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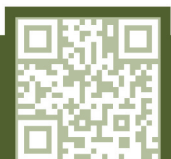
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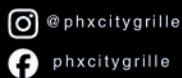




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## *A 50-Year Legacy on the Court: Celebrating Camelback Village’s Brian Cheney*

For five decades, Brian Cheney has been a defining presence at Camelback Village Racquet & Health Club, shaping not only the club’s tennis program but the lives of the players who have passed through its courts. As the club celebrates his 50-year tenure, it’s clear that Brian’s impact stretches far beyond wins and titles; his legacy is rooted in generations of mentorship, community, and an enduring love for the game.

Brian served as Director of Tennis from 1976 to 2015, building one of the most respected tennis programs in the region. Since 2015, he has continued his influence as

Tennis Professional Emeritus at both Camelback Village and Ocotillo Village Health Clubs. Over the years, he has coached and guided countless athletes, then coached their children, and even their grandchildren, creating a rare, multigenerational connection that speaks to both his longevity and his character.

His contributions to the sport have not gone unnoticed. Brian was named Southwest USPTA Professional of the Year and has hosted an impressive array of tournaments, mixers, holiday classics, and charitable events that have strengthened the tennis community across Arizona.

As a player, Brian’s accomplishments are extraordinary. He has earned 102 national titles, including a memorable Father and Son championship alongside his son, Andrew. He is a Southwest and National USPTA Player of the Year, a three-time ITF World Champion, and has competed and coached in multiple ITF World Team Championships. He also played and coached in professional team tennis for the Phoenix Smash.

A three-time All-American at the University of Arizona, Brian is enshrined in the university’s Hall of



Fame, as well as the USTA Southwest, Central Arizona, and USPTA/RSPA Halls of Fame.

After 50 years, Brian Cheney’s legacy is not just one of excellence, but of lasting impact. ❖



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### From the Publisher...



As we step into June in the Valley, we are reminded that this season is uniquely ours. While much of the country welcomes the start of summer with mild breezes, Phoenix embraces it with intensity, brilliance, and a rhythm that locals understand well. Early mornings become more meaningful, sunsets more vivid, and time spent indoors more intentional.

At *Biltmore Lifestyles*, June is an opportunity to highlight the ways our community adapts, thrives, and even celebrates this distinctive time of year. From refined interiors designed for comfort and escape, to culinary experiences that bring people together despite the rising temperatures, this issue reflects the creativity and resilience that define our neighborhood.

We are especially excited to feature local businesses and residents who continue to elevate the Biltmore area as one of Phoenix's most vibrant and sophisticated communities. Whether it is a newly reimaged home, a standout dining experience, or a philanthropic effort making a quiet but powerful impact, these stories remind us that connection and innovation do not slow down with the heat.

Thank you for being part of the *Biltmore Lifestyles* community. Your continued support allows us to share the stories that matter and celebrate the people and places that make this area so exceptional.

Wishing you a safe, cool, and inspiring start to summer.

*Susan Avang*  
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## Convergence Ballet Company Brings Mary Poppins to Life for Free June Storytime Performances

This summer, families across Phoenix are invited to step inside the magical world of Mary Poppins with Convergence Ballet Company's *Mary Poppins: An Interactive Ballet Adventure*, presented at libraries throughout the Valley as part of local summer reading programming.

Blending storytelling, music, and dance, these free performances bring excerpts from P.L. Travers' beloved stories to life through an imaginative, interactive ballet experience designed especially for young audiences. Throughout the performance, children are invited to participate alongside the dancers, imagining magical flavors, learning simple movement sequences, helping Mary Poppins search for a fallen star, and discovering how stories can leap beyond the page through movement and music.

Inspired by the whimsical and dreamlike spirit of the original books, the production combines narration, theatrical storytelling, and live dance performance in an intimate library setting. Featuring professional dancers from Convergence Ballet Company, the performances introduce children to ballet in a playful and welcoming environment while encouraging creativity, listening, and imaginative exploration.

"The wonderful thing about *Mary Poppins* is that the stories already feel musical and full of movement," said Ian Parsons, Convergence Ballet's Artistic Director. "We wanted to create an experience where children could step inside that world themselves, not just by watching, but by imagining, moving, and participating in the storytelling alongside the dancers."

### Performance Schedule:

**Wednesday, June 3rd – Ironwood Library**  
4333 E. Chandler Blvd., Phoenix, AZ 85048  
Performances at 2:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 10th – Cesar Chavez Library**  
3635 W. Baseline Road, Laveen, AZ 85339  
Performance at 2:00 p.m.

**Thursday, June 11th – Agave Library**  
23550 N. 36th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85310  
Performance at 3:00 p.m.

**Thursday, June 25th – Palo Verde Library**  
4402 N. 51st Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85031  
Performance at 11:00 a.m.

**Friday, June 26th – Burton Barr Central Library**  
1221 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004  
Performance at 2:00 p.m.

**Monday, June 29th – Surprise Regional Library**  
16089 N. Bullard Avenue, Surprise, AZ 85374  
Performance at 6:00 p.m.



Seating is first come, first serve. Join in for a delightful fusion of literature and movement this summer and experience the magic of *Mary Poppins* like never before. ❖



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## Live Music, Food & Family Fun at the Mill's Corn Roast

For those looking for a fun, family activity, the Queen Creek Olive Mill has got them covered!

On Friday, June 12th, the Mill will host its annual Corn Roast from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm. The evening will be packed with tons of flavor, live music, and countless memories. See below for additional details!

### At the Corn Roast, guests can enjoy:

- Live Music by Makayla Forbes
- Assorted street corn flavors, fresh watermelon, and baked cornbread
- A variety of drinks for all ages
- Lawn games in the grove

With free admission and parking, the Corn Roast promises a flavorful and festive summer evening to enjoy with family and friends.

