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Welcome to our Great State of Arizona



In behalf of the Grand Canyon State, WanderAZ magazine extends you a warm and hearty welcome.

Arizona remains a world-class vacation destination for over 42 million travelers who visit with us every year. Travel & Tourism remains a major economic engine. Travelers in 2016 spent a whopping \$ 21.2 billion, injecting almost \$60 million dollars into the state's local economy every day of the year. You might also find it interesting that roughly 48% of all annual travelers to Arizona, are visiting with us for the first time.

The immense value of the annual tourism dollar is far reaching and impacts all Arizona households. We welcome visitors from around the world, however, the largest foreign entity to visit Arizona every year are Canadians. On average, 1 million Canadians visit with us, with Canadians owning approximately 22,000

homes across the Valley of the Sun. Two huge reasons for such a large Canadian footprint in our state comes from its border to the north, and, its colder winter months. In addition, Canada and the United States remain each other's largest trading partners. As a result, over 350 Canadian companies now have operations throughout Arizona.

Arizona has so much to offer for all who visit. Across the state you will experience authentic local cuisine, superb wineries, local brew houses, world renowned museums and art galleries, to world-class shopping and dining, superb golfing, historic ruins, western culture and awesome venues and attractions. Have you ever dreamed of swimming with the dolphins? Well now you can at Dolphinaris in North Scottsdale. How about a trip to the Wildlife World Zoo & Aquarium one the Valleys

major attractions. And when heading north, you must visit the Lowell Observatory (founded in 1894) and the wide open vistas at Arizona Snowbowl, both are a short distance from downtown Flagstaff. And of course, one cannot forget to mention Arizona's Grand Canyon, which saw almost 6 million visitors in 2016. The Grand Canyon is about 86 miles north of Flag. But Arizona offers so much more from hiking, biking, fishing, hunting, skiing, ballooning, skydiving that are all combined with our spectacular desert and northern vistas to luxury resorts and a diverse cultural history. Whatever your pleasure, you can experience it in Arizona, while soaking up our warm and genuine hospitality.

In closing, we hope you will enjoy your copy of WanderAZ magazine that ranks as Arizona's premier travel &

lifestyle publication. Every issue is designed to enhance your travel experience, which is why we dedicate 65% of every issue to fresh and meaningful traveler information that we hope will educate and inform. We also hope that our customized regional maps will help you as you navigate around the local landscape, whether it be Greater Phoenix or Northern Arizona. To learn more about some of the best restaurants, venues and attractions, we invite you to visit our dynamic web portal at WanderAZ.com

Enjoy your stay and do come back and visit with us again.



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Arizona

the 48th State

UPPER VERDE RIVER

Arizona, was the last of the contiguous, the Lower 48, to fill in the American map. On February 14, 1912, with its wild and lawless frontier days behind it, Arizona joined the Union after surviving Civil War skirmishes, gunfights, and the Apache Wars. At that time Arizona's population was approximately 215,000. In comparison, the population of neighboring state California was more than 11 times larger, at roughly 2.4 million.



PHOENIX

Long before Arizona became a state, its land was scoured by Native Americans in search of minerals for trade and decoration. Historians estimate mining took place as early as 1,000 B.C. Native Americans heated copper and shaped turquoise into jewelry and decorations. The Tohono O'odham people mined hematite and the Apaches used cinnabar as body paint.

Spaniards arrived in the mid-1500s in search of wealth and cities of gold. As the land began to change hands, Mexicans, Europeans and Americans from the young nation entered the territory in search of its well-known deposits of gold, silver, copper and other minerals found in the mountains and desert

sands. Prospectors risked their lives in search of instant wealth. While a few struck it rich, most were not so lucky. In some cases, great fortunes were made and lost in short order. In Arizona's history, approximately 400,000 mining claims have been filed in the state, with about 4,000 companies formed in the industry, some of them vital economic contributors to this day.

Shepherders and cattlemen also came to Arizona to stake their claim on a new life, contributing to the reputation of the "Wild West" when their hostility toward each other erupted into range wars over land and water for their herds. To protect settlers from unfriendly natives, the U.S. Army came West and built forts. Several major conflicts between the cavalry and Native Americans, most notably members of the Apache tribe, took place in Arizona. After the surrender of Geronimo in

1886, ranchers, farmers and other settlers rapidly expanded their claims on land in the territory. While the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad began construction in 1866, a period of brisk railroad construction commenced in the 1880s, bringing another wave of settlers, trade, and civilization to Arizona.

Many people in search of a new life headed west and north during the 19th century to seek their fortunes, or to simply make a living and raise families. These courageous pioneers laid the foundation for the Arizona of today, and the storytelling and folklore that originated in those early days has been transformed into scores of classic books and movies. Who hasn't heard of the legendary marshal Wyatt Earp and his sidekick

Arizona remains a highly popular travel destination for visitors from the U.S. and around the world.

Doc Holliday, and the famous Shootout at the O.K. Corral? Who hasn't seen classic Western movies such as Stagecoach, Red River, Fort Apache, The Searchers and Rio Bravo? All starred John Wayne and were filmed in part right here in Arizona? Wherever you go throughout this great state, the history of the Old West surrounds you.

From the 1950s through the 1970s, Arizona became known for its five Cs of copper, cattle, cotton, citrus and climate. These days you can add a sixth C, for Canadians. From business, tourism and residential perspectives, Canadians remain a major boom for Arizona's local economy. In fact, Canadians now represent the largest foreign sector of the state's tourist trade, as well as the majority of new Arizona businesses started by foreign entities and foreign ownership of both commercial and residential properties across greater Phoenix and beyond.

Today, 105 years after Arizona became a state, the population has grown to an estimated 6.7 million people. Phoenix is the state's biggest city and the country's fifth largest overall. Maricopa County, of which Phoenix is the county seat, accounts for an estimated population of approximately 4.1 million residents. Tucson is the state's second-largest city, with the population of the greater Tucson metropolitan area exceeding 1 million people. Arizona's 23rd governor is Doug Ducey, a Republican, who was sworn into office on January 5, 2015.

Arizona remains a highly popular travel destination for 10's of millions of annual visitors from all over the world. What's the draw, you might ask? Arizona offers roughly 330 days of sunshine per year, outdoor recreational opportunities including world-class golfing, luxurious resorts and hotels, exceptional cuisine, exciting nightlife, premier shopping areas, and an abundance of historical landmarks and natural attractions. The state is rich in Native American culture, with its imprint readily apparent across the state and more readily so on its numerous reservations. The history of the Old West can be found statewide from Southern Arizona mining towns of Bisbee and Tombstone, Colorado River port of Yuma, in Central Arizona's Valley of the Sun in Phoenix and Scottsdale, as well as in Northern Arizona in the former territorial capital of Prescott,

the red rocks of Sedona, the Route 66 town of Flagstaff and the terminus of the Grand Canyon Railway in Williams. Running along Arizona's northern border are the Grand Canyon, houseboat capital Lake Powell, and the iconic Monument Valley on the Navajo Reservation. And let's not overlook the desert water resort towns of Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City on the Colorado River, both of which are favorites among outdoor enthusiasts.

Phoenix offers every professional sports franchise- the NBA, MLB, NFL, NHL, WNBA and Arena Football. We also host many other major annual events that include 15 MLB baseball teams for Cactus League Spring Training, the Waste Management Phoenix Open, regarded as the best tournament on the PGA Tour, College Bowl games and two yearly NASCAR races at Phoenix International Raceway. Arizona (and across the Valley of the Sun) offers sporting events year-round to meet everyone's individual interest. In 2016, Glendale's University of Phoenix Stadium hosted the College Football Playoff National Championship, and for the first time in 2017, Phoenix hosted the NCAA's Men's Basketball Final Four.

Dotting the calendar are other international events such as the Barrett-Jackson Car Auction and the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show. Plus, the beauty of Arizona's natural landscape provides the ideal backdrop for a vast array of outdoor activities, from swimming, fishing, boating and hot air ballooning to horseback riding, skiing, hiking and much more. As we all know, the 48th State is also known as the Grand Canyon State, a natural wonder that drew almost 6 million visitors in 2015 at its National Park. All of these wonderful attributes are wrapped in Arizona's warm hospitality and Southwestern charm, guaranteed to give visitors memories that will last a lifetime.

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SEDONA AREA

Arizona's Natural Wonder

The Grand Canyon remains one of America's most visited national parks and one of mother nature's most surreal and sublime creations. In 2016, the National Park Service celebrated 100 years as a government agency. This celebration also brought added attention to the U.S. park system. It also became the year that Arizona's Grand Canyon broke new records with over 6 million visitors. In 2019, the Grand Canyon itself will celebrate 100 years as America's 17th National Park which will almost assure a new attendance record. From Phoenix, the South Entrance is about a 4 hour drive.

President Theodore Roosevelt first visited the Grand Canyon in 1903. An avid outdoorsman and conservationist, he designated more than 600,000 acres of the Grand Canyon Forest Reserve as a National Game Preserve in November 1906. In January 1908, Roosevelt added adjacent national forest lands and designated it a U.S. National Monument, which was as far as the law allowed without the support of Congress. At that time, the Grand Canyon was a national monument while Arizona remained a territory. Land and mining claim owners successfully blocked additional conservation efforts for another decade, but Congress eventually approved legislation. On February 26, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson signed into law establishing the Grand Canyon as the 17th U.S. National Park.

The Grand Canyon numbers among the world's greatest geological spectacles and may be the most spectacular gorge on the planet. The Grand Canyon measures 277 miles long, from 600 feet to 18 miles wide, and more than a mile deep. The Colorado River, earthquakes, and the powerful forces of water and weather helped create this giant crevice that meanders through the Navajo, Havasupai, and Hualapai Indian Reservations.

The canyon's horizontal strata retrace the geological history of the last 2 billion

years. Geologists estimate it would take nearly one million cubic miles of rock and soil to fill the canyon, which the Colorado River evacuated over time. To enjoy its storied sunsets, it's best to arrive an hour early to enjoy the dynamic color palette and breathtaking views of mammoth buttes and shadowed side canyons.

The area has been inhabited for thousands of years by Native Americans. These Ancestral Puebloans considered the Grand Canyon a holy site, as do many Native Americans to this day. A member of the Coronado Expedition, García López de Cárdenas, was the first European known to have viewed the Grand Canyon in 1540.

The South Rim Historic Village, located at the northern terminus of the Grand Canyon Railway, features many buildings from the early 1900s. El Tovar Hotel, known as one of the most elaborate hotels west of the Mississippi when it opened in 1905, was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1987. Other buildings of note such as Hopi House (which also opened in 1905), Lookout Studio, and Bright Angel Lodge were designed by famed architect Mary Jane Colter and are located within walking distance. The South

The Colorado River, earthquakes, and the powerful forces of water and weather helped create this giant crevice...

Rim with its average elevation of 6900' is open year-round, whereas the North Rim is open only from mid-May to mid-October due to its higher elevation of 8100' and its corresponding heavier snowfall.

The region offers an array of services and facilities for visitors, including more than 2,000 hotel rooms with campgrounds also available. Plenty of options for shopping, dining and other recreation exist, such as mule rides and land and air tours. Planning your trip well in advance is highly

recommended as lodging is sometimes booked up to six months in advance.

For more information, visit grand-canyon-park.org.

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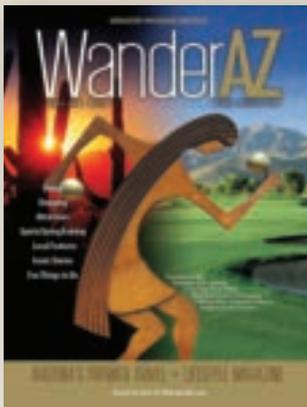
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Greater Phoenix Edition

The Talking Stick Entertainment District is a development of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. It covers an expansive area in Scottsdale's North East Valley just East of Pima road and adjacent to the 101 highway. It offers a wide assortment of great shopping, dining, hotels and casinos (Talking Stick Resort & Casino) and a multitude of fabulous attractions. Octane Raceway, Dolphinaris, ODY SEA in the Desert and the Butterfly Wonderland Museum are just a few of the first class venues offered. None of these attractions will disappoint. Shop and dine at the many retail outlets found at The Pavilions which is located on East Indian Bend Road by the 101 highway.

Northern Arizona Edition

Black Bart's has been a landmark restaurant in Flagstaff, AZ since opening its doors in the early 70's. It serves prime steaks, chicken, ribs and seafood. It is also known for their singing waiters who perform nightly. With their saloon, fireplace and open dining, Black Bart's is a great place to enjoy a fabulous meal while visiting the Flagstaff area. Easily accessible to all, it's just minutes from downtown Flagstaff, and is right across the street from the Little America Hotel on East Butler Avenue.



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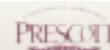
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Prescott



PRESCOTT COURTHOUSE

In 1864 Prescott was designated as the capital of the Arizona Territory, replacing the temporary capital at Fort Whipple. The Territorial Capital was moved to Tucson in 1867. However, in 1877, Prescott once again became the Territorial Capital until Phoenix became the state's permanent capital in 1889.

Population: 40,590
Distance: 100 miles north of Phoenix
Drive Time: 1 hr-40 mins

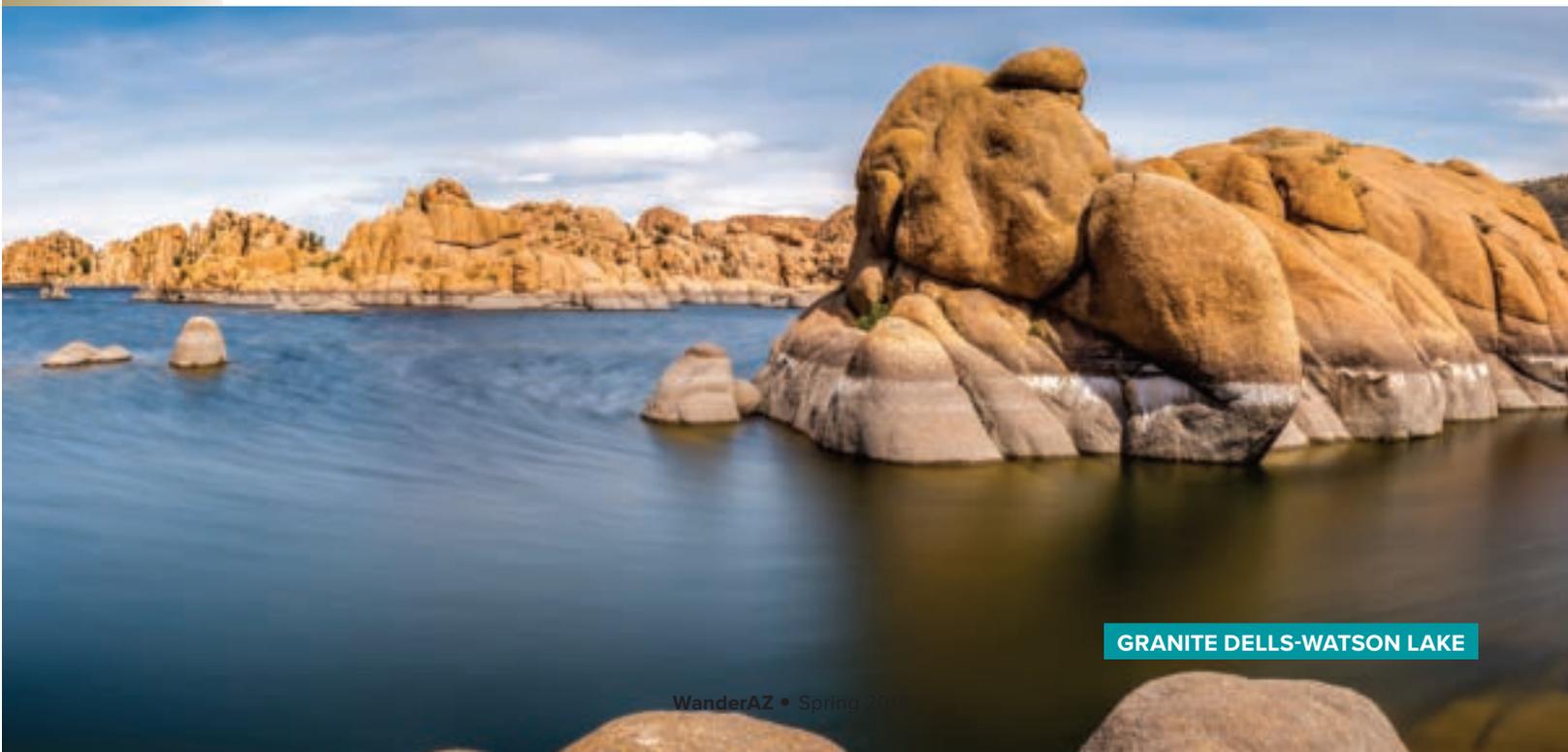
Prescott is a popular destination where residents and visitors meld together to enjoy northern Arizona's culture, history and an assortment of outdoor events and activities. Just a short drive (less than two hours) from Phoenix, Prescott hosts many festivals and fairs throughout the year. The jewel of downtown Prescott is the Courthouse Plaza, which is surrounded by a number of local restaurants, shops, antique

stores and galleries. This block makes up the historic Whiskey Row, in the heart of the business district, which also features the Hotel St. Michael, the Hassayampa Inn, the Bird Cage Saloon and The Palace Restaurant and Saloon. Prescott hosts the World's Oldest Rodeo every year during 4th of July week, celebrated with a festive parade. For nearby outdoor enjoyment, there's hiking at Thumb Butte and other trails, mountain biking on the Salida Gulch Trail, and fishing and boating at Lynx Lake. Interested in history? Check out the Sharlot Hall Museum or the Smoki Museum. Any time of the year, a day in Prescott is always a great day!

To learn more, visit prescott-az.gov



Bucky O'Neill Monument sculpted by Solon Borglum, brother to the sculptor of Mt. Rushmore.



GRANITE DELLS-WATSON LAKE



EVENTS



STEPHEN ASHBROOK IN JEROME

April 14th

Stephen Ashbrook will give a band performance in one of his favorite venues, Spirit Room in Jerome Arizona! Show time is 9PM - Midnight. Admission is \$20 at the door (\$7 for local Jerome residents). Book your hotel rooms early (for two nights to catch both the solo and band shows). See you there!



53RD ANNUAL JEROME HISTORIC HOMES AND BUILDING TOUR

May 19th – May 20th

The Jerome Chamber of Commerce is preparing its yearly exploration of the back streets of this historic mining town with the 53rd Annual Home and Building Tour. Save the dates of May 19-20, 2018 for a look at some never before shown gems in the mile-high town. We will be visiting one of Arizona's oldest B & B's known as The Cottage Inn. A part of the home will be featured on the DIY Channel show Boomtown Builders starring Jerome's own Tim McClellan. jeromechamber.com

MOUNTAIN ARTISTS GUILD FINE ART & WINE FESTIVAL

May 12th – May 13th

Enjoy the first multi day Fine Art and Wine Festival in 2018 on Yavapai County's Courthouse Plaza sponsored by the Mountain Artists Guild. For more information call (928) 445-2510 or visit: mountainartistsguild.org/festivals

CASINOS

Bucky's Casino
1500 E. Highway 69
Prescott
800-756-5767



Yavapai Casino
1505 E. Highway 69
Prescott
928-445-5767

Jerome



Jerome is less than two hours north of Phoenix. Founded in 1876, this once thriving and reputedly immoral mountainside mining community overlooking the Verde Valle, after the mines closed in 1953 and "King Copper" left town, the population went from a peak of 15,000 in the 1920s to a low of 50 people. The Jerome Historical Society guarded the towns buildings against vandalism and the elements. In 1965, the Douglas Mansion became a State Park, and Jerome became a National Historic Landmark in 1976. Now Jerome is known as a haven for artists, writers, musicians and historians. They also boast some great restaurants. Every building in Jerome has a story. The House of Joy was originally a brothel, then a restaurant, and now an attractive "brothel boutique."

