

February 2019

Join us for PlayDay on Feb. 23!



In keeping with its designation as a Playful City USA community, Tempe will host a free day of play for kids of all ages to celebrate play and reap the benefits of being active.

PlayDay runs from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23 at Kiwanis Park, at Mill Ave. & All-America Way.

Participants will have the opportunity to join-in on a variety of structured and unstructured activities including: youth sports, kayaking, dance & movement, inflatables and more!

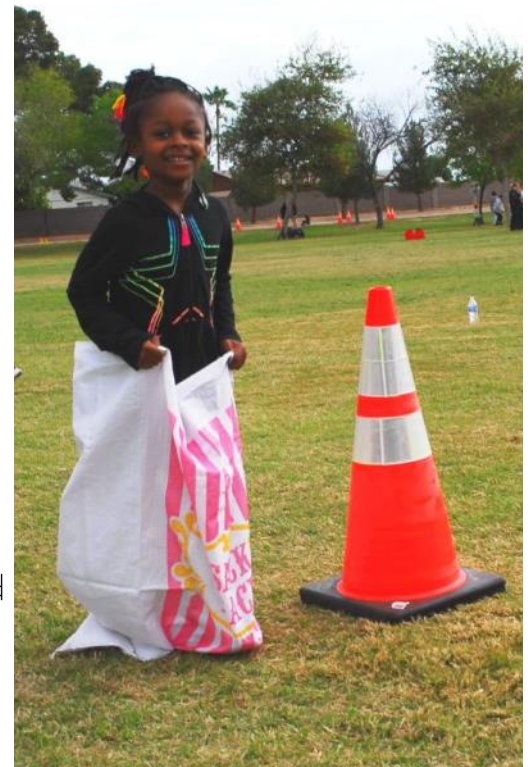
For information on PlayDay, visit tempe.gov/FamilyFun.

Diablo Dash

Visitors will once again enjoy the Diablo Dash at PlayDay. Sponsored by the [Tempe Diablos](#), the Diablo Dash is a free, family-friendly obstacle course that will have you running, crawling, climbing, sliding and laughing all the way to the finish line!

Library's StoryWalk®

The Tempe Public Library Youth Librarians will host an interactive StoryWalk®. Participants will follow the *Summer Supper* storybook path while reading and engaging in activities from the book, including planting seeds and digging for worms. The story, written by Rubin Pfeffer, featuring pictures from Mike Austin, details the food cycle from planting and gardening to sharing the bounty with family and friends. StoryWalk® is a fun and educational way to incorporate literacy and exercise.



Kid Zone Experience

The 2019 Kid Zone Experience provides the opportunity to try your hand at Life Size Marble Run, Hex Bugs, Angry Birds STEM Launch, Make-Your-Own Salsa, Preschool Sensory Zone and more – all activities are representative of the [Kid Zone Enrichment Program](#).



Just for Kids Fishing Festival

Anglers of all ages are invited to the west side of Kiwanis Lake between 8 a.m. and noon to try their hand at fishing at the 28th annual Just for Kids Fishing Expo. [Anglers United](#) and Arizona Game and Fish will provide everything you need (poles, bait and a little guidance) at no cost during the event.

Spring Training is just around the corner!

Are you ready to tear into a bag of peanuts and put on your favorite baseball cap? It's almost time for Cactus League Spring Training and the return of [Angels Baseball](#) to Tempe.

Spring Training tickets are on sale now and individual game tickets begin at \$15.

Don't miss the annual charity game on Monday, Feb. 25, where the Angels take on the Milwaukee Brewers. Spend the afternoon watching baseball and supporting a great cause – the [Tempe Diablos](#). All proceeds benefit local Tempe charities which aid at-risk youth, fund student scholarships, enrich the lives of individuals with physical and intellectual disabilities, and help improve educational programs. Visit tempe.gov/diablo for more information.



Tempe Play Mobile is ready to roll!



Tempe Recreation launched the Play Mobile in January, taking recreational programming into neighborhood parks afterschool from 3-6 p.m. from Monday-Thursday.

The Play Mobile is fully stocked with the latest and greatest sporting equipment for structured activity and free play. Staff provides instruction for a variety of games including basketball, football, badminton, soccer and more!

The program targets 4th–8th grade students. For park schedule and more info, visit tempeplaymobile.com.

Kids Swim Free at KRC this spring

It's time to get your feet wet and your swim on with the Kiwanis Recreation Center's Kids Swim Free sessions. Enjoy the indoor, heated, calm waters of Kiwanis Pool from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., and again in the evenings from 4:30-8 p.m., Mon.-Thurs. Up to two children, ages 10 years and under, are free with each paid \$4 adult admission until March 14, 2019. For details, visit tempe.gov/kiwanis.