### Arizona's Only Working Olive Mill

The Queen Creek Olive Mill is Arizona's only working olive mill and a premier agritourism destination. Located in the heart of Queen Creek, the estate is where Arizona-grown olives are milled into authentic extra virgin olive oil using time-honored methods and modern craftsmanship.

The Queen Creek Olive Mill is located at 25062 South Meridian Road in Queen Creek. For more information, please visit the website at [www.queencreekolivemill.com](http://www.queencreekolivemill.com) or call them at (480) 888-9290. ❖





## Laid-Back Luxury Defines an Effortless Summer Staycation at Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Bungalows

This summer, Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Bungalows invites guests to experience the Sonoran Desert at its most vibrant, where longer days and warm desert evenings set the tone for an artful escape enhanced by new seasonal offers, a refreshed prix fixe lunch at Weft & Warp Art Bar + Kitchen and immersive wellness experiences.

Tucked away on 23 acres in the shadow of the famed Camelback Mountain, the resort feels worlds away from the desert that surrounds it. Lush hedges line the property as winding walking paths cut through grass, cacti and flower gardens, past groves of towering palms and fragrant citrus trees with 185 midcentury modern bungalows woven throughout, each presenting more like a private residence than a hotel room. Every bungalow has its own entrance, a shaded patio and interiors inspired by 1950s Arizona creatives – think clean lines, custom modernist fur-

nishings and original works by local artists. This charming sense of privacy sets the tone for summer, as sun-drenched days unfold slowly, and guests are encouraged to linger, whether unwinding poolside beneath open skies, indulging in botanical spa treatments at Palo Verde Spa & Apothecary, engaging in creative programming or exploring the dynamic arts and culture scene just minutes from Old Town Scottsdale.

The season's influence comes into focus at Weft & Warp Art Bar + Kitchen, where Executive Chef Sammy D. introduces a seasonal prix fixe lunch menu. Rooted in fresh ingredients and interpreted through a modern Mediterranean lens, the menu presents a refined midday retreat for both guests and locals seeking a cool reprieve from the Arizona heat. By evening, the experience turns richer and more indulgent, with standout dishes such as the

Whipped Eggplant Dip (\$19) with confit eggplant, crème fraîche, tapenade and country bread; Rigatoni (\$38) with alla vodka sauce, cream, bacon, burrata, prosciutto chip and basil; and Lamb Moussaka (\$38) layered with braised lamb, potato, eggplant and béchamel – all best enjoyed on the patio with sweeping views of Camelback Mountain.

No Arizona summer is complete without time spent poolside, beginning at the lively Turquoise Pool located in the center of the resort, where private cabanas, loungers and poolside sips set the scene for long, leisurely afternoons.

Elsewhere on the property, more secluded pool settings offer a quieter atmosphere, including an exclusive enclave for The Retreat bungalow guests and a serene, spa-adjacent pool designed for post-treatment relaxation. Wellness remains integral to the experience, anchored by the Palo Verde Spa & Apothecary, where bespoke treatments draw inspiration from native ingredients. At the spa, guests can enjoy poolside cabana massages and services, as well as fresh offerings including smoothies and freshly pressed juices.

A thoughtfully curated lineup of daily and weekly programming – from aerial yoga and guided movement to hands-on creative workshops, live music and evening social gatherings – keeps the energy going from sunrise to well after sunset.

New this summer, Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Bungalows introduces two summer offers:

### Sonoran Summer

- Valid for stays June 12th – September 13th
- Enjoy 15% off stays of three nights or more
- Waived resort fee
- Complimentary self-parking
- Designed to encourage extended stays filled with outdoor exploration, creative experiences and spa indulgence

### Arizona Residents Rate

- Valid for stays June 12th – September 13th
- Rates starting at \$199 per night
- Exclusive offer for Arizona residents
- Waived resort fee
- Complimentary self-parking
- Ideal for a close-to-home summer staycation with access to dining, spa and pool experiences



With its secluded, yet central setting, midcentury modern design and immersive programming, Andaz Scottsdale offers a summer experience defined by relaxation. For more information and to book your stay, visit the website at [www.AndazScottsdale.com](http://www.AndazScottsdale.com).

**About Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Bungalows**

Located just minutes away from Old Town Scottsdale, Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Bungalows is an artfully designed, midcentury modern enclave tucked away on 23 acres of gardens and shaded groves with sweeping views of Camelback Mountain. Blending residential-style privacy with a tranquil, creative energy, the resort's 185 bungalows, suites and villas feature private entrances and patios, spa-inspired bathrooms, custom modernist furnishings and works by local artists, creating an immersive connection between design, culture and landscape. Inspired by Arizona's rich artistic heritage and natural beauty, interiors draw from the iconic spirit of 1950s Arizona art scene creatives, including Alexander Girard, Frank Lloyd Wright and Paolo Soleri. Offering elevated service, the resort provides a dynamic mix of culinary, wellness and cultural programming. Signature dining at West & Warp Art Bar + Kitchen is led by Executive Chef Sam DeMarco (Chef Sammy D.), showcasing Sonoran Desert flavors through a modern Mediterranean lens, highlighted by a glass-walled exhibition kitchen. Wellness is centered at the 12,000-square-foot Palo Verde Spa & Apothecary, offering bespoke treatments inspired by desert botanicals, along with steam rooms, a private outdoor hot tub and a secluded pool. Beyond the spa, the resort features two additional outdoor pools and a fully equipped fitness center with complimentary wellness programming – from aerial yoga and sound healing to guided meditation – going well beyond the expected studio offerings. Nestled away as a calming retreat, yet moments from Scottsdale's bustling arts, dining and nightlife scene, Andaz Scottsdale offers a distinct balance of seclusion and connectivity, creating a compelling destination for modern travelers seeking both inspiration and escape. For more, visit [AndazScottsdale.com](http://AndazScottsdale.com). ❖



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# Summer of Wraps, Shakes, Hot Dogs, Sandwiches And a Gift Card Deal Worth Savoring

Miracle Mile Deli is heating up the summer with delicious deals and seasonal favorites perfect for Valley food lovers. From fresh new wraps to cool ice cream floats and an unbeatable gift card offer, there's something for everyone to enjoy at this iconic, family-owned Phoenix landmark.