The Haunted Hamburger building used to be a boarding house for miners. Now a popular restaurant, bar and bakery, it boasts of being (what else?) haunted by hammer-thieving ghosts. The Conner Hotel was built in 1898 by David Conner and originally rented rooms at \$1 a night, but fell into ruin after years of prosperity. The building is now restored and up to current safety standards, with all rooms beautifully upgraded. Rates are reasonable, but don't expect \$1 a night. Bring your camera when you visit. Along with everything else it offers, Jerome is a photographers delight!



Population 455
Distance 110 miles
Drive Time 2 hrs from Phoenix.



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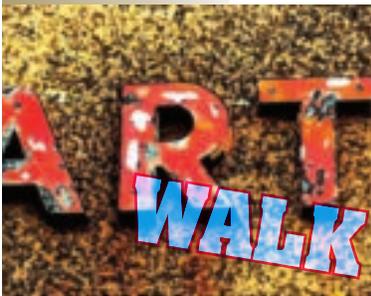
JEROME ART WALK

Saturday Evenings

Once again, expect a wonderful night in Jerome. Have dinner, stroll the streets and visit the galleries, sip some wine, sample some treats, savor the art! Twenty-five galleries and studios will be open with art, music and refreshments. This free event has become a Verde Valley

favorite with a shuttle that will transport you from the artist filled Old Jerome High School, up to the center of town with The Lincoln Gallery and Made in Jerome Pottery and everything in-between.

jeromeartwalk.com



44TH ANNUAL PHIPPEN MUSEUM WESTERN ART SHOW & SALE

May 26th – May 28th

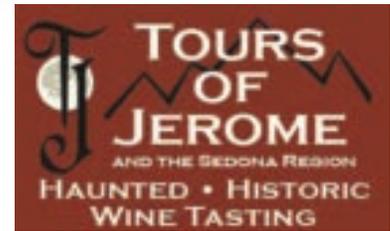
Arizona's premiere outdoor western art show and sale is held over Memorial Day weekend on the historic courthouse plaza in downtown Prescott. It features over 90 juried, Western artists from all across the nation. Weekend events include Quick Draw challenges, live art auctions, and much more.

phippenartmuseum.org

37TH ANNUAL PRESCOTT BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

June 23rd – June 24th

Enjoy a music-filled weekend. The Prescott Chamber of Commerce coordinates this FREE festival and strives to bring audiences a variety of bluegrass shows: traditional and contemporary; national, regional, and local groups; family and non-family bands – while maintaining the highest standards for the music.



15TH ANNUAL MINIATURE MASTERPIECE SHOW & SALE

The Month of May

More than 60 successful and established western artists will present small works of art for sale by draw at fixed prices to benefit the Phippen Museum. Artwork will be on display at the museum throughout the month of May. Make plans to visit the museum and enjoy these works by some of the West's most renowned artists.

phippenartmuseum.org

Looking Back **AZ**

By Michael Murphy

Cottonwood A Great Place To Visit



In 1874, soldiers from Camp Verde were stationed in an adobe house. Settlers later moved in, and the community became known as Cottonwood, named for the circle of 16 large cottonwood trees not far from the Verde River.

Today Cottonwood is a prosperous town located in the heart of the Verde Valley. The local flavor is too good to miss, particularly in Old Town, which has a variety of great local restaurants and shops to enjoy in Cottonwood's moderate climate. An overnight stay is recommended at the historic Cottonwood Hotel, where Elvis Presley filmed scenes for his movie *Stay Away, Joe* in 1967. For aficionados of the Old West there's the Blazin' M Ranch, where the chuck wagon cooking and Western stage shows are not to be missed.

Nearby is the popular Verde Valley Wine Trail, which boasts no less than 13 different wineries, with yet more in nearby Clarkdale and Jerome. History buffs will enjoy a walk through the nearby Tuzigoot National Monument, where visitors can explore the ruins of a long-gone people. Great region to visit.



MONTEZUMA CASTLE

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777 Highway 260
Pinetop
800-929-8744

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Highway 87
Payson
928-474-6044



Verde Valley

Just north of Prescott and neighboring Jerome, AZ. on your way to Sedona and Flagstaff is a beautiful region known as the Verde Valley. It comprises the cozy northern communities of Cottonwood, Cornville and Camp Verde. Each region offers you gorgeous desert scenery, world-class wineries, historic landmarks and museums, an abundance of antique stores with great cuisine and so much more. Whether it's floating down the Verde River, hiking, trying your luck at Cliff-Castle Casino, visiting Out of Africa Wildlife Park, or taking in one of the Northern Arizona's most iconic sites Montezuma's Castle. In the Verde Valley there is so much for everyone to experience.

Population: 11,238
Distance: 78 miles north of Phoenix
Drive Time: 1 hr-15 mins



TONTO NATURAL BRIDGE



WHERE COWBOYS STILL ROAM

Payson

Payson, Arizona sits at 5,000 feet and can be reached either on the Beeline (highway 87) or by the I-17 highway taking exit 287, and is 90 minutes north of Phoenix, or 90 minutes south of Flagstaff. Payson is in Rim Country an offers one of the most beautiful northern regions in Arizona. The landscape of dramatic mountain vistas, wide open spaces and your choice of any outdoor activity abounds. Annually it hosts the World's Oldest (125 years) Continuous Rodeo. Payson is truly a visitor's paradise for young and old alike. Enjoy historic sites, great shopping, dining, fishing and hunting all at your fingertips. **Learn more at: www.paysonrimcountry.com**

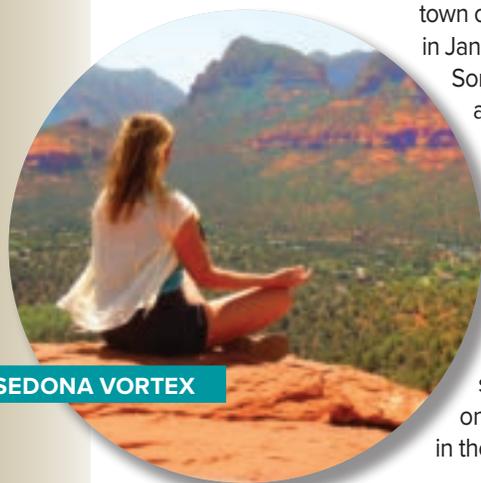
Population: 15,476
Distance: 90 miles north of Phoenix
Drive Time: 1 hr-40 mins



Sedona

*The history of this area does not have its roots in Sedona, which T.C. Schnebly named after his wife in 1902. Instead, the story had its beginning in Oak Creek Canyon, where Glenn Kilbourne and Carley Burch, the main characters in Zane Grey's *The Call of the Canyon*, lived and loved under looming stone walls and whispering pines.*

Population: 10,111
Distance: 115 miles north of Phoenix
Drive Time: 1 hr-30mins



The first Anglo settler, John J. Thompson, moved to Oak Creek Canyon in 1876. The early settlers were farmers and ranchers. Oak Creek Canyon was well known for its peach and apple orchards. In 1902, when the Sedona post office was established, there were 55 residents. The town of Sedona was incorporated as a city in January 1988. It's located in the upper Sonoran Desert of northern Arizona, at an elevation of about 4,500 feet. Since Sedona is approximately 100 miles from Phoenix, you can easily make the drive in less than two hours.

Mention Sedona, Arizona, and people conjure up images of the area's majestic red rocks. The vermilion rock buttes, monoliths and spires have distinguished Sedona as one of the most beautiful natural sites in the United States and have made it a

world-famous destination. Panoramic views of these stately creations of nature exist in every direction. They spawn a feeling of tranquility, no matter where you are in Sedona. Many of the premier hotel and resort balconies and dining patios provide awesome views of the local landscape, as do quite a few of the outdoor garden hearths you'll find at the romantic bed and breakfasts close to town. You can also take in the captivating scenery while strolling along the banks of Oak Creek.

In the prehistoric era, the Sedona area was covered by ancient seas; the red rock buttes we see today were once sandbars and islands protruding from bottom of the ocean. Over millions of years, the sea repeatedly receded and returned, leaving layers of sediment. Wind and water erosion created these beautifully sculpted wonders, which are composed of sandstone, limestone and silica. Ferrous oxide blended with the sandstone, giving the red rocks their distinctive hue.

Sedona is a melting pot of artists, Western galleries, Indian jewelry, Navajo rugs, local breweries and wineries, fine dining and world-class shopping at venues such as Tlaquepaque Arts & Crafts Village. If you're looking for hiking trails, a Jeep tour or maybe a balloon flight, Sedona has it all.

To learn more, go to VisitSedona.com

EVENTS

Arizona Winery Tours



ARIZONA WINERY TOURS

These tours Offer an enjoyable and elegant way to experience Arizona's premiere wineries. Our tours provide guests with luxury limo bus transportation to area wineries and a delicious catered picnic lunch. Throughout the day, guests enjoy charming winery tasting rooms and the beauty of the picturesque Sedona countryside.

azwinerytours.com

SEDONA SPRING MUSIC FESTIVAL

April 6th – April 10th

In a dynamic celebration of chamber music and musical education, the Third Annual Sedona Spring Music Festival will feature various events over four days, including school programs, a salon in a private home and a special concert featuring the acclaimed Fauré Piano Quartet.



SEDONA FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

April 14th

Saturday, from 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Held at Posse Grounds Park, this event will feature great food, live music and a beer garden. Admission is free! Grub, Brews and Tunes!
sedonaaz.gov



RED ROCK STATE PARK

On-going

Bird enthusiasts can join a naturalist for a “Guided Bird Walk”. Beginning as well as advanced birders are welcome. Rangers recommend that visitors bring their own binoculars. A limited number are available for loan from the Park. No matter the time of day, visitors can check out the many birds that make Red Rock State Park their home. The bird-feeding area behind the visitor center, on the Hummingbird Patio, is an excellent spot to start your tour or to take pictures.
azstateparks.com



GREAT SEDONA CHILI COOK-OFF

May 5th

The Rotary Club of Sedona's annual fundraiser, The Great Sedona Chili Cook-Off is on the Saturday of the Cinco de Mayo weekend at Tlaquepaque Arts & Crafts Village from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. All proceeds from the Chili Cook-Off are used for local and international Rotary Club of Sedona Projects, including the Imagination Library. sedonarotary.org

ILLUMINATE FILM FESTIVAL

May 30th – June 3rd

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On the 1st Friday of each month members of the Sedona Gallery Association offer a unique monthly showcase highlighting artists, special exhibits, and art events. These special art receptions give locals and Sedona visitors alike the opportunity to enjoy light refreshments while beginning their weekends with an exploration of Sedona's exciting art scene. In many cases you will have an opportunity to meet and talk with the artist about their latest work. If you are staying at the Best Western Plus Inn of Sedona, we also offer our guest free shuttle service to uptown Sedona and the Tlaquepaque Arts and Craft Village.

CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION AT TLAQUEPAQUE

May 5th

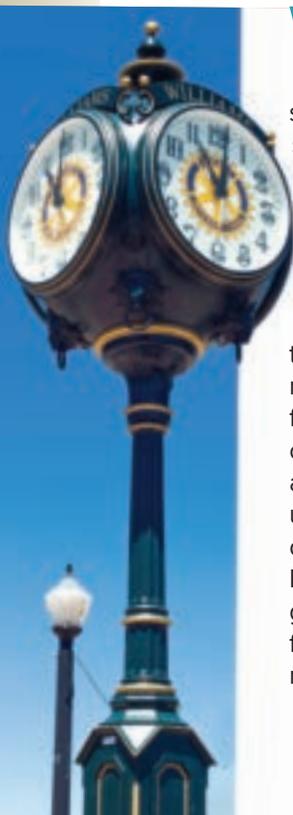
Immerse yourself in a colorful Fiesta saluting a rich heritage on Saturday, May 5th, 2018 11:00am to 5:00pm at Tlaquepaque. Enjoy the festivities while cheering and whistling to the music of mariachi musicians, clapping to the steps of Folklorico dancers and savoring traditional Mexican food. Admission is FREE.





Williams & The Grand Canyon

Founded in 1818, Williams is located in the heart of the Kaibab National Forest at an elevation of 6,770 feet. Known as the “Gateway to the Grand Canyon;” Williams is just 25 miles west of Flagstaff and only 59 miles south of the Grand Canyon. The town boasts a rich heritage that features the Old West and Route 66, coupled with today’s tourism trends, along with the town’s heyday years of the ‘50s and ‘60s.



Williams was named for the famous trapper, scout and mountain man, “Old Bill Williams.” A statue of “Old Bill” stands in Monument Park, located on the west side of the city. The large mountain directly south of town is named Bill Williams Mountain.

Williams was the last town on Historic Route 66 to be bypassed by Interstate 40. The community, bypassed on Oct. 13, 1984, has hosted world travelers for over 100 years, with tourism remaining a huge source of annual revenues for the town. Boasting seven area fishing lakes, hiking trails, an alpine ski area and cross country ski trails, four seasons weather and an abundance of wildlife, Williams offers unlimited recreational opportunities for every outdoor enthusiast. The Historic Downtown District covers six square blocks and offers great shopping, antique stores, gift shops, fine & casual dining, a great local brewery and numerous hotels.

The town is home to the Grand Canyon Railway that takes you on a fabulous roundtrip train ride to the Grand Canyon. It also offers its Grand Canyon Railway Hotel, a premier hotel adjacent to the railway station. A few minutes south of town is Bearizona, a drive-thru wildlife park which offers a once in a lifetime experience. Both of these attractions should be on everyone’s bucket list. Nightly shootouts with the Cataract Creek Gang also entertain young and old alike.

For more information that will lead to a delightful stay in Williams, you can contact the Williams-Forest Service Visitors’ Center at (928) 635-4061.

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Williams Attractions

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Flagstaff

It's amazing to think that for a city with a population of roughly 68,500, in 2015 it hosted 6 million visitors on their way to somewhere else. And in many cases, that somewhere else was our renowned Grand Canyon who itself had 5.5 million visitors. This wonder of the world is 80-miles north of Flag.

Located in the heart of the city and serving as a major economic engine is Northern Arizona University (NAU), which opened in 1899. NAU operates on a beautiful and expansive campus that comprises 740 acres. Its class of 2017 hails from 38 states and boasts a student population of some 24,000. NAU's popular majors are: Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support Services;

Education; Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities; Health Professions and Related Programs and Social Sciences.

A two-and-a-half-hour (easy drive) from greater Phoenix, Flagstaff is popular as both an escape from the Valleys desert heat during the summer months, but is also a winter wonderland with the Arizona Snowbowl Ski Resort just 7 miles from town. Snowbowl offers exceptional skiing in the iconic San Francisco Peaks, and is open year-round with a variety of spring and summer activities for all to enjoy.

Who hasn't heard of the legendary Route 66 which runs right through the center of Flagstaff and remains a major highway for travelers between Kingman AZ. and Flagstaff? In fact Arizona has the longest remaining stretch of usable Route 66 in the country. The allure of this iconic highway grabs everyone who experiences Route 66 for themselves.

The Grand Canyon can be reached by car, motorcycle, helicopter or you can ride the rails with the Grand Canyon Railway located in Williams, AZ., that offers multiple daily departures and is a short 20 minute drive west of Flag. Another great way to experience the Grand Canyon is to take an all-day guided tour. This way you don't have to worry about driving, parking and traffic. You can simply sit back and enjoy all that the Grand Canyon has to offer.

FLAGSTAFF STATION



Flag is a very traveler-friendly city—and it's easy to navigate as every place you want to go is either right or left off the main drag which travels the entire length of the city. Historic downtown starts with the train station and heads north. Galleries, restaurants, shops, antique and gift stores dot the entire area, and close by are landmark venues such as the Lowell Observatory, Meteor Crater, Museum of Northern Arizona and the Riordan Mansion to name a few. You might be surprised, but Flag offers a wide array of fine and casual dining that will appeal to every possible taste bud, including having dinner at Black Bart's

Steakhouse with their singing waiters, an iconic venue in Flag since 1979. You will also enjoy many local brew pubs which serve a variety of Flagstaff's locally brewed craft beers. And if it's some exciting night-life you are seeking, then its downtown where most of the local bars (wine and beer) can be found.

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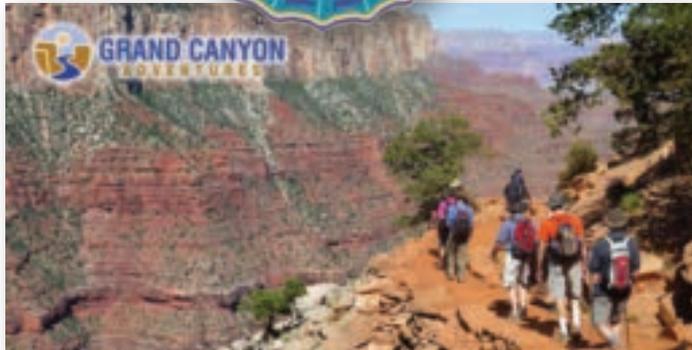
June 9th

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The Grand Canyon Railway

Michael P. Murphy



In the late 1800s a stagecoach ride from Flagstaff to the Grand Canyon cost \$15 and also took a rough 8 hours. With a meal and a bed in a tent that cost an additional \$1 apiece. However, all that changed when the Grand Canyon Railway began passenger service from Williams, AZ to the Canyon on September 17, 1901 at a cost of just \$3.95.

The Railway thrived until the popularity of automobile travel in the 1950s, and the Grand Canyon Railway ceased service in 1968. By the late 1980s entrepreneurs Max and Thelma Biegert revived interest and a lovingly restored Grand Canyon Railway once again began passenger service on September 17, 1989, exactly 88 years after its debut. Now operated by the Xanterra Company, the Grand Canyon Railway serves 200,000 passengers annually and is more popular than ever, with special annual events such as The Pumpkin Patch Train and The Polar Express, which itself alone carries over 100,000 kids and families every year. The Grand Canyon Railway is a very unique train experience is enjoyed by all who take this memorable trip. The GCR operates daily round-trips to the Grand Canyon from its train depot in Williams, AZ only a short 20 minutes from Flagstaff, AZ. It also manages the Grand Canyon Railway Hotel that is a first class hotel that offers 300 exquisite rooms, and is only steps from the train station. The Grand Canyon Railway remains one of Arizona's most popular attractions.

To learn more go to www.thetrain.com. Better yet, book a ride, or a room and enjoy!



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Tragedy Over the Grand Canyon

By Leslie James

Unfortunately, it so often takes a major tragedy before local politicians or bureaucrats in Washington DC take on key issues that impact the American way of life. And this is exactly what transpired from the 1966 airline disaster that took place over the Grand Canyon in Northern Arizona.

