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2015 Mayor's Listening Tour

Fall Meeting

Wednesday, September 16
Sanborn Elementary
700 N. Superstition Blvd
7 p.m.

Neighborhood Updates



Summer is here Chandler, and the Mayor's Listening Tour is on a short break. Our next Tour stop will be Wednesday, September 16, at Sanborn Elementary

School, 700 N. Superstition Blvd. The meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Our Mayor's Listening Tour meeting in April at Frye Elementary was a great success with more than 50 residents in attendance. We introduced a new format this year that went over very well. In addition, we have added more informational booths, so come a little early if you can. If you have not attended a Mayor's Listening Tour stop, they provide an excellent opportunity for residents to discuss neighborhood issues and concerns with members of the City Council and City staff.

This year, we are kicking off the nomination process for our third annual Neighborhood Excellence Awards a little early. Please start thinking about your own neighborhoods and what you can include in your application this year! Awards criteria and nomination forms can be found here: www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods.

Do-It-Yourself Connect returns in November, giving Chandler homeowners a chance to talk with City staff about resources, building permits, rebates and other vital information to be aware of when doing a new home project. More details will be posted in the next issue of "News for Neighbors."

We continue to keep a strong focus on our neighborhoods, and I appreciate your support. Remember to follow me on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/jaytibshraeny](https://twitter.com/jaytibshraeny) and visit the City's award-winning website at www.chandleraz.gov for more news on the community. Stay cool Chandler!

Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

Chandler's General Plan

Do you have an opinion on what the City should be doing to make Chandler a community you'll want to live in for years to come? If so, the City wants to hear from you! We are updating the City's General Plan which guides growth and development. Information about the Plan and ways to get involved can be found at www.chandleraz.gov/GPupdate. You can submit comments and take an online poll that asks questions about important planning topics.

To participate, visit the website and click on the "Get Involved" tab. In addition, residents can interact with City planners in Planning Labs held between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. the first Friday of every month at the Chandler Museum located inside the McCullough-Price House, 300 S. Chandler Village Drive.



SPECIAL EVENTS!

Spring Break Time

The summer Break Time magazine outlining all-ages recreation classes, youth camps and special events for June, July and August is available at City offices, libraries, recreation and aquatic centers and online.

For more information, call 480-782-2727 or visit www.chandleraz.gov/breaktime

All Break Time Subscription holders will need to renew their subscription by June 20, through ACTIVENet by visiting www.chandleraz.gov/registration

Ready, Set, Go!

Chandler's Sports History

Tuesday, June 16
Hamilton Library
10 a.m. - Noon

Wednesday, June 17
Downtown Library
1 - 3 p.m.

The history of Chandler and athletics are intertwined from Arizona's first grass golf course to being the home of professional athletes including world champions and Olympians. Join us at this FREE event!

For more information, visit www.chandleraz.gov/museum

Code Enforcement on Pool Maintenance



As the summer season approaches, we do well to remember the importance of water safety.

Swimming pools lacking proper barriers and fence mechanisms pose an immediate risk. Unmaintained bodies of water also present a nuisance risk when left unmaintained or allowed to become stagnant. Because such conditions can promote mosquito breeding, Code Enforcement works cooperatively with Maricopa County's Vector Control to address green pool conditions in Chandler.

When residents report stagnant water conditions using the City's online reporting system the County is simultaneously notified. County Vector control will conduct inspections, post notices and follow through with appropriate abatement measures. City staff may also pursue stagnant water conditions as blight and nuisance violations. Here are a few facts to remember.

The Maricopa County Environmental Services Department addresses Public and Semi Public pools concerns within the County. This includes apartments, hotels, and other public locations. For concerns with these types of pools, the county can be reached at 602-506-6616.

Both Maricopa County and the City of Chandler will respond to green pool concerns in Chandler. If you file a report online through the City's complaint system or via the Public Stuff Mobile Application, the County will also be notified instantaneously of the concern. To file such a report, use the following link www.chandleraz.gov/forms/sr.aspx.

Water safety issues require prompt action to avoid serious dangers. If you believe there might be potential risks such as accessible pools in yards, please report such concerns immediately to Code Enforcement by calling 480-782-4320.