June is "It's a Wrap Month" at Miracle Mile Deli. Diners can choose from three mouthwatering wraps for just \$15, served with a side and a crisp kosher dill pickle:

- **Asian Chicken Wrap** – Crispy white meat chicken, romaine hearts, wonton noodle strips, cucumbers, shredded carrots and red cabbage, tossed in Asian honey sesame dressing and wrapped in a spinach flour tortilla.
- **Chipotle Ranch Turkey Wrap** – White meat turkey breast, shredded asadero cheese, romaine hearts, tri-color tortilla strips, shredded carrots, cucumbers and red cabbage, tossed with Chipotle Ranch dressing and wrapped in a spinach flour tortilla.
- **Greek Athena Wrap** – Grilled white meat chicken breast, Feta cheese, romaine hearts, crispy onion strings, cucumbers, tomatoes, shredded carrots and red cabbage tossed with Greek Athena vinaigrette and wrapped in a spinach flour tortilla.

From June 1st to August 31st, Miracle Mile's popular Summer of Shakes & Floats returns! Cool off with a classic milkshake or ice cream float for just \$6.

In July, enjoy an \$8 Hot Dog Special featuring a Hebrew National hot dog, fries, and a drink. Want more? Load it up with "The Straw," "The New Yorker" or chili toppings for just \$1 extra.

August 1st through the 31st is National Sandwich Month - Enjoy an award-winning Miracle Mile Deli Sandwich with a slice of pie for \$19.49. Offer includes your choice of sandwich: New Yorker Sandwich, Brisket Sandwich, Combo Sandwich or The Straw, a side, dill pickle and a slice of pie.

Don't miss the limited-time Gift Card Deal



*Greek Athena Wrap*



*Assorted Hot Dog Specials offered at Miracle Mile Deli*

happening now through June 21st. In celebration of Moms, Dads, Grads and Teachers, guests can purchase \$100 in gift cards for only \$77, a tasty way to treat loved ones or yourself to Miracle Mile favorites all summer long.

Founded in 1949, Miracle Mile Deli is known

for its signature New York-style sandwiches like "The Straw," "The New Yorker" and "The Triple Decker," along with comfort food favorites, fresh salads, beer on tap, and warm hospitality.

To learn more, please visit the website at [www.miraclemiledeli.com](http://www.miraclemiledeli.com). ❖



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## Biscuits, Bubbles, and Brunch at The Macintosh

Weekends at The Macintosh just got an upgrade: one that involves biscuits, bubbles, and a very solid reason to linger a little longer. The beloved neighborhood spot recently debuted a new brunch, allowing guests to kick off their day with its signature blend of comfort food and high-energy hospitality.

Served Saturdays and Sundays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., brunch at The Macintosh leans into craveable, Southern-inspired flavors with a playful, elevated twist. Think honey butter biscuits baked fresh from a Collins family recipe, pillowy beignets dusted in powdered sugar, and shareables designed to kick things off the right way.

From there, it's all about going big. Honey-cornmeal waffles come stacked with everything from strawberry compote to hot honey fried chicken, while rich, hearty plates like Southern grits loaded with tasso ham or braised short ribs deliver the kind of comfort that lives up to the most important meal of the day. And for those who like their brunch handheld, biscuit sandwiches layered with crispy chicken, pulled pork, or BBQ brisket.

Behind the bar, brunch gets equally dialed up. Signature sips like the Garden Party Bloody Mary (made with house-infused vodka) and bright, citrusy spritzes set the tone, while half-off bubble bottles all brunch long make it easy to keep the celebration going.



Whether you're easing into the day or turning brunch into your main event, The Macintosh is creating a space where laid-back mornings effortlessly turn into lively afternoons.

The Macintosh is located at 2119 E. Camelback Road in Phoenix. Make a reservation today at [www.themacintoshaz.com](http://www.themacintoshaz.com).





## *White House Flowers Enters a New Era Under the Thoughtful Leadership of Kell Bonnano*



White House Flowers + Experiences, a luxury Phoenix-based floral design and event styling brand rooted in 30 years of artistry and with deep ties to the Biltmore design community, is entering a new era under the leadership of owner and creative director Kell Bonnano, expanding into a more comprehensive, design-driven experience.

Bonnano, an entrepreneur and creative director with more than 20 years of experience across floral design, horticulture and architectural environments, brings a multidisciplinary approach shaped by work with hospitality brands, institutions and private clients. Her portfolio includes projects for organizations and events such as the Sandra Day O'Connor community, Banner Health, Board of Visitors, the Trends Gala, Desert Foundation Auxiliary and the Arizona Humane Society. She has also collaborated with brands including Estée Lauder, Alice + Olivia and PNC Bank, in addition to ongoing work with



private clients and organizations across the region. Bonnano serves as the exclusive florist for Prime Steak Concepts, including Ocean 44, Steak 44, Durant's and Dominick's.

Her work spans large-scale events, brand activations and highly customized private gatherings, often designed with a high level of discretion and confidentiality. Across each project, Bonnano's approach balances natural elements with architectural structure and a strong sensitivity to atmosphere, creating environments that are both visually refined and intentionally designed to shape how a space is experienced.

"White House Flowers has built a strong reputation for thoughtful design," said Kell Bonnano. "My approach has always been rooted in balancing artistry with intention, considering not just how something looks, but how it feels. Every element, from color and texture to space and scent, plays a role in shaping an experience. I'm excited to build on my design philosophy, grounded in integrity, to create environments that feel personal, refined and lasting."