Discover the science at Geeks Night Out



Tempe's 8th annual STEAM Festival, Geeks Night Out will be held from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20 at the Tempe Community Complex.

This free, family-friendly event enables all of us to Discover the Science! Tempe's Geeks Night Out is a signature Arizona SciTech Festival event and is presented by State Farm. The spectacular endeavor blends science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM).

Dozens of exhibitors from Tempe elementary, middle and high schools; college and university students, and local businesses will showcase STEAM projects ranging from solar-powered race cars to science experiments to coding.

If you are interested in hosting a booth, visit tempe.gov/geeks for more information.

Check out what's happening at our community centers!

Family Sweetheart Dance

Escalante Community Center The [Escalante Community Center's](#) Family Sweethearts Dance from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8 is an event you don't want to miss! Bring your family and friends to this entertaining night of music, dance, food, games and raffle prizes. Admission is \$3 per person. Ages 5 years and under are free.

Adapted Recreation Valentine's Social Dance

Edna Vihel Arts Center Tempe's Adapted Recreation team loves activities that promote socialization and fun with friends, and the Valentine's Social Dance does just that! From 6:30-9 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8, individuals with developmental disabilities ages 13 and older are invited to dance the night away. The DJ plays a mix of the current hits and classics. Admission is \$4 at the door and includes refreshments and photos. For more information, visit tempe.gov/AdaptedRecreation.

Family Bingo Night

Tempe Multigen Center Come out to Family Bingo Night at the North Tempe Multigenerational Center on Friday, Feb. 22. Bring your family, friends and neighbors to the fun-filled event. Prizes and a snack concession stand will be available. Admission is free but phone registration is required for each family. Call 480-858-6500.

Don't miss 6v6 Small Field Soccer

Check out the inaugural season of 6v6 small field soccer. Games are 45 minute games and take place on a field one quarter the size of a regular soccer field. 6v6 currently offers men's and co-rec leagues on Thursdays (interested women's teams contact City of Tempe Adult Sports at 480-350-5249).

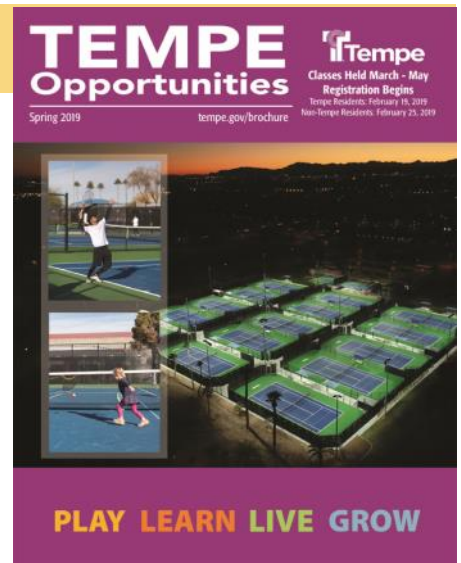
Leagues play seven regular season games over the course of seven weeks followed by a single-elimination tournament. For league rules and other information, visit tempe.gov/AdultSports. Registration is now open and league play starts February 21.



Register for spring classes

Spring registration is right around the corner! The new edition of the [Tempe Opportunities](#) brochure will be available online and in city facilities beginning Thursday, Feb. 14. Download or grab a copy to check out all spring offerings for sports, music, fitness, arts and crafts and more.

Registration for Tempe residents begins Tuesday, Feb. 19 and Monday, Feb. 25 for non-residents. Most classes begin Mid-March. For more information, visit tempe.gov/brochure or call 480-350-5200.



Kiwanis Tennis Center Court Renovation



Tempe's newly renovated Kiwanis Tennis Center is bringing the game of tennis into the millennium with high-definition cameras that record every stroke and can be livestreamed worldwide.

This state-of-the-art tennis facility is the first public facility in the nation to feature Playsight video technology on all of its courts, which includes two high definition cameras on each court that record stroke speed and track

analytics while letting family and friends watch the match live from anywhere in the world.

The new courts also have post-tension concrete surfaces with Plexicusion Prestige, which is the official surface of the Australian Open, new fencing, windscreens and 50-foot energy-efficient LED lighting. The courts were completely re-designed and now offer spectator seating between them with shade canopies for an improved viewing experience.

Come experience the courts for yourself. There are a variety of classes for all ages and ability levels ranging from beginners *Learn to Play Tennis* to advance *Adult Specialty Clinics*. Kiwanis also offers a variety of leagues and drop-in programs. For more details, visit tempe.gov/tennis or call 480-350-5201.



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