*Malcolm Hankins
Neighborhood Preservation Manager*

City Gears Up for Annual Back to School Drive



As parents are preparing for the end of school year events and activities, the City of Chandler and its volunteers are

starting to gear up for the Back to School Drive that takes place during the summer months. The fact is, many students' families don't have the resources to provide their children with the essential school supplies that they need to succeed. You can help! Here is how:

Donate supplies. To donate supplies, go to www.backtoschoolchandler.org to read the general donation item list, as well as an item supply list per grade level for those wanting to provide stuffed backpacks.

Volunteer your time. There will be many opportunities to lend a hand during the campaign. To sign up for this event, or to look at future opportunities, visit www.backtoschoolchandler.org.

Sponsorships. There are many opportunities for businesses to help out. You can also help by participating in fundraising events held by sponsors. Mark your calendars now, the Whole Foods located at Ray Road and Loop 101 will donate 5 percent of the total store purchases made on June 17 to Operation Back to School. Help us spread the word, and don't forget to shop at Whole Foods on June 17!

For more information on Operation Back to School Chandler, contact Niki Tapia at 480-782-2214.



Neighborhood Memorial Day Memories



Did you know that Memorial Day was traditionally celebrated on the 30th of May each year, but was changed by Congress to the last Monday in May in order to

provide a three day holiday weekend? This three-day weekend kicks-off the beginning of the warm Arizona weather and get-togethers with family, friends and neighbors. What better way to celebrate your patriotism than to have an informal neighborhood barbecue with all the fixings and have your guests sport patriotic gear and talk

about what Memorial Day and Fourth of July means to them?

The Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC) would like to know how your neighborhood celebrated and remembered those whose lives were lost while protecting our country. Please send photos of you and your neighbors with a brief description of your event and email them to neighborhood.programs@chandleraz.gov. Your neighborhood could be chosen to be in the fall edition of News for Neighbors!

Dorsha Hale

Neighborhood Advisory Committee Member

MORE SPECIAL EVENTS!

Chandler Public Library Summer Reading Program

June 1 - August 1

Readers can earn points by reading books, e-Books, magazines, graphic novels and audiobooks. Points can be redeemed on a variety of prizes including food coupons and books. For more information, call

480-782-2800 or visit

www.chandlerlibrary.org

How to Keep Your Water Bill From Soaking You



Last year, Chandler water efficiency evaluation (water audit) participants saved over 17 million gallons of water after following advice from the City's Water Conservation Office. That's 57,750 gallons of water per audit and thousands of dollars saved by residents!

A water audit is simply a free on-site review of water-using fixtures, hardware, equipment, landscaping, and management practices to determine the efficiency of your home's water use. Once you request an audit, a Chandler Water Conservation Specialist will tour your property to show how you can locate leaks and learn practical ways to repair them. We'll even give you money-saving rebate and incentive information.

A separate landscape irrigation assistance program for HOA's and commercial properties is also available and includes preparation of a water budget to help determine landscape water efficiency. In 2014, 20 non-residential audits saved 2.5 million gallons of water.

For more information, or to schedule a water audit, call the City of Chandler Water Conservation Office at 480-782-3583, or email us at conserve@chandleraz.gov.

You can also visit the "How to Check for a Water Leak" page on our website by visiting www.chandleraz.gov/water or take the On Line Water Challenge at www.wateruseitwisely.com.

Cathy Rymer

Water Conservation Coordinator

July 4th

Fireworks Spectacular

Saturday, July 4

Tumbleweed Park

2250 S. McQueen Rd

7 p.m.

Fireworks at 9 p.m.

Parking \$5 per vehicle

For more information, visit

www.chandleraz.gov/4thofjuly

Celebrate Park & Recreation Month with Chandler

July 2015 marks 30 years of National Park and Recreation Month! The Parks & Recreation Division is celebrating by offering an array of retro theme programs at 80's prices or for FREE!

For more information, visit

www.chandleraz.gov/breaktime

Save the Date - Neighborhood Academies

Fall HOA Academy

This Academy is for residents living in a Homeowner Association (HOA) and who are interested in learning more about HOA laws.

