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INFORMATION

For a complete listing of City events, activities and meetings, check out Mesa's events calendar at www.mesaaz.gov or tune into Mesa Channel 11.



Mayor John Giles introduces One Mesa community pledge

Mesa is a city with a rich and diverse population that is vibrant, interesting and economically robust. The Mesa City Council believes that recognizing and respecting our differences creates a strong and successful community. With that in mind, and with recommendations from the Human Relations Advisory Board, Mayor Giles introduced the One Mesa community pledge. The pledge aims to recognize the diversity of Mesa and acknowledge its role in making our city great. It states that every one of us has the right to feel valued, understood and respected.



Respecting diversity is a community effort and that is why Mayor Giles asked leaders from the education, business, tourism, faith-based and non-profit communities to consider signing the pledge and help the City of Mesa spread the word.

Groups, businesses and individuals are invited to sign the pledge at www.onemesapledge.org.

Downtown Mesa Association announces upcoming events!

MARCH 2015

- 6:.....Motorcycles on Main
- 7:.....Downtown Mesa Brew Fest
- 13:.....2nd Friday Night Out
- 14:.....Downtown Mesa Spring Training Shuttles
- 18:.....Kidtastic Event Series
- 20:.....3rd Friday: March Madness
- 21:.....Downtown Mesa Spring Training Shuttles

For more information, visit www.DowntownMesa.com.

APRIL 2015

- 1:.....Downtown Mesa Easter Egg Hunt
- 3:.....Motorcycles on Main
- 10:.....2nd Friday Night Out
- 10-12:.....Cyclomesa Bicycle Festival
- 15:.....Kidtastic Event Series
- 17:.....3rd Friday: Bikes and Bluegrass
- Every Friday:Mesa Farmer's Market



CycloMesa Scheduled for April in Downtown Mesa

Join bike lovers from all over the valley for the fourth annual Cyclomesa bicycle festival on April 10, 11 and 12 in downtown Mesa.



On Friday watch the fast-paced, closed-course El Tour Criterium races in Downtown Mesa. Saturday will feature the El Tour de Mesa bicycle rides and entertainment for all ages, including a zip line, bungee trampolines, rock wall, bicycle rodeo, BMX Freestyle show, custom bicycle competitions, a kids' zone, vendors and more. The event wraps up on Sunday with more criterium races, kids' events, and new this year the Mesa Adventure Challenge - on wheels! Music will fill the air and food and drink vendors will be on hand all three days.

For complete information and to register for various events visit www.cyclomesa.com and www.mesaadventurechallenge.com or call Jim Hash at 480-644-3556.

Green Yard Waste Barrel Program

Did you know that the City of Mesa is the only municipality in the entire state to offer a citywide curbside green barrel program? By participating in this earth friendly program, Mesa residents can recycle their grass, plant trimmings and small tree branches. Material is kept out of the landfill and instead converted into compost. Green yard waste barrels are available for \$6.01 per month and are serviced on the same day as your blue recycle barrel.



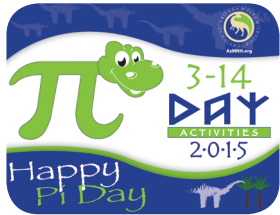
For more information, visit mesarecycles.org or call Customer Service at (480) 644-2221.

Online Opening

"Pi Day" at the museum!

Arizona Museum of Natural History, 53 N. Macdonald in Mesa, is hosting a spring full of fun and popular programs. Come celebrate "Pi Day" with us Saturday March 14th, from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Math has never been so palatable! We're on the hunt in April with our annual "Dino Egg Hunt" Friday, April 3 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Girl Scouts, don't miss your opportunity for "Girl Scouts Reach for the Stars" on April 11 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. You asked for an event for adults only, well you've got it! Our annual "Beer N Bones" is on Friday April 24th.

For more information visit our website at AzMNH.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/azmnh1 and follow us on Twitter @AzMNH.



"I Love Science Day" at AzMNH!

Arizona Museum of Natural History presents "I Love Science Day!" on Feb. 14 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Need some ideas for a science fair project? We've got 'em! Already have lots of interesting science ideas that you'd like to share with like-minded citizen scientists? Then this is your event! Join us for a fun filled science celebration that has something for everyone! Observe ongoing scientific experiments, and participate in science based activities and crafts! Regular admission rates of \$12 for adults and \$6 for children apply. Members are admitted free.

For more information, visit our website at AzMNH.org "Like" us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/AzMNH1 Follow us on Twitter @AzMNH.



Celebrate Mesa is back at Pioneer Park

526 E. Main St., on Saturday, April 18 from noon to 4 p.m. This free event will be jammed packed with carnival games and rides, a petting zoo, music, live entertainment, a zip line, rock wall, bounce houses, extreme bungee jump, food and so much more. City departments will have booths with information and fun, interactive activities for the kids. Police and Fire vehicles will be on display with a fly-in from the Mesa Air Unit. Mesa Solid Waste Department will show off its CNG trash vehicle and Metro will have their LINK bus on display. The community stage will have local talent performing musical acts, martial arts and other live demonstrations. Raffle prizes, including museum and pool passes, restaurant coupons and a \$100 prize package from Fiesta Mall.

Visit MesaAZ.gov/parksrec for more information.



Celebrate Earth Day on April 22

Looking for a simple way to support Earth Day? Remember to reduce, reuse and recycle. The following items can be recycled in Mesa's blue recycle barrel:

- Plastic cups & containers #1-7
- Aluminum & metal cans
- Cardboard & paperboard boxes
- Glass bottles
- Newspapers, magazines & telephone books
- Milk & juice cartons
- Office paper & paper bags
- Junk mail

Please remember that Styrofoam, plastic bags and textile material are not accepted in the blue barrel.

To learn about Mesa's recycling programs, visit mesarecycles.org. For more information about global environmental responsibility, visit earth911.com or earthday.org.



Wingstock: Where Music & Chicken Meat

Wingstock, the only chicken wing festival in Arizona, will be held on Saturday, April 4 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. This hottest event of the year will feature restaurants from across the valley battling it out for the title "Wingstock: King of Wings." Current reigning champion, ATL Wings is looking to repeat their win and hold onto their coveted title.

Admission prices are \$5 in advance, \$8 at the door. Children 10 and under are free with a paid adult. Wing coupons can be purchased at the event, \$3 for four coupons or \$10 for 14 coupons. Purchase your admission tickets online at: www.mesaamp.com.

For more information, visit: www.wingstockaz.com. Like them on Facebook at Facebook.com/WingstockAZ or follow them on Twitter @WingstockMesa.

2015 Falcon Field Open House

Get a close look at unique aircraft, classic cars, model railroads and more when Falcon Field Airport hosts its annual Open House Saturday, March 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will be at Falcon Field Park, 4636 East Fighter Aces Drive (north of McKellips Road between Greenfield and Higley roads). Event admission and parking are free! Canned food donations will be accepted for the United Food Bank.

For information, call (480) 644-2450. Watch for event updates at www.falconfieldairport.com.



Mesa - Falcon Field Airport

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event

Saturday, April 11 | 8 a.m.-noon

Center Street Facility, 2412 N. Center St.

For more information, call (480) 644-2221 or visit mesarecycles.org



Remember that when you shop, every dollar spent in Mesa supports not only local businesses but your community, providing critical funding for police, fire, streets, parks and more. **SHOP MESA!**