Currently residing in Scottsdale, Bonnano has led multiple ventures across the United States and Canada, including luxury floral and horticulture installations, event design and residential and commercial environments. Prior to establishing her presence in Arizona, she built a bi-national client base through a referral-driven network, expanding her work organically across both markets.

Under her leadership, White House Flowers + Experiences is expanding its approach to floral design and event styling, with a greater emphasis on immersive, design-driven environments. The company continues to execute both intimate gatherings and large-scale events, operating as a boutique, design-led studio with a forward-thinking approach that integrates florals, styling and sensory elements such as scent, texture and spatial design to create cohesive, high-impact experiences.

Bonnano also leads a carefully curated team that plays a central role in delivering the brand's client experience. She fosters a collaborative environment where team members work alongside her, contributing to a shared standard of thoughtful service, attention to detail and intentional design, with a client-first philosophy that serves as the foundation and heartbeat of the brand.

The studio will continue its work in weddings and events while introducing additional offerings such as floral subscription services, curated gifting and fully immersive event experiences tailored to private clients and brand partners.

White House Flowers + Experiences will continue to emphasize craftsmanship, attention to detail and a tailored approach to each project. For more information, please call (602) 957-0186 or visit [www.whitehouseflowers.co](http://www.whitehouseflowers.co) or [www.whitehouseflowers.com](http://www.whitehouseflowers.com). Follow White House Flowers + Experiences on Instagram @WhiteHouseDesignStudio.



*Kell Bonnano*



# Make it an Italian Summer in the Valley with Picazzo's Wine & Cheese Offerings

## Summer Sipping: Sustainable, Vegan & Organic Wines Across Arizona

With locations in Scottsdale, Paradise Valley, Glendale, Happy Valley, Gilbert, Tempe, Chandler, and Sedona, Picazzo's offers one of Arizona's most extensive curated wine programs focused on sustainable, vegan, and organic selections.

Guests can enjoy wines by the glass or bottle, with 1/2 price bottles available every Tuesday and Saturday all day, making it an accessible way to explore new varietals throughout the season.

### A sampling of offerings includes:

#### Blanco (White)

- Chateau Ste. Michelle Riesling (Sustainable, Washington) – \$9 glass / \$36 bottle
- Charles & Charles Rosé (Vegan, Washington) – \$9 glass / \$36 bottle
- Sonoma-Cutrer Chardonnay (Sustainable, California) – \$14 glass / \$56 bottle
- Candoni Pinot Grigio (Organic, Vegan, Italy) – \$10 glass / \$40 bottle
- Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay (Sustainable, California) – \$12 glass / \$48 bottle

#### Rosso (Red)

- Il Bastardo Sangiovese – \$10 glass / \$40 bottle
- Sea Sun by Caymus Pinot Noir (Sustainable, California) – \$11 glass / \$44 bottle
- Castello Banfi Chianti Superiore (Sustainable, Italy) – \$11 glass / \$44 bottle
- Penfolds "Max's" Cabernet Shiraz Blend (Australia) – \$14 glass / \$56 bottle
- The Show Malbec (Organic, Argentina) – \$10 glass / \$40 bottle
- Tribute Cabernet Sauvignon (Sustainable, Vegan, California) – \$11 glass / \$44 bottle
- DAOU Cabernet Sauvignon (Sustainable, Vegan, Paso Robles) – \$16 glass / \$64 bottle
- The Prisoner Red Blend (Sustainable, Vegan, Napa Valley) – \$88 bottle

#### Stracciatella Takes Center Stage This Summer

Alongside its wine program, Picazzo's is leaning into one of Italy's most versatile and trending ingredients: stracciatella. Known as the creamy, hand-pulled center of burrata, stracciatella delivers a rich, silky texture while still feeling light enough for summer dining. It pairs naturally with peak-season produce and aligns with today's demand for indulgent but balanced cuisine.

## Picazzo's seasonal dishes featuring stracciatella include:

### Caprese Moderna

Roasted heirloom cherry tomatoes, pistachio pesto, stracciatella, balsamic glaze, EVOO, and crushed pistachios served with house-made flatbread. Gluten free.

### Pesto Gnocchi

Potato gnocchi tossed in creamy pesto with Italian sausage and roasted tomatoes, finished with stracciatella, pistachios, and crispy prosciutto. Gluten free.

### Stracciatella & Prosciutto Pizza

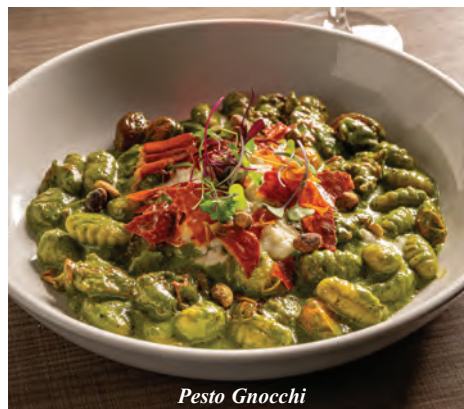
Mozzarella, caramelized onions, stracciatella, prosciutto, microgreens, balsamic glaze, olive oil, and fresh garlic on Picazzo's signature crust options, including gluten free and vegan varieties.

### Father's Day Special

Bring Dad to Picazzo's Healthy Italian Kitchen for Father's Day, Sunday, June 21st and in addition to enjoying a delicious healthy meal, he'll be treated to a gift card. Just let your server know you're there with the father or father-figure in your life, and he will receive a special Father's Day gift card with a \$20 value to use on a return visit. Restrictions may apply. While supplies last. Redeemable at all Picazzo's locations. For more information and locations, please visit [www.picazzos.com](http://www.picazzos.com).



