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Mayor's Listening Tour

Tuesday, Sept. 13
Hartford Sylvia Encinas Elementary
700 N. Hartford St.
7 p.m.

Mayor's Day of Play

Saturday, Oct. 22
Tumbleweed Park
2250 S. McQueen Road
9 a.m. to noon

Safety and Veterans Expo (SAVE)

Saturday, Nov. 5
Chandler Municipal Airport
2380 S. Stinson Way
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Neighborhood News



As the weather begins to cool down, it's time once again to make a to-do list to keep our neighborhoods strong and successful. Here are a few things to consider:

Attend my next Listening Tour event on Sept. 13 at Hartford Sylvia Encinas Elementary School, 700 N. Hartford St. It begins at 7 p.m., but staff from several City departments will have display tables set up early for you to learn about the many programs and services we offer. The event also is a great time to share challenges and discuss opportunities with your neighbors and members of the City Council.

Get active Chandler as we bring back the Mayor's Day of Play on Saturday, Oct. 22, at Tumbleweed Park. The free event runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and

offers dozens of free activities for the whole family. So, come spend the morning at Tumbleweed Park as we promote everything great about our community. The activities will get the kids playing, while parents explore the various booths on health, wellness and fitness.

Mark your calendars for my newest event called SAVE (Safety And Veterans Expo) on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Chandler Municipal Airport. This event combines our annual Veterans Expo, Do-It-Yourself Connect and the Police Department's "Fall Into Safety" crime prevention fair. More details will appear on the City's website as we get closer to the big day.

And don't forget to follow me on Twitter at twitter.com/jaytibshraeny.

Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

Neighborhood Excellence Awards

The Neighborhood Programs Office, in partnership with the Chandler Police Crime Prevention Unit, invite residents to vote online for their favorite neighborhood event as part of the Mayor's Neighborhood Excellence Awards. The winners will be announced on Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Police Department – Main Station, 250 E. Chicago St., beginning at 10 a.m., as part of the 2016 GAIN Kickoff event. The Mayor's Choice will receive first pick and the People's Choice will receive second

pick in the GAIN Lottery for Police resources. Additionally, both winning neighborhoods will receive a choice of a bounce house or canopy and up to \$50 for eligible items for their event. In addition, a member or members of City Council will be scheduled to attend the winners' neighborhood GAIN event.

Online voting will begin Sept. 12 through Sept. 16. To vote, visit chandleraz.gov/connect.

SPECIAL EVENTS!

Fall Break Time

The Fall Break Time magazine outlining all-ages recreation classes, youth camps and special events for September, October and November is available at City offices, libraries, recreation and aquatic centers and online. For more information, call 480-782-2727 or visit chandleraz.gov/breaktime.

C-Town Suitcase Club

Tuesday, Sept. 20 - Chores
Tuesday, Oct. 18 - S'mores
Tuesday, Nov. 15 - Lores

Chandler Museum
300 S. Chandler Village Drive
10 - 11 a.m.

Travel through time and explore history through hands-on activities! This monthly early childhood program is for 3-5 year old participants and their caregivers. For more information, visit chandlermuseum.org.

STEM Saturday

Saturday, Oct. 8
Urban Gardening

Saturday, Nov. 12
Old Time Communication

Chandler Museum
300 S. Chandler Village Drive
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Enjoy science experiments with the whole family! This program is free and is presented by the Museum of Science and Sustainability. For more information, visit chandlermuseum.org.

NAC's Corner - G.A.I.N. Event



Summer is finally over, school is back in session and it's time again for the annual G.A.I.N. (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods) Event. This is an event where neighborhoods across

Chandler come together for block parties and potlucks. It's an opportunity to reconnect or meet new neighbors and promote safety. And it gets better! The Chandler Police Department brings out McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog, the Mobile Command Center, K-9 units and other resources to YOUR neighborhood. It's an "instant" neighborhood meeting that the kids and neighbors alike will love! In addition, starting this year, the G.A.I.N. Event is part of the Mayor's Neighborhood Excellence Awards. It's our City's way of spotlighting engaged

neighborhoods throughout Chandler. All you need to do is take pictures of your event and submit them with a short description of why your event was the best neighborhood event.

Take advantage of these informative and fun resources offered by attending the G.A.I.N. Kickoff registration event on Saturday, Sept. 24, at 10 a.m. at the Police Main Station, 250 E. Chicago St. The G.A.I.N. Event itself will be held on Saturday, Oct. 22, from 3 - 8 p.m. For more information, visit chandlerpd.com.