Saturday, June 30th was a bright sunny morning at Los Angeles International Airport where two transcontinental airliners were awaiting their final clearance to commence their outbound flights. On runway 25 was Trans World Airlines (TWA) Flight #2 that was scheduled to depart LAX at 9.01 AM. At the helm was Captain Jack Gandy with 70 crew and passengers onboard. On an adjacent runway 25-L, sat United Airlines Flight #718 with Captain Robert Shirley and 58 crew and passengers, a flight that had been delayed, and was scheduled for take-off at 9.04 AM.

Both flights left as scheduled, just a few minutes apart, with TWA headed to Kansas City and United Airlines to Baltimore/Washington in DC. But as fate typically plays out, it was not long after take-off before the clock quietly started to ticking for both flights. It would not be long before everything would dramatically change for the worse. Shortly after take-off TWA flight #2 encountered heavy turbulence. At that time TWA's Captain Gandy made a request of the LAX tower to change altitude. His request was denied. Captain Gandy then asked the control

tower if he could climb by a 1,000 feet to rise above the bad weather. Air traffic control approved the Captains request, and subsequently informed him that another flight, United Airlines #718 would also be in his vicinity. With this approval for TWA to seek a higher

After many attempts, and with no further communications being received by either flight, the Air Route Traffic Control Center at LAX issued a missing alert for both airliners.

altitude, both aircraft were now flying at the same attitude of 21,000 feet. And with that, the clock ticked louder for these two flights.

The last communications transmitted by either cockpit, was recorded at 9.59 AM. After many attempts, and with no further communications being received by either flight, the Air Route Traffic Control Center at LAX issued a missing alert for both airliners. It took very little time to solve that mystery. Once the



TWA Lockheed L-1649 Constellation

Photos: NAU Cline Library, Mike McComb Collection



United Douglas DC-7

missing report was issued, a smaller aircraft which had earlier flown over the Grand Canyon, reported that he had witnessed smoke rising from the Canyons floor near the Colorado River.

At 10.30 AM, the clock stopped ticking forever, when both aircraft collided in mid-air over Arizona's Grand Canyon. There were no survivors from the 128 passengers and crew on board both planes. A better tell that later shed light on exactly what happened, centered on

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Many people think of Arizona for its desert and the Grand Canyon as a giant hole, but its rims average 6900 feet and 8100 feet. Did you know that Arizona has a mean elevation of 4,000 feet and 26 mountain peaks higher than 10,000 feet in elevation?

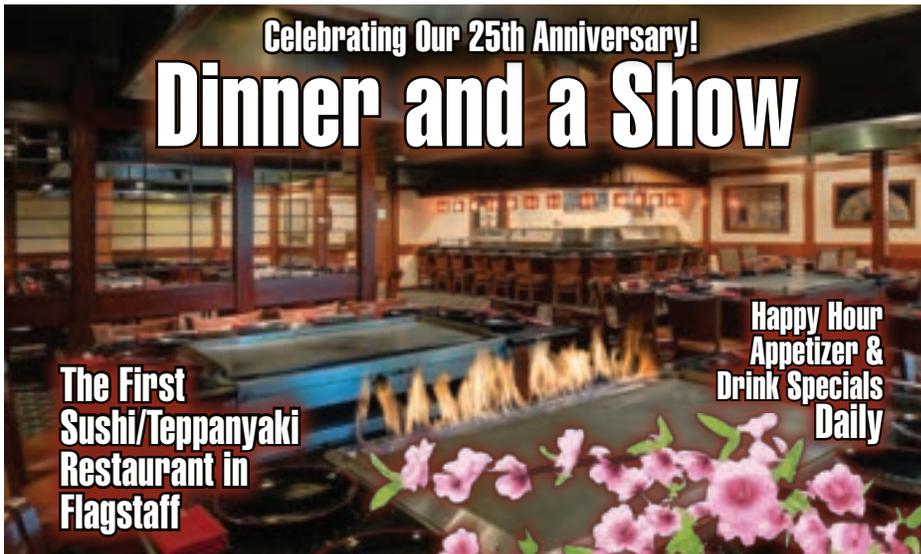


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Tragedy Over the Grand Canyon

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the fact that no alerts or warnings from either flight came before the collision. The collision just happened! What was identified after weeks of the actual disaster, was a mumbled recording from the cockpit of the United Airlines flight that simply said; “we are going in.”

It was acknowledged that both airlines were off their normal flight course and were likely offering passengers a closer look at the famed Grand Canyon. It was also determined by the investigating panel that both pilots were completely unaware of the others position, and without any warning or any time to react, they collided in mid-air.

The collision was so catastrophic. Wreckage was strewn over a very large and rugged area at the bottom of the Canyon walls adjacent to the Colorado River. So horrific was the final impact, that many of the victim remains have never been recovered. At that time in 1956, this air disaster was America's most deadly plane crash, with the highest loss of life, and remains to this very day, as one of the worst air disasters in American aviation history. It was this air tragedy that in 1958 ultimately triggered the United States Congress to pass the Federal Aviation Act which today is now known as the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).



The airplanes left within minutes of each other from LAX heading east.

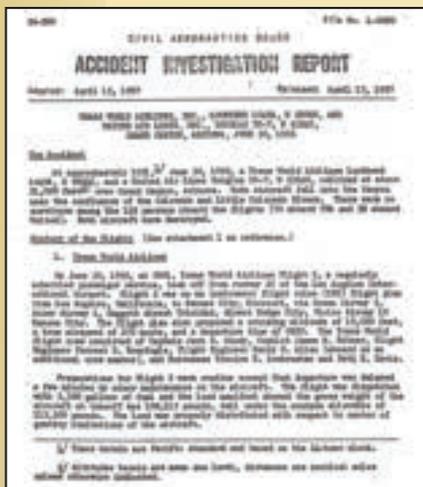
Some believe that the passengers and crew from both of these doomed flights are still talking to us. Today, some 61 years later, those who fly over the Grand Canyon on a sunny day, can still see the reflection from the scattered parts of the 1956 wreckage “glaring in the sun,” from the bottom of the famed Grand Canyon.

The unidentified remains of 29 of the United victims are interred at the Grand Canyon Cemetery in the Grand Canyon National Park.

This remains a staunch reminder where on June 30, 1956, 128 innocent souls lost their lives.



Photo: Patricia Biggs



The Civil Aeronautics Board issued its Accident Investigation Report on April 17, 1957

For further reading the CAB report can be found at this link •http://doney.net/aroundaz/CAB_report_TWA-UAL_1956-06-30.pdf



In 2014 the crash site was dedicated as a National Historic Landmark

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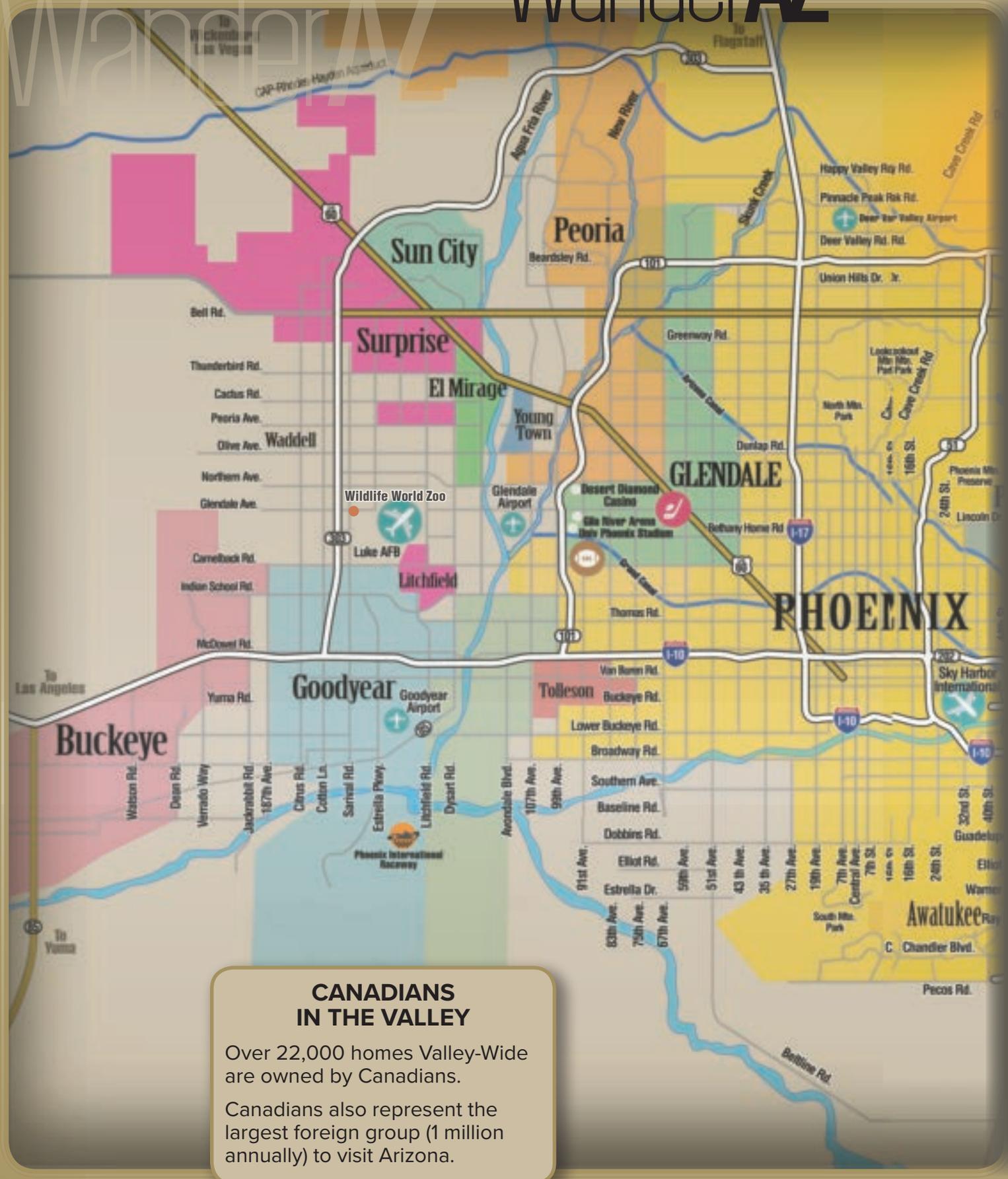


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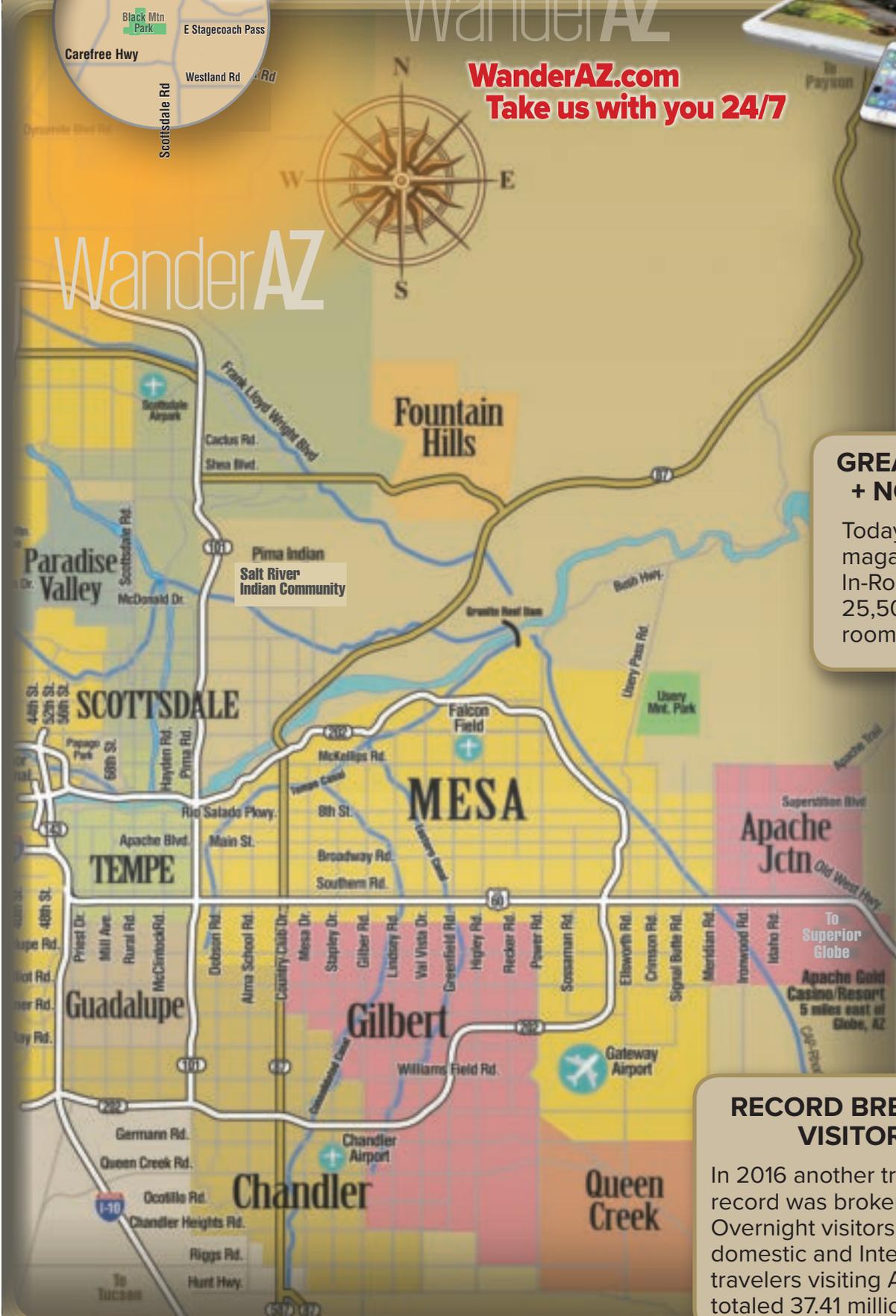
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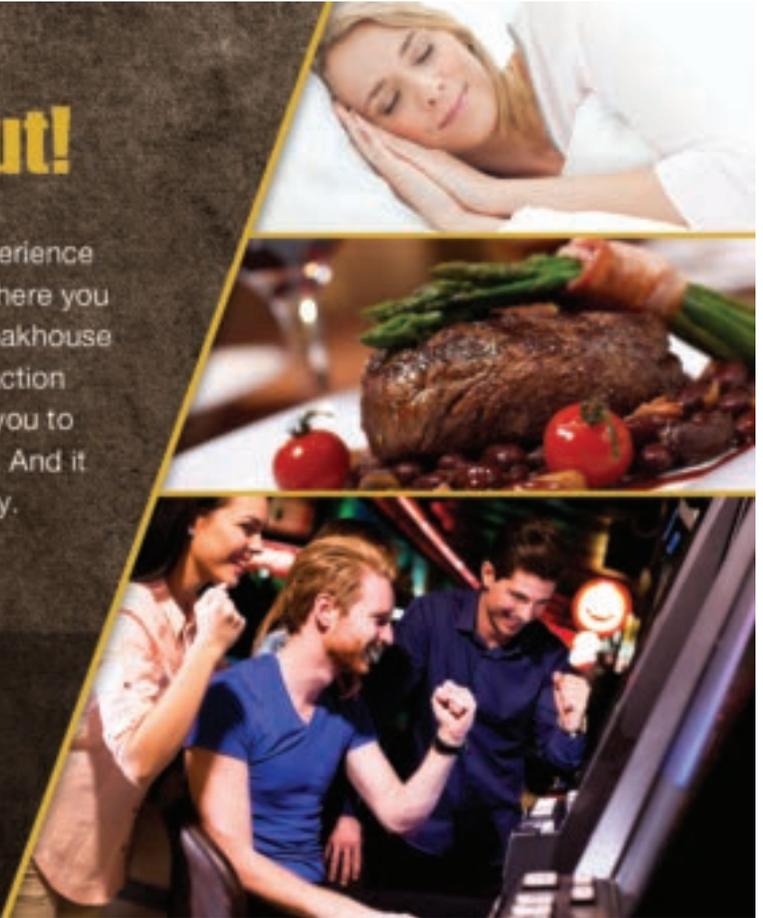
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Benson	—	49	113	302	382	286	342	362	73	433	156	258	275	45	333	282
Bisbee	49	—	161	351	431	335	390	409	89	482	205	307	324	93	383	331
Casa Grande	113	161	—	191	276	207	230	249	131	322	45	147	164	68	203	172
Flagstaff	261	311	150	—	48	129	139	175	236	280	179	105	41	19	216	80
Grand Cnyln	302	351	191	—	—	81	91	143	204	321	132	146	87	28	257	32
Holbrook	382	431	276	81	—	—	172	170	231	406	107	231	131	108	342	59
Kingman	286	335	207	91	172	—	—	234	296	303	212	221	174	120	240	123
Lake Havasu	342	390	230	143	170	234	—	—	61	360	275	185	144	171	296	111
Nogales	362	409	249	204	231	296	61	—	381	340	204	192	232	317	172	155
Page	498	548	388	197	197	280	340	401	517	128	343	279	225	454	229	527
Phoenix	73	89	131	321	406	303	360	381	—	453	175	277	294	64	353	302
Prescott	433	482	322	132	107	212	275	340	453	—	278	231	160	389	164	448
Sedona	156	205	45	146	231	221	185	204	175	278	—	102	119	111	169	182
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ARIZONA ELEVATIONS

from sea level

PHOENIX	1,086 Feet
PRESCOTT	5,374 Feet
SEDONA	4,326 Feet
WILLIAMS	6,766 Feet
FLAGSTAFF	6,910 Feet
PAGE	4,118 Feet
GRAND CANYON	6,804 Feet
KINGMAN	3,333 Feet
PAYSON	4,890 Feet
SHOW LOW	6,345 Feet
LAKE HAVASU CITY	735 Feet
TUCSON	2,389 Feet
SIERRA VISTA	4,633 Feet
BISBEE	5,538 Feet
NOGALES	3,832 Feet
YUMA	141 Feet

AVERAGE ANNUAL TEMPERATURES • PHOENIX & NORTHERN ARIZONA

Region	Fahrenheit	Celsius	Region	Fahrenheit	Celsius
Greater Phoenix	63-87	17-31	Flagstaff	32-61	3-18
Prescott	40-70	4-21	Williams	37-64	3-18
Wickenburg	49-83	10-28	Grand Canyon Village	33-64	0-18
Jerome/Camp Verde	51-70	10-21	Page	48-70	9-21
Cottonwood	51-70	10-21	Kingman	48-76	9-24
Payson	40-70	4-22	Bullhead City	60-89	16-32
Globe	47-77	8-25	Lake Havasu City	62-87	17-30
Sedona	48-76	9-25	Parker	59-89	15-32

ARIZONA TIME ZONE

The state is in the Mountain Standard time zone. Arizona does not observe daylight savings time, with the exception of the Navajo Reservation (on tribal lands) in north eastern Arizona.

*Daylight Saving Time (DST), is the practice of advancing clocks during summer months by one hour so that evening daylight lasts an hour longer, then turning them back again in the fall, in order to make better use of natural daylight.

