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City of Chandler Neighborhood Programs

Neighborhood Updates

2015 Mayor’s Listening Tour

Fall Meeting
Wednesday, September 16
Sanborn Elementary
700 N. Superstition Blvd
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.

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Chandler is a great place to live because of the hard work of its residents as well as the City Council and City staff. I appreciate your support. 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 and visit the City’s award-winning website at www.chandleraz.gov for more news on the community. Stay cool Chandler!

Mayor Jay Tibshraeny
**Code Enforcement on Pool Maintenance**

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

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- **Conditions to Report:**
  - Standing water
  - Pools lacking proper barriers and fence mechanisms
  - Dogs entering and leaving pools

For more information, call 480-782-0170 or visit www.chandleraz.gov/ VectControl.

**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!

**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 75,750 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 you how you can locate leaks and learn practical ways to repair them. We’ll even give you money-saving rebate and incentive information.

**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 volunteer organizations 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:

1. **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.
2. **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.
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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, contact Niki Tapia at 480 782-2214.

Save the Date - Neighborhood Academies

Fall HOA Academy
This Academy is for residents living in a Homeowners Association (HOA) and who are interested in learning more about HOA laws.
Classes will run every Thursday from September 3 to November 19
For registration information, call 480-782-4354 or visit www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhood

Fall Traditional Neighborhood Academy
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Special Events!

Take Flight: Aviation through the Ages

Monday, July 13
Sunset Library
2 - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, July 14
Hammond 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 learn about sustainability through hands on activities that support the academic environment of the Sonoran Desert and make their own plane from household materials, chart a flight route on a map, and learn about sustainability through hands on activities that support the academic environment of the Sonoran Desert.

You can explore the history of Aviation through the Ages at the Environmental Education Center (ECC) in downtown Chandler. Homeschool Day at the EEC will be held on Wednesday, July 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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For more information, call 480-782-2186

Chandler City Council
- Front Row from left: Councilmember Jack Sellers, Mayor Jay Tibshraeny and Councilmember Rick Neuhaus. Back row from left: Councilmember Sara Ellen, Vice Mayor Paul Pichardo, Councilmember Terry Rive and Councilmember René Lopez

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