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2016 Mayor's Listening Tour

Fall Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 13

Hartford Sylvia Encinas Elementary
700 N Hartford St.
7 p.m.

Neighborhood News



Summer is here and that means the Mayor's Listening Tour is on a short break. Our next Tour stop will be Wednesday, Sept. 13, at Hartford Sylvia Encinas Elementary

School, 700 N. Hartford St. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. It's always great to come back to the school I attended growing up here in Chandler, and I look forward to the event.

Our April meeting at Knox Gifted Academy was a great success with more than 50 residents in attendance. We also used that event to announce our Neighborhood Excellence winners. Congratulations to:

- The Pepperwood Neighborhood for Best Revitalization Story
- The Springs for Most Active and Engaged Neighborhood
- The Southwest Shawnee Park Neighborhood for Best Neighborhood Event
- And David Wolff of the Dobson Estates III Neighborhood for Leader of the Year

Summer is a great time to explore the many park and recreational amenities we offer residents throughout the community. But remember, if you choose to exercise outdoors this time of year, take a few extra precautions. Exercise in the mornings when temperatures are coolest. Work out in the shade if you can, and always – always -- drink plenty of water.

A good alternative to the heat is the vast array of indoor programming available for neighbors of all ages. It seems as if there is always something happening – with plenty of events at the Senior Center, Snedigar Recreation Center, Tennis Center, Environmental Education Center and at all four of our branch libraries.

And, don't forget about our six aquatic facilities or the backyard pool. If you do enjoy family time in the pool, remember that with the fun comes responsibility. There is no greater duty than to be vigilant with kids around water.

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

Mayor Jay Tibshraeny



SPECIAL EVENTS!

Summer 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 chandleraz.gov/breaktime

Chandler Museum for Summer Learning

Ready, Set, Go! Chandler's Sports History

Chandler is home to Arizona's first grass golf course and home to professional athletes, including world champions and Olympians. Attendees will design a golf course, create their own team pennant and learn about hometown boxing hero, Zora Folley. For dates, times and locations, call 480-782-2717 or visit chandlermuseum.org

Explore Your Roots: Genealogy for Kids

The Chandler Museum will provide tools for youth to learn about their family history and record their genealogy. Participants will complete various activities and take home a journal to record family memories.

For dates, times and locations, call 480-782-2717 or visit chandlermuseum.org

NAC's Corner - The Tides of Community



Born and raised in LA, I learned to coexist sharing a room with three brothers, sharing space with a 1,000 kids in high school and sharing a condo with four roommates in college.

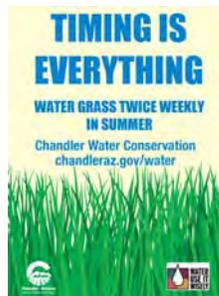
In Chandler, I thrive. In 2005, I relished the new change in scenery and inhaled deeply. Fresh air! It hit me like a blast furnace. After the scalding wore off, I caught a glimpse of the future. A person can really grow out here. Farmlands still create awe when you know the ingenuity and hard work early settlers put in to get the town started. The speed of growth also induces moments of wonder as you see new malls, freeways, planned communities and luxury apartments transform the City. The transformation from a small-town feel to a midsize hustle-and-bustle city can leave you feeling like you're truly riding a wave of momentum towards

the future. That wave is composed of thousands of hands that belong to hard working citizens, from the bus drivers to the police officers; from early education teachers to local community-service organizers; from the bankers to the baristas; from mom-and-pop shop owners to high-tech developers. The list would not be complete without families and neighborhoods. One weekend project at a time, we are all transforming Chandler into an amazing, thriving city that also is home. I have seen great people give their time and effort to beautify the City from picking up litter, to pulling weeds, to helping a neighbor in need.

As part of this community, I am helping all my neighbors be aware of the constant need to improve our City and to be the change they want to see in our community. Ask not what someone can do for you but rather what you can do for someone else. Get involved in the community tide - you won't believe how powerful the wave can be!