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Come Play with Us



The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is bounded by the cities of Scottsdale, Tempe, Mesa and Fountain Hills and encompasses 52,600 acres, with 19,000 held as a natural preserve. With two distinct backgrounds and cultures, the Community is comprised of two Native American tribes: the Pima, "Akimel O'Odham" (River People) and the Maricopa, "Xalychidom Piipaash" (People who live toward the water). The Community proudly owns and operates several successful enterprises including Talking Stick Resort, Salt River Materials Group, Talking Stick Golf Club, Saddleback Communications, Salt River Devco, Casino Arizona at Salt River, the Salt River Landfill and an expanding operation called the Talking Stick Entertainment District which can be found between Shea Blvd to the north and the 202 highway to the south.

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Located off the 101 freeway and Talking Stick Way on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, the Talking Stick Destination

is home to a growing number of retail shopping, restaurants, venues, attractions and hotels. You have the Talking Stick Golf Club, Talking Stick Resort, Salt River Fields at Talking Stick, The Pavilions at Talking Stick (great shopping/dining), Octane Raceway, I-FLY Phoenix, OdySea Aquarium, Butterfly Wonderland, Dolphinaris, Polar Play Ice Bar, Pangea Land of the dinosaurs, Topgolf, the Courtyard Marriott Scottsdale Salt River, Hampton Inn & Suites Riverwalk.

Over the coming year two more great attractions will be opening in the District. The Great Wolf Lodge Arizona is North America's largest family of indoor water park resorts will open a 350-room hotel and indoor water park, and The Medieval Times that will offer a 1,000 seat arena offering a rambunctious dinner-theater show with jousting knights and sword fights, where people sit around and dine on a four-course meal of chicken, corn, pastries, garlic bread and soup, while rooting for their assigned knight in shining armor. This will be the Medieval Times 10th location in North America. Both new venues plan a mid-2019 opening.

The Valleys extensive highway system makes getting to Talking Stick's Entertainment District easily accessible Valley-Wide. Most anyone, regardless of your location, can get to the District in 10 to 30 minutes or less.

For more information and events go online to: www.talkingstickarizona.com.



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Destination PHOENIX

CAPITAL

There are many reasons why Phoenix represents America's 5th largest city, and a population of 1.6 million. It is rich in culture, offers world-class shopping, fine dining, golfing and many art museums and historical venues worth visiting.

SPORTS

Located in the heart of downtown Phoenix, Talking Stick Resort Arena (formerly US Airways Arena) is home to the Phoenix Suns, Phoenix Mercury and the Arizona Rattlers.

ATTRACTIONS

Home to great venues that include CityScape, the Heard Museum, Phoenix Art Museum, The Arizona Science Center, Desert Botanical Garden, the Phoenix Zoo and so much more.





DOWNTOWN PHOENIX



Phoenix, America's 5th largest city that presents a wide array of possibilities for visitors and residents alike. A cosmopolitan city with buildings rising from the Sonoran Desert, just like the mountains that surround it. The metropolis reawakened after centuries of dormancy from its Hohokam

inhabitants. The canals the Hohokam built centuries ago, that once crisscrossed the Valley that were later reused for modern irrigation.

This historic repurposing continues in downtown Phoenix to this day. The 14-story Art Deco Luhrs Tower, built in 1929 and once featured in Hitchcock's *Psycho*, will team with its 10-story brother, the Luhrs Building, built in 1924 and Phoenix's first high-rise, to house a Marriott, retail and commercial spaces, and become today's Luhrs City Center. A block away, sits Cityscape a mecca of venues that hosts multiple pubs, dining and nightlife options that are revitalizing Phoenix's urban core.

Nearby, the recent expansion of the Phoenix Convention Center and the additions of the 31-story Sheraton Grand Phoenix, Westin Hotel, Residence Inn by Marriott and the Hotel Palomar have created first class accommodations for business/leisure tourism. All of these properties are within walking distance of Chase Field for a ball game,

Talking Stick Resort Arena for a basketball game or concert, or cultural institutions as the Arizona Science Center, the Rosson House Museum, and the Children's Museum of Phoenix. More culture and entertainment venues await nearby with the Phoenix Symphony Hall, the Herberger Theater Center, the Orpheum Theater, and Comerica Theatre.

A short ride on the Light Rail up Central Avenue delivers a Phoenix visitor to the fantastic permanent collection at the Phoenix Art Museum, or the legendary Heard Museum with its unrivaled collection of Native American archives, historical artifacts and art works. On that same Light Rail back toward the airport, make a trip back in time to the Pueblo Grande Museum

Archaeological Park to see the ruins and canals from which modern Phoenix arose. A short cab/car ride to the east will take you to the Phoenix Zoo and the Desert Botanical Gardens; premier destinations for travelers to the region. Central Phoenix continues to spread its wings by offering world-class facilities, culture and entertainment that augments a city center teeming with so much to do.

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downtown



TALKING STICK RESORT ARENA

PHOENIX RIDES THE RAILS



By Michael P. Murphy

Since the beginning of the industrial age the concept of mass transit has always evolved and continues to do so. When we consider streetcars we think of the famous trolleys of San Francisco, New Orleans or even Disneyland. In the metro Phoenix area, we now have light rail and buses to move people about, but the genesis of mass transit in Phoenix began in 1887 with, you guessed it, streetcars.



General Moses
Hazeltine Sherman

Toward the end of the 19th century Phoenix was not the sprawling metropolis it has now become, but more of a ranching and farming community with adobe-style buildings sitting along unpaved roads. Entrepreneur General Moses Hazeltine Sherman began the privately owned Phoenix Railway Company, not necessarily as a means of moving patrons about the city for the purpose of commerce, but to promote his fledgling real estate business beyond the downtown area. Those first streetcars were powered by horse and mule until 1893, when they were replaced by a more modern electric railway.



By June of 1920, 32 miles of track made its way through the streets of Phoenix, with a suburban line carrying passengers to Glendale from 1911- 1926. The rail lines, which originally served a short stretch of Washington Avenue and traveled south on 7th Street and Central Avenue, were gradually expanded.

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PHOENIX RIDES THE RAILS

The City of Phoenix Street Railway

By Michael P. Murphy

After 1920, the 2nd Avenue extension became known as the Kenilworth Line, named for the school that was built in 1920 near the end of the line.

Sherman's financial problems forced him to sell the railway to the city in 1925 and the system was renamed the City of Phoenix Street Railway. It not only became popular, but highly profitable. In 1929 alone 6,665,000 passengers rode the Phoenix rails at five cents apiece, with the railway grossing a healthy \$295,000 for the year. But throughout the Depression and World War II comfortable buses became more popular with the public, gradually replacing the hard-riding electric trolley cars in Phoenix.

In 1929 alone 6,665,000 passengers rode the Phoenix rails at five cents apiece...

By this time the city had grown beyond the reach of the trolley's tracks.

The end came in 1947, when a suspicious fire destroyed the car barn that housed the trolley fleet. The barn was wood frame with corrugated steel sheathing. The trolley cars, wood roof and floors burned, along with the flammable materials inside. The intense heat brought down the car barn's wooden frame and collapsed on the fleet. Some later speculated the fire was started on purpose to expand the bus fleet and put an end to the trolley system once and for all. Maybe, but Trolley barn fires were not an unusual occurrence across the country. An earlier Phoenix trolley barn fire had occurred in 1910.

The public at large didn't exactly cry any tears at the loss of the Phoenix streetcars. Still, the city

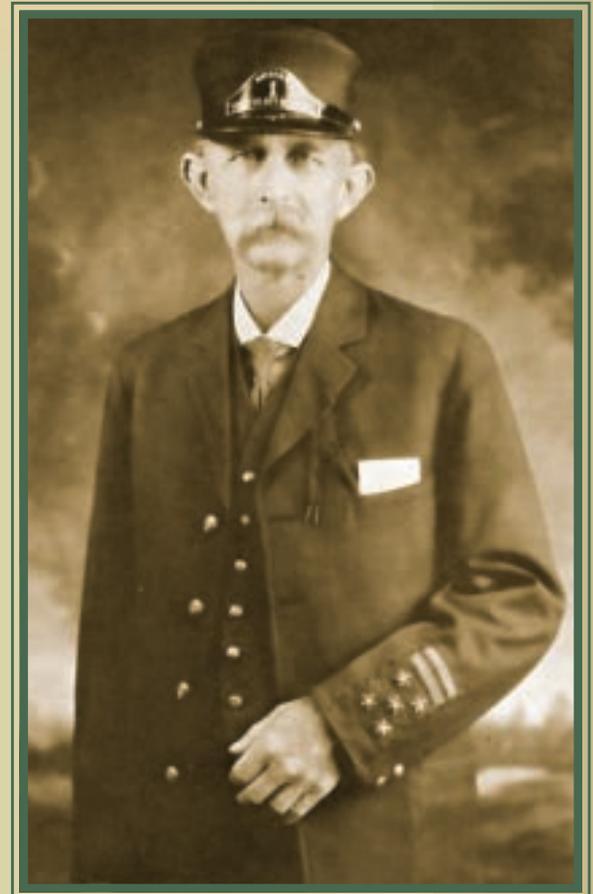
ceremoniously held a Last Ride event on February 17, 1948. With that, sixty-one years of trolley service on the streets of Phoenix had come to an end.

But not quite. Six streetcars were out on their routes when the 1947 fire occurred and were eventually sold to private owners. Two of these surviving streetcars were kept along the banks of the Salt River on a farm property in Buckeye, but during Great Flood of 1979 the river crested and swept the cars away. They remain buried somewhere in the Salt River bed. Docents at the Phoenix

Trolley Museum know where they are, but lack the funds to excavate and restore them.

Another surviving car, number 504, once served as a ticket booth at the old wax museum. It later ended up being stripped and used as a monkey cage in a petting zoo. The skeleton of 504 now awaits restoration at the Phoenix Trolley Museum.

However, streetcar number 116 has been fully restored by the museum's staff and volunteers who have a passion for the history of the Phoenix trolleys. These trolley aficionados had to smile at the sight of one of the first cars in the new light rail system that began service in 2008. The car number? 116A. History is preserved, and the lineage of riding the rails in Phoenix continues.



Westley Wenner, Number One Motorman in Seniority for the Phoenix Trolley System From "Ride a Mile and Smile the While" by Lawrence Fleming published 1977 [Photo - William Scott]

After nearly 40 years the museum must relocate due to the Hance Park redevelopment. This means re-imagining a new State-of-the-Art museum with new stories to tell. Become a museum member and support continuing the documentation of the story of Phoenix.

To learn more about the Phoenix Trolley Museum and its efforts to build a new Museum go to phoenixtrolley.org



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By Michael Murphy

Looking Back **AZ**

Holding Court 50 Years



In 1968 the National Basketball Association awarded expansion franchises to two cities, Milwaukee and Phoenix.

The Phoenix franchise, purchased by an investment group led by Karl Eller, became the state's first professional major sports team. Popular entertainers of the time also got into the act. Andy Williams, Bobbi Gentry and Ed Ames were among the original investors.

The Arizona Republic conducted a "Name the Team" contest, with an alluring prize of \$1,000 and first-year season tickets to the winner. Several names indicative of the desert were considered, but none fit the team better than the name that won. **The Phoenix Suns. - Suns.com**



EVENTS



PHOENIX COMICON

May 24th – May 27th

Held at the Phoenix Convention Center, this signature pop culture event in the southwest, focuses on comic books, anime, sci-fi and film, comic book creators, anime voice actors, movie & TV actors will be in attendance, guests will meet with fans, panels and workshops, art auction, Zombie Beauty pageant, Japanese fashion show, masquerade, live music. Tickets range from \$15-25. phoenixcomicon.com

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April 28th

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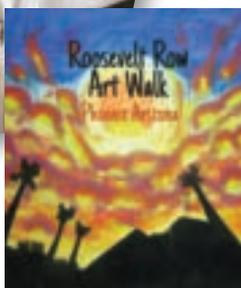
Featuring more than 250 canned craft beers from over 100 local and national breweries across 40 states. Located at the Margaret T. Hance Park in Phoenix, ameriCAN highlights include not only amazing canned beer, but also live music, food trucks, a beer science garden, canning seminars, beer Olympic games and a rare beer garden. cannedcraftbeerfest.com



POMPEII: THE EXHIBITION

Through May

In this blockbuster exhibition, guests become time travelers, transported to the bustling commercial port and strategic military and trading center of Pompeii. Over 200 precious artifacts on loan from the unparalleled collection of the Naples National Archaeological Museum in Italy, including wall-sized frescoes, mosaics, marble and bronze sculptures, jewelry, statues and ancient Roman coins, bring to life how Pompeii's people lived, loved, work, worshiped and celebrated. azsciencecenter.org



SUNS AT 50 HISTORY EXHIBIT

Through May

In celebration of the Phoenix Suns' 50th season in the Valley, the Arizona Capitol Museum and Arizona's original sports franchise have teamed up to open a special exhibit that highlights the Suns' rich history and tradition. The "Suns at 50" exhibit features a timeline from the franchise's inception in 1968 to the present that documents the brightest moments in team history along with the growth and development of Phoenix. The exhibit, which also includes unique Suns memorabilia and artifacts, brings to life the story of the Suns' five decades in the Valley and gives fans an opportunity to learn about the illustrious history of the storied franchise.



THE ARAB AMERICAN FESTIVAL

April 21st & April 22nd

This two-day event held at Steele Indian School Park, features dozens of international singers, musicians, dancers and performers from all over the Arab World. Live entertainment, folklore shows, belly dancing, international food court, hookah lounge, kids' rides, and vendors. arabamericanfestival.org

RESTAURANT WEEK 2018

May 18th – May 27th

Valley-wide, this is the most edible time of the year, Arizona Restaurant Week sends diners on a ten-day tasting tour of the state. Participating restaurants are not only known for their exceptional cuisine, they also spare no expense to give diners an extraordinary

culinary experience. One of Arizona Restaurant Week's goals is to position Arizona as one of the top culinary destinations in the nation by increasing awareness of the more than 8,500 dining opportunities available as well as stimulate business and revenue for restaurants throughout the state. Arizona Restaurant Week is produced by the Arizona Restaurant Association. arizonarestaurantweek.com



FIRST FRIDAYS ARTWALK

Through May

Join us on the First Friday of every month from 6-10 p.m. for one of the nation's largest, self-guided art walks. Tour more than 70 galleries, venues and art-related spaces to see a variety of artwork and to enjoy the spirit and culture of the city. Visitors are invited to hop-on/hop-off free shuttles that circulate on three routes through downtown Phoenix's arts districts. The shuttles meet at a connector hub at Arizona Center, and you can also catch the shuttles at any of the stops along the routes including Phoenix Art Museum, CityScape, Oasis on Grand and Unexpected Gallery. artlinkphx.org



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Mountain Camelback Climbing or others in the valley

By Jonathan Funk

Remember the expression; **“Better safe than sorry?”**

Well many who visit the Valley every year clearly have not. Climbing Camelback Mountain (or any other mountain) must be taken seriously. It's a dangerous

Camelback actually offers two hiking trails; the Summit at 1.2 miles and the Cholla (choy-a) at 1.5 miles. The Cholla trail is a little more forgiving (1,300 feet from start to summit) as compared to the Summit (at 2,704 feet) on the opposite side which is busier, more rugged and steeper. Both are super trails, but offer distinctively different challenges, so chose accordingly. Camelback Mountain towers over the Phoenix and Scottsdale landscapes and offers awesome views.



endeavor, even when it's not 115 degrees, and if you are not well equipped for your outing, you can easily find yourself, or a loved one, in a life-threatening situation. People die, and rescues are made every month, and almost weekly during the hotter summer months.

Camelback Mountain looks like a kneeling camel and is one of the Valleys most well-known, but don't be fooled as it's no walk in the park. It beckons residents and visitors alike to climb to its peak of 2,704 feet, which is the highest of our local mountains. It can be a grueling climb so visitors may want to choose from the dozens of miles of other trails that are offered within the city's preserve system. Many offer less crowds, and easier climb, but all offer classic views of the Sonoran Desert.

TIPS BEFORE YOU HIKE.

Even in the fall and spring periods the heat can be excessive, so here are a few tips before you head out to tackle the Camel, or any other mountain in the Valley. Always check the weather reports before starting out. Tell someone where you are going, and when you expect to return. Make sure you have proper hiking boots. Dress properly and carry enough water for the entire trip. In the desert, you will dehydrate faster than ever expected. Heat exhaustion is your primary enemy. Wear a cap to protect your head and use sunscreen even if it's cloudy, as the rays still get through. Carry a small first aid, or a few bandages in case of a fall. A camera will capture the awesome views.

Other mountains for hiking include Piestewa Peak, Papago Park, Pinnacle Peak and South Mountain. **For more information go online to: phoenix.gov/parks/trails**

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Destination SCOTTSDALE

SCOTTSDALE

Scottsdale boasts a current population of some 230,000 residents. It is one of the most desirable areas in the U.S. to both live and visit. Scottsdale is a diverse region that offers a wide assortment for some of the world's best shopping, fine dining, museums, art galleries and great golfing.

ART GALLERIES

Marshall Way is home to more than 100 art galleries. Enjoy the weekly ArtWalk held every Thursday evening from 7-9PM. It's a great opportunity to see some unique art, and mingle with artists and owners alike.

OLDTOWN

In Downtown Scottsdale, there are several blocks that residents identify as Old Town Scottsdale. This area presents a curious mixture of older buildings harking back to Scottsdale's late 1800s and early 1900s and period architecture. Pedestrian ways link to the Civic Center and the historic "Little Red Schoolhouse." With its dynamic combination of galleries, artisan shops, great restaurants, and historical buildings, tourists and locals love to wander around and take in Old Town's ambiance.

BASEBALL

Downtown Scottsdale is the spring training home to the 2014 World Champion San Francisco Giants.



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POSTCARD

Golf, resorts, spas, clubs, art galleries, great shopping, and its Old Town core draw an estimated 7.5 million tourists to “The West’s Most Western City.” The roughly 230,000 residents, along with its visitors, enjoy Scottsdale’s robust art scene. Scottsdale is home to more than 125 art galleries and studios, among the highest per capita in the U.S.



Residents and visitors alike enjoy the annual Scottsdale Art Festival and weekly ArtWalks. The recently opened Scottsdale’s Museum of the West has fortified its western heritage, adding another entry with the SMOCA.

To relax from the rigors of western life, Scottsdale also boasts the highest number of destination spas per capita in the nation to complement its high-end resorts and hotels offering 15,000+ rooms. The Scottsdale Fashion Square’s approximately 225 stores offers visitors a vast, upscale shopping venue.

All of this originated from the humble beginnings of a Pima Indian village and then in the late 1800s a small town founded when U.S. Army Chaplain Winfield Scott purchased 640 acres for \$2.50 per acre, for agricultural use. Scottsdale has grown to 185 square miles and borders the Salt

River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, maintaining a link and relations to its past. With all Scottsdale has to offer, it is no wonder the city was once voted America’s “Most Livable City,” a concept it continues to carry with its wide variety of outdoor activities, spas, culture, casual eats, fine dining, and its famous, walkable Old Town.

this originated from the humble beginnings of a Pima Indian village



SCOTTSDALE WATERFRONT

The 1978 murder of actor

Bob Crane

By Michael P. Murphy



Murder Mystery in Scottsdale

In the summer of 1978 actor Bob Crane, who had starred in the popular 1960s TV series *Hogan's Heroes*, was in Scottsdale for a four-week performance in *Beginner's Luck* at the Windmill Dinner Theater. On June 29 a co-star found Crane's body lying in the bed of his rented apartment. His skull had been crushed by a hard object, which investigators later determined to be a camera tripod. The murder had likely been committed while Crane slept.

