

Memorial Day Events in the Valley

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Memorial Day is a time for communities to band together and honor America's active and retired military members. Make this holiday a special and memorable one for the family with these events, unique to Arizona.

Make Ahead Memorial Day Barbecue

Simply Impressive Cooking School

May 22, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

This hands-on cooking class will give you all you need to prepare a simple, great American barbecue for your family and friends on Memorial Day. From dinner to dessert, this class will walk you through the perfect meal to celebrate the holiday.

www.simplyimpressive.com.



Jester'z Improv Comedy Show

May 27 & 28, 6 p.m., 8 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Get out of the heat and enjoy amusing, comical entertainment from Jester'z Improv in Scottsdale. All shows for the weekend are discounted \$2 in honor of the holiday, providing easy, affordable amusement for all ages.

www.jesterzimprov.com.

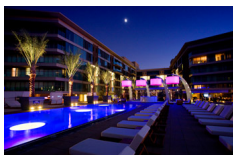


W Scottsdale Fun in the Sun

May 27-30

Enjoy some fun in the sun, with local and national recording artists and refreshing cocktails and foods at the W Scottsdale's WET poolside hotspot. Make it a mini vacation, and take advantage of the resort's special Memorial Day packages starting at \$189.

www.wscottsdalehotel.com.



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Phoenix Symphony's Salute to America

May 27 & 28, 8 p.m.

The Phoenix Symphony and conductor, Loras John Schissel, are putting on an old fashioned concert based off the 1940's USO tours with music from Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, and many more. Tickets start at just \$18 for this fun-filled concert in honor of America's troops. www.phoenixsymphony.org.



Surprise Memorial Day Parade

May 28, 8:30 a.m.

The City of Surprise is hosting its Fifth Annual Memorial Day Parade at the Surprise Recreation Campus on Bullard Avenue. The parade honors active and retired military personnel by presenting floats and marching units put on by city members. A featured wreath ceremony also takes place after the parade. Whether participating in the parade, or observing the fun, this is an entertaining way for the whole family to celebrate Memorial Day.

www.surpriseaz.gov.



Toby Keith's I Love This Bar and Grill Drawing

May 30, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Enjoy great American food and entertainment while entering to win a Hawaiian dream vacation at Toby Keith's I Love This Bar and Grill on Memorial Day. Tickets for the drawing are just \$10 and all proceeds go to Packages From Home in honor of America's soldiers. Active or retired military servicemen with a military ID will receive a free burger and fries.

www.tobysmesa.com.



Renegade Canteen's Bob's Big Burger

May 28 & 29, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Celebrate Memorial Day and National Burger Day at Renegade Canteen by tasting the monstrosity that is Bob's Big Burger. This 12-ounce patty, topped with cheddar cheese, green chile, onion, tomato, and lettuce is hard to beat at only \$5.

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