



Organizers of the Chandler festival have come under fire for promoting "extreme midget wrestling" event.



### Little People group: Wrestling event in Chandler hurts, discriminates

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**Kevin Lewis** Andy Sereda did you see this. The midget community is pissed because other midgets are calling themselves midgets and it's offending the midgets that are pissed off about the use of the word midget.



**Dee Arnold Sargent** Pissed? I think you mean short tempered.



**EJ Amato** They are just ALITTLE pissed



**Kevin Lewis** I think them being offended is a little short sided. I don't know anybody who looks down on them. Maybe they should take the high road.



**Jon Forschler** I think the correct term is midget-american.



**Alicia Scudamore**



**Fritz Lies** Why do you even bother to cover stories like this? The notorious bigots in Arizona couldn't care less and it only encourages hateful comments.



**Nico Nico** You would think this would be a good thing it's giving work to people I would guess have a hard time getting it.



**Dustin Robinette** Remember, kids: someone who challenges your ideas or disagrees with you = Nazi bigot.



**Kris Thompson** Which bigots are you talking about? The midgets that are calling themselves midgets or the ones offended by it?

**Matthew Needham**



**AJ Leon** Sensitive little buggers. I had a xxx movie called MicroSlut. Best naughty movie I ever owned! Period.



**JT Acothley** Amen!!



**AJ Leon**



**Al Hall** Do you know the name of the cinematographer? I'd like to use him in my independent film.



**Fernando Ortega** Googling....for research purposes of course.



**Jonathan Brent II** Shawn D. HicksEsq 😂😂😂



**AJ Leon**





**Justin Michaud** OMG! That had me in tears. LMFAO!!!!



**Steven Mendez** Kylin Norton this has me dying



**Kylin Norton** Steven Mendez hahahahaha



**Courtney Graham** Midget tooshies are AMAZING! 😊



**AJ Leon Phat**



**Jesse Bannister** Wait... so you're saying we're not supposed to call them midgets? Not sure dwarf is any better... **how about we call them pocket people!**



**JW Perman** Really if its that offensive **I'm ok with Gnome or Elf. Makers of cookies and the guardians of ones lawn are noble callings.**



**Michael B Hamm** Is anyone dumb enough to think there won't be backlash about having events like this? or do they do it intentionally to get publicity? Whether or not the LP are being oversensitive isn't the issue, it's known as a derogatory term. Just like how many PoC are okay with calling themselves or others the N-word, but if you tried to promote an event using it you can expect to catch some flak. NWA was one of the few groups to get away with it, partially because how many people didn't know what the actual name meant



**Joey Martin** How does a league started by midgets discriminate against midgets? If anything it discriminates against people of average height because they are too tall...



**Vikki Stevens** At the matches they announce themselves as being...MIDGET Wrestlers...probably more offended about those midgets making more money than most midgets...



**Brandon Castro** Are you a midget? No? Then zip it! You like myself have no say in this matter. And how a small insignificant group of people refer to themselves should not be the standard for the other 99% Who think that word is horrible and equate it to the N-word.



**James Bond IV** I just asked my friend, who happens to be a dwarf, if he minds if I call him a midget. He just growled at me and punched me in the shin.



**Mitchell Utter** The lawyer is pissed off because the little guys make more then he dose. And get more ladies!!! Midget is used in racing to class a smaller race 🚗. car then a sprint car !! SMALLER But just as BAD not Derogetory ST ALL



**Jess Vriesema** It's not that the word is inherently bad; it's how the word has been used and is associated with freak shows.



**Amanda Durfee-Spencer** We saw extreme midget wrestling a few years ago when it was in New river. God it was TERRIBLE. We ended up leaving halfway through. Definitely the worst thing I've ever seen. Forget the name, and forget the show altogether.



**CR Plunkett** Thank god these folks haven't seen the European sport of dwarf tossing, or the fact the dwarves who get tossed find it to be a great sport...



**Allen Fritz** I think maybe Ed should get out in the ring and go toe-to-toe with someone his own size. He probably loves to get up in the face of normal-sized people and then hide behind his size when is time to to nut up or shut up.



**Courtney Graham** Is this not a valid source of income? 🤖🤖🤖 **I imagine it is difficult finding employment as an itty bitty man or lady**



**Tyler Avnet** PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE say there are pictures of this protest if there is one...



**Robin Beach** They were to small to see lol



**Becky Kopp** I can't wait



**Nathan Smith** Protests cancelled, the signs taller than them.



**Sancho McKey** Tucson celebrated their event by awarding them with the key to the city.



**Jordon David** Finally ending midget wrestling? That's a tall order



**Dillon Vinck** They're just mad because they have to smell farts all day.



**Danielle Hernandez**



**Lester Pennington** I like midget wrestling! I especially like **BLTG midget wrestling!**



**James Bond IV** Too bad this controversy is dwarfing the Taco Festival.



**James Bond IV** The sponsors of this event were a bit short sighted.



**Allen Fritz** Ed looks like a dwarf trying to pose as a midget.



**Arlo Dillon** I'm sorry. I just can't seem to help myself.



**Daniel Anthony Lopez** LISTEN TO TOM SEGURA STANDUP ON MIDGETS. YOU WILL DIE! 😂😂😂😂😂



**Randy Peters** Midgets are here for the entertainment of normal people. Period.



**Brett Reeder** Just re-name it, "Nugget Dunk". Problem solved.



**Jason Porter** Do they have Velcro suits? What's the scoring system?



**Carlos Ortiz** No points. They can win by pin, submission, or by DQ



**Jason Porter** 😂 total joke have you seen wolf of walstreet?



**Scott Kump** Need a movie called the Midget Man.



**Dan Nickerson** It's only offensive if there are no midgets wrestling then it's more false advertisement



**Nick C Ziel Inski**



**Magnuson Jackson Midgetist.....**



**Josh Scott**



**Jared Rowsdower**



Mark Lyon



Brandon Marcum



Roland Morgan



Brown Mark



Brian Cash



Chad A. Nelson



**Bryan Hasthepipe**



**Pat Frazier** Small village people



**Magnuson Jackson** Even midgets have snowflakes....



**Kurtis Kegley** Nearly stepped on one 🐜.



**Courtney Erickson** I heard a tiny bit about it. Not to be short but it makes me a wee bit irritated that they're trying to stunt this fun-size event!



**Ray Santoyas** What's the M word? Mexican???



**Chris Horn**



**Tim Dobrenen** Think they will serve midget street tacos?



Jennifer Denise



Angel Coco When is the festival? I wanna go get a midget.



Windy Mesa The first couple of times they called we turned them down because of this. Then I figured it is them calling themselves midgets. It is in all of their advertising, which they do. So.....we're keeping little people working and letting them call themselves whatever they want to. I am sorry this offends some people, but really pretty much anything we do these days offends someone. Drinking offends people, but we're going to keep doing it!



Windy Mesa I'm debating sharing this to the Windy page or not.



Chrystal Obergh Schoppmann I would ....



Windy Mesa Okay you talked me into it!!



Windy Mesa It already got it's first like!



Kristen Dockstader Better still be happening at the Windy! Haha

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Windy Mesa

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This is one of the comments from where I saw this posted.  
"The midget community is pissed because other midgets are calling themselves midgets and it's offending the midgets that are pissed off about the use of the word midget."  
LOL!



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