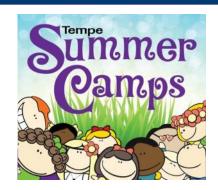
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THROUGH PEOPLE PARKS & PROGRAMS

**April 2018** 

# Summer camps, classes and more

April may not always bring us showers or flowers here in the Valley of the Sun, but it will bring your family plenty of fun events, activities and programs as we near the end of the school year. From health and wellness to waves to kayaking, there's something for everyone this month.



#### SEND YOUR KIDS TO SUMMER CAMP IN TEMPE

It's time to start making summer plans for your kids to ensure they stay active and engaged between school sessions. Tempe offers fantastic <u>Summer Camps</u> in a wide variety of subjects and at convenient times so you're sure to find something that's a perfect fit for every young member of your family. Here's a sneak peek.

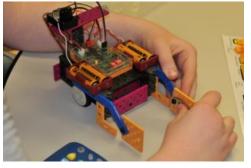
#### Adapted Recreation's Camp Challenge

Camp Challenge is a summer day camp offered during the months of June and July for youth ages 5-21 years with developmental disabilities. Campers will enjoy arts and crafts, games, swimming, music, field trips, bowling and more!

#### Kid Zone Camps

Kid Zone summer enrichment programs are for kids in Kindergarten to 8th grade. All campers will enjoy age-appropriate curriculum, field trips and daily enrichment classes that include Spanish, STEM, nutrition, theater, science, arts and sports activities. Flexible 1-5 day schedules are offered, as well as full-day or half-day options.





#### STEAM Camps

Young scientists, technicians, engineers, artists and mathematicians will love spending their summer break exploring the world of STEAM. We've got several quality camps to choose from including Arizona Science Center S.T.E.M. Camps, Play-Well TEKnologies® Lego® Engineering and Robotics Camps, Movies By Kids®, and

S.T.E.A.M. and Robotics camps.

# SEND YOUR KIDS TO SUMMER CAMP IN TEMPE (CONT.)

#### Art and Theater Camps

Young artists 8 to 12-years-old have the opportunity to participate in Performing Arts Camp and Young Artist Studio. The weekly camps offer changing themes to continuing developing skills. Camp concludes with a performance and exhibit showcasing what the students have learned.



Registration for all camps is currently open. Visit <u>www.tempe.gov/brochure</u> to register. For more information call the Recreation Services Office at 480-350-5200.

## REGISTRATION BEGINS THIS MONTH FOR SUMMER CLASSES



Summer is right around the corner and now is the time to start planning the family's activities. Tempe offers several affordable, high-quality programs of every interest and ability to keep the kids active all summer long. The summer edition of the Tempe Opportunities brochure will be available online beginning Thursday, April 19. Registration for residents will open on Monday, April 23; non-residents can register beginning Monday, April 30. Choose from art, dance, special interest, sports, aquatics, health and fitness and boating programs, just to name a few. Most classes begin the first week of June.

Registration can be completed online, by mail or in person at many Tempe community centers. For more information, visit <a href="www.tempe.gov/brochure">www.tempe.gov/brochure</a> or call the Recreation Administration Office at 480.350.5200. Hard copies of the brochure are available at most city facilities.

#### **PYLE HEALTH AND WELLNESS EXPO ON APRIL 12**

Pyle Adult Recreation Center, 655 E. Southern Ave., invites adults and seniors to explore community resources at the free Senior Health & Wellness Expo. From 8 a.m. to noon on Thursday, April 12, participants can discover services offered by more than 50 companies while enjoying free screenings, class demonstrations, a light breakfast and a door prize drawing.



For more information, visit www.tempe.gov/pyle.

#### **WELCOME BACK WEEKEND WAVES AT KIWANIS**

Avoid the spring heat with the indoor waves at Kiwanis Wave Pool! Weekend waves are back every Saturday and Sunday through the end of May.





For more information, hours and prices, visit www.tempe.gov/waves or call 480-350-5201.

#### SPRING SWIM LESSONS

Lessons are available for swimmers of all ages and skill levels at Kiwanis Recreation Center this month.

Children as young as eight months old can learn to swim in parent-assisted lessons. Classes are available for adults and older children as well.

Visit <u>www.tempe.gov/brochure</u> for a list of lessons times and to register.



# SEED LIBRARY CELEBRATES ITS ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY



Come celebrate the first anniversary of the Tempe Public Library's <u>Seed Library</u>, which stocks edible plant and herb seeds that patrons can "check out" to grow in their own gardens.