*Marvin Martinez, Committee Member
Neighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC)*

Timing is Everything



One way to make sure your lawn is prepared for the scorching temperatures of summer is to 'train' the roots to grow deep. If you water your lawn every day, water only moistens the top few inches of soil encouraging shallow roots. Watering deeply (to at least 6 inches) helps establish deep roots and allows the moisture to remain in the root zone longer, which means you don't need to water as often. Irrigating your lawn two to three times a week in summer is all that's needed.

Water at Night - Make sure you only water when the sun is down or during the cool morning hours to reduce evaporation loss.

Repair All Leaks - Leaks in your irrigation system may not be noticeable unless your system is running. Turn your controller on manually and walk your property looking for broken sprinkler heads, missing emitters or breaks in irrigation piping or tubing.

Fertilizing - Lush lawns look great, but heavily fertilized lawns use more water and are more susceptible to heat stress. To green up a lawn without excessive growth try slow release fertilizers or those with water soluble (chelated) iron.

Mowing - Remove only one third of the grass length at each mowing as cutting too much at once stresses the grass. Mow tall to increase shading of the soil and reduce soil water loss from evaporation.

Dethatching - A tightly intermingled layer of dead and living stems, roots and leaves called thatch, can accumulate between the green vegetation and the soil causing grass roots growing there to quickly dry out requiring you to water more often. Dethatch during the summer months so your Bermuda grass can recover quickly (not before overseeding).

The Chandler Water Conservation office has FREE irrigation and landscape workshops. Email conserve@chandleraz.gov, or visit chandleraz.gov/water for more information.

*Cathy Rymer
Water Conservation Coordinator*

Code Enforcement on Home-Based Businesses



Perhaps you have been dreaming about turning your entrepreneurial passion into a real, money-making business someday –

especially a business allowing you to work from home! You may have researched some of the obvious issues: start-up costs, licenses, insurance, tax incentives and liabilities; but before you trade your dress shoes in for bedroom slippers, make sure you research whether you can legally operate your business from your home.

Home Occupations and Home-Based Businesses require Zoning Clearance. The City's zoning laws are enacted to protect neighborhoods and their residents from the real and potential harm caused by those home occupations and businesses, which are incompatible with the peace and safety of a residential neighborhood.

In order to be compatible with the surrounding residential neighborhood, home-based businesses or occupations must be conducted entirely within the living space of the home (this does not include the carport, garage or accessory building); no commodity or saleable inventory may be kept or

sold upon the premises; the business must be conducted by a member of the family residing there and may not have employees coming to the residence; the occupation or business may not use mechanical equipment other than that which is normally used for domestic, hobby, or household purposes; the occupation or business must be minor, subordinate to, and must not otherwise change the character of the main use of the home as a dwelling unit; the existence and operation of the home-based business/occupation must not affect the peace and quiet, trash, parking, traffic, or general appearance and character of the residential neighborhood.

Home occupations and home-based businesses will be considered for written zoning clearance once the required Home Based Business/ Occupation Zoning Clearance Application form is submitted to Site Development with the Planning Division. There is currently no fee for the application or the zoning clearance. For additional information, or to obtain the zoning clearance application or to report a home based business that is incompatible with your neighborhood, please contact Senior Site Development Inspector, Terri Fitzhugh at 480-782-3061.

*Daniel Anderson, Senior Code Inspector
Code Enforcement*

MORE SPECIAL EVENTS!

July 4th Fireworks Spectacular!

Monday, July 4
Tumbleweed Park
2250 S. McQueen Rd
4:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Celebrate America and our heritage at this traditional fireworks show on Independence Night! Fireworks will begin at 9:30 p.m. For more information, visit chandleraz.gov/4thofjuly

Aquatic Summer Events!

Summer is here and Chandler Aquatics has all the swimming programs you are looking for! Chandler has six aquatic centers that are open for the summer and offering various programs ranging from lap swim classes to water safety classes. Admission fees for children (2-17 years) is \$1; Adults (18-54 years) is \$2.25; Senior (55 years and older) is \$1.25. Punch and season passes also are available for purchase. For hours, locations and swim programs, call 480-782-2733 or visit chandleraz.gov/aquatics

Summer Announcements!

