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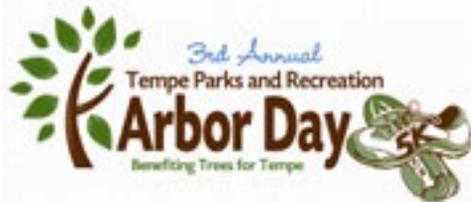
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In his April 1907 Arbor Day Message, President Theodore Roosevelt addressed youth, saying, "Within your lifetime the nation's need of trees will become serious... You will want what nature once so bountifully supplied and man so thoughtlessly destroyed; and because of that want you will reproach us, not for what we have used, but for what we have wasted."

April is a month dedicated to appreciating and conserving our planet (Earth Day is April 22 and Arbor Day is April 27). In Tempe, we have plenty of opportunities for you to celebrate our planet and think about ways to sustain its resources. Between running or walking in the Arbor Day 5K, learning about water conservation, riding your bike to work and donating recyclables, you'll find your own way to take President Roosevelt's message to heart.

## WALK, RUN AND JOIN THE FUN AT TEMPE'S 3RD ANNUAL ARBOR DAY 5K



Looking for a great way to get active and save the planet? Well, you're in luck: Tempe Parks and Recreation is holding its [3rd Annual Arbor Day 5K!](#)

Join us on Friday, April 27 at 6 p.m. at [Giuliano Park](#), located at [Tempe Town Lake](#). All members of the community can participate- from seasoned athletes and active kids to furry four-legged friends on leashes! Participants are encouraged to arrive between 4-6 p.m. to sign-in, register and enjoy the expo.

This 5K fun run/walk is just that—fun! It's the perfect event for the whole family to enjoy and brings the community together for a great cause. All proceeds will support the [Trees for Tempe](#) program, which aims to replenish Tempe's Urban Forest.

In 2008, summer monsoons destroyed more than 400 City-owned trees and Tempe was left struggling to find the resources needed to replenish its tree population. Trees for Tempe was revived and continues to provide both the financial and physical resources



necessary to replant damaged and aging trees in our community gathering places. The Arbor Day 5K was created as the annual fundraiser for the organization and has raised more than \$30,000.

There is still time to participate! Registration is \$20 (before April 26) and includes a race t-shirt. Registration day-of is \$25. Visit [www.arborday5k.com](http://www.arborday5k.com) for more information and to register for this year's AD5K!

A special thanks to [SRP Earthwise](#), returning as the Presenting Partner of the Arbor Day 5K. We would also like to thank [DHL Express](#), [Dick's Sporting Goods](#), [Kiwanis Batting Range](#), [Kiwanis Wave Pool](#), [Mood Swings](#), [Parsons Brinckerhoff](#), [Sunflower Market](#), [Sole Sports](#), Tempe Leadership Class 27, and [Weon Keyong Health Center](#) for their generous support of the event.





## BE AN “EARTH HERO” BY WASTING “ZERO”

“Waste not, want not” is a phrase that perfectly describes Tempe’s newest Earth Day celebration!

From 7 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, April 21, Tempe residents are invited to bring just about anything (and everything) to be recycled at the [Tempe Fire Training Facility](#). Residents are encouraged to drop off items including textiles, e-waste, scrap metal, [household hazardous waste items](#), tires, building supplies, appliances, shoes, paper and cardboard, school supplies and many other recyclables.

While dropping off your recycled items, receive a free bag of compost from Tempe’s green waste program and up to 20 gallons of recycled exterior paint! Also, bring in canned food items for the food pantry at [Tempe Community Action Agency](#) and receive a free re-usable shopping bag!

Participants must show proof of Tempe residency (driver’s license, utility bill, etc.)

## SPRING CLEANING IN TEMPE’S ALLEYS

Give your alley a quick makeover this Earth Day! If your neighborhood has alleys, get together with your neighbors and take 15-30 minutes to spruce up the area- pull weeds, clean up debris and haul it down to the [Zero Waste Day](#). Register your neighborhood for the alley clean-up by calling 480.350.4311 and you could win a Tempe Alley Spruce-Up complete with City of Tempe tools, expertise, sweat and muscles.

*A clean alley is a safe alley!*



## WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE... AND LOTS OF THINGS TO LEARN!

Because of its desert-like state, Arizona’s history is synonymous with anecdotes about water. To celebrate both Earth Day and Arizona’s Centennial year, enjoy an event on the “Wonderful World of Water!”

On Saturday, April 21, families and community members are invited to learn about water and how it relates to art, everyday life and Tempe, Arizona.

Activities will be held from 10 a.m. – Noon at the [Edna Vihel Center for the Arts](#). Participants can create art projects that explore the way water relates to art; learn about the history of water and the Rio Salado and discover ways to conserve



water in the desert. While you’re visiting the “Wonderful World of Water,” stop by the [Tempe History Museum](#) to view a [new exhibit](#) related to the role water plays in Tempe.

## CELEBRATE EARTH AT THE TEMPE PUBLIC LIBRARY

After visiting “The Wonderful World of Water” on April 21, stop by the [Tempe Public Library](#) for an [Earth Day celebration!](#) From 1-3 p.m., the library will host a celebration on all things Earth-related.

Participants can learn about gravity and its effects on the Earth during a one-hour science discussion, magic and comedy show; perfect for teaching kids about Newton’s discovery. Following, there will be an hour-long presentation on beehives where The Museum of Science and Sustainability will talk about bees and the process of making honey.