Despite his reputation in family entertainment, Crane's private life had a much darker side. He had a practice of recording on video his numerous trysts with the countless women who were drawn to his celebrity status. The main suspect in Crane's death was John Carpenter, Crane's friend and partner in this bizarre activity. Police theorized that Carpenter murdered Crane because Crane was cutting off their relationship, but County Attorney Charles Hyder's office felt the evidence was not strong enough to go to trial. Neither did Tom Collins, who succeeded Hyder as County Attorney.

In 1994 the next elected County Attorney, Rick Romley, pursued the case from a new perspective. His team of investigators compiled enough evidence to arrest Carpenter, including a rediscovered photo of what appeared to be a speck of brain tissue on the inside of Carpenter's rented car, but the jury in the subsequent trial believed the evidence was still too weak and circumstantial. They found Carpenter not guilty. Carpenter died in 1998, but the public at large would always wonder if he truly was the man who murdered actor Bob Crane on that dark night in Scottsdale some 16 years earlier.

In 2017, local Fox 10 journalist John Hook completed his own revisiting of the case. With County Attorney Bill Montgomery's approval, Hook had the last of the blood evidence found in Carpenter's rented car tested with today's DNA methods. The result was that those blood traces were not Bob Crane's.

And so the murky murder mystery continues. The murder weapon was never found, and Hook wonders if somewhere, anywhere, someone has a blood-stained camera tripod in their garage or closet that they happened to find long ago. Perhaps, but for now

the murder of Bob Crane in Scottsdale remains one of Hollywood's, and Arizona's, most notorious unsolved murder mysteries.



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EVENTS

SCOTTSDALE ART WALK

April 5th

Eat, Drink and Art. Recognizing that life's many pleasures are often better intermingled, the City of Scottsdale and the Scottsdale Gallery Association have created an exciting Gold Palette ArtWalk on April 5 - The Taste of Scottsdale! Great art, luscious food and lovely wine are at their best when they are paired! Galleries will feature food from various Scottsdale Art District restaurants while Arizona wineries and tasting rooms will provide the beverages. Visitors can stroll the galleries who will be featuring their original works by renowned artists while quenching their palates with wonderful noshes and beverages.



Uncorked Wine Festivals

UNCORKED: AZ WINE FESTIVAL

April 7th

The Uncorked: AZ wine festival is coming to Salt River Fields in Scottsdale on Saturday April 7th from 3-7pm. This event features over 50 wineries from across the globe with more than 100 wines to taste. Also gourmet food trucks, live DJ, and more! This event is 21 and over only.

SCOTTSDALE CULINARY FESTIVAL

April 14th & April 15th

The Scottsdale Culinary Festival weekend provides the opportunity to taste as many foods from as many restaurants as your stomach will allow on acres of park bliss. Hosted by the Scottsdale League for the Arts, this year's celebration will be the biggest and best yet. Guests will enjoy tasting the best culinary creations from 40 local restaurants, live music by 20 bands, a teen cooking challenge, chef demos, family zone and wine garden.

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LINDA RONSTADT "A CONVERSATION WITH LINDA"

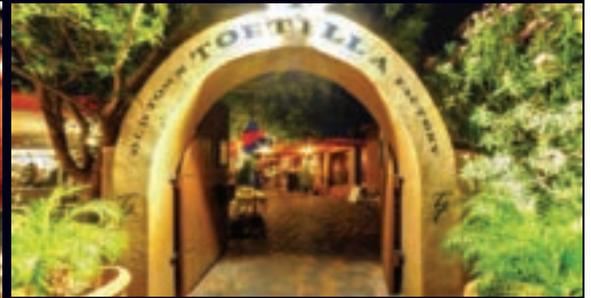
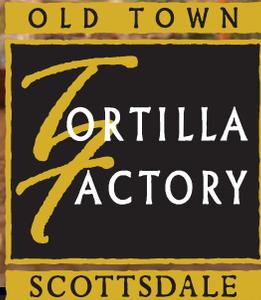
April 26th

"A Conversation with Linda" is a spectacular, big screen multi-media journey through the life of Linda Ronstadt, featuring the iconic singer's personal recounting of her four-decade career, assisted by videos, rare personal photos, and music, including a look at some of the behind-the-scenes events that shaped her uniquely eclectic musical style.
scottsdaleperformingarts.org



Hollywood has always come to Arizona, where many classic western films were shot. However, did you know that scenes in *Casablanca*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *Tank Girl*, *Planet of the Apes*, *Natural Born Killers*, *Wayne's World*, *Raising Arizona*, *Little Miss Sunshine*, as well as *Return of the Jedi* of the *Star Wars* series were also filmed all or in part in Arizona?

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EVENTS



THE ORIGINAL TASTE

April 28th

This event brings together more than 40 of the Valley's best restaurants, more than 100 wines from around the world, select brands of beer and premium spirits, entertainment and a not-to-be-missed scene — all in support of local youth charities. An expected 4,000 attendees — from wine and food enthusiasts and business influencers to community leaders — will mix and mingle at the Waterfront to experience the Original Taste, while enjoying some of the most delectable bites and beverages served up by some of the Valley's most popular drinking and dining establishments.

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NIRVANA

April 19th –
April 22nd

Sanctuary's culinary festival returns with international talent for a food and beverage extravaganza featuring star chefs

along with Executive Chef Beau MacMillan. Throughout the weekend, you'll enjoy informative, intimate conversation with celebrities from the world of food and wine...accompanied by tantalizing tastings, sumptuous meals and activities that make the most of Arizona's glorious spring weather.

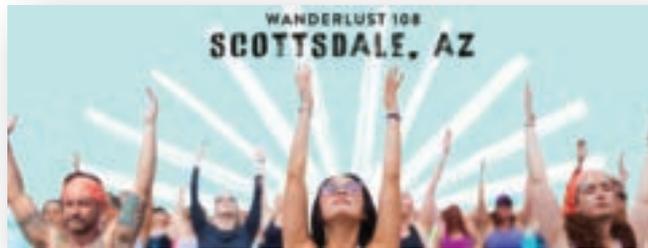
Nirvanafoodandwine.com



CINCO DE MARIO

May 5th

Cinco del Mario is coming to Scottsdale this Cinco del Mayo and it is bringing Mario Lopez along with it! The TV star, Emmy award winner and businessman Mario Lopez, presents his own twist on Cinco de Mayo and is throwing a Cinco de Mario party at the Scottsdale Civic Center Plaza.



WANDERLUST 2018

May 6th

Wanderlust 108—The World's Only Mindful Triathlon—brings the community together for a 5K run/walk, a dj-powered yoga session, and guided meditation in your local park. Following the triathlon, you can choose your own mindful adventure by enjoying bonus activities, perusing our Kula Market of local artisans, and stopping by Wanderlust's True North Cafe for a healthy snack or lunch. From dancing with DJs on the main stage to trying something new like hooping and acroyoga, there's plenty to do when you're not on your mat. Nationally recognized teachers, speakers and musical talent are featured at each event to make for a fun-filled day.

wanderlustfestival.com

SPOTLIGHT

The 2018 WMPO Broke all the Records

Another Waste Management Phoenix Open is in the books, records were broken, and much like the past two years, more than 18 holes were needed to decide a champion during Sunday's final round.



Gary Woodland found himself in the winner's circle after besting Chez Reavie in a sudden-death playoff, tapping in for par and the victory on the first playoff hole. This was Woodland's third PGA TOUR victory. Woodland made birdie on three of the final four holes to enter the clubhouse as the outright leader at 18-under par. Reavie — who teed off with the final group — entered the final three holes one shot back. Reavie overcame a bogey on 16 and was two shots off the lead with two holes to play before making birdie on 17. The crowd who walked with the final group all day then found themselves at the 18th green to witness Reavie drain a clutch 21-foot putt to force a playoff.

Woodland and Reavie only needed one extra hole to decide a champion. Both players left their approach shots short of the 18th green, but Reavie's third shot came to rest outside seven feet, which opened the door for Woodland to tap in for the victory. It was the fourth-straight PGA TOUR event ending in a playoff, and the third-straight WM Phoenix Open playoff.

This year provided amazing winter weather which certainly helped break another attendance record for the WMPO in 2018. An entire city abuzz with anticipation for the 2018 event drew nearly 720,000 (719,179) fans to the tournament during the week. In total, four attendance records were broken (Wednesday, Friday, Saturday) including the weekly total, which broke the previous record (655,434) set just last year by more than 63,000.

The WMPO is clearly a fan favorite on the PGA Tour, and the TPC of Scottsdale is the perfect venue to host the WMPO each year. Congratulations to the Phoenix Thunderbirds and all the volunteers, along with the Ak-Chin Indian Community who, together, presented another world-class Phoenix Open.



Did you know that Arizona is the northernmost point in the Americas where you can find a jaguar? This is true! The University of Arizona has observed a male jaguar prowling the Santa Rita Mountains as recently as October, 2012.

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EVENTS & ATTRACTIONS



TALK CINEMA

May 15th & May 29th

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OLD TOWN FARMERS' MARKET

Through May 26th

This lively market features approximately 100 local growers and specialty food producers. Be ready to find a wide variety of organic and pesticide free produce. Enjoy a plethora of seasonal specialties such as cider and apples, flowers, free-range beef, free-range eggs and local cheeses. You can also choose from the selection of freshly baked artisan breads, Amish friendship breads, jams, picadillies, and tamales. Stop by for these and more of the great local foods you'll find at the Old Town Farmer's Market! arizonafarmersmarkets.com



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Restaurant Week is produced by the Arizona Restaurant Association.

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Did you know how Arizona was named? The Native American word is "Ali shonak," which roughly translates as place of the small spring. Some historians believe it derives from the Basque word for "The Good Oak Tree." If you speak Spanish, Arizona is not very different from "zona arida," or arid zone. Arizona's most used nicknames are the Grand Canyon State or the Copper State.

SUMMER CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Sunday Nights April 29th – July 1st

Rock and roll at the Railroad Park! Enjoy free concerts every Sunday evening with a variety of local bands. Recently recognized as one of the best live music venues in Arizona by Best of American Towns. Sunday's at The Railroad Park are the place to be in Scottsdale this summer. With Classic Rock, Retro 80's, Country, Rhythm and Blues and Retro 90's, we've got a little something for everyone. Bring a blanket or chair and relax in the park. therailroadpark.com

THE ART OF ICE CREAM EXPERIENCE

Through June 30th

The Art of Ice Cream Experience is an immersive pop-up exhibit located in downtown Scottsdale. An Instagrammers dream, the Art of Ice Cream explodes with color, texture, and interactive engagement. The spaces have themes like the Banana Split Room, The Toppings Room, the Popsicle Room and the Cone or Cup Room. Guests choose their arrival time and have 60 minutes to explore each room, sample ice cream treats and take as many social sharing images as their devices can handle. artoficecreamexperience.com



SPOTLIGHT

Old Town Tortilla Factory



OK folks, this is a real local landmark, a hidden gem located in Downtown Scottsdale. The Old Town Tortilla Factory was built from an historic 75-year old Scottsdale adobe home, which Jim and Chad Flaum have proudly owned since 2001. That's just one of the key reasons it's such a popular establishment— great ownership. Then one adds in the warm, rustic décor and casual ambience, great Southwestern fare (with a Mexican Twist), award winning margaritas and great service. You can dine in the adobe house (and watch the Tortillas being made) or enjoy dining under the stars on the expansive outdoor patio. And if it's just a cocktail you are seeking, then grab a seat at the factories outdoor Gazebo Bar that offers over 120 premium tequila's, beer, wines and liquors. The Old Town Tortilla Factory is a favorite spot for locals and travelers alike and should not be missed. Rest assured you will not be disappointed. Reservations are suggested.

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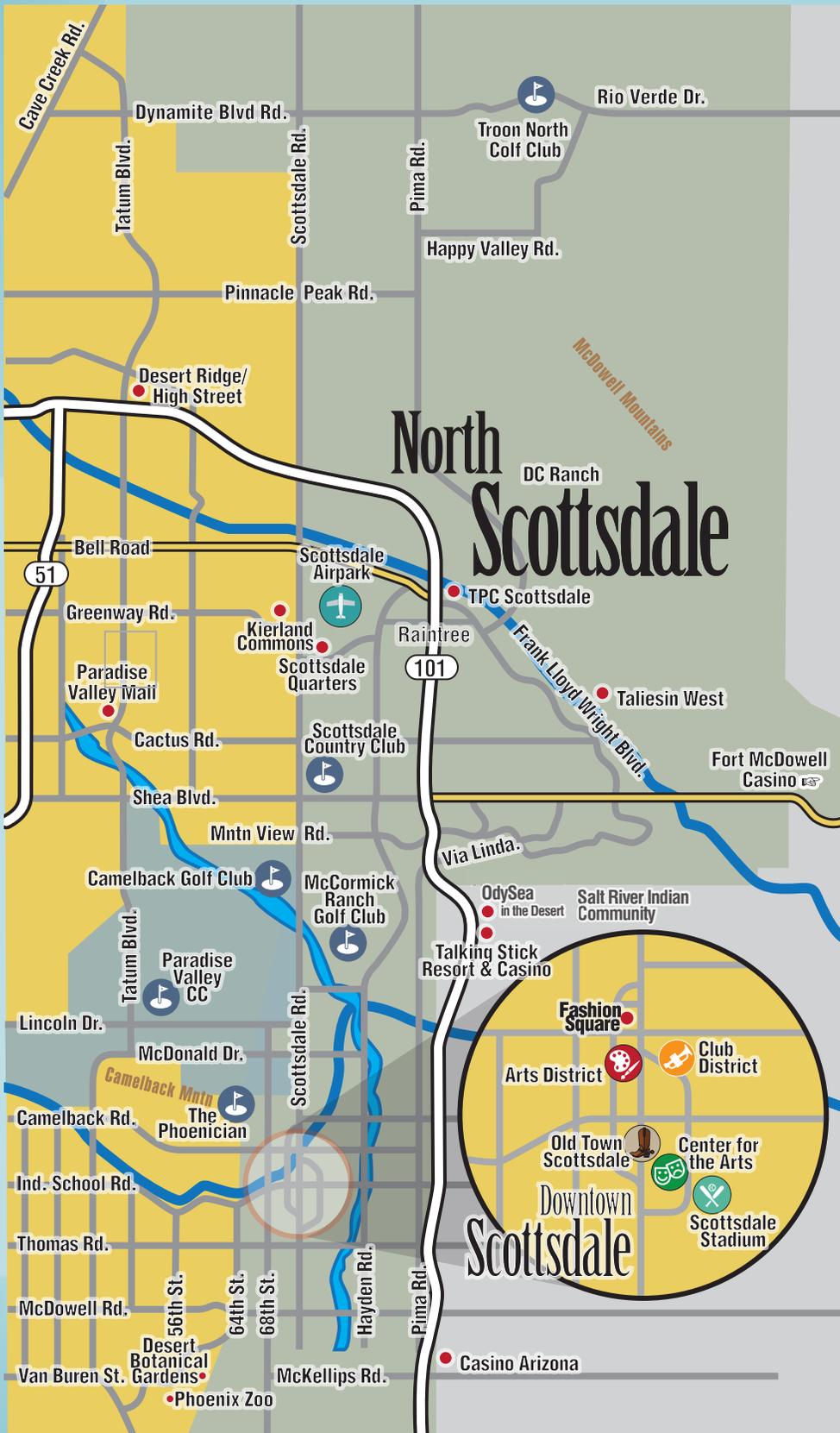
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This region encompasses the more affluent residential communities of Paradise Valley, North Scottsdale, Carefree, Cave Creek and Fountain Hills.

EVENTS

Each year the NEV plays host to a number of world-class events such as the Barrett-Jackson Car Show and the Waste Management Phoenix Open, which is played at the legendary TPC Scottsdale.

ATTRACTIONS

The NEV offers superb shopping, a wide assortment of fine dining and, of course, great golfing. It is also home to Fort McDowell Casino, Talking Stick Resort, Casino Arizona and the spring training facility for the Diamondbacks and Colorado Rockies at Salt River Fields.

ACTIVITIES

This region hosts three of the Valley's most interesting venues: Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West, the Musical Instrument Museum and a spectacular new attraction, Dolphinaris.



TALIESIN WEST

The Northeast Valley includes the communities of Paradise Valley, North Phoenix, North Scottsdale, Fountain Hills, Carefree and Cave Creek. They

are vibrant and engaging regions that contain some of the fastest growing communities in the Valley. Known for its beauty, quality lifestyle, golf courses, fine dining and high household incomes, the NEV provides multiple opportunities to explore for travelers young and old alike.

North Scottsdale is home to Westworld; the site of Scottsdale's annual Arabian Horse Show and the Barrett-Jackson Car Auction. Minutes away is the TPC golf course, host to the annual Waste Management Phoenix Open, known as "The Greatest Show on Grass." Frank Lloyd Wright chose the foothills of the McDowell Mountains to create his Taliesin West, an architectural gem. And the acclaimed Musical Instrument Museum, (MIM), is located just off Loop 101 and Tatum Blvd for those who wish to experience a global musical journey.

A little farther north are the communities of Carefree and Cave Creek that boast great dining, western venues and are well-known for the many fine local artists and galleries.

To the east, and a short and scenic drive along Shea Blvd. you will find yourself in Fountain Hills, home to the world's fourth largest fountain at 562 feet, and a few minutes from Fort McDowell casino.

Like much of the Valley, the NEV offers many outdoor adventures that include, hiking, biking, and horseback riding, ballooning, golfing, rafting and 4-wheeling in the desert.

It is also home to many fine shopping venues the likes of Kierland Commons and the Scottsdale Quarters found on North Scottsdale Road. A 5 minute drive west to the 101 and Tatum Blvd brings you to Desert Ridge and High Street, two more venues offering great shopping, dining and entertainment.

The NEV deserves a visit, as millions of travelers enjoy and experience every year. Whether you seek gourmet cuisine, boutique shopping, golf, outdoor adventures, or local culture, the Northeast Valley is an area worth visiting.

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In the center of this entertainment oasis is an expansive one-acre courtyard with multiple water features and a center stage that offers complimentary entertainment for all to enjoy. OdySea in the Desert is located at 9500 E. Via de Ventura Scottsdale, AZ 85256, (just off the 101 Highway in North Scottsdale) within the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. For more information and a schedule of events visit www.OdySeaInTheDesert.com

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SPOTLIGHT Arena Sports Grill

Located in North Scottsdale between Scottsdale road and 68th street off Bell Road – tucked away in a strip mall, you will find Arena Sports Grill. You can’t miss there BIG white letters over the restaurant.

As I said, “Don’t be fooled” as this venue is a great local place. It’s a modern casual dining venue with over 25 big screen TV’s, off-track betting for those who love the horses, pool tables for anyone wanting to brush up on their skills ... but what it’s really known for is its food!

It’s really about the food. Owner, Steve Stevens, prides himself on simply fabulous food they serve daily. The burger, salads to the wings that they smoke on-site – simply can’t be beat. I have taken many people to the Arena, and every single one can’t stop talking (about the inviting casual ambience) but the menu and how good everything is.