Caprese Moderna



Pesto Gnocchi

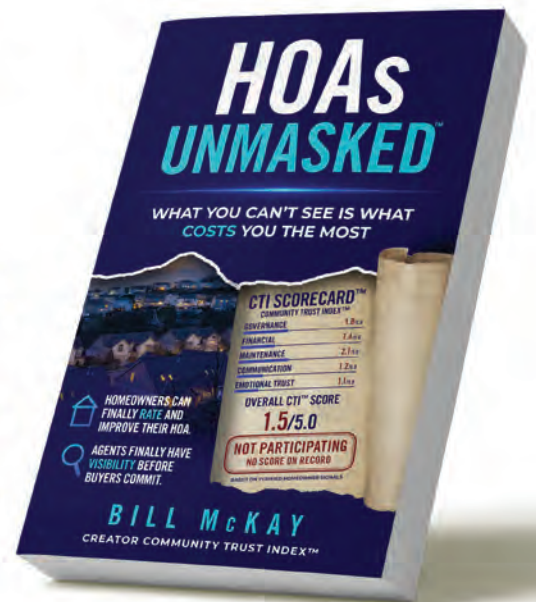


Stracciatella & Prosciutto Pizza

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*Mastro's Bone-In Ribeye with Lobster Mashed Potatoes*

## Mastro's Summer of Luxury Menu Returns!

Renowned for their combination of world-class service, highly acclaimed cuisine and live entertainment in an elegant, energetic atmosphere, Mastro's is bringing back its fan-favorite "Summer of Luxury" menu, relaunching the limited-time prix-fixe experience for another season of indulgent summer dining. This is an experience that is not to be missed.

From June 1st through September 24th, guests can enjoy this exclusive three-course menu on Mondays through Thursdays for \$100 per person across all three Valley locations – Mastro's City Hall, Mastro's Ocean Club and

Mastro's Steakhouse. The menu features luxurious selections with the option to add enhancements, allowing diners to savor the summer in true Mastro's style.

### Details on the full menu:

**Summer of Luxury Menu** (choice of one per course):

- **Appetizers:** Mixed Green Salad, Nueske's Maple Glazed Bacon Steak, French Onion Soup (Mastro's Ocean Club will offer New England Clam Chowder instead), Shrimp Cocktail (2 pieces)

- **Entrees:** Organic Lemon Pepper Chicken, Double Cut Pork Chop with Apple Pecan Brandy Sauce, Petite Filet, Blackened Salmon, Bone-In Filet 14oz (+\$40), Bone-In Ribeye 22oz (+\$35)

Guests can also select from three house made butters: Black Truffle, Lemon Calabrese and Bone Marrow (+\$8 each)

- **Fresh Vegetables and Potatoes:** Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Spinach (Steamed, Sautéed or Creamed), Creamed Corn, Rosemary Garlic Wild Mushrooms, Lobster Mashed Potatoes (+\$25)
- **Desserts:** Cheesecake, Signature Personal Warm Butter Cake, Raspberry Sorbet

In addition to the seasonal dining offering, Mastro's will also debut its seasonal summer Butter Cake flavor, Lemon Blueberry! Available beginning this June at all three Valley locations, the Lemon Blueberry Butter Cake is a fresh, seasonal twist on a classic favorite. Each bite is a harmonious blend of flavor, where zesty lemon meets vibrant blueberries, all wrapped together in Mastro's signature buttery goodness. Celebrate the season with this irresistible summertime treat!

Mastro's collection of sophisticated steakhouses and Ocean Club Seafood location are premier dining destinations, recognized for their combination of world-class service, highly acclaimed cuisine and live entertainment in an elegant yet energetic atmosphere. For more information or to make a reservation, please visit [www.mastrosrestaurants.com](http://www.mastrosrestaurants.com).



*Mastro's Lemon Blueberry Butter Cake*

# Tempe Tourism Brings Back Taste in Tempe for Two Weeks of Summer Dining

Tempe Tourism is bringing back Taste in Tempe for its second year, inviting locals and visitors alike to reconnect with their inner foodie through a celebration of the city's dynamic dining scene. Taking place July 12th through July 26th, the limited-time culinary program features specially curated prix-fixe dinner menus at a variety of Tempe restaurants, each offering a three-course dining experience at a set price (with tiered menus ranging from \$25 to \$55 per person) with a starter, entrée and dessert or cocktail.

Designed to spotlight the diversity and creativity of Tempe's restaurant community, Taste in Tempe makes it easy to plan a night out, whether it's a date night, group dinner, or an excuse to try something new. With no cooking required, the program invites locals to stay out of the kitchen during the summer heat, support Tempe's restaurant community, and discover new go-to dining spots along the way.

Participating restaurants include Caffe Boa, Bar Capri, Cocina Chiwas, North Italia, and Blanco Cocina + Cantina, with



more to be announced. Each location will offer a unique take on the prix-fixe format, showcasing signature dishes, new creations and seasonal flavors.

From gourmet burgers and inventive starters to elevated entrées and indulgent desserts, Taste in Tempe offers something for every kind of diner. For updates and the full list of participating restaurants, you may visit the website at [www.tempe-tourism.com/taste-in-tempe](http://www.tempe-tourism.com/taste-in-tempe) and follow along on social media at @TempeTourism. ❖



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## The Saguaros Raise More Than \$720,000 at 27th Annual Olympiad, Setting Record-Breaking Year for Saguaros Children’s Charities

The Saguaros’ 27th Annual Olympiad delivered a record-setting performance, engaging teams from more than 90 businesses and raising more than \$720,000 to benefit local children’s charities across Arizona. The milestone not only exceeded this year’s event goal but also helped propel the organization past \$2 million in total funds raised for its fiscal year, marking the most successful fundraising year in The Saguaros history.

Hosted at Scottsdale Stadium, the Olympiad once again brought together the Valley’s business community for a high-energy day of competition and philanthropy. Teams representing more than 90 companies across multiple industries competed in both fundraising and field challenges, all united by a shared mission to support children in need.

