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# **SPRING INTO SOMETHING NEW**

It's the perfect time of year to start a new hobby, join a class or spend time with the family and the spring edition of the <u>Tempe Opportunities Brochure</u> is just the place for you to find that new opportunity. Not only are there classes for all ages and stages, they represent a wide variety of programs from yoga and kayaking to cooking and photography. Take a look at some of the programs Tempe has to offer and spring into something new!

#### **For TOTS:**

The Little All-Stars program returns for the spring session with even more highenergy classes designed for Toddlers ages 16 months to five-years-old. Each program has been designed by a child development specialist to improve your child's balance, coordination, flexibility, concentration and strength. In addition to the Sport classes, Tumbling will be offered this spring!





#### For YOUTH:

Have a little dancer in the family? In **Dance It Up**, your 4-6 year old will learn a little of everything: Hip Hop, Modern, Ballet and Pop; it's all about getting on the floor and dancing! Upbeat, ageappropriate music will help encourage students to dance-it-up! There are lots of great dance classes for every age in the spring Opportunities Brochure. From jazz to ballet, ballroom to hip-hop; there is an opportunity for everyone to get out and shake it!



### **For TEENS:**

Is your teen a budding artist? Sign them up for **Ceramics: Beginning Throwing!** This class is designed to introduce your teen to the skills for the potter's wheel. Students will learn about glazing techniques and will work with their instructor to complete finished pieces. If your teen is more of a painter than a sculptor, check out other art classes available for teens, which range from drawing and painting to mosaics.

### **For ADULTS:**

Looking to get in shape this spring? There are plenty of classes designed to get you off the couch and back into your old jeans in no time! **Total Body Conditioning** provides a challenging workout for all fitness levels. Combining intervals of strength training, simple athletic moves and plyometrics, this class will burn fat and calories while sculpting and toning your entire body. Or for something new,



try **Intro to Capoeira**, a Brazilian art form that combines elements of martial arts, acrobatics and music.

#### For ADULTS 50+:

Take the confusion out of snapping pictures and capture great shots of your family this spring. Enroll in **Photography for 50+** and learn about light technique, composition, shutter speed and f-stop, as they apply to your digital camera. No fancy cameras necessary!

#### **ADAPTED REC:**

If you're looking for a fun and rewarding opportunity for the whole family to get involved with, join the **Buddy Bowling Program!** This unified bowling program creates an opportunity for athletes with and without disabilities to participate together.



### Ready to register? Here's how:

- 1. Online at <a href="https://pkreconline.tempe.gov/InternetRegistration/Start/Start.asp">https://pkreconline.tempe.gov/InternetRegistration/Start/Start.asp</a>
- 2. In person at the Recreation
  Administration Office, Edna Vihel Center
  for the Arts, Pyle Adult Recreation
  Center, Kiwanis Recreation Center,
  Escalante Community Center or North
  Tempe Multi-Generational Center.
- 3. Fax in a registration form with credit card number to 480-350-5058.
- 4. Mail your registration to: Class Registration, 3500 S. Rural Rd. Tempe, AZ, 85282.

In addition to viewing the brochure <u>online</u>, you can also pick up a copy at City of Tempe facilities and Tempe Fry's Food Stores. Visit <u>www.frysfood.com</u> for a location near you.

### **Community Services Scholarship**

**Program:** Tempe's Community Services Scholarship Program encourages Tempe and Guadalupe residents ages 0-17 and youth enrolled in a Tempe public school to stay active by offering discounted course fees to those who cannot afford regular rates. Call 480-350-5200 for details.

# CHECK OUT A LIBRARY BOOK... ANYWHERE, ANYTIME!

The <u>Digital Bookmobile National Tour</u> is stopping in Tempe on Thursday, March 1 from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Be sure to check out the 18-wheel trailer bookmobile and learn how to download eBooks from the Tempe Public Library straight to your portable devices.

The 74-foot community outreach vehicle is a high-tech update of the traditional bookmobile that has served communities for decades. The bookmobile's gadget gallery is equipped with a variety of media players and representatives will be on-site to help visitors learn about the library's download service.

Library card holders can take advantage of the download service 24/7 when they visit the library's website. Once downloaded, digital titles can be enjoyed on a computer or transferred to supported mobile devices.

The bookmobile will be located in the south parking lot of the <u>Tempe</u> <u>Public Library</u>.









