



March 12, 2018

Few Seats Remaining for State of the District

Friday, March 29, 9 - 10:30 a.m.
Rio Salado College Conference Center
2323 W. 14th St., Tempe

Few seats are left to hear U.S. Rep Kyrsten Sinema give a federal update and learn how our district is being impacted! Congresswoman Sinema is a proven business advocate and wants to hear from business leaders in her district.

The congresswoman is a four-time recipient of the US Chamber's Spirit of Enterprise Award which is given to elected officials who consistently vote for business-friendly policies. In 2014, she was one of only five Democrats to be endorsed by the US Chamber of Commerce.

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Chamber News & Events

MAC Committee Honoring 301st Intelligence Battalion

Wednesday, March 14, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
301st Military Intelligence Battalion
6201 E. Oak St., Phoenix

Join us as we honor a member of the Army Reserve's 301st Military Intelligence Battalion at this month's Military Affairs Committee meeting. Enjoy lunch, meet Army service members and take part in a ceremony awarding an individual from the battalion for their outstanding service.

[Register for the March Awards Luncheon](#)

Read a recap of last month's MAC awards ceremony [here](#).

Business Before Hours at LEGOLAND

Tuesday, March 20, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.
LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Arizona
5000 S. Arizona Mills Cir. #135, Tempe

Build your network while building with LEGOs! We couldn't think of a better combination for our next monthly mixer!

The Tempe Chamber of Commerce's monthly Business Before Hours Networking Mixer is open to the public and provides an informal atmosphere for business people to meet and network with fellow members of the business community.

[Register here](#)

Tempe Leadership Class 34 Applications Open

Tempe Leadership is now accepting applications for Class 34.

Tempe Leadership values and welcomes all individuals who want to be actively involved in making a difference in Tempe. By participating, you are investing in your community as well as your personal and professional growth. Plus, you have the opportunity to develop friendships that will last a lifetime. If you would like to connect with other active community members, positively influence your community, and enhance your leadership capacity, Tempe Leadership is for you. What it means to you:

- Meet and work with other people who are enthusiastic about making positive contributions to our community.
- Learn more about Tempe and be exposed to a broad range of viewpoints.
- Get connected, make lasting relationships, and have fun!

Those who are interested can also [attend a recruitment reception](#) to chat with board members and alumni about applying Tuesday, April 10.

[Apply here](#)

Tempe Chamber Seeks Nominations for Board of Directors

Tempe Chamber Board Chair Dawn Hocking has announced the appointment of a nominating committee to develop a single slate of candidates to run for election to the Tempe Chamber's Board of Directors. Board members serve a three-year term. The call for nominations is now open and the Tempe Chamber is seeking candidates for its board of directors. Help lead your Chamber into the future by nominating a colleague or yourself. The call for nominations closes on March 23.

To Nominate, email president@tempechamber.org

Sponsorships, Exhibitor Booths, Raffle Donations Available for Leadership Conference

The Tempe Chamber is proud to announce that the 2018 Leadership Conference & Expo registration page is open early! Members and the public are encouraged to [reserve exhibit space](#), [secure sponsorship](#) and [donate auction items](#) early to increase the length of your brand visibility!

Sponsors, exhibitors and prize donors will be added to the registration web page within 1-2 working days from submission, and each listing will include a link to your business! Don't wait to gain your exposure, sign up today! Questions? Call Sukki at the Chamber office at 480-736-4283.

[Sign up today!](#)

Chamber Events At-a-Glance

Wednesday, March 14 - [MAC Army Reserve Luncheon](#), 11:30 a.m. in Scottsdale
Tuesday, March 20 - [Business Before Hours](#), 7:30 a.m. at LEGOLAND Arizona
Thursday, March 22 - [Business Owners Forum](#), 8 a.m. at Special Moments Catering

Get a full list of Chamber events here

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Exciting news! Office Depot has enhanced our chamber program to provide even more savings in-store and online, plus added fantastic new benefits. If you haven't signed up yet, click the image to the right or the link below.

[Tempe Chamber Registration Page](#)



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From Our Members

Jihan Cottrell Named Cox Partner of the Year



Chamber board member Jihan Cottrell was recently recognized as the Arizona Cox Business Marketing Partner of the Year for 2017.