“This year’s Olympiad truly reflects the power of community,” said Clayton Wolfe, Olympiad Chair. “To achieve record-setting results for our spring Olympiad and our fall NiteFlite golf and gala, reaching a combined \$2 million raised this fiscal year is a testament to the generosity and commitment of every team,

sponsor, and participant involved.”

### Fundraising Division Champions

Top honors in fundraising were awarded across industry categories, recognizing the teams that made the greatest financial impact:

- Brokers for Kids (BFK): Tiffany & Bosco
- Agents Benefiting Children (ABC): Arizona Home Group
- Finance for Kids (FFK): Tradition Capital
- Tech for Kids (TFK): Four Elements Technologies
- Companies for Kids (CFK): Schmooze
- Healthcare for Kids (HFK): The Tox

### Olympiad Competition Winners

In addition to fundraising achievements, teams competed throughout the day in corn hole, pop-a-shot, home run derby, kong pong, and dodge ball events. The overall winner of the Olympiad field events and the coveted Saguaros Cup:

- First Place, Saguaros Cup: Evergreen Devco, Inc.
- Second Place: CORE Construction
- Third Place: The Tox

A highlight of the event included the highly anticipated raffle for a Meteor Gray Ford Bronco, made possible through the generous support of Earnhardt Auto Centers. The raffle served as a major contributor to overall fundraising efforts and added excitement to an already electric atmosphere. The raffle prize was displayed on the field sporting the new AZ MVD 4AZKids all black, logo-free specialty license plate. Saguaros Children’s Charities receives \$17 for each plate sold.

The Saguaros extend their deepest gratitude to all participating teams, sponsors, donors, and volunteers who made this year’s Olympiad a success. Proceeds from the event will directly benefit a range of local children’s charities, continuing the organization’s long-standing mission to improve the lives of Arizona’s youth. Grants were announced last month.

As the Olympiad continues to grow in scale and impact, The Saguaros remain committed to expanding their reach and setting new benchmarks for charitable giving in the years ahead. ❖





## Summer Nights Just Got Better: All Night, All Summer Happy Hour Is Back

Just in time for summer, Roaring Fork Scottsdale brings back its popular All Night, All Summer Happy Hour, running throughout the summer season. Beginning daily at 4:00 p.m., guests are invited to enjoy happy hour pricing every evening, Monday through Sunday, in the bar and Saloon.



The menu features a crave-worthy selection of fan favorites and hearty classics, including:

- **Mixed Market Greens – \$10**  
Candied walnuts, feta, cranberry vinaigrette
- **Iceberg BLT – \$10**  
Blue cheese, bacon, tomato, green onion, ranch
- **Fresh Guacamole – \$10**  
Crispy tortilla chips, cotija cheese
- **Queso Con Puerco – \$10**  
Pepper Jack cheese, green chile pork, crispy tortilla chips
- **Bacon Wrapped Stuffed Jalapeños – \$10**  
Herbed goat cheese, chipotle remoulade
- **Green Chile Pork – \$11**  
Pepper Jack cheese, warm flour tortillas
- **Crispy Chicken Bites – \$12**  
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- **Rotisserie Chicken Flatbread – \$12**  
Basil pesto, roasted chiles, tomato, Pepper Jack
- **Steak Salad – \$13**  
Tomatoes, mushrooms, candied walnuts, blue cheese, creamy horseradish dressing
- **Smoked Chicken Wings – \$14**  
Celery, ranch dressing
- **Chef's Daily Sliders – \$14**  
Selection changes daily
- **Roaring Fork Big Ass Burger – \$17**  
Lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle, poblano pepper, bacon, cheddar cheese, French fries

To complement the menu, guests can sip on \$8 wines by the glass, including Cabernet, Chardonnay, Pinot Grigio, Pinot Noir, Red Blend, Prosecco, and Sauvignon Blanc. Frozen margaritas are available for \$10, featuring favorites such as the Huckleberry Margarita, Raging Rita, and Peach Margarita. Classic cocktails, including the Martini, Manhattan, and Old Fashioned, round out the drink offerings.

With unbeatable pricing and a welcoming atmosphere, Roaring Fork Scottsdale's All Night, All Summer Happy Hour offers the perfect way to unwind all season long. ❖

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*From left: Susan Purtill, Michele McCabe, Susan Doria, Laura Dannerbeck, Stephanie Kerkorian, Amy Slethaug and Kimberly Afkhami  
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## Arizona Women’s Board Names Laura Dannerbeck Chair of 47th Annual Friends of Erma Bombeck Authors Luncheon

Arizona Women’s Board has named Laura Dannerbeck Chair of the 47th Annual Friends of Erma Bombeck Authors Luncheon, taking place Saturday, October 24, 2026, at the Arizona Biltmore. The luncheon, one of Arizona’s longstanding philanthropic literary events, brings together bestselling authors to raise funds for kidney disease education, research, and patient services across the state. Since its founding, the event has generated more than \$15 million to support programs benefitting Arizona kidney patients and their families.

Founded in 1980 through the vision of beloved author and humorist Erma Bombeck and a group of her dedicated friends, the Authors Luncheon continues to honor Bombeck’s legacy of wit, generosity, and service while addressing the serious needs of those affected by kidney disease.

“Being part of this event is truly inspiring,” said Dannerbeck. “The services supported through the Authors Luncheon have a meaningful impact on Arizona patients and families, and I am honored to work alongside a dedicated team committed to advancing this important mission.”

The 2026-2027 Executive Committee of the Arizona Women’s Board includes President Stephanie Kerkorian; Vice President Kimberly Afkhami; Treasurer Lori Roediger; Recording Secretary Michele McCabe; Corresponding Secretary Amy Slethaug; Authors Luncheon Chair Laura Dannerbeck; and Immediate Past Presidents Susan Purtill and Susan Doria.