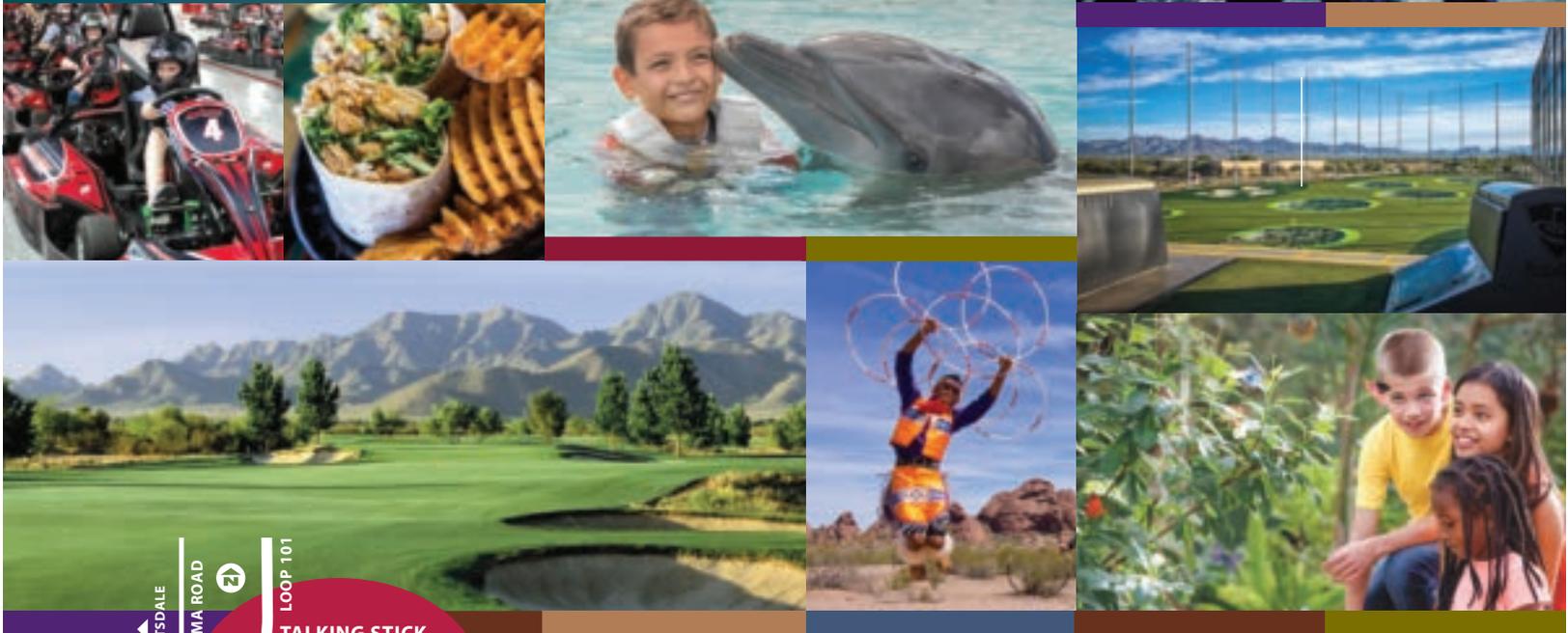
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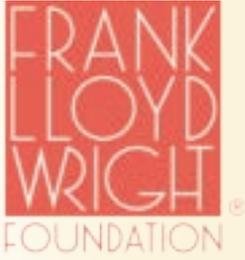
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Frank Lloyd Wright was born in Richland Center, Wis., on June 8, 1867, the son of William Carey Wright, a preacher and a musician, and Anna Lloyd Jones, a teacher whose large Welsh family had settled the valley area near Spring Green, Wisconsin.

With a career that spanned seven decades before his death in 1959, Wright's visionary work cemented his place as the American Institute of Architects' "greatest American architect of all time."

Frank Lloyd Wright created two schools/studios. The first was in his home state of Wisconsin, named Taliesin and the second was in Scottsdale, Arizona named Taliesin West.

Taliesin is the home, studio, school, and 800-acre agricultural estate of Frank Lloyd Wright. Wright built Taliesin on his favorite boyhood hill in the Wisconsin River valley homesteaded by his Welsh grandparents and named it Taliesin in honor of the Welsh bard whose name means "Shining Brow."

Taliesin West is a National Historic Landmark nestled in the desert foothills of the McDowell Mountains in Scottsdale, AZ.

It is also the home of the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation and the School of Architecture at Taliesin.

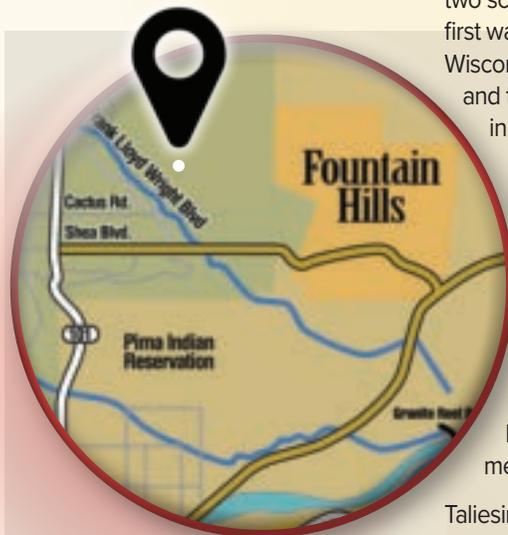
Wright's beloved winter home (Scottsdale, AZ.) and the bustling headquarters of the

Taliesin Fellowship, was established in 1937 and diligently handcrafted over many years into a world unto itself. Deeply connected to the desert from which it was forged, Taliesin West possesses an almost prehistoric grandeur. It was built and maintained almost entirely by Wright and his apprentices, making it among the most personal of the architect's creations.

A lively community, Taliesin West is open to the public

year-round, and offers a broad range of exciting tours. It is easily reached from any part of the Valley. Guided tours of Taliesin West are required. You cannot enter the property unless you are on a guided tour. Walk-ins are not guaranteed spots on a tour and tours book up fast. Tour reservations are strongly recommended. **For more information or reservations contact the venue at: 1-888-516-0811 or online at: FrankLloydWright.org**

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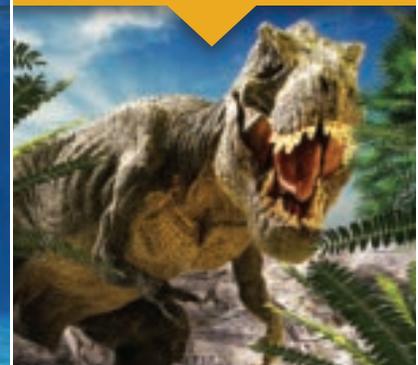
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EVENTS

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JUNK IN THE TRUNK VINTAGE MARKET

April 27th – April 29th

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junkinthetrunkvintagemarket.com



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9TH ANNUAL CAVE CREEK BALLOON FESTIVAL

May 26th

The time has come to light up the Sonoran Desert sky at the Ninth Annual Cave Creek Balloon Festival at Rancho Mañana Golf Course. Cave Creek's biggest single day event continues to be streamlined for a carefree

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According to legend, Phoenix received its name from Cambridge-educated pioneer Darrell Duppa. He saw the ruins and prehistoric canals of the Hohokam and believed another civilization would rise from the ashes. Today, Phoenix is America's Fifth-largest city, with a population is roughly 1.6 million, however, Maricopa County (Greater Phoenix) has a population of nearly 4.5 million.

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April 11th

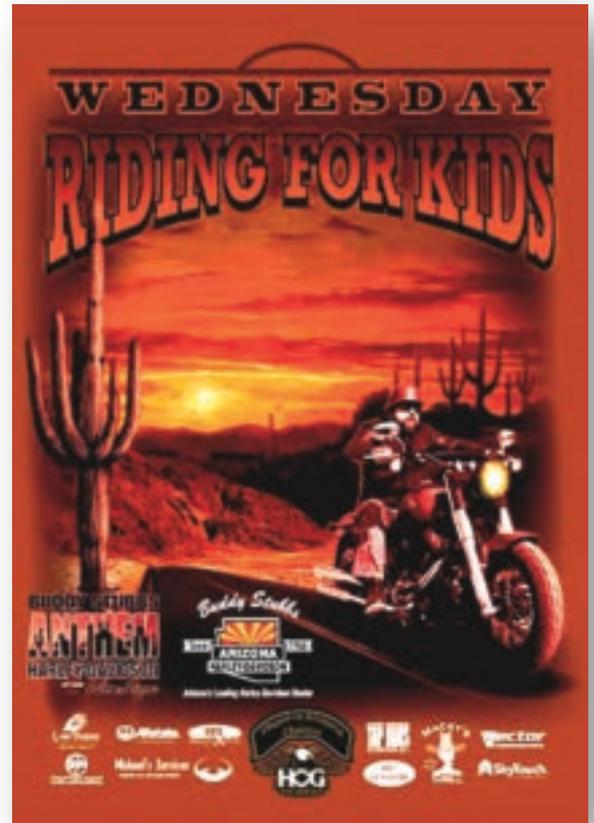
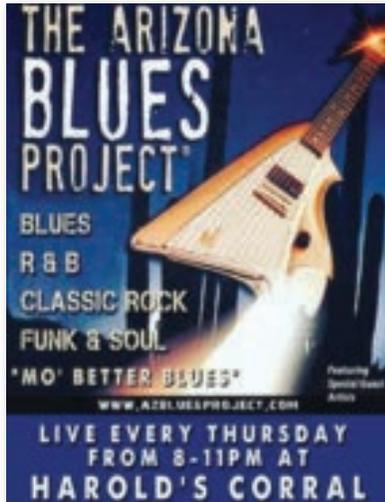
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April 23 – 29th

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CITIES

The East Valley has a population of more than 1.3 million and includes the expanding cities of Tempe, Ahwatukee, Mesa, Chandler, Gilbert and Queen Creek. These cities also play host to many MLB spring training baseball teams.

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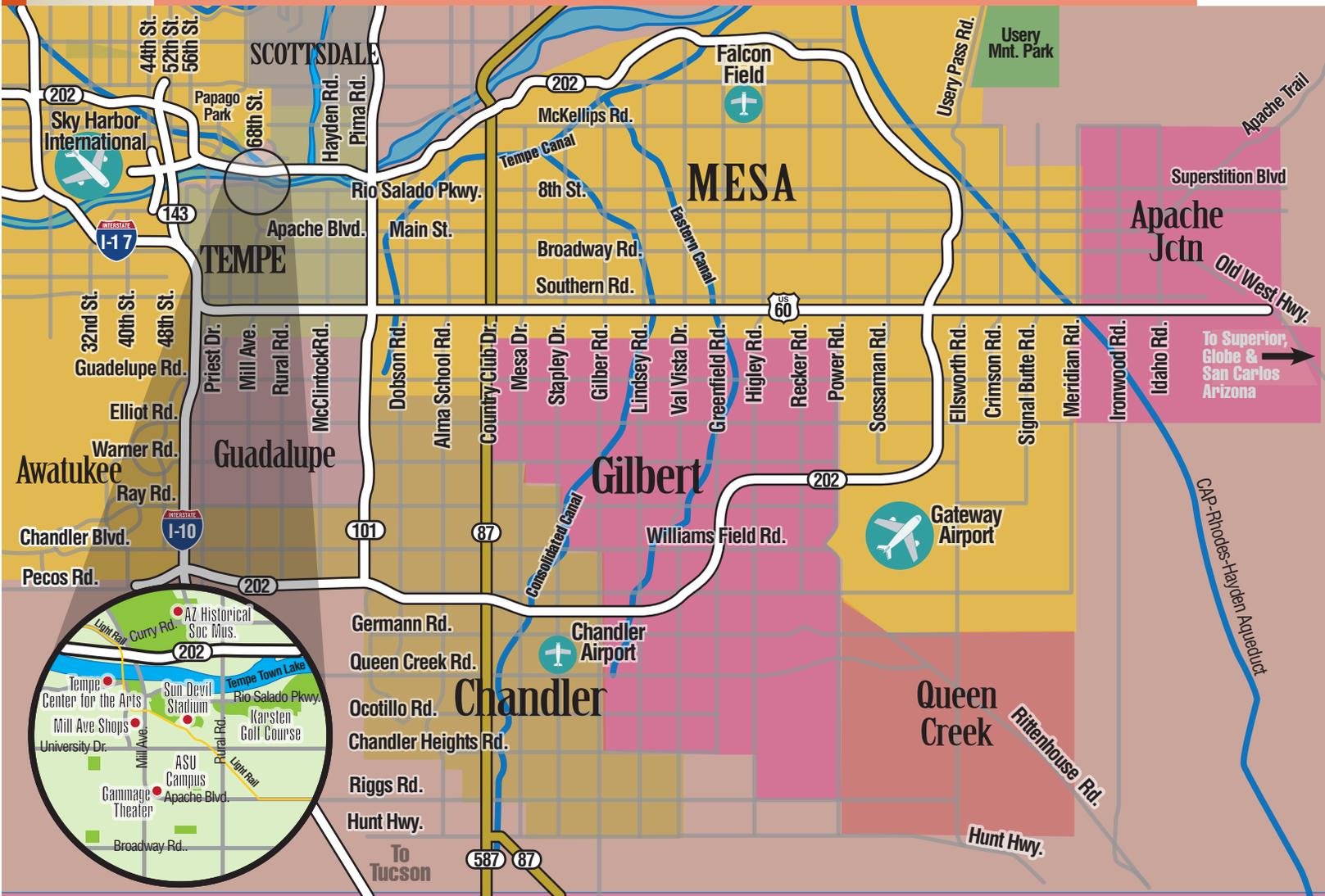
Tempe is home to Arizona State University, America's largest university with more than 82,000 students. Founded in 1885, ASU is located in the heart of Tempe, with many other facilities dotting the Valley.

MILL AVENUE

Tempe's Mill Avenue, Tempe's main drag, is located less than 10 minutes from Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport. Travelers can experience the college scene that includes fun pubs, great restaurants, and interesting shops.

GILBERT

East of Tempe is the City of Gilbert, a town that rapidly transformed from agricultural center to diverse suburban center. From its 1980 population of 5700 people, Gilbert now has nearly 243,000 residents.





TEMPE TOWN LAKE



The City of Tempe anchors the rapidly expanding East Valley region of the Valley with Mill Avenue located about 15 minutes from downtown Phoenix. Home to ASU, Tempe remains one of the few Valley cities to be landlocked on all borders: with Scottsdale to the

north, Mesa to the east, Chandler to the south, and Phoenix and Guadalupe to the west.

The East Valley continues to experience explosive growth and residential development. With campuses and HQs of Intel, Orbital ATK, First Solar and Boeing, the area has established itself as one of the most dynamic regions for new companies in the country.

Mesa, Arizona's third largest city (and nation's 38th largest) with 440,000 people, takes up 133 square miles of land. Downtown

Mesa's Main Street is a typically quaint American byway with lots of small businesses, a wonderful Arts Center and nearby, a hit with the kids, the Arizona Museum of Natural History.

To give a sense of variety, Chandler hosts the Bondurant Racing School, Queen Creek coincidentally hosts the Queen Creek Olive Mill along with Schnepf Farms, and Mesa is home to two MLB Cactus League teams. Tempe's Mill Avenue is a favorite meeting spot for ASU students and locals, with a great assortment of dining, shopping, and nightlife options.

The East Valley continues to experience explosive growth

Like much of the Valley, there is no shortage of resorts, golf courses, spas, dining and outdoor activities in the East Valley. While not getting the notoriety of other parts of the Valley, it is an area that delights with surprises.



GAMMAGE AUDITORIUM

EVENTS

39TH ANNUAL CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS

Through April 15th

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mesaartscenter.com



CENTRAL ARIZONA CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW & SALE

April 6th – April 8th

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April 17th – April 22nd

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Looking BackAZ

By Michael Murphy

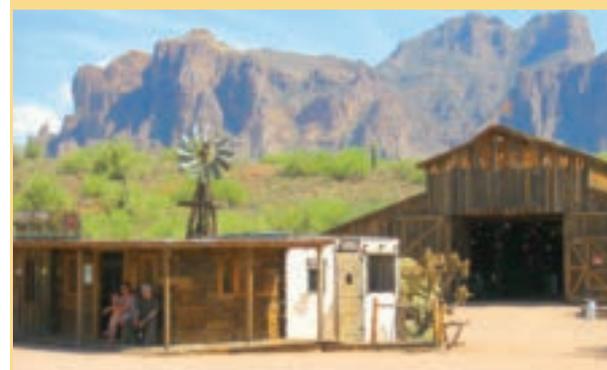
Apacheland Movie Ranch

One of the first movies was Gunfight at the OK Corral with Kirk Douglas and Burt Lancaster.

Other productions included an episode of the popular TV series, Have Gun Will Travel. A number of other TV Westerns were filmed there, including Death Valley Days, Little House on the Prairie, Gunsmoke, The Rifleman and Bonanza. Actors including Jason Robards, Stella Stevens, Ronald Reagan and Audie Murphy filmed TV shows and movies at Apacheland. John Wayne never set foot on the Apacheland lot, but Elvis Presley did when he filmed Charro in 1968.