## TALES FROM DOUBLE BUTTE HIGHLIGHTS THE LIVES OF TEMPE'S FOUNDERS

Do you know who was Tempe's first telephone operator, who founded and served as long-time editor of the Tempe Daily News or why Tempe was originally known as Hayden's Ferry? Attend Tales from Double Butte, a narrated walking tour of Tempe Double Butte Cemetery, to learn these answers and hear many more interesting stories.

This entertaining journey returns to Double Butte Cemetery on Sunday, March 4 at 2 p.m. and will highlight some of Tempe's most famous residents including:

- Carol Smith
- Adolfo Romo
- Carl Spain
- The Hayden family
- Curt Miller
- Estelle Hackett
- The Decker family

The cost of the tour is \$15 per person. Register online at <a href="www.tempe.gov/events/tales">www.tempe.gov/events/tales</a> or in person at <a href="select city-facilities">select city-facilities</a>. Proceeds benefit the Tempe History Museum and Tempe Double Butte Cemetery. The walking tour winds through Double Butte Cemetery and is approximately 3/4 of a mile in distance. Attendees should wear comfortable walking shoes. For more information call 480-350-5100.



# SWING INTO SPRING AT DIABLO STADIUM

Spring Training season has arrived and your Angels will be back on the field starting Tuesday, March 6 for their home opener against the Chicago White Sox. Opening Day at Tempe Diablo Stadium begins at 1:05 p.m. and all proceeds from ticket sales, parking, concessions and merchandise from the first home game will go directly to the Tempe Diablos local charities.

The Tempe Diablos help enhance the Tempe community by providing support for academic excellence and educational needs of our children. The Diablos award scholarships to Tempe Union High School Students, contribute to local after-school programs, honor teachers and faculty for excellence in Tempe schools, support local organizations and more.

New to Tempe Diablo Stadium this year is the <u>Angels Baseball Spring</u> <u>Training Trolley</u>, which will transport fans to Tempe Diablo Stadium from two locations in Tempe: Mill Avenue District and Tempe Marketplace. Beginning March 6 and running through April 1 on game days, the trolley service will begin at 11 a.m. in both locations and continue until one half hour past the end of the game.

To purchase tickets and for additional information, visit <a href="www.tempe.gov/diablo">www.tempe.gov/diablo</a>. For more information on transit options to Tempe Diablo Stadium, visit <a href="www.tempe.gov/tim">www.tempe.gov/tim</a>.





### PLAYDAY 2012 BROUGHT OUT THE KID IN EVERYONE

The weather was a beautiful 70 degrees as children of all ages came out to play at Kiwanis Park for <u>Tempe's 3rd Annual PlayDay</u>.

Families enjoyed kayaking on Kiwanis Lake and bowling in the park. Tiny tots danced with hula hoops and tumbled on mats. Teams of children ran through football and softball drills, learned new dance moves and honed their tennis skills. Proving once again that Tempe really knows how to play!

View all of the photos from PlayDay on <u>Facebook!</u>



Tempe was one of 151 cities nationwide to be honored as a Playful City USA Community by KaBOOM!, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting play in children's lives. 2011 marked the third year Tempe has received this recognition for the way Tempe uses play and play spaces to positively impact childhood wellness, public safety and quality of life.



# **HEAD OUT TO KENNY MAC AFTER DARK**

Golfers now have even more time to hone their talents at the Ken McDonald Golf Course Driving Range, as the pro shop has extended hours of operation on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings until 9 p.m. through April 15. Closing time will move to 10 p.m. beginning April 16 through Sept. 30.

Golf Tempe promotes community-based golf that is affordable, accessible and adds to our quality of life as a lifetime leisure activity. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/golf">www.tempe.gov/golf</a> or call 480-350-5250.



### WHERE IN THE WORLD IS CARMEN SANDIEGO?

Anyone who was a kid in the 90's remembers sitting in front of the TV, trying to figure out where she was each episode. While the 15 student participants of the 2012 Tempe Sister Cities and Tempe School District 3 Geography Bee most likely did not catch the original series, they definitely proved that they know their world geography.

On Wednesday, Feb. 8, fourth through eighth grade students were put to the test with difficult global questions, including "What inland sea or lake lies 92 feet below sea level and is the largest water body in Asia?"