4th of JULY WEEK

Recycling & Trash Collection Schedule

Place your can at the curb by 6 AM the day *after* your regular collection day

MONDAY, July 4	→	TUESDAY, July 5
TUESDAY, July 5	→	WEDNESDAY, July 6
WEDNESDAY, July 6	→	THURSDAY, July 7
THURSDAY, July 7	→	FRIDAY, July 8
FRIDAY, July 8	→	SATURDAY, July 9

Recycling-Solid Waste Collection Center
CLOSED - July 4 → REOPENS - July 7

Solid Waste Services
480-782-3510
chandleraz.gov/recycle

Operation Back to School Chandler is back in action for July 2016!

Get Involved:

- Donate Items
- Event Sponsorship
- Volunteer Opportunities
- General Event Information

WWW.BACKTOSCHOOLCHANDLER.ORG

Save the Date - Fall HOA Academy

Sept. 1 - 22 (Thursdays)
Noon - 1:30 p.m.

The HOA Academy is for Chandler residents living in a homeowner's association and who want to learn more about HOA law. For registration information, call 480-782-4354 or visit chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods

Special Events!

Summer Reading Program at Chandler Public Library!

June 1 – August 1

On your Mark, Get Set...READ! The 2016 Summer Reading Program at the Chandler Public Library begins June 1. The theme will focus on fitness, movement, sports, health and wellness and will be used in a variety of ways throughout the summer. In addition to each library location hosting their own "kickoff" events, they also will have programs about Chandler's Sports History, nutrition and fitness tips, crafts and movies. There also will be a bicycle rodeo before closing the reading program. As part of the reading program, each participant will be challenged to read 1,000 minutes and track it online through the Maricopa County Library District website. Teens will be able to enter for raffle prizes including an iPad mini and adults can enter to win a FitBit! For more information, call 480-782-2800 or visit chandlerlibrary.org

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We Are the City



We are all "the City" in everything we do in all of our unique ways. The Chandler Police Department works best with the collective support of those that live and work in our community. Every day we respond to the concerns of our citizens, and every day we fight to earn your trust and help as our neighbors, being as much a part of the City of Chandler as we are. Oftentimes when we tackle an issue in a particular neighborhood from a police perspective, we find that it's not just a police matter, but a City matter as well. We continually reach out to other City departments in search of comprehensive solutions that may require two or three departments participating together. To that point, our most powerful partners are you - the other part that makes up this community. We all own the issues we face and most importantly we all have the ability to impact the results.

It is often mentioned in these messages that we want you to remain vigilant, engaged and ever present when it comes to your neighborhood. We also need partnerships to be more effective. As we combat crime and disorder we ask that if you are involved in an organization or group that wants to get involved in the community, that you reach out to us so we can work together and find solutions to

common problems. Our department is always looking for ways to increase our effectiveness and outreach. Our Precinct Commanders are available for suggestions and our precinct Crime Prevention Officers are available to work with groups and organizations and build partnerships.

So we ask that you think about the ability you have as individuals and groups, and think how we may best bring them together to make our community powerful and effective in achieving the best quality of life we can. Meeting, talking, sharing a cup of coffee, or speaking to your group is always important in the effort to attach the uniform to the community. As always, we encourage you to explore our website at chandlerpd.gov and visit us on Facebook.

As always, make the business of your neighborhood the business of our partnership.

*Commander Gregg Jacquin
Chandler Police Department*

Thank You Academy Sponsors!

The Neighborhood Programs Office would like to thank Walmart Neighborhood Market and Whole Foods Market for sponsoring the 2016 Traditional Neighborhood Academy! Your sponsorship helped the Traditional Neighborhood Academy be fun, successful and tasty!

The Traditional Neighborhood Academy is for residents living in non-HOA neighborhoods who

want to take a leadership role and make a difference in their neighborhoods.



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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.