Arizona Women’s Board includes Active, Sustaining and Honorary members. Active membership is limited annually to forty women each year. More than sixty women serve as Sustaining members after completing their Active membership roles. This



*Laura Dannerbeck  
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*From left: Becca Hoyt, Andrea Pappas and Tori Heintzelman  
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year, Arizona Women’s Board welcomes three new Active members: Tori Heintzelman, Becca Hoyt, and Andrea Pappas.

“Our Board is strengthened by the talents, leadership and commitment of each member,” said Arizona Women’s Board President Stephanie Kerkorian. “We are grateful to welcome our newest members as we continue working to improve the lives of Arizonans affected by kidney disease.”

### About the Arizona Women’s Board

Arizona Women’s Board was established in 1973 as the Women’s Board of the Arizona Kidney Foundation to raise funds for kidney patient programs. In 2010, the organization received its 501(c)3 nonprofit status and became an independent grant-making organization. Arizona Women’s Board is committed to keeping 100% of event proceeds in Arizona. Its mission is to help prevent kidney disease through awareness, education and research, and to improve the quality of life for Arizonans living with kidney disease. ❖

# As Triple-Digit Heat Returns to Arizona — Rogue Films Shares Tips to Keep Cars Cool and Safe from The Arizona Heat This Summer

The award-winning Scottsdale company says advanced ceramic tinting can reduce heat, block UV rays and ease strain on cooling systems

As triple-digit temperatures return, Rogue Films is urging Arizonans to take heat protection seriously, not just for comfort, but for health and safety.

With more than 300 days of sun a year, the state's exposure levels are extreme even by Southwest standards. The Scottsdale-based company, one of the nation's top automotive protection and residential and commercial window-tinting installers, says high-performance film has shifted from cosmetic upgrade to tactical barrier against heat, ultraviolet radiation and strain on cooling systems.

“Continuous sun exposure has obvious consequences for comfort and long-term health,” says Rogue Films' Founder Matthew Stecker. “Once clients see how much cooler their car or home stays and how much energy they save, it becomes a no-brainer.”

Rogue Films installs XPEL's PRIME XR and XR PLUS nano-ceramic films, engineered for harsh desert conditions. Rather than just darkening glass, the multi-layer ceramic construction blocks infrared heat, the source of burning seatbelts and steering wheels, and 99.9% of UVA and UVB rays. The films are non-metallic,



Rogue Films' Founder Matthew Stecker  
Photo by Carl Schultz

so they avoid signal interference.

The performance gains go beyond comfort. Lower cabin temperatures help air-conditioning systems reach and hold target temps faster, reducing compressor wear. Electric vehicles benefit as well, because climate control draws less power and preserves range.

Reduced glare can also lessen driver fatigue and improve visibility during peak-sun hours.

The same technology applies in homes, where it stabilizes indoor temperatures, protects furnishings from fading and eases the load on HVAC systems during the hottest months.

Rogue Films' trajectory of more than 6,000 clients, a 5,000 plus square foot Scottsdale facility, nine employees and XPEL's 2024 Market Leader of the Year award, traces back to a moment Stecker wasn't sure he'd survive. Two arteries under his tongue ruptured during a routine dental procedure in 2017. “I literally began bleeding profusely,” he says. Several trauma centers declined transfer. He ultimately



underwent emergency surgery at John C. Lincoln North Mountain Hospital, followed by a second procedure to clear a large hematoma.

Intubated and unable to speak, Stecker had an epiphany: if he recovered, he would stop working for others and build something of his own. Six months later, he and his wife launched Rogue Films.

“Opening Rogue Films was one of the greatest decisions of my life,” he says. “It grew out of one of the scariest moments I've ever experienced, and I wouldn't change a thing.”

Now, the company is preparing for another year of expansion. Stecker expects 20% growth in 2026 and plans to add three more team members. Rogue Films specializes in automotive protection, home and office window tinting, and ceramic coating paint-protection film, all rooted in the principle that shaped the company's origin story: protection matters.

For more information on Rogue Films and their home and automotive services, visit [www.roguefilmsaz.com](http://www.roguefilmsaz.com), call (480) 773-6363 or follow them on Facebook and Instagram. ❖



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## Camelot Homes Sweeps Top Honors at 2026 MAME Awards With Builder, Community, and Home of the Year Wins

Camelot Homes celebrated a standout evening at the 2026 MAME Awards, earning a total of 12 honors and reinforcing its position as one of Arizona’s premier homebuilders. Presented by the Home Builders Association of Central Arizona, the annual awards recognize excellence in homebuilding, design, sales, and marketing.

Leading the night, Camelot Homes was named Builder of the Year (under 250 units) for the third consecutive year, a rare and distinguished achievement that reflects consistent excellence across all aspects of the company’s work.

The builder also secured top project honors, including:

- **Community of the Year and Home of the Year** for The Edge at Joy Ranch, marking back-to-back wins for 2025 and 2026 in both categories



“These awards are a testament to the passion, creativity, and commitment of our entire team and our partners,” said Kevin Rosinski, Camelot Homes President. “We are incredibly grateful to be recognized at this level.”

Camelot’s success extended across multiple categories, highlighting the strength of its team as well as bolstering the luxury homebuilder’s reputation for leading architectural and landscape design.