## TEMPE FIRE DEPARTMENT CELEBRATES EARTH DAY WITH CAR SEAT AWARENESS

The [Tempe Fire Department](#) is celebrating this year’s Earth Day with car seat awareness.

On Earth Day, April 22, join Tempe Fire at [Tempe Marketplace](#) from 8 a.m. to Noon to learn about car seat safety. The event will include free car seat safety checks. Bring in your old car seats and they will be recycled!



Keep your car in the driveway for just one morning and take your bike to work! Tempe’s 21st annual [Bike to Work Day](#) encourages people to use bicycles as an alternative mode of transportation on April 18.

# GET GEARED UP FOR BIKE TO WORK DAY

Ride your bike to one of the participating Bike to Work Day locations in Tempe from 6:30 – 8 a.m. and receive a free breakfast. The first 350 riders will also receive free T-shirts.

Breakfast site locations include:

- Back East Bagels (northwest corner of Southern Avenue and McClintock Drive)
- Berning’s Fine Jewelry (southwest corner of McClintock Drive and Warner Road)
- IKEA (northwest corner of Warner Road and Priest Drive)
- Ncounter (southwest corner of Mill Avenue and 3rd Street)
- REI (southwest corner of Southern

Avenue and Priest Drive)

- Wildflower Bread Company (southwest corner of McClintock Drive and Guadalupe Road)
- Whole Foods Market (northwest corner of Rural and Baseline roads)

If you’re really up for a challenge, join Mayor Hugh Hallman along with members of the Tempe City Council at 7 a.m. for a group bike ride from Whole Foods Market to Ncounter in downtown Tempe.

For more information visit [www.tempe.gov/tim](http://www.tempe.gov/tim) or call 480.350.8663

# SUN DEVILS RESTORE “A” MOUNTAIN TO CELEBRATE EARTH MONTH



[Hayden Butte Preserve](#) a.k.a., “A” Mountain, is a symbol of Tempe. With its petroglyphs dating back to Hohokam civilization; its walking paths used by many; and the Arizona State golden “A” adorning the front, it is a landmark enjoyed and appreciated by many.

To show their appreciation for “A” Mountain, 30 volunteers from Arizona State University’s [Global Institute of Sustainability](#) and the local community gathered on Friday, April 5 to clean up an area on the north side of Tempe Butte. This is the third time the school has sponsored the project. The clean-up project included clearing out overgrown brush and picking up trash.

Hayden Butte was designated as a preserve in 2002 because of its meaningful historical resources and

significance to the Tempe community. Groups like ASU’s School of Sustainability help keep this park and other parks in Tempe clean and accessible for the community.

For more information on park clean-ups or to volunteer, contact Edith Ross at [edith\\_ross@tempe.gov](mailto:edith_ross@tempe.gov) or at 480.350.2952.



## IN TEMPE, EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY!

Celebrate year-round with programs like [Adopt-a-Park](#), [Trees for Tempe](#), and [Sustainable Tempe](#).



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

- Thurs, Apr. 19**     [Summer “Opportunities Brochure” Available Online](#)     Exhibit runs April 23-27.  
[Tempe History Museum](#)
- Thurs, Apr. 19**     [Third Thursday Night Café at the Museum](#)     **Wed, Apr. 25**     [Tempe Poetry in April](#)  
ASU Research Discussion Series     7 - 8:30 p.m.  
7 p.m.     [Tempe Center for the Arts](#)  
[Tempe History Museum](#)
- Thurs, Apr. 19**     [Ludwig Dance Theatre Performance](#)     **Fri, Apr. 27**     [3rd Annual Arbor Day 5K](#)  
April 19 – Sunday, April 22     Family Fun Run/Walk Benefiting the  
[Tempe Center for the Arts](#)     Trees for Tempe Program  
6 p.m. (Expo & Registration begins  
at 4 p.m.)
- Fri, Apr. 20**     [Music Under the Stars](#)     [Giuliano Park](#) at Tempe Town Lake
- Free Outdoor Concert     **Sat, Apr. 28**     [Neighborhood Workshop and Awards](#)  
7:30 p.m.     7:30 – 10:30 a.m.  
Tempe Center for the Arts     [Tempe History Museum](#)
- Sat, Apr. 21**     [Adult Tennis Camp](#)     **Sat, Apr. 28**     [Lakeshore Jazz Series](#)  
3:30 - 6 p.m.     Clairdee  
[Kiwanis Recreation Center](#)     7:30 p.m.  
[Tempe Center for the Arts](#)
- Sun, Apr. 22**     [Mood Swings Salon: Earth Month Cut-a-Thon](#)     **Fri, May. 4**     [Movies in the Park: Happy Feet 2](#)  
All salon services benefiting [Western](#)  
[Resource Advocates](#)     Free outdoor family movie series  
9 a.m.-5 p.m.     Dusk (approximately 6 p.m.)  
[Mood Swings Salon](#) (480.968.0268)     [Kiwanis Park](#)
- Mon, Apr. 23**     [Spring 2012 Dinner Party Cooking Class](#)     **Fri, May. 4**     [Water Film Series, Part 1](#)  
Featuring Chef Lee Hilson     “Blue Gold: World Water Wars”  
6:30 p.m.     6 p.m.  
[Hackett House](#)     [Tempe History Museum](#)
- Mon, Apr. 23**     [Speculative Futures: 3D Art Exhibit](#)     **Sat, May. 5**     [AZ Centennial Competition](#)  
ASU Artwork Exhibit     Performances at the Museum  
Opening Reception: April 23, 5 p.m.     7 p.m.  
[Tempe History Museum](#)