For more information on the Neighborhood Excellence Awards, visit chandleraz.gov/connect.

*Marc Young, Chair
Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC)*

Don't Swim in Stormwater Runoff



When it rains in Chandler, retention basins and parks will occasionally fill up with stormwater. It may seem like a great way to cool off, but swimming in stormwater runoff can pose serious health and safety risks.

Stormwater runoff flows across the ground and picks up pollutants like pet waste, oils, gas, pesticides, fertilizers, household chemicals, and litter. Stormwater runoff does not go to a water treatment plant – it enters our retention basins, parks, greenbelts and community lakes untreated.

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Swimming in stormwater-filled retention basins could make you sick. Fecal bacteria and e-coli (from human and pet waste) are commonly found in runoff, and can infect you by entering your mouth, nose, eyes or open sores.

You can help reduce the amount of pollutants that enter our storm system by picking up after your pets, using fertilizers and pesticides sparingly, washing vehicles at a commercial car wash, and fixing leaking vehicles. Those are just a few ways you can "Be the Solution to Stormwater Pollution!"

For more information on stormwater pollution prevention, please visit chandleraz.gov/stormwater.

*Greg Wise
Stormwater Program Specialist*

Community Pet Corner

The Save a Stray Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that was created in 2015 with the goal of reducing the overpopulation of stray and feral cats that are roaming the streets. The Save a Stray Foundation is offering Chandler residents an opportunity to get involved in their community by volunteering to learn how to implement Trap, Neuter and Release (TNR), which is an effective and humane way to control the overpopulation of stray and feral cats. Once you learn the steps for TNR, you and your neighbors can work together to

successfully implement a cat management program in your neighborhood.

For more information on the Save a Stray Foundation and/or to volunteer, visit saveastrayfoundation.org/volunteer/ and complete their online form to begin volunteering in your community.



Code Enforcement Welcomes New Manager



The City of Chandler Code Enforcement Office welcomes Stephen Erno! Stephen brings 30 years of public service experience to the City of Chandler as the new Neighborhood Preservation Manager.

also includes was the City of Glendale, the City of Phoenix and the State of Arizona Attorney General's Office. Stephen obtained his Master's Degree in Public Administration from Arizona State University and his undergraduate degree from Ottawa University. He is an active member of the Arizona City/County Management Association, and currently serves as Vice-President of the Code Enforcement League of Arizona.

Daniel Anderson, Senior Code Inspector

Stephen comes from the City of Avondale, where he served as the Code Enforcement Division Manager. His previous public service experience

Going for the Green



Fall is here and that means overseeding season is upon us! More lawns are overwatered in the winter months than in summer. The option of having a year-round

green lawn requires considerable investment in labor, materials and additional water. Using the proper techniques can save you money and help avoid spikes in water consumption. Here are a few tips for establishing a winter lawn.

- 2 weeks before overseeding, cut the watering frequency in half (do not shut the water off).

The overseeding process is very stressful to Bermuda grass. When this process is repeated year after year, the grass may become so weak that it becomes thin or dies out in patches leaving bare spots when the rye dies in late spring. An option is to allow your Bermuda lawn to rest or go dormant for the winter season once every 3 - 4 years. Non overseeded Bermuda grass will begin greening up as early as February or March.

For a full list of tips or additional information, visit chandleraz.gov/water.

*Cathy Rymer
Water Conservation Coordinator*

- Wait to overseed until nighttime temperatures are consistently below 65F, usually mid-October to mid-November.
- Do not fertilize 4 - 6 weeks before overseeding. It slows the growth of the grass.

2016 Cultural Events!

Mariachi & Folklorico Festival

Saturday, Oct. 1
Chandler Center for the Arts
250 N. Arizona Ave.
7 p.m.



Chandler Indian Art Market

Saturday, Oct. 8 &
Sunday Oct. 9
AJ Chandler Park
3 S. Arizona Ave.
Hours Vary



Miss Indian AZ Scholarship Program

Saturday, Oct. 8
Chandler Center for the Arts
250 N. Arizona Ave.
7 p.m.



Chandler - Tullamore Sister Cities SW Tea

Saturday, Nov. 19
Chandler Community Center
125 E. Commonwealth Ave.
11 a.m.



chandleraz.gov/diversity

MORE SPECIAL EVENTS!

