

PEORIA NOW

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A monthly publication of city-centered news and current events for the citizens of Peoria, Arizona.

TRICK OR TREAT TIPS

The Peoria Police Department would like to remind residents of safety tips to help keep kids safe while they enjoy their night of trick or treating.

- Make sure costumes are easy to see out of, and easy to be seen in.
- Ensure children travel in a group, or use the buddy system when going door-to-door – NEVER enter any house or apartment without guardian supervision.
- Encourage children to cross at intersections and avoid running out from behind parked vehicles.
- Have an adult inspect all candy prior to consumption.

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HALLOWEEN MONSTER BASH

Saturday
Oct 27th
5 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Peoria Sports Complex, 16101 N. 83rd Avenue, Peoria, AZ

BUILDING ONE COMMUNITY

The City of Peoria covers 178 square miles and is home to 172,000 residents. During the 64 years that Peoria has been an incorporated city, it has focused on serving each and every citizen to the fullest, always adhering to the most professional and ethical standards. These values remain the backbone of our city.

Fast-paced growth has been a significant part of Peoria's story for decades; but it is only a part of the story. Our roots, our culture, our stability, and our families are the parts we cherish and work to protect from the effects of growth.

In our earliest years, when Peoria occupied four square miles, delivering services was very different from the way it is today.

As the City expanded, it was important to be strategic in where and when it placed valuable water, sewer, and transportation systems. This forethought encouraged development of the City in an orderly fashion, from south to north.

As we have grown, we now celebrate our various districts - such as our historic area, our sports and entertainment district, and the growth areas that incorporate our mountainous desert. While the needs of each area are different, they all receive the individualized care and attention that will protect and build upon the character that makes our community special.

In Old Town Peoria, we have taken steps to encourage private investment by creating an environment that celebrates our culture and enriches the historic character of the area. This began with the opening of the Peoria Center for the Performing Arts and continues today with enhancements to gathering spaces and colorful murals that reflect our heritage.

Over the last decade, a visible transformation has occurred within our sports and entertainment district. Improvements such as entry monuments, lighting, and landscaping enhancements have transformed the area into an exciting destination for all of Peoria and the surrounding communities.

In northern Peoria, infrastructure projects like the transportation grid and the Lone Mountain Water Line are meeting the demands of the future. Additionally, phase I construction has begun for Paloma Community Park. It is the first community park to be built north of Bell Road, and is a long needed amenity that will serve tens of thousands of residents.

Of course, the safety of our neighborhoods gives us the small-town feel that we all love about our city. Public safety is now, and has always been, a cornerstone of our professional standards. Last year's expansion of the Pinnacle Peak Public Safety Facility is an important investment that complements our existing full service, state of the art police facility located near 83rd Avenue & Olive. Additionally, with the historic launch of our own ambulance service, the Peoria Fire-Medical team has more control over their primary mission: to save lives and protect property of all Peoria residents.

As Peoria's story continues to evolve, we will cling to our core values and protect and build on the characteristics that make us special to ensure our entire community, north to south and east to west, reaches its fullest potential.

I want to hear your thoughts on how to make our city an even better place to live. Share your ideas at mayor@peoriaaz.gov, or stay connected with me on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



– Mayor Cathy Carlat

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NOVEMBER 2018

COMING SOON

UPCOMING EVENTS



Parkfest!

Roundtree Ranch Park
Nov. 3, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.



P83 Food Truck Movie Night

Peoria Sports Complex
Nov. 3, 5-9 p.m.



Rally Point Run

Peoria Sports Complex
Nov. 10, 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m.



Old Town Holiday Festival

Old Town Peoria
No. 30, 5-10 p.m.

For more information, visit
www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents

CITY OFFICES CLOSED

City facilities will be closed Monday, November 12 in observance of Veteran's Day. Peoria Libraries will be closed Sunday, November 11 in addition to Monday. There will be no changes to curbside collection dates. All facilities will re-open on Tuesday, November 13.

VETERAN'S DAY RALLY POINT RUN & FESTIVAL

Celebrate and recognize our veterans on Veterans Day weekend by participating in the Rally Point Arizona Run on Saturday, Nov. 10. This 5k run is a certified U.S. Track and Field course, incorporating mixed terrain into a convenient looped track. Participants are welcome to walk or run the course. After the race, stick around to enjoy the Rally-Up Family Festival, complete with exhibitors and entertainment.

Also, don't miss the powerful and emotion- "22 for the 22" ceremony where veterans and family members will share their personal stories to help bring awareness to the Rally Point Arizona initiative.

Learn about some of the invaluable services provided to veterans and active service members, and the work being done to help end the tragic veteran suicide epidemic in our country, which takes 22 veterans on average each day. Rally Point Arizona is an Initiative of La Frontera Arizona/EMPACT Suicide Prevention Center serving veterans and active service members from all branches of the military. For more information, visit rpazrun.phxfr.org.



VETERAN'S MEMORIAL WALL

This year, honor the memory of a veteran special to you by adding their name to the Veteran's Memorial Wall at Rio Vista Community Park. The memorial pays tribute to past, present and future veterans and their families for the sacrifices they have made to protect our country. Each honor space will include the Veteran's name, rank, branch, and service years. This 88-foot long, black granite wall recognizes all five branches of the armed forces: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard and was unveiled to the public in 2017. For more information, or to submit a name for the wall, visit peoriaaz.gov/veterans.

30TH ANNIVERSARY

Peoria's Old Town Holiday Festival

Presented by BRACES FOR ALL FACES

Friday, November 30th
5-10 pm in Old Town Peoria
(Peoria and Grand Avenues)

For more information, call 623-773-7137
or visit peoriaaz.gov/specialevents

