

IT'S OFFICIALLY FALL IN TEMPE, WHICH MEANS THAT COOLER WEATHER, OUTDOOR FESTIVALS, PUMPKINS GALORE AND SPOOKY SPECTACLES ARE HEADED OUR WAY!



BALLET UNDER THE STARS

Spend a relaxing evening under the gorgeous Arizona sky as [Ballet Arizona](#) continues its annual season opening tradition with [Ballet Under the Stars](#) at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 at the Tempe Center for the Arts Amphitheater.

Under the direction of Ib Andersen, Ballet Under the Stars performances showcase a combination of classical and contemporary works in a casual and unique outdoor setting, complete with a stage, lighting and costumes. The Sept. 27 performance will feature the debut performance of works created by students at [Broadmor School](#) as part of the children's "Class Act" program.

Audiences are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs and a picnic dinner to this family-friendly event under the stars.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

Catch a flick under the stars with this free Halloween-themed family movie series in October. The City of Tempe gives families a good reason to skip the theater on Friday nights and head to the [Movies in the Park](#) at Kiwanis Park, Baseline Road and Mill Avenue.

Bring the kids, a blanket and a picnic dinner to watch the following films on one of the largest inflatable screens in Arizona. Each movie begins at dusk (approximately 6 p.m.).

Oct. 4	Ghostbusters	PG
Oct. 11	ParaNorman	PG
Oct. 18	Monster House	PG
Oct. 25	Hotel Transylvania	PG

The free Movies in the Park movie series is presented by the City of Tempe and the Tempe Diablos. The Kyrene South Rotary Club operates a concession stand where you may purchase delicious snacks at reasonable prices.





TEMPE TO HOLD FIRE SAFETY FAIR DURING NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

On Oct. 5 from 9 a.m. to Noon, the [Tempe Fire Department](#) will celebrate Fire Prevention Week by holding a [safety fair](#) at the Tempe Fire Training Facility, 1340 E. University Drive. Activities will include fire extinguisher training, CPR demonstrations, ambulance and fire truck tours, a vehicle extrication demonstration and much more.

The 2013 theme for Fire Prevention Week is “Prevent Kitchen Fires.” The kitchen is often one of the busiest and most dangerous places in the home. Sixty-five percent of all residential fires are related to the kitchen with more injuries occurring in the kitchen than any other room in the home. Here are some simple tips to help keep your kitchen safe:

- Turn handles inward when using pots and pans on the stove;
- Don't leave food unattended on the stove;
- Clean vent filters regularly;
- Don't store snack foods above the stove as this may encourage climbing;
- Keep items that catch fire easily away from stove, toasters and hot plates;
- Unplug electrical appliances when not in use;
- Keep stoves clean and free of grease and oil.

CELEBRATE HISPANIC HERITAGE AT TEMPE TARDEADA

This year's [Tardeada](#) marks the City of Tempe's 15th Annual Hispanic Heritage Festival. A tardeada is a social dance that is traditionally held on Sunday afternoons; this year's Tardeada is open from Noon-8 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 6 within the Tempe Community Center Complex, located on the southwest corner of Rural Road and Southern Avenue. The event is the culmination of Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrates the historical significance of Hispanics within the Tempe community.

This event features many free activities such as: Arizona's hottest Latin entertainment with live bands, dance shows and mariachis, arts and crafts, face painting, inflatables, The Game Truck, and the Tempe History Museum's Family Albums exhibit. Additionally, on-site food vendors sell delicious, authentic traditional fare at family-friendly prices.



FABULOUS FRIDAY DANCE

Boogie-woogie on the dance floor from 6:30-9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 11 at the Adapted Recreation's monthly [Fabulous Friday Dance](#), held at the [Edna Vihel Center](#). This month we're celebrating fall with a delightfully frightful Halloween theme. A \$4 per-person fee includes admission, drinks, snacks and door prizes. The dance is designed for individuals with intellectual and physical disabilities, ages 13 and older.



HALLOWEEN WITH THE TETRA STRING QUARTET

On Friday, Oct. 11, the [Tempe History Museum](#) will be filled with the ghoulish sounds of screechy screams, hissing cats and more spooky Halloween noises at the free Halloween concert with the Tetra String Quartet. The concert begins at 7 p.m. and all ages are welcome to join in on the fun.



OKTOBERFEST

Get out those lederhosen and spend the weekend at the [41st Annual Oktoberfest](#) down at Tempe Town Lake. This three-day outdoor festival, held Friday-Sunday, Oct. 11-13, features a variety of German-themed attractions including: German beer and food, wine gardens, souvenirs, live music (think non-stop polka!), as well as activities for children in the Kinderfest area. The Das 22nd Frank Kush Oktoberfest Foot Race will occur Saturday morning, and a crowd-pleasing wiener dog race will take the spotlight Sunday afternoon.

Tempe's Oktoberfest is hosted by the [Tempe Sister City Corporation](#), a non-profit organization that provides programs for international student/teacher exchanges and humanitarian projects.

Admission to Oktoberfest is free, and food and activity tickets may be purchased at the event. Visit www.tempeoktoberfest.com for more details including hours, entertainment schedule and parking.



PUMPKIN EXTRAVAGANZA FOR YOUTH

Pumpkins are plentiful at the [Escalante Community Center's](#) Halloween festivities. Boys and girls ages 6-8 can express their creativity and paint pumpkins on Tuesday, Oct. 15 from 4-5 p.m. Kids ages 9-12 will have the opportunity to carve pumpkins on Wednesday, Oct. 16 from 4-5:30 p.m. There is a \$2 fee per day.