Trivia Night with Hipstorian Marshall Shore

Tuesday, Sept. 20
The Ostrich Bar
Crowne Plaza San Marcos Resort
1 San Marcos Pl.
7 - 9 p.m.

Attendees will be able to enjoy delicious food and some of the best cocktails in the Valley while their knowledge of Chandler is tested. For more information, visit chandlermuseum.org.

Sonoran Sunset Series

Thursday, Oct. 20
Thursday, Nov. 17

Environmental Education Center
4050 E. Chandler Heights Road
6 - 7 p.m.

This FREE entertainment series is for the whole family! Bring blankets, chairs and food. Snacks and beverages will be available for a small fee. For more information, call 480-782-2890.

Urban Fishing Clinic & Outdoor Safety Event

Saturday, Nov. 5
Environmental Education Center
4050 E. Chandler Heights Road
8:30 a.m. to noon

Sports fishing instructors from Arizona Game & Fish will provide free instruction and free bait and loan rods and reels. Chandler PD will have booths and vehicles on display. For additional information, call 480-782-2890.

Special Events!

Chandler Golf Challenge

Friday, Nov. 11
Bear Creek Golf Course
500 E. Riggs Road
12:30 p.m.

This golf tournament benefits individuals with disabilities by offering educational scholarships and supporting Special Olympics programs in Chandler. The tournament includes a round of golf, cart, dinner, raffle and more! Cost is \$85 per person and includes a polo shirt or \$325 per foursome. For more information, call 480-782-2890.

Woofstock

Saturday, Nov. 19
Tumbleweed Park
2250 S. McQueen Road
9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Chandler is proud to partner with the American Service Animal Society and Maricopa County Animal Care & Control for this special free event that is sure to make everyone howl with joy. Bring the entire family out for a day of tail waggin' activities!

For more information, visit chandleraz.gov/woofstock.

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Challenging times bring clarity in our purpose, resolve in our effort and a sense of appreciation that we work in a community with engaged citizens that make an effort to stay involved. We work to make a difference every day and do so recognizing that much of our effort is balanced with the effort of the public, and the trust we work to gain with each and every person. In everything we do, and across the City of Chandler, we recognize that people count and relationships matter, and fundamentally this is the foundation for programs, movement and achievement, which is why you are so important.

We would like to remind you that one of the ways the public can help and make a statement is by participating in our annual G.A.I.N. Event (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods). This is an opportunity to show your support for your neighbors and community and make a statement about what is important to you and the expectations we all share for one another. This year's event will take place Saturday, Oct. 22, from 3 - 8 p.m. This is one of the best ways to get to know your neighbors and share information.



Experience a rare, up-close look at Western history during this free, family-friendly culinary event. Enjoy live music, Western history, cooking demonstrations, unique vendors and more! Authentic 1880s chuck wagon teams from around the West use historic cooking methods to create the best meals fit for the trail. Meal tickets are \$15 and sell quickly!

Receive free email updates about current Chandler news and events! Register today at chandleraz.gov/subscriptions.aspx



Chandler City Council - Front Row from left: Vice Mayor 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.



People Count & Relationships Matter

Another event we would like to share with you is the 2nd Annual Event, "A Focus On Understanding and Hope", sponsored by the Chandler Police Department in partnership with Valley Hope. This is an opportunity to come together for resources, discussions and presentations designed to create awareness around recovery and inspire Champions of Hope. This event will touch on issues of mental health, physical and mental Disabilities, PTSD, prevention and recovery and substance use disorder. This event will take place on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Chandler Center for the Arts and will be preceded by the Voices of Hope March that will start at 7 a.m. at Valley Hope of Chandler.

These are just a few of the events important to building understanding and support among community members. The reality is that police are often thrust into complicated matters surrounding everyday life that manifests in a variety of ways. It goes without saying that in many instances we will be there when others are not. However, it is always easier to navigate the path when the members of the community help pave the way. Thank you for your support.

Commander Gregg Jacquin, Chandler Police

Chandler Chuck Wagon Cook-Off

This event is hosted by the Chandler Museum and Partners of Tumbleweed Ranch. Funds raised help develop educational outreach opportunities at Tumbleweed Ranch. For more information, visit chandleraz.gov/chuckwagon or call 480-782-2751.

Tumbleweed Ranch - 2250 S. McQueen Road

Friday, Nov. 11 - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 12 - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