- **Rising Star of the Year** ~ Katie Anderson
- **Purchasing Team of the Year** ~ Leland, Krista, Aaron, Britney and Cheney
- **Best Online Marketing Campaign** ~ The Edge at Joy Ranch Grand Opening Weekend
- **Best Special Promotion: Special Event or Limited Time Sale Program** ~ Fly and Buy Summer 2025 Incentive
- **Best Architectural Design of a Detached Home Over 3,750 Square Feet** ~ Hannouche Architects for The Edge at Joy Ranch Plan 9523B | Lot 5
- **Best Model Complex Landscape Design** ~ Creative Environments for The Edge at Joy Ranch
- **Best Interior Merchandising of a Model Home Priced Over \$1.5 Million and Best Primary Suite for a New Home** ~ Pacific Dimensions, Inc. for The Edge at Joy Ranch Plan 9523B | Lot 5

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## Teddy Bear Clinic Arrives In Local Schools

### Abrazo Health Nurses Deliver Teddy Bears Along With Health And Safety Messages

What do you do when someone tries to lure you into their car with a teddy bear or a real dog or puppy and you don't know their name? If you're a kindergartner at Maryland School in Phoenix, you now know the answer. Run away, shout, find another adult and/or call 9-1-1.

Those are just some of the messages delivered to the classrooms along with adorable teddy bears, medical supplies like band aids, stethoscopes, gauze bandages and of course, new syringes filled with M&Ms.

"We teach the kids how to spot a stroke if Mom or Dad is showing signs or symptoms, how to recognize stranger danger, how and when to dial 9-1-1, and even how to apply band aids and bandages. They have so much fun and they really respond to our messages. Plus, they get to keep the teddy bears," said Lisa Salway RN BSN CEN | Director of Emergency Services/Intensive Care Unit at Abrazo Central Campus in Phoenix.

The teddy bear clinic is in its third year with students at Maryland Elementary School. Each year, a team of Abrazo Central nurses shows up to deliver not just the teddy bears and candy, but life-saving lessons that some kids hear for the very first time.

"The kids get to apply band aids and gauze to the teddy bears. They learn about first responders and the importance of knowing when to call 9-1-1 for help, not just to protect themselves, but their families too. The students look forward to this event every year and you can see the joy on their faces," says Maryland School Principal Nick Gupton.

The teddy bear clinic is a way for Abrazo Central to partner with the community to get young children started early in spotting things like stroke, heart attack, and stranger dangers. They learn to stay away from swimming pools without adult supervision and even the significance of police and first responders.

"These kids are smart enough to learn what it means if their Mom or Dad's face begins to droop (stroke alert) or if they can't wake up Mom or Dad from sleep or a nap. We teach them that in every circumstance when they feel scared or anxious about something to immediately dial 9-1-1 and wait for help to arrive," says Salway. ❖



## Rainbow Ryders to Unveil Hot Air Balloon Banner Designed by Local Pediatric Cancer Warrior Ava

Rainbow Ryders, the Southwest's premier hot air balloon company, will unveil a one-of-a-kind balloon banner on June 5th, 2026 - National Hot Air Balloon Day - featuring original artwork by Ava, a young Arizona pediatric cancer warrior. The unveiling marks the latest milestone in Rainbow Ryders' ongoing partnership with the Arizona Cancer Foundation for Children (ACFC), a nonprofit dedicated to supporting families navigating childhood cancer.

Ava's design was selected from submissions received during a drawing contest held at an ACFC family event in February, where children and families were invited to color and submit Rainbow Ryders-themed artwork for the chance to see their creation take flight. From a field of imaginative, heartfelt entries, Ava's design, radiating creativity, strength, and hope, rose to the top. Her artwork has since been transformed into a custom banner that will now float above the Valley on one of Rainbow Ryders' signature balloons.

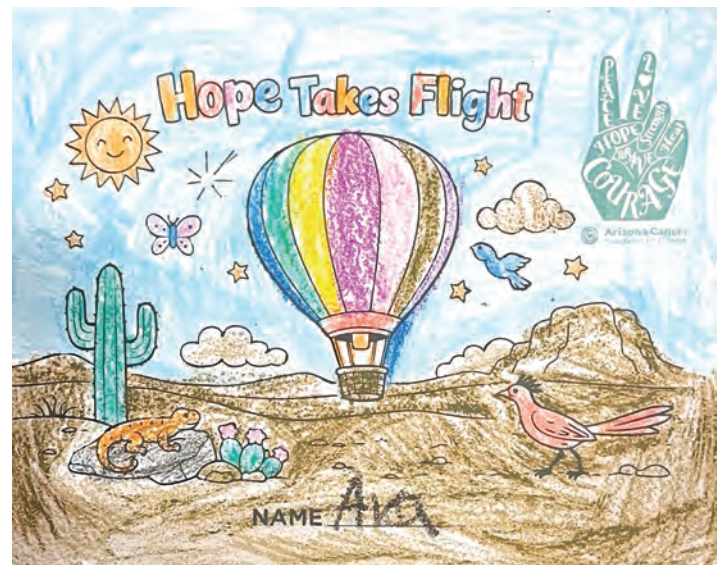
"We're proud to continue our partnership with the Arizona Cancer Foundation for Children and to bring Ava's vision to life," says Lindsay Mayer, Director of Operations at Rainbow Ryders. "Her banner is a powerful symbol of hope and resilience, a reminder of the courage children battling pediatric cancer show every single day."

On the morning of June 5th, Ava and her family will experience the banner's debut firsthand during a private sunrise hot air balloon flight celebrating her imagination and spirit. After touching down, the celebration continues at Hash Kitchen Park West, where the family will be treated to a special brunch.

"When facing childhood cancer, joyful moments like this mean everything," says Chrisie Abramo, President and Founder of ACFC. "Rainbow Ryders continues to be an extraordinary partner in helping us create memories filled with joy, connection, and hope for these children and their families."

The unveiling deepens Rainbow Ryders' "Design a Balloon" campaign, which invites children supported by ACFC to share their creativity and watch their artwork rise into the sky, offering hope where it's needed most. Rainbow Ryders looks forward to continuing the campaign and giving more young artists the chance to see their dreams take flight.

To book a flight or learn more about Rainbow Ryders, visit [rainbowryders.com](http://rainbowryders.com). To learn more about the Arizona Cancer Foundation for Children, visit [azcancerfoundation.org](http://azcancerfoundation.org). ❖



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