



Thursday, July 20

HEADLINES

Sandbags available for residents as part of monsoon preparedness. Summer monsoon storms can develop rapidly and cause severe localized winds and flooding. Be prepared. The city is offering free sand and bags 24 hours a day for Scottsdale residents on a first-come, first-served basis. Residents are required to fill their own bags. Get more monsoon safety information and find out where you can fill bags.

Drivers will see a traffic signal change at Scottsdale and Pinnacle Peak roads. This week, Scottsdale is reprogramming the intersection's traffic signals to display leading left-turn arrows – where the left turn arrow comes before the green light. The change from a lagging left-turn is designed to alleviate backup and reduce delays at the increasingly busy intersection. <u>Learn how</u> Scottsdale safely moves and monitors traffic.

VIDEO OF THE WEEK

Scottsdale Police Chief Alan Rodbell leads a discussion on the use of body cameras.

EVENTS

Star-studded moonlight swims take place this weekend. Did you know that the sun's UV rays can damage skin in as little as 15 minutes? Avoid the danger by <u>swimming under the stars</u> Friday, July 21, at <u>McDowell Mountain Ranch</u> Aquatic Center; and Saturday, July 22, at <u>Eldorado</u>. Both events are from 5 to 9 p.m. Regular pool admission fees apply.

Brick Fest showcases mind-blowing Lego creations from around the world. This event runs Saturday-Sunday, July 22-23, at WestWorld. Build and race your own LEGO derby car, enjoy a LEGO mini golf course, shop new and vintage LEGO sets, and compete in the video game arena.

Browse the <u>city calendar</u> for more events.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Make adjustments for monsoon humidity and rains. Summer storms and muggy

weather have arrived. The higher humidity during monsoon season means plants lose less water to evaporation, making it easy to overwater. Remember to skip a watering cycle if storms produce a half inch or more of rain.

Learn about planned improvements for Granite Mountain and Fraesfield trailheads. Provide feedback between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, at the Florence Ely Nelson Community Center. These trailheads are two of 11 that provide public access into the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

Get City Council meeting and agenda information.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Library hosts program on "Storytelling through Museum and Archival Artifacts." The Arizona Historical Society hosts this free interactive discussion to learn how to define history and define what makes an object "historical." The program runs from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, at Mustang Library.

Parks and Recreation fall class registration begins July 31. Classes offer affordable prices, experienced instructors, and convenient times and locations. Choose from our wide range of classes. Registration begins at 7 a.m. Monday, July 31, for residents and 7 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1, for nonresidents.

Kids invited to learn "FUNdamentals" of water sports, July 31-Aug. 4. McDowell Mountain Ranch offers an exhilarating sports camp Monday-Friday, July 31-Aug. 4. Participants will learn the "FUNdamentals" of different water sports including swimming, diving, water polo and water basketball.

Drop in to Eldorado Park for cards and games through Aug. 4. Those 18 and older can drop in for scrabble, chess, cards and other fun activities from 9 a.m. to noon Fridays at the center.

Escape the heat; visit a Scottsdale library. Hours vary, but a branch is open every day. Find out where they are and when they're open.

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