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HEADLINES

Authors Marc and Sonja Raciti highlight Veterans Day commemoration, Nov. 10. [Army veteran Marc Raciti's](#) struggles with post-traumatic stress disorder nearly drove him to suicide. Instead of giving in to those impulses, however, Raciti sought help. The couple will speak about their journey at Scottsdale's free Veterans Day commemoration from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, at [McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park](#). The ceremony also features a performance of patriotic music by the 108th Army Band Brass Quintet.

More Veterans Day activities:

Civic Center Library hosts traveling World War I and America Exhibit, through Nov. 20. The [library](#) hosts this [traveling exhibit](#) commemorating the 100th anniversary of World War I. The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History prepared the exhibit which includes documents, images and interpretive texts.

Celebrate America as Saguaro High School Vocal Ensemble performs patriotic music, Nov. 5. Join the Voices of Saguaro in a [concert and sing along](#) honoring our country and veterans. This free program is at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5, at [Civic Center Library](#).

Veterans Day Historical Lecture, Nov. 8. Join the Granite Reef Senior Center Lunch Program for a historical Veterans Day presentation by local historian and author Joan Fudala. It takes place at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, at the [center](#). Attendees must register for the lunch by calling 480-312-1724 by noon the day before. Lunch is \$3.50 for anyone 60 and older; \$5 for those younger.

World War I and America: The Treaty of Versailles and the Future of War, Nov. 8. ASU History Professor Kyle Longley discusses how the armistice brought the fighting to an end, but The Treaty of Versailles brought WWI to an end and established the League of Nations. The [free program](#) takes place from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at [Civic Center Library](#).

Airport Swing-Time Gala, Nov. 10. [Travel back in time](#) and experience the 1940s with this first-of-its-kind event featuring speakers, music and dancing from the swing time era; WWII military aircraft and vehicles; and delicious chow and cocktails. A Stearman PT-17 biplane will be the centerpiece of the Veterans Memorial and on display at the event. Proceeds will benefit the Thunderbird Field II Veterans Memorial and DreamCatchers, a charity which fulfills the dreams of hospice patients. The event runs from 6 to 11 p.m. at [Ross Aviation](#), 14600 N. Airport Drive.

Local Veterans organizations host ceremony, Nov. 11. Scottsdale veteran organizations will host a ceremony at 10 a.m. at the [Scottsdale City Hall](#), Chaplain Statue, 3939 N. Drinkwater Blvd. Speakers include Mayor Jim Lane and Congressman David Schweikert. The dedication of a new monument will be included with the traditional rifle volley and playing of taps. The program is free and open to the public. For details, contact the American Legion Post 44 at 480-941-0130.

Above and Beyond: The Incredible Story of Frank Luke, Jr. Nov. 15. Author Keith Warren Lloyd's speaks of [Luke's life in Arizona](#), his training as a fighter pilot and his combat experiences – including his final mission which led to the Medal of Honor. Luke was one of the most revered fighter aces on the Western Front. Attend at 6:30 p.m. at [Civic Center Library](#).

VIDEO OF THE WEEK

[Hard Times, Simple Times](#) explores the people and places in Scottsdale during the Great Depression.

EVENTS

Scottsdale International Film Festival runs through Nov. 6. The [Scottsdale International Film Festival](#) connects audiences with award-winning cinema from around the globe. Dozens of meticulously chosen films reflect a variety of styles, interests and themes. All films show at [Harkins Shea 14 Theatre](#).

Grand Prix of Scottsdale races in for third year, Nov. 3-5. Downtown Scottsdale will transform into a 21st century version of the Roaring '20s. [Experience](#) vintage race cars, live music, a kid's zone and other entertainment.

Make a goal to attend Scottsdale Polo Championship, Nov. 11-12. Watch the country's best polo teams play at the [Polo Championships – Horses and Horsepower](#) at [WestWorld](#). Also in store ... a fashion show, canine couture and live entertainment.

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Scottsdale helped launch green building movement. The idea of [constructing buildings that use less water](#) and energy and more earth-friendly materials didn't begin with large commercial projects. Building green started with homes, and in Arizona, it started right here in Scottsdale. In 1998, Scottsdale became one of only five cities in the country to offer homebuilders Green Building certifications.

Arizona Fall League continues in November. Cheer on your home team, the [Scottsdale Scorpions](#), as they take on top minor league players from both the American and National leagues. Home games take place at [Scottsdale Stadium](#), which hosts the Fall League Championship game at 1:08 p.m. Nov. 18.

One minute of idling produces more carbon monoxide than three packs of cigarettes! In addition, each gallon of fuel burned emits about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide. [Eliminating unnecessary idling](#) in personal vehicles would have the same effect as removing six million cars from our roads.

Sign up for lifeguard training course, Nov. 6-20. Become a certified lifeguard at 15 years old through the [Starguard Lifeguard Training](#) course. Participants will be certified in lifeguard rescues, basic first aid and CPR.

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

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Protect your identity by attending “Shred It” event Saturday. Bring your personal and/or commercial documents to the [“Shred It”](#) event from 7 to 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, in the [Wal-Mart](#) parking lot, 15355 N. Northsight Blvd. Cost is \$4 per box or bag.

Neighborhood College classes continue in November. Registration is available for Scottsdale’s [Neighborhood College](#), a series of free classes where residents can receive information, resources and tools needed to become effective neighborhood leaders. Two of November’s four programs include “How to Handle Difficult Homeowners” and “The History of Scottsdale.”

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