



Jan. 4, 2018

HEADLINES

Mark your calendars for Mayor's State of the City Address. Scottsdale Mayor W.J. "Jim" Lane's annual [State of the City Address](#) will be Wednesday, Jan. 31, at the [Scottsdale Resort at McCormick Ranch](#). The mayor's remarks will start at 12:30 p.m. Those wanting to join the mayor and other community leaders for an earlier reception and lunch can purchase individual tickets for \$50. Proceeds benefit "Operation Fix It," a program that teams volunteers and businesses to assist homeowners or tenants who are physically or financially unable to maintain their properties.

Recycle your Christmas tree at these drop off locations, Jan. 6-14. [Collection bins](#) will be available at three city parks: [Eldorado](#), [Scottsdale Ranch](#) and [Thompson Peak](#). No artificial trees, stands or ornaments will be accepted. We can also pick up your tree curbside during your regular [brush and bulk collection week](#). Place your tree in the brush pile away from bulk items.

Scottsdale teams with Secretary of State's office on new campaign finance tool. Those interested in Scottsdale elections should soon be able to access [campaign finance information](#) via an online interface. The city is participating in "See the Money," a new portal developed by Arizona Secretary of State Michele Reagan's office and the Citizens Clean Elections Commission.

VIDEO OF THE WEEK

Where Summer Winters: A look at the [history of resorts](#) in and around Scottsdale.

EVENTS

Last chance to see Holiday Lights. Festivities take place from 6 to 9 p.m. through Sunday, Jan. 7, at [McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park](#). The Holiday Lights experience on the Paradise & Pacific Railroad is \$5 with children 2 and younger riding free with a paying adult. [Get event details.](#)

Rock 'N' Roll Marathon Series runs Jan. 12-14. [The Rock 'N' Roll Marathon Series](#) makes running fun with options for all fitness levels. Known for live music and excitement, the Rock 'N' Marathon is a relatively flat course that runs through three of the Southwest's

most scenic cities – Phoenix, Scottsdale and Tempe. [Here's a list of road closures.](#)

Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction rolls in Jan. 13-21. Hundreds of the world's finest collector automobiles and thousands of spectators will assemble for this year's [Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction](#) at [WestWorld](#).

Drawn to art? Check out Celebration of Fine Art, Jan. 13-March 25. Watch art as it's being created as more than 100 artists set up working studios at [Celebration of Fine Art](#), 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Housed in the big white tents southwest of Hayden Road and the Loop 101, Celebration presents a variety of art in all styles – from traditional to contemporary.

Sunday A'Fair minifestivals run Jan. 14-April 8. [Sunday A'Fair](#) features free outdoor concerts by the Valley's top musicians, an arts-and-crafts market and fun activities for children and families. The concerts run from noon to 4 p.m. most Sundays Jan. 14-April 8, on the Civic Center Mall.

Gooding and Company Scottsdale Auction revs up Jan. 19-20. Many styles of classic cars from various eras will be showcased at the [Gooding and Company Scottsdale Auction](#) at [Scottsdale Fashion Square](#).

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

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Take a job at getting fit this January at Club SAR Boxing & Fitness Center.

Scottsdale's [Club SAR](#) Boxing & Fitness Center is the perfect spot this January to meet your physical conditioning goals. The club hosts a variety of classes and has a variety of equipment, including a boxing ring and weights. Annual, three-month and one-month memberships are available at affordable prices.

Make a resolution to start saving water – Try these winter watering tips. Water your landscape less frequently during the winter. Dormant Bermuda grass needs water only about every 30 days. If you planted rye grass in the fall, it requires water about once every two weeks. Follow this [handy checklist](#).

Don't miss your chance to write and send a letter via Hashknife Pony Express.

Each letter bearing the coveted Hashknife Pony Express insignia will be carried more than 200 miles on horseback and delivered to the U.S. Postal Service Friday, Feb. 9. [Find out how to participate.](#)

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, Jan. 6, in the [Walmart](#) parking lot, 15355 N. Northsight Blvd. Cost is \$4 per box or bag.

Registration opens in January for Scottsdale City Government 101. Whether you are a community leader, board member or volunteer ... you are invited to participate in [Scottsdale City Government 101](#). The series of free classes presents the “nuts and bolts” of Scottsdale city government. Classes begin early March.

Home Safe Home program helps seniors reduce falls. Fire Department volunteers visit seniors’ homes to [address potential tripping and falling hazards](#). They can also replace smoke alarms batteries or install a new alarm.

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