DON CARLOS AWARDS DINNER & RECEPTION

[Tempe Community Council \(TCC\)](#) is pleased to announce that Kerry Fetherston of Tempe will receive the 2013 Don Carlos Humanitarian Award at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 16 at the [Don Carlos Humanitarian Awards](#). Kerry was selected out of nine impressive nominees for her community impact and impressive resume at such a young age. Additional honors will be presented to local philanthropists and volunteers who work to provide a high quality of life for all in Tempe.



FREE ART FRIDAY; A PIRATE'S PARADISE

Sail the seven seas without walking the plank at Free Art Friday's October event, [A Pirate's Paradise](#) from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on October 18, located within the Edna Vihel Activities Center. This family-friendly event gives kids the opportunity to create art, learn about music and movement and have a great time! It is not necessary to register for this free, leisurely morning of activities.



ASU HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME, BLOCK PARTY AND PARADE

It's time to show some serious school spirit on October 19, at the 2013 [ASU Homecoming Football Game and Parade!](#) The block party is one of ASU's largest signature events and features activities for the whole family including interactive displays, games and activities, a kids area and reunion tents for colleges and alumni groups.

Join the Grand Marshall, Sparky, the Sun Devil Marching Band, the Sun Devil Spirit Squad and the thousands of spectators for the Homecoming parade and football game. Showcase your best gold attire to match this year's Homecoming theme *All That Glitters is GOLD*.

The Block Party will be located near University Drive and College Avenue in conjunction with the parade on University Avenue; both event times are determined by the game time.



FIRST CRUSH CHARITY GALA & SILENT AUCTION

The First Crush Charity Gala from 6-9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25, supports the [Tempe Community Action Agency \(TCAA\)](#), a nonprofit leader in providing human services to East Valley residents since 1966. The TCAA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life for the underserved in our community including low-income families, children, seniors and the homeless.

This event, presented by Jenny Norton and Bob Ramsey, will be held at the Tempe Center for the Arts and includes a delicious array of menu items from Santa Barbara Catering Company, spirits from Action Wine and Four Peaks Brewing, and entertainment by Alice Tatum and the Alice Tatum Band. Dress for the event is casual. [Tickets](#) are available now.

PYLE ARTS & CRAFT BOUTIQUE

Get a jump-start on your holiday shopping at the Pyle Arts and Crafts Boutique from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 26, located within the [Pyle Adult Center](#). This popular annual event features artists and crafters who specialize in handmade items, original artwork, holiday gifts and more! Food and snacks will be available for purchase, while live entertainment and prize drawings are sure to get you into the spirit of the season.



HALLOWEEN MOONLIGHT PADDLE

Come on down to Tempe Town Lake for a scary adventure from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25. In addition to an evening paddling on the water, prepare yourself for an array of spine-chilling stories, told by a professional storyteller. Bring clothes you don't mind getting wet, a towel and dry clothes. Kayaks, equipment and PFDs will be provided. Costumes are welcomed and encouraged. Youth ages 10-17 must be accompanied by an adult and are \$15; adults 18 years and older are \$30. Please [register](#) in advance.

TEMPE'S 36TH ANNUAL FAMILY HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

Your family will have a bewitching good time at Tempe's 36th Annual [Family Halloween Carnival](#). The annual event will take place on Saturday, October 26 from 5 to 9 p.m. on the South Soccer Fields at Kiwanis Park (Guadalupe Road and All-America Way).

The Halloween Carnival features live entertainment, carnival-style games, face painting, food booths, train rides, inflatables, "Tot Town" a toddler-friendly play area and much more!

Admission to the Family Halloween Carnival is free. Tickets are required for food and game booths and may be purchased for 25-cents apiece. Booths are operated by local civic organizations as a fundraiser. Most activities require three-to-four tickets.

Be sure to dress-up and enter the Halloween costume contest for your chance of winning fabulous prizes. There are lot of different age ranges and costume categories to participate in.

The Family Halloween Carnival is presented by the City of Tempe and the Tempe Diablos.



To receive up-to-date information about exciting events and opportunities happening between Connecting Tempe newsletters, become a fan of Tempe Recreation on [Facebook](#).

SAVE THE DATE

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| Mon. - Thurs.
Now thru Nov. 21 | <u>Kids Swim Free at Kiwanis</u>
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Calm Water Sessions
<u>Kiwanis Wave Pool</u> | Thurs., Oct. 17 | <u>Third Thursday at the Museum; ASU Sports History</u>
7-8:30 p.m.
Tempe History Museum
809 E. Southern Ave. |
| Sat., Sept. 28 | <u>5th Annual Walk for POP</u>
7:30 a.m.
Kiwanis Park | Fri., Oct. 18 | <u>Movies in the Park</u>
Monster House - PG
Approximately 6 p.m.
Kiwanis Park |
| Fri., Oct. 4 | <u>Movies in the Park</u>
Ghostbusters - PG
Approximately 6 p.m.
Kiwanis Park | Wed., Oct. 23 | <u>Community Conversation with Tempe City Councilmember Kolby Granville</u>
6-8 p.m.
Changing Hands Bookstore
6428 S. McClintock Dr. |
| Sun., Oct. 6 | <u>Maggie's Place Run/Walk</u>
7:23 a.m.
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Tempe Farmers Market
805 S. Farmer Ave. |
| Sat., Oct. 12 | Okie O'Connor Hot Head Regatta
7 a.m. - noon
<u>SRP Town Lake Marina</u> | | |
| Sat., Oct. 12 | <u>Java with Joel</u>
Meet Tempe City Councilmember
Joel Navarro
9-10 a.m.
North Tempe Multi-Generational Center | | |