Classes will run every Thursday
from September 3 - 24
Environmental Education Center
4050 E. Chandler Heights Rd
Noon - 1 p.m.

For registration information, call 480-782-4354 or visit www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods

Fall Traditional Neighborhood Academy

This Academy is for residents living in a non-HOA neighborhood and who want to make a difference in their neighborhood.

Workshops will run every Wednesday
from September 30 - October 21
Chandler City Hall, Second Floor - Training Room B
175 S. Arizona Avenue
6 - 8 p.m.

For registration information, call 480-782-4354 or visit www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods

Special Events!

Take Flight:

Aviation through the Ages

Monday, July 13

Sunset Library

2 - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, July 14

Hamilton Library

10 a.m. - Noon

Wednesday, July 15

Downtown Library

1 - 3 p.m.

Participants will explore the history of Chandler's Williams Air Force Base and the planes that were there during World War II, make their own plane from household materials, chart a flight route on a map, and more! For more information, visit www.chandleraz.gov/museum

Homeschool Day at the EEC

Thursday, August 26

Environmental Education Center

4050 E. Chandler Heights Rd

9 a.m.

Homeschool Days are designed for families to learn together while exploring the environment of the Sonoran Desert and sustainability through hands-on learning activities that support the academic standards set by the Arizona State Board of Education. For more information, call 480-782-2886

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Chandler Police on Financial Scams



Don't give a burglar a helping hand. Check your landscaping, lighting, fences, peep holes, dead bolts on doors, windows with secondary locking devices and your alarm system. These are things you should think about as you survey your home. Please call us if you wish to have a home security survey. Each precinct has a Crime Prevention Officer that can provide advice and assistance.

I also want you to think about scams. We are hearing and seeing more financial scams and want to make you aware of an important one. Your red flag warning system ought to go up as soon as someone starts talking about fees, gifts, grants and sending money. One of the latest scams is the concept of reloadable debit cards. This is another version of the scenario where you get a check in the mail and in order for it to be processed you need to send back fees to the issuer. You may not get the check they sent you and if you do, it bounces. Since

many people have become aware of the wire transfer fraud method, bad guys are now using debit cards. One of the latest and greatest victims to this scam is the Green Dot Card System, a legitimate and loadable debit card. The scam works similarly, but the scam letter now tells the victims to buy a Green Dot Money Pak, which is available at many retailers. The Money Paks are used to top off Green Dot debit cards. The victim sends the details of the card to a "broker" of sorts and then the information on the card is used to load up the bad guy's debit card, which is then quickly used at the ATM to get cash. This sort of method is fast and acts as money transfer bypassing traditional wire transfer companies and offers far more secrecy.

If anyone is directing you to transfer money, provide a debit card or simplify the payment process using a system you have not traditionally used, don't do it. There are hundreds of scams out there so please take a moment to verify if it is legitimate. For safety tips and information, visit www.chandlerpd.com.

Commander Gregg Jacquin

Chandler is Counting on You for the U.S. Census



Households in south Chandler and portions of east Chandler were mailed postcards in March and April asking them to participate in a U. S. Census Test. The postcards directed residents to a website to complete a questionnaire. Anyone not responding will now receive a personal visit from a Census Bureau interviewer in an attempt to gather the information.

Door-to-door visits will occur through June 23 and Census workers will be wearing identification badges. If someone wants to verify that a person

knocking on their door is from the U. S. Census Bureau, call 855-236-2020 and select Option 3.

The Census Bureau is testing new procedures and methods in advance of the nationwide 2020 Census. The goal is to use the results to develop operations for the 2020 national Census that will save money while maintaining accuracy and data quality.

"I applaud the Census Bureau for working to incorporate the internet and new technologies into the collection of Census data," Mayor Jay Tibshraeny said. "I ask every Chandler resident to please participate."

Receive free e-mail updates about current Chandler news and events! Register today at <http://www.chandleraz.gov/listserv.aspx>



Chandler City Council - Front Row from left: Councilmember Jack Sellers, Mayor Jay Tibshraeny and Councilmember Rick Heumann. Back row from left: Councilmember Nora Ellen, Vice Mayor Kevin Hartke, Councilmember Terry Roe and Councilmember René Lopez

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

