](#)

New Railroad Park exhibit contains the gratitude of a nation. At the conclusion of World War II, the residents of France packed 49 railcars full of donated items and delivered one to each of the 48 U.S. states (plus the District of Columbia) as a way of saying thanks to Americans for their support during the war. These became known as Merci Cars. [Arizona's Merci Car](#) has been on display at [McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park](#) since 1989, but people have only been able to view the outside of the car, not what was inside. Now, the original contents from that car are also on display at the park, part of a rotating exhibit made possible through a partnership with the Arizona Capitol Museum.

VIDEO OF THE WEEK

[Hear the story of Scottsdale's founding father](#) and how he established our community.

EVENTS

Bacon and Beer Classic sizzles Saturday. Sample more than 50 craft beers, eat 25 bacon-infused dishes, play giant Jenga, battle it out on the bungee run and compete in a bacon-eating contest. [This unique event](#) begins at noon, Saturday, Oct. 7, at [Scottsdale Stadium](#).

Celebrate all things railroad at Railfair, this weekend. This [free event](#) includes model train displays, exhibits of seldom seen vintage railroad equipment and presentations about Arizona's railroad history. The fun takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and

Sunday, at the [McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park](#).

Attend free Scottsdale Philharmonic concert Sunday. Hear a professional [symphony orchestra concert](#) at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 8, at [Scottsdale Bible Church](#), 7601 E. Shea Blvd. The group receives support through the city's Community Event Funding program.

Denim, Diamonds and Dancin' at senior center's Western Dance, Oct. 10. Mosey down for live music, dance instruction, food and raffle prizes. The fun starts at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 10, at the [Via Linda Senior Center](#). Cost is \$3 for residents. [Register here](#).

Fall ball is back. Cheer on your home team, the [Scottsdale Scorpions](#), as they take on top minor league players from both the American and National leagues. The season kicks off 6:35 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 10, at [Scottsdale Stadium](#).

Office of Diversity presents "American Lives: The Impact of Islamophobia" Hear personal stories and authentic perspectives about the [Impact of Islamophobia](#) at this free program – 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, at [Civic Center Library](#).

Browse the [city calendar](#) for more events.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Celebrate Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve Month. The [preserve](#) spreads across more than 30,000 acres of spectacular desert and is home to diverse wildlife, lush flora and jaw-dropping topography. [View](#) October preserve events.

Mayor proclaims Oct. 9 as Indigenous People's Day. The city values the many contributions made by our our community by Indigenous Peoples. [Read the proclamation](#).

A call to the community: design Scottsdale's city flag. The city is [seeking design concepts for a new city flag](#) through an open design challenge. Scottsdale hopes a new flag will become an immediately recognizable symbol of the proud and accomplished desert community known around the world for its blend of western heritage, natural beauty and modern art and culture. Designs may be submitted via the [city's website](#) or during business hours at any [Scottsdale Public Library](#) through 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27.

Scottsdale gets energy from Hoover Dam. Scottsdale Water was [awarded a 50-year contract](#) for Hoover Power. This allows the city to diversify its energy supply portfolio with renewable energy resources and achieve power cost savings. Scottsdale Water is expected to achieve about \$3.9 million in electrical power cost savings throughout the term of the agreement.

Scholarships available for Mayor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities. Each year, the [Mayor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities](#) provides financial support to college or college-bound students who have demonstrated outstanding initiative in living with a disability. [Applications](#) are due by 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31.

New Scottsdale trolleys burn cleaner fuel and will improve driver efficiency. Four new vehicles will replace older [trolleys](#) that had reached the end of their service life. Fueled by compressed natural gas, they are more environmentally friendly and also feature a new system that allows drivers to secure wheelchair passengers with the touch of a button rather than by hand. The vehicles were paid primarily through federal grant money with a small Scottsdale share paid from the city's portion of Maricopa County regional transportation sales tax (Prop. 400 funds).

Get City Council [meeting and agenda information](#).

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Don't be a victim of identity theft; shred event takes place Saturday. Bring your personal and/or commercial [documents to be shredded](#) from 7 to 10 a.m. in the [Walmart](#) parking lot. Cost is \$4 per box.

Recycle unwanted electronics Saturday. Scottsdale residents can [drop off unwanted electronics](#) from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the [city's Corporation Yard](#). Recycling these items prevents them from reaching landfills ... creating less waste and providing usable items to organizations that can recapture their value.

Scottsdale Public Library partners with ASU to help entrepreneurs. The Step Ups Series will help attendees understand how to establish "business boundaries," marketing, service alignment and customer service strategies. The library received funding from [ASU Entrepreneurship + Innovation](#) to host the series. The free programs take place [various dates and times](#) in [Civic Center Library](#)'s Eureka Loft.

Library presents three programs in October to commemorate "American Archives Month." Scottsdale Public Library highlights the Scottsdale Heritage Connection including its digital image collection. Find out about this [unique resource](#). In addition, attend three photo-rich programs that focus on the history of public art, McCormick Ranch's evolution and the old hometown paper, the Scottsdale Progress/Tribune. [Get specific dates, times and locations](#).

Neighborhood College classes continue into October. Registration is available for [Scottsdale's Neighborhood College](#), a series of free classes where residents can receive the information, resources and tools needed to become effective neighborhood leaders. Get a list of topics, dates, times and locations.

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