Fire destroyed most of the Apacheland sets in 1969. A second fire in 2004, along with the fading popularity of TV Westerns, signaled the end of Apacheland's days as a working movie studio. Two structures, a chapel and a livery stable, survived and have been relocated to the property of the Superstition Mountain Museum in Apache Junction. The chapel is now known as the Elvis Memorial



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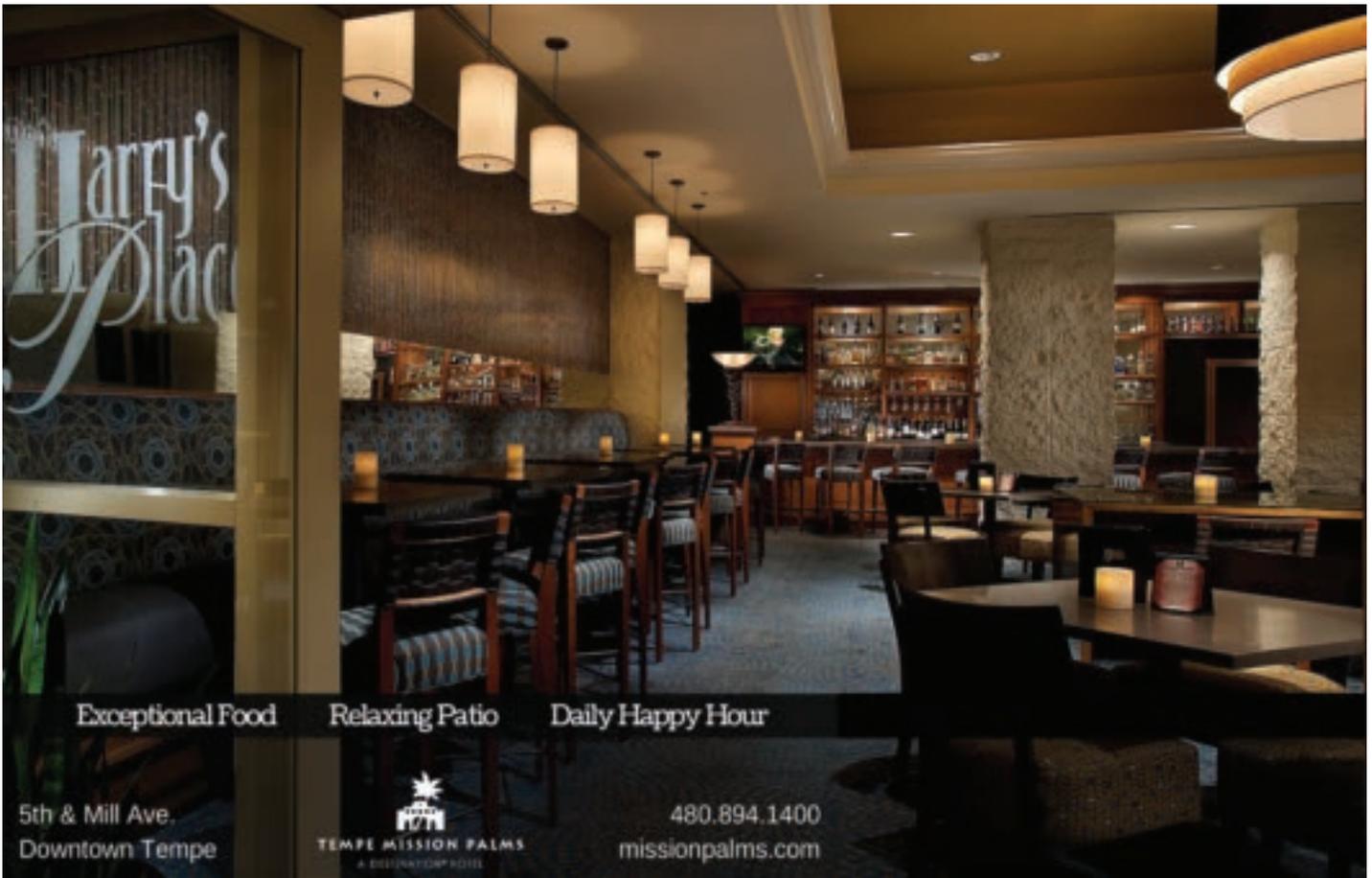
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MUSEUMS

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azmnh.org

Arizona Railway Museum
330 E. Ryan Rd., Chandler
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halleheartchildrensmuseum.org

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SPARK! AFTER DARK

Third Saturdays Through June

Enjoy a night out on Mesa Arts Center's north patio, every third Saturday of the Month through June. Experience live music, live art, great foods, tasty adult drinks and more than a few surprises. Check the website for each month's theme.

mesaartscenter.com

SECOND FRIDAY NIGHT OUT

Mesa downtown galleries and businesses have joined together to create an exciting, friendly and free way to spend a Friday evening. With a new theme every month, visitors can enjoy an art walk, dining, shopping, activities, entertainment, and fun every 2nd Friday of the month. This event is held on Main Street between Center and Country Club. The information booth located on Main and Macdonald has a map of the evening's activities and locations.

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EVENTS



PATS RUN

April 21st

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patillmanfoundation.org



6TH STREET MARKET

Sundays

Every Sunday through April, the 6th Street Market brings together makers of local handmade goods for a weekly market of a different kind. The market is not just a holiday happening, it offers the opportunity to meet and connect with local makers, micro-businesses, merchants and creators of all kinds while enjoying live music and local breakfast, brunch and lunch options in an outdoor setting. Perfect for holiday gift-giving and one-of-a-kind finds, the market is held Sundays throughout the holiday season at City Hall Plaza in Tempe from 11am – 4pm with free parking at City Hall and select meters downtown.



2018 SPRING MUSIC IN THE GARDEN: CINCO DE MOJO

May 4th

Enjoy Arizona's beautiful scenery, warm weather and talented musicians at the Spring Music in the Garden Concert Series at Desert Botanical Garden. All concerts are held at the Ullman Terrace on Friday evenings. Cinco de Mojo will perform elements of jazz music on May 4, 2018. Guests can enjoy dinner at the Gertrude's, located onsite, or purchase food from the Fabulous Food Fine Catering and Events chef-attended station or the Patio Café at the venue while enjoying music.

dbg.org



STRAY CAT THEATRE: SILENCE! THE MUSICAL

May 4th – May 19th

Silence! The Musical combines whip-smart dialogue and shocking songs to make a raunchy, vulgar, subversive musical parody of The Silence of the Lamb. You probably know the story: Rookie FBI agent Clarice Starling matches wits with the brilliant but insane cannibal, Dr. Hannibal Lecter, in order to catch the serial killer known as Buffalo Bill. Fueled by a rabid cult following since the songs debuted online in 2002, SILENCE!

straycattheatre.org

CHANDLER CRAFT SPIRITS FESTIVAL

April 14th

Looking to sample more than 150 high-end cocktails and spirits, from whiskey and vodka to moonshine and mezcal? Interested in mixing and mingling with the master blenders, distillers and other industry insiders making a splash through Arizona and the Southwest's expansive spirits scene? Then mark the calendar for 3 p.m. – 9 p.m. Saturday, April 14, and make your way to Downtown Chandler's Dr. AJ Park (178 E Commonwealth Ave.) for a full-scale celebration and salute to the state and region's top spirits.

chandlercraftspiritsfestival.com



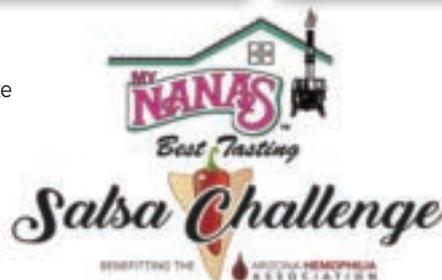
GREAT SOUTHWEST CAJUN FEST

April 14th & April 15th

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vote while attendees enjoy all the chips and salsa they can eat! The Salsa Challenge proudly features restaurants, businesses and individuals competing to make the best tasting salsa in their category. More than 20,000 people are expected to come and taste freshly made salsas, listen to live music, enjoy margaritas, cold beers, and vote for their favorite salsa chef.

southwestcajunfest.com



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SPOTLIGHT

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"It's a win-win-win for north Tucson and its gaming enthusiasts," says Lee Randall, the property's general manager. "Our proximity

to Tucson gives guests a great escape for the day, while our new player offer lets them give our casino a try." Guests can get all the details on this promotion online at the property's website or by visiting the casino's players club.

Besides great gaming action, Apache Sky is big on entertainment, bringing in the region's top acts. "We bring in a lot of bands whose music is authentic to the area," says Kristina Heath, marketing director. "It's great to have such diverse musical talent available in your own backyard."

Apache Sky is just one of two properties managed by the San Carlos Gaming Commission, with the other being Apache Gold Casino Resort. Nestled just east of

Globe on Highway 70, the property recently celebrated its 25th anniversary. Along with its always-enticing casino floor, the property features an abundance of attractive amenities, including a classic steakhouse just steps from the casino and one of the state's top-ranked golf courses. Adding to the property's appeal is the Apache Gold Hotel. If you're traveling for business or pleasure, you'll find the property's hotel and friendly staff ready to make your stay a relaxing one, if you ever decide to leave their casino floor.

For more information on Apache Sky and Apache Gold, call 1-800-APACHE-8, or go online and visit ApacheSkyCasino.com or Apache-Gold-Casino.com.

Destination WEST VALLEY

OUT WEST

A rapidly growing region in the Valley that encompasses the cities of Glendale, Goodyear, Avondale, Litchfield Park, Peoria, Surprise and Sun City.

SPORTS

Home to many of the MLB Spring Training Cactus League baseball teams, the Arizona Cardinals of the NFL, the Arizona Coyotes of the NHL, and Phoenix International Raceway where the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series annually runs two races. Visiting any of these venues is only a short 25-minute drive from most regions in the Valley.

AIR BASE

Luke Air Force base is home to the 56th Fighter Wing, which now trains the U.S. military's pilots on the new F-35 fighter jet. Previously, it was the world's largest training base for the military's F-16.

ATTRACTIONS

Glendale hosts the Westgate Entertainment District, Gila River Arena (Arizona Coyotes) University of Phoenix Stadium (Arizona Cardinals) and Glendale's Historic downtown district offering quaint shops, restaurants, and antique stores.



LUKE AIR FORCE BASE



WESTGATE CENTER



For those who have never visited the Valley of the Sun, the West Valley is best known by sports fans for Glendale's University

of Phoenix Stadium (home to the NFL's Arizona Cardinals) which has also hosted a BCS National Championship Game, a NCAA Final Four, and a pair of Super Bowls. It's definitely a sports mecca, as a number of MLB teams also have their Cactus League Spring Training ballparks in the region. The Gila River Arena is host to the NHL's Arizona Coyotes and race fans know Avondale as being the home of Phoenix International Raceway (PIR), which annually hosts two NASCAR Monster Energy Cup races and the INDY CAR racing Series. But there is a lot more to the West Valley.

In terms of space and aeronautics, Peoria has the Challenger Space Center Arizona. Lufthansa chose Goodyear for one of its airline training centers, and if you look overhead, you will see an F-16 or the new F-35 fighter jets conducting their daily training exercises at Luke Air Force Base, one of the world's largest training bases for pilots.

The West Valley is composed of numerous residential and upmarket retirement communities. With this in mind, the West Valley

presents a study in Southwestern growth. For example, Goodyear, a city that raised cotton for its namesake tire company, grew 245% between 1990 and 2000. For nightlife, many visit Glendale's exciting Westgate Entertainment District or for great shopping at the nearby Arrowhead Mall and Tanger Outlets. Cabela's also has a retail outlet in the area.

Just off the 101 highway at northern avenue are two more great venues. To the east is the West Valley's newest casino-- Desert Diamond Casino for those wishing to challenge their luck, and about 10 minutes to the west you will find one of America's TOP Zoo's, the Wildlife World Zoo and Aquarium that is fun for the entire family. Glendale bills itself as Arizona's Antique Capital with its historic downtown district that offers nifty boutiques, local restaurants, and of course, antique stores. Only a 20-25 minute drive from downtown Phoenix, the West Valley is easily accessible off either the I-10 or 101 highways, and offers year-round activities for all visitors to the Valley.

The West Valley continues to be a Mecca for Sports



DESERT DIAMOND CASINO



Desert Diamond West Valley Casino

The jackpots hit close to home at the West Valley's newest place to win. Located on Northern Ave. just east of the Loop 101 in Glendale's vibrant Sports and Entertainment District, the Desert Diamond West Valley Casino is moments from University of Phoenix Stadium, Westgate, Camelback Ranch and Peoria Sports Complex.

An enterprise of the Tohono O'odham Nation, Desert Diamond West Valley Casino offers 1,089 of the hottest games and awards millions of dollars in jackpots awarded each month. The wide range of gaming machines includes both old favorites and the newest releases, all available on the bustling 35,000 square-foot casino floor.

Guests can get the most out of their play by signing up for a free Diamond Rewards Card and downloading the casino's MYDDWV mobile app. The casino also offers a special Tribute Card with additional perks for active duty, retired and veteran members of the U.S. military.

Because all the excitement can work up an appetite, Desert Diamond's Food Court offers a little something for everyone. Players can also enjoy a refreshing beverage from the casino's RUSH Bar, which features local brews and classic cocktails.

There is more excitement in store as Desert Diamond West Valley Casino moves forward with construction of a \$400 million next phase that will add a bigger casino floor, table games, live bingo, and five new restaurants. Construction is expected to be completed in 24 months.

For more information, visit DDCAZ.com or call 1-866-DDC-WINS.



SPOTLIGHT

Wildlife World Zoo, Aquarium & Safari Park

A local landmark for over 30 years, and the pride of the West Valley is the Wildlife World Zoo, Aquarium & Safari Park. It boasts Arizona's largest collection of exotic and endangered animals (6,000 to be exact), 600 different species, tons of rides, a petting zoo (a favorite of young and old alike) and many daily shows. And this all comes with a million smiles. It is an expansive site, and the Zoo's grounds are very well maintained. It has been a Valley favorite for both visitors and locals alike. It's simply a fun place to take you or the entire family, and it's very easy to spend an entire day visiting the many different attractions offered. The Zoo is quite different from many others, because you can really get up close and personal with so many of these beautiful animals. Ride the train through Safari Park, or the Sky Ride over the park. The Zoo is packed with Lions, Tigers, Jaguars, Cheetah's, Kangaroos, Rhino's, Zebra's, Monkey's, Bison, Giraffes (which you can feed) exotic birds and so much more. And don't forget the Aquarium where you can see over 75 indoor exhibits that feature river monsters, sharks, piranha, fish and sea lions, or enjoy what most call the petting pool for stingrays, a hands-in-the-water experience that everyone loves. Or maybe you would enjoy Dragon World that showcases reptiles including a rare white alligator and a salt water crocodile. The Zoo also has a new mining experience where you can experience a bit of the "Old West" by panning for gold, gems and fossils. It also provides numerous eating venues throughout the park and a large restaurant and gift shop.

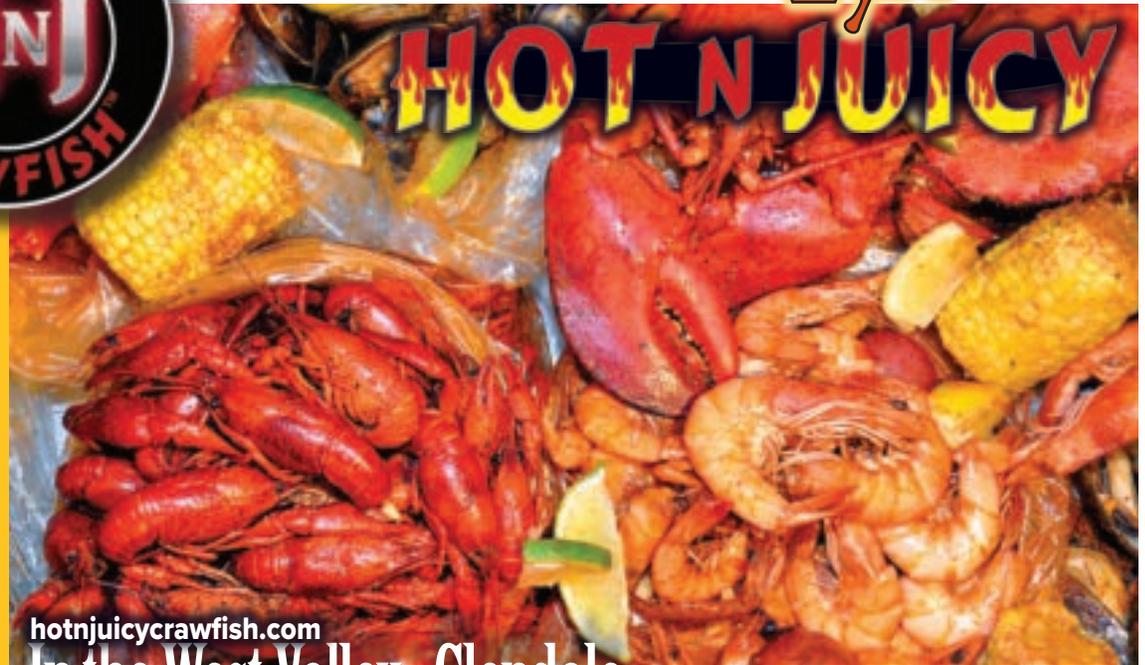
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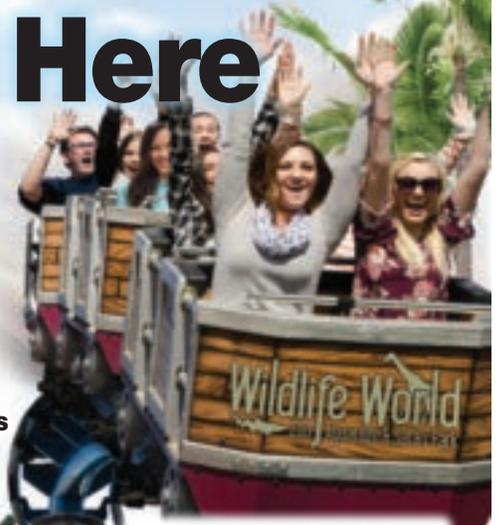
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EVENTS

PEORIA ARTS & CULTURAL FESTIVAL

April 7th

The City of Peoria and the Peoria Unified School District honor the community's past and celebrates the future through the Peoria Arts & Cultural Festival. The event is located at Peoria and Grand Avenues in the following venues: Osuna Park, Peoria's Center for Performing Arts, Peoria Historical Museums, Community Center and surrounding Streets. Students from Peoria Unified School District exhibit their artwork; perform dance routines, theater acts, choir and band on stages throughout the event.

Attendees can watch pottery being made, family bike ride, wagon rides, and a kid's zone.



2018 ICE CREAM RUN

May 12th

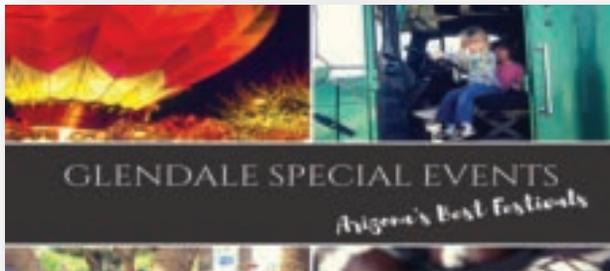
The Ice Cream Run is Phoenix's Official Summer Run! It's fun for the whole family so come walk or run with us and bring your kids. Location: Glendale Hero's Park.



51ST ANNUAL GLENDALE SUMMER BAND CONCERTS

Thursdays throughout June – July 20th

The eight-week concert series takes place each Thursday at 8 p.m., beginning June 1 through July 20, in the Murphy Park Amphitheater. Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by this community band of approximately 100 musicians with its inspiring renditions of marches, polkas, movie medleys and other worldly tunes. The Glendale Summer Band is the longest-running community band in Arizona. The ages of the volunteer band members span several generations. The band was formed in 1966, originally playing at O'Neil Park, and moving to Murphy Park when the amphitheater was built. These free concerts are the perfect night out for the entire family, or bring your friends, neighbors, the whole gang! Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Snacks and refreshments will be available for purchase at the concerts.



