



Chandler • Arizona
Where Values Make The Difference

CityScope

a community newsletter for the residents of Chandler



Reminders ...

Volunteers are needed to help low- and moderate-income families with free tax preparation for 2017.

The City, in conjunction with the IRS, provides training classes. No experience is needed.

Call 480-782-4358 for more information.

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City offices will be closed:
Monday, Dec. 25, 2017, for the Christmas holiday.

Monday, Jan. 1, 2018, for the New Year's Day holiday.

There will be no trash or recycling collection on Monday, December 25 or January 1. Everyone will place their can at the curb by 6 a.m. on the day following your regular collection day from December 25 - January 6.

Monday, Jan. 15, 2018, for the Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights holiday.

Trash and recycling collection will occur as usual on Monday, Jan. 15, 2018.

The Recycling-Solid Waste Collection Center is:

OPEN:

Thursday through Monday

CLOSED :

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & City Observed Holidays.

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The estimated population for the City of Chandler as of Nov. 1, 2017, is 255,464 (+349 from last month).

A holiday message from Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

It's been a rewarding year for our Chandler community. We continue to build and maintain streets and utility systems, while developing new recreational amenities and programs. We do this with some of the lowest costs to residents in the Valley.

We experienced good fortune through a robust economy centered on job creation and cutting edge research and development. Our education system continues to develop bright, young minds. Our local nonprofit and volunteer workforce makes this one of the best communities in America.

As we approach the holidays with plans to celebrate with friends and family, remember also that there are those in the community who struggle for various reasons. If you can, please donate some time or contribute to one of the many non-profit agencies in Chandler who help those in need now and throughout the year. A good place to find information is at: forourcitychandler.org.

As always, remember to "Invest Wisely, Shop Chandler" for your holiday gifts, as those tax dollars are critical to maintain city services. Sales taxes from the money you

spend here help support City services such as public safety, road improvements, neighborhoods – and our economic development efforts. These taxes also support a quality of life enhanced by parks, sports fields, trails, pools and recreation programs.

To stay in touch throughout 2018, please follow me on Twitter (@jaytibshraeny) and visit the City's award-winning website (chandleraz.gov) for more news on the community. Finally, here is to a very joyful New Year for all Chandler residents.

Mayor Jay Tibshraeny



Chandler celebrates heritage and diversity of our community

Each January, the City of Chandler holds a series of events to honor our community's heritage and diversity, along with the spirit and ideals of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the civil rights movement. The 2018 Celebration of Unity events include: They Risked their Lives Play and Exhibits, the Chandler Multicultural & Film Festival, Chandler Creative Expression Competition and One: A Candlelight Vigil for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. *Chandler Celebrates ... continued on page two*

Find your fitness in 2018

We all know exercise is good for us, and most of us could stand to do a little more.

Being active can boost your feel-good endorphins, distract you from daily worries and can help combat weight gain caused by our favorite holiday treats. From cycling to group exercise to a friendly competitive game of racquetball, all forms of fitness count as a way to better health. Get moving!

Clip the one-week pass to discover how the Tumbleweed Recreation Center can help you live a happier, healthier life.

Find Your Fitness at **TUMBLEWEED** RECREATION CENTER

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*Free one-week pass to the fitness area with this coupon.**



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- GYMNASIUM
- CHILD WATCH

**First-time pass holders only. Expires 6/30/18.*



chandleraz.gov/fitness



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What to do with your Christmas Tree

Looking for a way to dispose of your Christmas tree? Chandler offers several methods for tree recycling. Christmas trees that are collected are chipped and reused in park landscaping projects. For safety, please remove tree stands, nails, lights, ornaments and garland before recycling, and do not place trees in bags.

- Drop-off boxes are available at multiple locations from Dec. 26, 2017, through Jan. 12, 2018. Visit chandleraz.gov/recycle or call 480-782-3510 for locations.
- Trees also will be collected separately at the curb on your recycling collection day, from Dec. 26, 2017, to Jan. 12, 2018. You do not have to schedule collection, but trees must be at the edge of your driveway (no more than four feet onto your property) by 6 a.m. on your recycling day. Do not place the tree in the recycling bin, on the sidewalk or street.
- Live potted Christmas trees can be donated for replanting at City parks by dropping them off at the City's Community Center or can be scheduled for pick up by calling 480-782-2745.

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Events begin at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018, with "They Risked their Lives." Presented by the EVJCC this evening will include two photo exhibits and a one man play about Captain Witold Pilecki. Captain Pilecki volunteered during World War II for a Polish resistance operation. Tickets are available at chandlercenter.org.

The 23rd Annual Chandler Multicultural Festival will take place from 4 - 9 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018, at the Downtown Chandler stage. This year's Chandler Multicultural Festival has teamed up with the Chandler International Film Festival to bring you a collaborative and eclectic weekend of international films, cultural performances, food and beverage vendors and fun for the family. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs for an amazing evening!

One: A Candlelight Vigil for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will be held at the Downtown Chandler Stage from 5 to 7 p.m., on Jan. 14, 2018. There will be performances, speeches from various faith leaders, a call for Unity and action, and local Chandler nonprofits will be available.

More information on all the events can be found at chandleraz.gov/unity or call 480-782-2214.

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Your City officials want input on how to build a better community. Visit chandleraz.gov and submit your comments on the "Contact Us" link.

Tune in to the City's live stream and videos on demand for live coverage, replays of meetings, original programming and more at chandleraz.gov/video.

Go to chandleraz.gov for current meeting information.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, this publication can be made available in an alternative format, if requested. It can also be made available in Spanish.

Si desea esta información en español, por favor llame al teléfono 480-782-2000.

Be the solution to stormwater pollution

Stormwater runoff is a leading cause of pollution to surface waters in the United States. Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rainfall events flows over the ground. Stormwater flows can pick up dirt, litter, automotive fluids, pet waste, household chemicals, pesticides, fertilizers, yard waste and other pollutants as it flows over paved surfaces and yards. Paved surfaces like driveways, sidewalks and streets direct stormwater runoff into the street and gutter and eventually into a storm drain structure, where it discharges untreated into the nearest landscaped retention basin, park, greenbelt or local community lake within your neighborhood.

Please follow these tips to prevent debris and pollutants from entering the storm drains:

- Sweep yard debris and properly dispose of in the trash, rather than blowing or hosing into the street.
- Contain swimming pool or spa water on private property or dispose of it in the sanitary sewer cleanout associated with your home. For more information call 480-782-3507 or visit chandleraz.gov, and search "pool drainage."
- Use fertilizers and pesticides sparingly and as directed by the manufacturer.
- Pick up after your pet and properly dispose of the waste in the trash.
- Wash vehicles at a commercial car wash.
- Always use a nozzle on your garden hose around the home. Do not let the water flow into the street.
- Maintain vehicles to be free of leaks and do not park leaking vehicles on the street.
- Do not over-water your lawn.
- Take household hazardous waste products, such as cleaning products, automotive fluids, paint, pesticides, herbicides and pool chemicals, to the City's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility for recycling and proper disposal. An appointment is required. Please contact Solid Waste Services at 480-782-3510.
- Report illegal dumping into streets and storm drains by calling 480-782-3503.

For more information on storm water pollution prevention, please visit chandleraz.gov and search "stormwater."



Chandler City Council -- Front row, from left: Vice Mayor Kevin Hartke, Mayor Jay Tibshraeny and Councilmember Nora Ellen. Back row, from left: Councilmember Sam Huang, Councilmember Terry Roe, Councilmember Mark Stewart and Councilmember René Lopez.

The Mayor & Council can be contacted at 480-782-2200.