

The Round Cedar Times

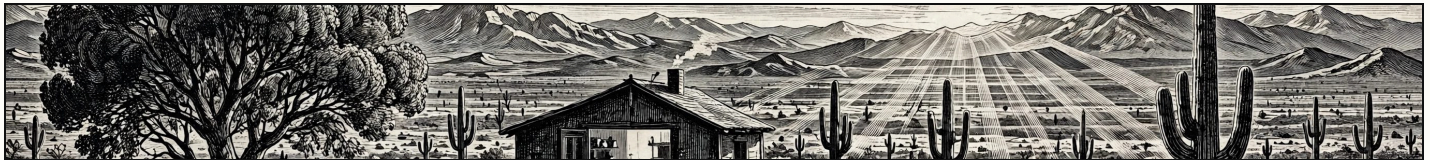
All the day's news, from around the kitchen table.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

FAMILY EDITION · TODAY & TONIGHT

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

WEATHER High 80°, low 68°. Mostly cloudy and breezy — east winds gusting near 30 mph this morning, easing later, with about a 20% chance of rain toward evening. Sunrise 6:34 a.m. · Sunset 5:52 p.m.



Morning over the desert — a breezy, mostly cloudy Saturday to start a day that runs from Chandler courts to a Scottsdale ballroom.

A Full Saturday: Courts, Diamonds, and a Ball Tonight

Hailee on the court at eight, soccer at nine-thirty, Mya's softball at eleven — then a 12:30 doubleheader on the screens and an evening out in Scottsdale.

Saturday starts early and does not really slow down. The first whistle belongs to Hailee, whose E Sloan Hoops group skill session runs from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. at Chandler Preparatory Academy.

From there the morning moves quickly: Damian's soccer game at 9:30 at Encanto Park, then Mya's

softball game at 11:00 at Tumbleweed Park Softball Complex in Chandler, through 12:30.

At 12:30 the day turns into a doubleheader. Arizona State visits Texas Tech on FOX at the same hour Game 1 of the WNBA Finals — Atlanta Dream at the Golden State Valkyries — tips off on NBC and Peacock. Both

start at once; the remote gets a workout.

Baseball follows at 5:00 p.m. — ALCS Game 4 in Cleveland, Guardians up two games to one after last night's rainout.

And tonight, the Silver & Turquoise Ball closes the day — see the notice below.

— THE DAY AHEAD —

8:00 AM Hailee on the court. E Sloan Hoops group skill session at Chandler Preparatory Academy, wrapping up at 9:00.

9:30 AM Damian's soccer game at Encanto Park in Phoenix, runs to 10:30.

11:00 AM Mya's softball game at Tumbleweed Park Softball Complex in Chandler, through 12:30.

12:30 PM The doubleheader. Arizona State at Texas Tech on FOX, and WNBA Finals Game 1 — Atlanta Dream at Golden State Valkyries — on NBC and Peacock.

5:00 PM ALCS Game 4. Tampa Bay Rays at Cleveland Guardians on TBS, truTV, and HBO Max.

EVENING Silver & Turquoise Ball. See the note below.

Tonight: The Silver & Turquoise Ball

The **43rd Annual Silver & Turquoise Ball** is tonight, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. at **Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale**. It is the Phoenix Indian Center's signature fundraising gala — an evening of culture, community, and celebration in support of programs that empower Indigenous youth and families.

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The Sports Desk

Milwaukee is waiting. The Brewers swept the Dodgers to win the National League pennant — their first World Series trip since 1982. They will host Game 1 on Friday, October 23 (FOX) against whoever survives the ALCS.

The ALCS squeeze. With last night's rainout, Cleveland and Tampa Bay may play four straight days if the series goes the distance — while Milwaukee rests. Game 5 is tomorrow at 2:00 p.m.

WNBA Finals continue Monday with Game 2 at 5:00 p.m.

Key Dates for Our Family

Monday, October 19, 5:00 p.m. — Last day to submit an absentee-ballot-by-mail application to the Navajo Election Administration — this Monday, so do not wait.

Friday, October 30, 5:00 p.m. — In-person absentee voting ends at Nation election offices.

Tuesday, November 3, 6:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. — General Election Day, including Council and other Nation offices.

Questions? Call the Navajo Election Administration at **1-800-775-VOTE (8683)**. The Western Navajo Agency office in Tuba City is **1-888-508-4970**.

Navajo Nation Election

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3 — a historic race. Sixteen candidates ran in the July 21 primary; the two who advanced are **Justin Jones** and Council Speaker **Crystalyne Curley**. Incumbent President Buu Nygren finished third.

The tickets: Jones, an attorney from Farmington who ran in 2022, chose nonprofit leader **Emily Ellison**. Curley chose attorney and former Arizona lawmaker **Chris Deschene**. If Curley wins, she would be the **first woman elected President of the Navajo Nation** — she is already the first woman to serve as Speaker.

What the debates have been about: At Navajo Technical University on September 24–25, the candidates took on housing — about 35,000 homes are still needed — jobs for Navajo businesses, education, and protecting Diné culture and data as AI grows. Both running mates stressed K'é, kinship: resources should benefit the whole community.

Two Navajos Host the Morning News

Starting **Monday morning, October 19**, Phoenix wakes up to a first. **Charly Edsitty** joins **Colton Shone** to co-anchor **Good Morning Arizona**, weekdays **4:30 to 6:00 a.m.**, simulcast on **3TV (KTVK)** and **CBS 5 (KPHO)** — believed to be the **first all-Navajo, all-Indigenous anchor team** on a commercial television newscast in the country.

Both are members of the Navajo Nation, Phoenix natives and longtime friends. Edsitty, Diné and a Glendale native, is coming home after eight years at KTRK in Houston; she began in Phoenix, reported from Flagstaff on wildfires, winter storms and Indigenous communities, and hosted the podcast *Reclaimed: The Lifeblood of Navajo Nation*. Shone has been with Arizona's Family since 2022 and holds three Emmy Awards for his coverage of COVID in the Navajo Nation.

"It's high time that we have Indigenous representation on a major market newscast as a team; this is incredible," Shone said. Set the coffee early Monday — 4:30 comes fast.

Around the House

Internet, upgraded. The house connection has doubled — from **1 Gig to 2 Gig**, and the faster service is now live. The new network gear arriving Tuesday will help the house put the extra speed to use.

Room in the garage. Sonny is working to clear more room in the garage so **two vehicles can fit inside** — and nobody has to park along the street.

Garbage disposal down. The kitchen disposal is out of service, with a fix hoped for **by today**. Mind the sink until then.

Ballot watch. Ballots are starting to arrive — some in the family already have theirs in hand, but **Sonny is still awaiting his**. Anyone still waiting on a mail ballot should mind the deadline: applications are due **Monday, October 19 at 5:00 p.m.** Call the Navajo Election Administration at **1-800-775-VOTE (8683)** rather than wait on the mail.