WESTGATE BIKE NIGHT

Each Friday through June 1st

The biggest Bike Night in the Valley is back! See hundreds of bikes line Coyotes Boulevard & Westgate Boulevard every week through June 1. Plus, enjoy rockin' live music & screamin' deals & discounts from Westgate bars & restaurants.

westgateaz.com



MARY POPPINS

June 1st – June 30th

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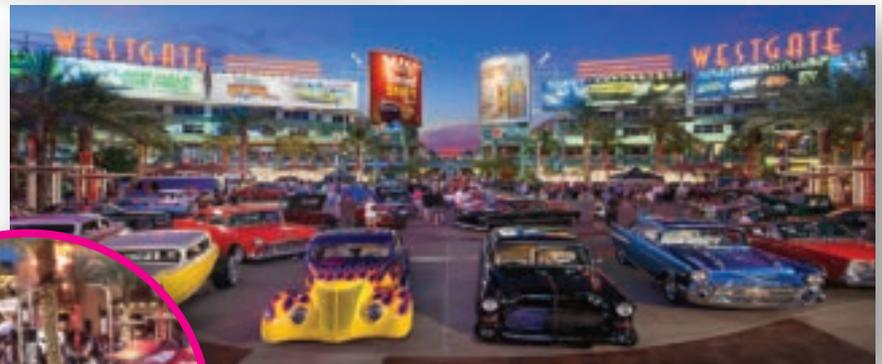


MUSEUMS

Glendale Police Museum
6835 N. 57th Drive., Glendale
623-937-8088
www.visitglendale.com

The Challenger Space Center Arizona
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SUGARLAND

May 31st

Award-winning Country duo Sugarland announced their highly-anticipated return to the stage with the Still The Same Tour, beginning this Spring in the US. With numerous Grammy, ACM and CMA Awards, chart-topping hits and MULTI-PLATINUM sales, the pair's Jennifer Nettles and Kristian Bush will bring their new live show to 48 cities, with a stop in Glendale, AZ on May 31 at Gila River Arena. The first leg of the tour will feature opening acts Brandy Clark and Clare Bowen, while Frankie Ballard and Lindsay Ell will accompany the pair for the second half

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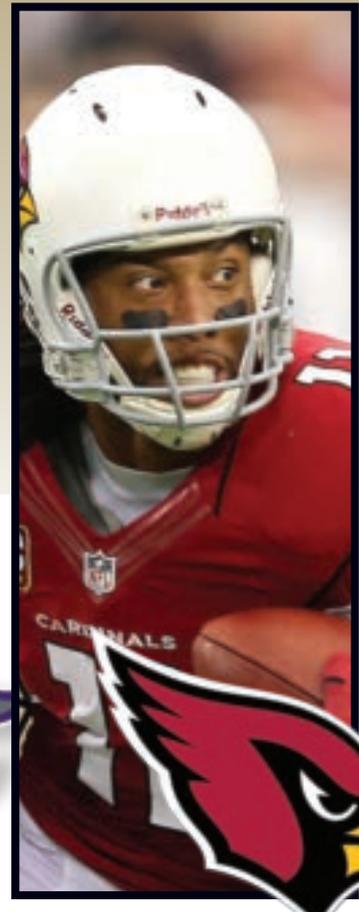
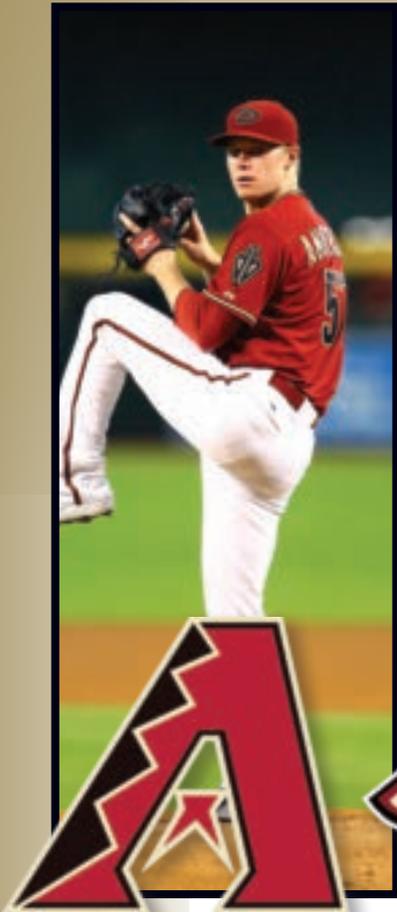
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The City of Phoenix, Maricopa County or as its best known, the Valley of the Sun, remains a fan favorite destination for millions of annual sports enthusiasts. Whether you are a casual spectator or a profound sports junkie, every month of the year sees travelers flocking to the Valley from all over the U.S., Mexico and Canada to cheer on their favorite sports or race teams (NASCAR or the Indy Car series) who make annual visits to the Valley. In the case of NASCAR they have two races each year in the Valley.

Why is the Valley such a favorite sports destination? There are many reasons, but the primary three reasons are the weather, fine dining and great shopping. During the

colder winter periods when daily Valley temperature range between 70-85 degrees. So if you are one of the unfortunates who reside in a winter climate and have to deal with those sub-zero temperatures for 4-5 months of the year; or tickets from your home team remain sold-out, that's when Phoenix with all that it has to offer comes into play. Many of our visitors who can't buy a ticket or do not have a NASCAR race date in their home town, come to the Valley to see their favorite teams. That is why the Valley is a huge destination for sports fans all year-round. And from an economic standpoint, these loyal fans contribute "billions" of dollars into Phoenix's local economy. It is estimated that NASCAR alone who race at

Phoenix International Raceway in the West Valley, contributes over \$450 million into the local economy.

Across the Valley, locals and visitors alike, can enjoy professional sports at every level, along with the premier college teams from ASU, U of A, NAU and Grand Canyon University. The Valley also boasts a variety of annual events well-known to the world stage that also attracts millions of people. The College Football National Championship is played at University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, and in 2017, Glendale also played host to the NCAA's Men's Final Four.

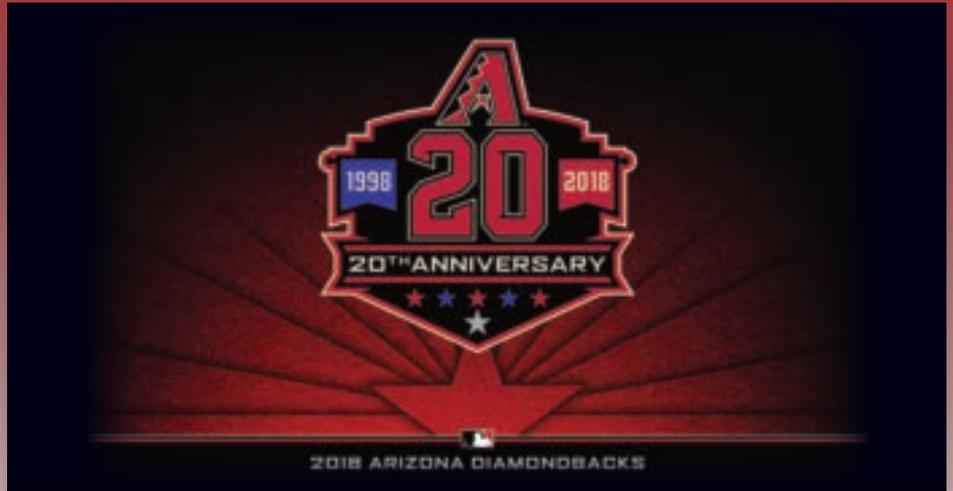
Every year cities across the Valley hosts multiple sporting events. College bowl games in Glendale, the annual

Waste Management Phoenix Open, hosted by the Phoenix Thunderbirds is played at the TPC in Scottsdale. It is considered to be (by the players) as the best run tournament on the PGA Tour. Then you have the Barrett-Jackson Car Auction or the Arabian Horse Show that are both held at Westworld in North Scottsdale. And let's not forget about the ever popular Cactus League Spring Training that lasts between 4-5 weeks and commences in late February and ends in early April. The Valley hosts 15 of major league's baseball teams as they prepare for MLB's regular season. This event alone, draws over a million people to the Valley.

The Valleys professional sports franchises cover the



entire spectrum from MLB's Arizona Diamondbacks, the NBA's Phoenix Suns, the NHL's Arizona Coyotes, the NFL's Arizona Cardinals, the WNBA's Phoenix Mercury and finally Arena Football team the Arizona Rattlers. World-class facilities host each of these teams (the University of Phoenix Stadium home to the Arizona Cardinals has been named one of the 10 Best Stadiums in the World by Time magazine) along with affordable tickets available for Valley visitors.



Arizona Diamondbacks Celebrating 20 Years

It's hard to believe but the first pitch for our Arizona Diamondbacks (D'backs + Los D'backs) was thrown out in 1998. They finished their first season 33 games behind the National League Champion San Diego Padres with a record of 65-97, last in the division. However, they would improve in 1999, finishing with a record of 100-62 and winning 35 games more than the previous year. Just three years later, the D'Backs won their first World Series by defeating the legendary New York Yankees four games to three to win the best-of-seven series. Considered one of the greatest World Series of all time. It ended on a Game 7 walk-off hit in the form of a bases-loaded blooper single off the bat of Luis Gonzalez.

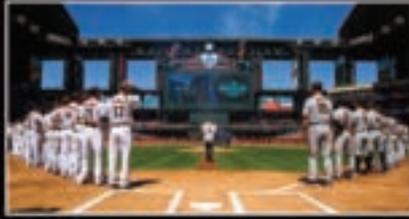
Even though the D'backs remain the youngest franchise in Major league Baseball, they have made the Postseason six times, the latest being in 2017. The team has already generated some great history for their success on and off the field. So here we are 20 years later celebrating this milestone in 2018. The team has always been a local fan favorite, and the team is certainly poised to make another run at the World

Series. 2017 was a great rebuilding year, with high hopes for 2018.

The organization as a whole has also been a major contributor to the local community, having given back over \$55 million to local charities – which also represents nearly the same amount of fans that have walked through Chase Field to watch a game. The National league Arizona D'backs has always been a very entertaining franchise.

The team will wear a special 20th Anniversary commemorative patch on both their uniforms and caps for the season kicks off on March 29th and the organization has many special celebrations and events planned for throughout the year.





ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS 2018 SCHEDULE

MARCH / APRIL						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
HOME				29 7:10	30 6:40	31 6:10
AWAY				COL	COL	COL
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LAD		SF	SF	SF	SD	SD
22 1:10	23	24 4:05	25 4:05	26 10:05	27 4:05	28 1:05
SD		PHI	PHI	PHI	WAS	WAS
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WAS	LAD					

MAY						
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OAK	CIN	CIN	CIN			

JUNE						
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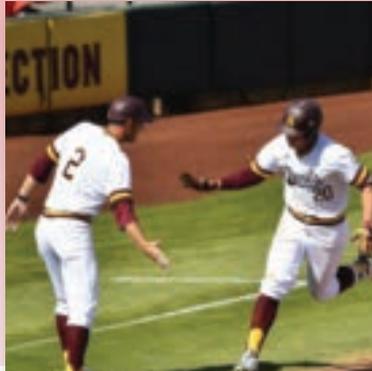
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Arizona State
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- Apr 2 • 5:00pm at **New Mexico** Albuquerque, NM
- Apr 6 • 7:00pm vs **Oregon State** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 7 • 7:00pm vs **Oregon State** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 8 • 12:00pm vs **Oregon State** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 10 • 7:00 Pm at **Grand Canyon** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 13 • 7:00pm at **USC** Los Angeles, CA
- Apr 14 • 2:00pm at **USC** Los Angeles, CA
- Apr 15 • 2:00pm at **USC** Los Angeles, CA
- Apr 17 • 6:00pm vs **BYU** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 20 • 7:00pm vs **Stanford** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 21 • 7:00pm vs **Stanford** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 22 • 12:00pm vs **Stanford** Tucson, AZ
- Apr 27 • 5:00pm at **Utah** Salt Lake City, UT
- Apr 28 • 12:00pm at **Utah** Salt Lake City, UT
- Apr 29 • 12:00pm at **Utah** Salt Lake City, UT
- Apr 30 • 6:00pm at **Utah Valley** Orem, UT
- May 3 • 6:00pm vs **UCLA** Tucson, AZ
- May 4 • 7:00pm vs **UCLA** Tucson, AZ
- May 5 • 3:30pm vs **UCLA** Tucson, AZ
- May 8 • 6:00 Pm at **Grand Canyon** Tucson, AZ
- May 11 • 6:05pm at **California** Berkeley, CA
- May 12 • 6:05pm at **California** Berkeley, CA
- May 13 • 1:05pm at **California** Berkeley, CA
- May 14 • 6:00pm at **Sacramento St.** Sacramento, CA
- May 17 • 6:00pm vs **Arizona State** Tucson, AZ
- May 18 • 7:00pm vs **Arizona State** Tucson, AZ
- May 19 • 4:30pm vs **Arizona State** Tucson, AZ
- May 24 • 7:00pm at **Oregon** Eugene, OR
- May 25 • 7:00pm at **Oregon** Eugene, OR
- May 26 • 3:00pm at **Oregon** Eugene, OR



- Apr 3 • 6:30pm vs **Cal State Fullerton** Tempe, AZ
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- Apr 6 • 6:30pm vs **USC** Tempe, AZ
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- Apr 10 • 6:05pm at **UNLV** Las Vegas NV
- Apr 13 • 3:05pm at **Stanford** Stanford, CA
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- Apr 15 • 6:05pm at **Stanford** Stanford, CA
- Apr 20 • 6:30pm vs **Utah** Tempe, AZ
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- Apr 22 • 12:30pm vs **Utah** Tempe, AZ
- Apr 25 • 6:30pm vs **New Mexico St.** Tempe, AZ
- Apr 27 • 5:35pm at **Oregon State** Corvallis, OR
- Apr 28 • 3:05pm at **Oregon State** Corvallis, OR
- Apr 29 • 1:35pm at **Oregon State** Corvallis, OR



Grand Canyon University
Antelopes

- Apr 3 • 6:00pm vs **UNLV** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 4 • 2:00pm vs **UNLV** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 6 • 6:00pm vs **Utah Valley** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 7 • 2:00pm vs **Utah Valley** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 8 • 12:00pm vs **Utah Valley** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 10 • 6:00pm vs **Arizona** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 13 • 5:00pm at **UTRGV** Edinburg, TX
- Apr 14 • 4:00pm at **UTRGV** Edinburg, TX
- Apr 15 • 10:00am at **UTRGV** Edinburg, TX
- Apr 18 • 2:00pm vs **UC Riverside** Phoenix, AZ



- Apr 20 • 4:00pm at **Illinois** Champaign, Ill
- Apr 21 • 1:00pm at **Illinois** Champaign, Ill
- Apr 22 • 9:00am at **Illinois** Champaign, Ill
- Apr 24 • 6:00pm vs **New Mexico** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 25 • 2:00pm vs **New Mexico** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 27 • 6:00pm vs **New Mexico St.** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 28 • 2:00pm vs **New Mexico St.** Phoenix, AZ
- Apr 29 • 12:00pm vs **New Mexico St.** Phoenix, AZ
- May 4 • 6:00pm at **Cal State U** Bakersfield, CA
- May 5 • 6:00pm at **Cal State U** Bakersfield, CA

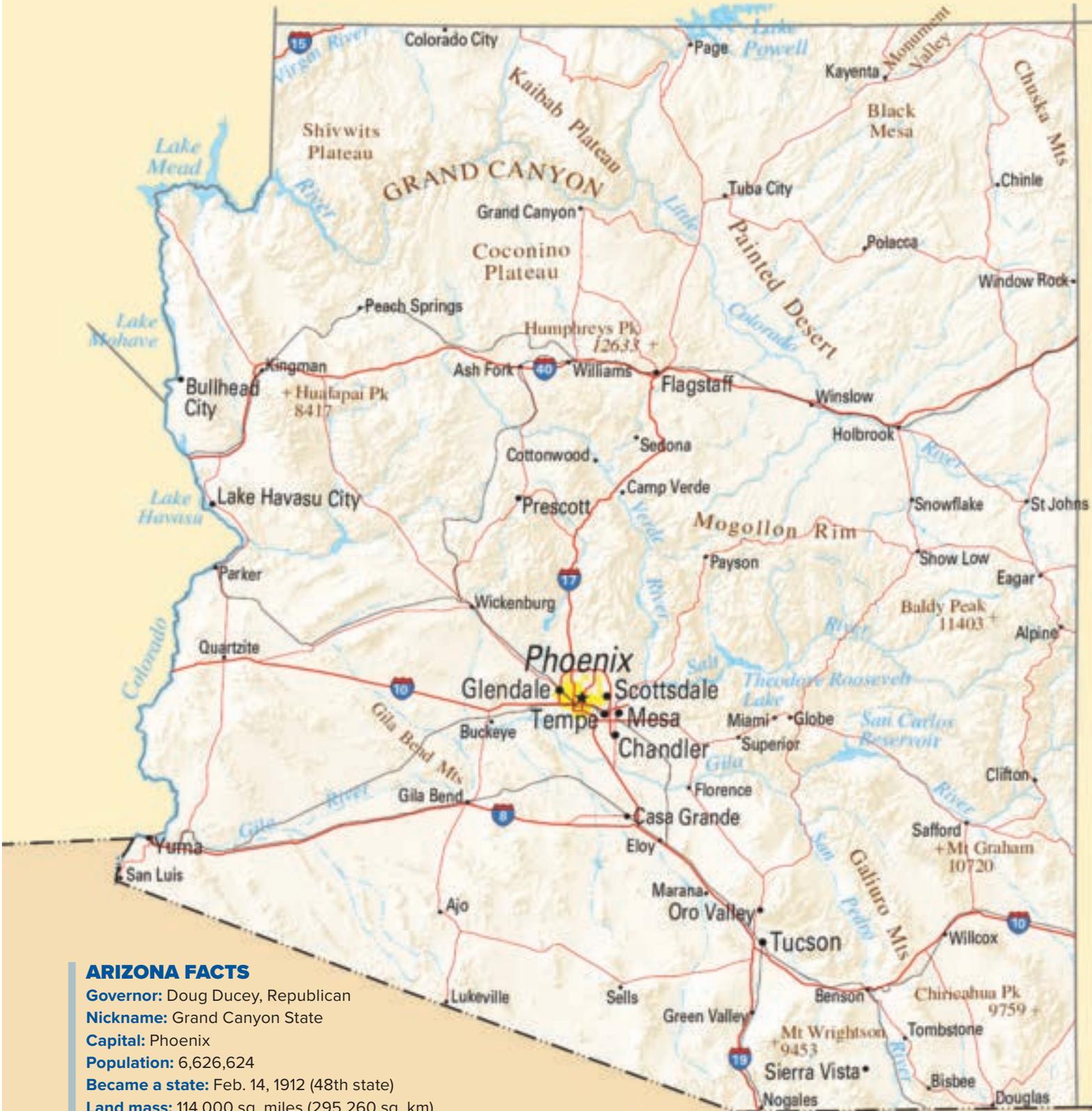


- May 6 • 12:00pm at **Cal State U** Bakersfield, CA
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- May 11 • 6:00pm vs **Sacramento State** Phx, AZ
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- May 13 • 12:00pm vs **Sacramento State** Phx, AZ
- May 15 • 6:00pm at **Loyola Marymount** LA, CA
- May 17 • 6:00pm at **Seattle U** Bellevue, WA
- May 17 • 2:00pm at **Seattle U** Bellevue, WA
- May 17 • 12:00pm at **Seattle U** Bellevue, WA





ARIZONA



ARIZONA FACTS

Governor: Doug Ducey, Republican

Nickname: Grand Canyon State

Capital: Phoenix

Population: 6,626,624

Became a state: Feb. 14, 1912 (48th state)

Land mass: 114,000 sq. miles (295,260 sq. km)

Highest elevation: Flagstaff at 7,000 feet (2,130 m)

Most visited attraction: Grand Canyon National Park (4.6 million in 2013)

Number of counties: 15; State parks: 28

State flower: Flower of the Saguaro Cactus

Ten largest cities: Phoenix, Tucson, Mesa, Chandler, Glendale, Scottsdale, Gilbert, Tempe, Peoria, Yuma

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