The celebration will take place on Saturday, April 14 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. on the lower level of the Tempe Public Library. Enjoy prizes, giveaways and light refreshments. And of course – take home some seeds for your own garden.

Visit <u>www.tempe.gov/SeedLibrary</u> for more info.

#### GLOW PADDLE AT TEMPE TOWN LAKE

It's the wildest and brightest night on Tempe Town Lake! Join us for Glow Paddle on Friday, April 20. Enjoy a night under the stars while we glow and glide across the water. In addition to all necessary kayaking equipment, participants will receive glow in the dark accessories. Feel free to wear glow in the dark clothing items that you don't mind getting wet. Register early. Adult Fee: \$35; Youth Fee: \$20. Call 480-350-8069 or visit <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/boating">www.tempe.gov/boating</a> for more info.



## FREE ART FRIDAY ON APRIL 27



Preschoolers and their parents are invited to create art at Free Art Friday on April 27. This free, family-friendly interactive art series gives young children and their caregivers the opportunity to create art and spend quality time together. Free Art Friday takes place from 9-11 a.m. at the Edna Vihel Arts Center.

#### MUSIC AT THE MUSEUM ALL MONTH LONG

The Tempe History Museum will feature local bands all month long as part of its Performances at the Museum series. All performances are free and family-friendly.

See a full calendar and more artist info at <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/MuseumEvents">www.tempe.gov/MuseumEvents</a>.





Friday, April 13 at 7 pm: Ghost Cat Attack, a local indie rock band

Sunday, April 22 at 7 pm: Ensemble de Saxophones du Conservatoire de Grasse

Saturday, April 28 at 3 pm: Quartet Music through the Ages, Azure Family Concert with Tetra String Quartet

#### TENNIS COURT AT KIWANIS CLOSING FOR CONSTRUCTION

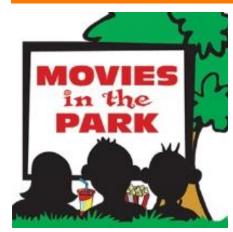
New tennis courts are coming to the Kiwanis Recreation Center! Work will begin the week of April 30 to remove and replace the existing courts. The tennis complex will be completely closed during the renovations and will reopen in the fall.

The restoration project includes the installation of 15 new post-tension concrete courts, all with new LED lighting, fencing, windscreens and shade canopies.



Once complete, the tennis facility will be restored to its championship-level status. For more information, visit <u>www.tempe.gov/tennis</u>.

#### **MOVIES IN THE PARK RETURNS IN MAY**



Mark your calendar for the Tempe's popular Movies in the Park, which is back in May with three fantastic family films. The movies are shown in the north soccer field at Kiwanis Park on one of the largest inflatable screens in Arizona. The movies begin at dusk (around 7 p.m.) and are free to attend. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner! May's movie lineup is:

Friday, May 4 - Coco (PG)

Friday, May 11 - The Emoji Movie (PG)

Friday, May 18 - Despicable Me 3 (G)

### **MUSEUM UNVEILS HUMANS OF TEMPE EXHIBIT IN MAY**

Learn about the joys, struggles, adventures and challenges of your neighbors in the Tempe History Museum's new exhibition, Humans of Tempe. Opening on Thursday, May 3, the exhibition will feature informal portraits of everyday Tempeans accompanied by short quotes or stories. These portraits will connect visitors with real, ordinary people who live in Tempe, reminding us that we are all human and there is no "us" versus "them" – only "we".

Four photographers were commissioned to take the portraits and conduct interviews for the exhibition, The exhibit is free to attend. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/museum">www.tempe.gov/museum</a>.



## REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER READING BEGINS IN MAY

The Tempe Public Library offers an engaging, two-month Summer Reading Program beginning in June. Participants can earn badges and prizes for reading and participating in fun library activities. There are programs for babies, tots, kids, teens and adults, including the first-ever talent show. See all of the offerings and register at <a href="https://www.tempe.gov/">www.tempe.gov/</a> SummerReading.



## **KID ZONE COLLECTS 2,220 ITEMS FOR CARE 7 PANTRY**



Each year Kid Zone staff and kids work together on the Kid Zone Cares Food Drive. The community service project takes place in the month of February, with the purpose of collecting items for Tempe's CARE 7 Crisis Team. The program teaches youth about serving other's needs, teamwork, marketing and other lifelong skills.

This year over 2,200 items were collected and delivered to the CARE 7 pantry. We are so proud of the staff and students for making a difference to the Tempe Community.