The 15 TD3 participants each had previously won their school-level National Geographic Bee Competitions to advance

to the Tempe Sister Cities and TD3
Geography Bee. Jacob Bimrose, an eighth grade Connolly Middle School Student, placed first. Sean Myers of Broadmor Elementary School received second place and Nahti Keo of Gililland Middle School finished third. (Pictured right to left: Bimrose, Myers & Keo.)

Congratulations to all of the participants! And in case you were wondering... the answer is The Caspian Sea.



# LOVE TENNIS? BECOME AN ACE WITH ADULT GAME IMPROVEMENT CLINIC

Looking to improve your tennis game?
Make plans to attend the Adult Game
Improvement Clinic on Saturdays this
March. The tennis clinic will be held from
8-9:30 a.m. at the <u>Kiwanis Recreation</u>
<u>Center</u> for five weeks of Saturdays,
beginning March 3.

The clinic will help students improve strokes, volleys and serves; develop control and consistency of shots and learn advanced singles and doubles play strategy. This fun class will not only provide improvement to your tennis game, but will give you a great workout!

Registration is \$45 per person and includes 7.5 total hours of clinic and play. Register online with course number 28111. Registration much be completed by noon on Friday, March 2. For more information, contact Coach Kwong Young at 480.350.5730 or kwong young@tempe.gov.



# VOLUNTEER TO IMPROVE TEMPE'S SCHOOLS AND PARKS AT THE 22ND ANNUAL TEMPE CARES

More than 300 volunteers are expected to participate in Tempe Leadership's 22nd annual <u>Tempe Cares</u> workday event on Saturday, March 3. The event will bring families, social and service groups, neighbors, businesses and individuals together as teams to improve the Tempe community.

The day will focus on the Wood Elementary and Getz School campuses, with volunteers painting portables to help update the school campuses. In addition, volunteers will paint a community building at Clark Park, as well as the walls surrounding Celaya and Svob Parks, plus spruce up the parks' landscaping.

The Tempe Fire Department and volunteers from the Community Emergency Response Team will also be on hand to install or replace smoke detectors throughout the surrounding neighborhoods near Getz and Wood Elementary Schools.

To volunteer or for more information, visit <a href="www.tempeleadership.org">www.tempeleadership.org</a> or call (480) 250-5181.



### **DONATE A DRESS, MAKE** A DREAM COME TRUE



The 11th Annual Cinderella Affair boutique and free dress giveaway will take place on Friday, March 30 and Saturday, March 31 at Pyle Recreation Center, 655 E. Southern Ave. Female junior or senior high students may attend this event and select one dress and accessories free of charge.

The boutique will be open on Friday, March 30 for Tempe Union High School students from 3-5 p.m. and will be open for all other students from 5-8 p.m. Saturday's hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. for all students.

Last year, nearly 1000 girls were fitted with the perfect dress, so to make your Cinderella Affair experience easier, visit the Cinderella Affair website prior to the event and come early, wear sunscreen and bring water and patience!

To offset operating costs, tax deductible monetary donations are appreciated and may be mailed to **Tempe Community** Council (Cinderella Affair in memo line) at 34 E. 7th St., Tempe, AZ 85281.

For additional information, e-mail tccinformation@tempe.gov or call 480-858-2300.



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**

Register now	Spring Registration Classes begin the week of March 19	Wed, March 14	Tempe Historical Society Lunch Talk 11:30 a.m 1 p.m. Tempe History Museum
Wed, Feb. 29	<b>Leap Day!</b> Be sure to make today count, as Leap Day won't come around again for another 1,460 days!	Thurs, March 15	Third Thursday Night Café 7 p.m. Tempe History Museum
Sun, March 4	Tales from Double Butte Narrated Walking Tour 2 p.m. Tempe Double Butte Cemetery	Fri, March 16	Free Art Friday The Masters: Michelangelo and Me 9:30-11:30 a.m. Edna Vihel Center for the Arts
Tues, March 6	Angels' Spring Training Home Opener Charity Game 1:05 p.m. Tempe Diablo Stadium	Sat, March 17	Adult Rowing Expo  10 a.m 1 p.m.  SRP Tempe Town Lake Marina
Sat, March 10	Performances at the Museum Escape from the Zoo 7 p.m. Tempe History Museum	Sat, March 17	<b>St. Patrick's Day!</b> Wear green to keep from getting pinched today!