Cottrell received this honor for his work with the Chamber, his commitment as a company ambassador in the Tempe community and a strong partner of the Cox Business marketing organization. Cottrell received the award from top Cox executives during a regional annual corporate recognition ceremony earlier this year.

Cox Business is currently the sponsor of Ribbon Cuttings, Business After Hours and the Business Owners Forum.

Scoopwell's Pop-up Cookie Dough Bar

Tuesday, March 20, 4 - 8 p.m.
Tempe Public Market Cafe
8749 S. Rural Rd., Tempe

The cookie dough craze phenom is coming to Arizona! New Chamber members Scoopwell's brings cravable gourmet cookie dough spooned straight from the mixing bowl (no oven needed) and its shop is opening soon in the Valley. And while the first locations are being finalized, the local creative husband-wife team behind the shop are ready to give the public a first-taste of the nostalgic treats.

[Learn more](#)

Yoga for Today Celebrating Anniversary Open House

Saturday, March 31, 8:30 a.m. - noon
Yoga for Today
5861 S. Kyrene Ave., Tempe

Celebrating one year in business!

Yoga for Today creates a safe learning environment, free of judgement, giving you your #metime to fill your vessel. Special class schedule this day only and all classes are free!

9 - 10:15 am - Classic Vinyasa with Michele OR Slow Flow with Rebecca
10:30 - 11:45 am - Healthy Backs with Adam OR Restorative with Debbie

[Learn more](#)

Move More, Save More As a Business

Drew Saenz, having spent years in health and wellness is now expanding his expertise to corporation conducting speaking, corporate trainings, onsite fitness sessions as well as custom fitness programs. He works with companies to design affordable wellness solutions through his company, Team Up.

His book will give you the insights on overcoming lies, myths and objection, looking at wellness by the numbers and the ROI issues, and how Corporate Wellness Programs work along with sample program ideas.

[Read more](#)

Do You Have News to Share? Tell us!

The Tempe Chamber is always interested in sharing the news and events of our members. From a grand opening to a milestone, this is the place to tell your story and reach thousands!

Send stories and events to [Chris Samuels](#).

Earn What You're Worth -- Tempe Equal Pay Initiative

Learn the best way to get a raise at work. Free equal pay negotiation training classes are open to anyone who lives, works, or studies in Tempe. The schedule of workshops is up through June at www.tempe.gov/equalpay.

The City of Tempe wants to end wage inequity by both encouraging businesses to examine their wage offerings and by helping people negotiate for the best salary possible. We offer two programs to help: Equal Pay Negotiation Training and Equal Pay Business Designation. Information on the business designation, as well as all the forms needed to become an equal pay business, is also located at www.tempe.gov/equalpay.

Three workshops will be held in March, all of which will be held in the TLC classroom at the Tempe Public Library:

- Wednesday, March 21, 6 - 8:30 p.m.
- Saturday, March 24, 9:30 a.m. - noon

[Read more](#)

SCORE a Business Mentor at the Chamber Office

Greater Phoenix SCORE is a nonprofit organization that provides free mentoring to small business owners and entrepreneurs, as well as seminars and special events to benefit small businesses across the valley. Each of the 75 SCORE mentors has extensive business experience to help you start a business, grow your business or work through difficult business management issues.

SCORE appointments are held at the Chamber office each Wednesday afternoon and are available by making an appointment at the link below.

[Read more](#)

Become an SBA Emerging Leader

The Emerging Leaders initiative provides participants with new knowledge, know-how, and connections to help them grow their businesses, create jobs, and strengthen their communities.

This innovative initiative is an intense 6-month initiative that offers approximately 100 hours of training per participant and provides the opportunity for small business owners to work with experienced professionals to develop connections with their peers, city leaders and financial communities **at no cost**.

Small businesses that are located in the greater Phoenix area, or are willing to travel to phoenix, generate revenues between \$400,000 - \$10 million, have been in business for at least three years, and have at least one employee besides the owner are eligible to participate (waivers of minimum criteria are possible). Participants must also demonstrate a high level of commitment to complete the initiative.

Those interested can apply at the link below.

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