



Nov. 9, 2017

HEADLINES

Flag these Veterans Day activities. Army veteran and author [Marc Raciti](#)'s struggles with post-traumatic stress disorder nearly drove him to suicide. Instead of giving in to those impulses, he sought help. Raciti and his wife Sonja will share their story at the city's annual Veterans Day commemoration. The event takes place at 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10, at [McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park](#), 7301 E. Indian Bend Road. It is free and open to the public. [More information](#) on this and other Veterans Day activities.

Register for the Martin Luther King Jr. Dinner Celebration. Bob Enderle will share his perspective on growing up during the civil rights era – living in and raising a multiracial family. He also has 35 years of human resources leadership, addressing diversity issues. [The event](#) will be Tuesday, Jan. 9, at [The Scottsdale Resort at McCormick Ranch](#). Registration begins at 5 p.m. and the program starts at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$75.

VIDEO OF THE WEEK

Not sure if you need to get a building permit for your upcoming home improvement? [Watch and learn!](#)

EVENTS

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.

Get hooked on fishing at Eldorado Park's Fishing Expo, Nov. 18. Tackle family fun at Eldorado Park's free [Fishing Expo](#) from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, at the [fishing lake](#), 2311 N. Miller Road.

History in the Desert opens at Brown's Ranch Trailhead, Nov. 18. A new exhibit opening Saturday, Nov. 18, at the Brown's Ranch Trailhead in Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve offers insights into the Arizona Historical Society's role in preserving the state's history and telling its unique story. It includes artifacts and photographs from the Arizona Historical Society collections showing historic ranching, mining, farming and other elements of Arizona history. Call the McDowell Sonoran Conservancy at 480-998-7971 for more information.

Attend free Scottsdale Philharmonic concert Nov. 19. Hear a professional [symphony orchestra concert](#) at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at [Scottsdale Bible Church](#), 7601 E. Shea Blvd. The group receives support through the city's Community Event Funding program.

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Thanks to popular demand, Holiday Lights will expand. This year's event runs for five weeks, kicking off Friday, Dec. 1, and running most nights through Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018. The Holiday Lights train ride on the Paradise & Pacific Railroad will require a special ticket. Tickets can be purchased in advance, during the park's normal hours of operation. Another exciting element – you can avoid long lines by [buying a Fast Pass](#). Get details about [this year's event](#).

Volunteer Downtown Ambassadors needed. You'll get to share the 411 on where to eat, shop and play. [Ambassadors](#) are asked to volunteer three-hour shifts at one of our information sidewalk carts.

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

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Senior Services celebrates Thanksgiving with festive luncheons at both centers. Join us for food, entertainment and fellowship: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, [Nov. 15](#), at [Granite Reef](#); and noon Tuesday, [Nov. 21](#), at [Via Linda](#). [Get specific times, costs and registration](#).

Mustang Library presents "The Bizarre Human History of the McDowells," Nov. 18. Discover the unusual and sometimes tragic history that befell visitors to these mysterious mountains. The [free program](#) is from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, at [Mustang Library](#).

Household Hazardous Waste home pickup available. Scottsdale residents can properly [dispose of household hazardous waste](#) through our free Home Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program. This service is offered to 200 residents per month on a first-come, first-served basis. [Schedule here](#).

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