

Ostrich Festival

at Tumbleweed Park

Friday, MARCH 13 - 2250 S. McQueen
Sunday, MARCH 15

The Ostrich Festival is a community family event featuring live ostrich races and ostrich-themed activities, national and regional entertainment, carnival midway, spectacular food, upscale arts & crafts, and much more. The Chandler Ostrich Festival and its activities are owned by the Chandler Chamber of Commerce and produced by Universal Fairs. For more information on all Ostrich Festival activities, please call 480-963-4571 or visit www.ostrichfestival.com.



Mayor's Ostrich Festival 5K Fun Run and Parade

in Downtown Chandler

Saturday, MARCH 7
8 a.m. • Mayor's Ostrich Festival 5K Fun Run
10 a.m. • Parade

Mayor's Ostrich Festival 5K Fun Run welcomes all ages and abilities, everyone is invited to participate. The parade will follow the fun run. Route begins on Ray Road and Arizona Avenue, travels south on Arizona Avenue to Chicago Street. Parade entries will be judged and prizes awarded. Your community organization can participate in the parade by calling the Chandler Chamber of Commerce. For more information please go to www.ostrichfestival.com or call 480-963-4571.



Are you between 14 and 17 years old and looking for something to do this summer?
JOIN THE LEADERS IN TRAINING PROGRAM!
See page 56 for more information!

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

You choose the party and we do the rest!

SEE PAGE 91 FOR DETAILS!



TEEN
Art & Photography Contest
See page 57 for more information.

SPICE of LIFE

SENIOR VARIETY SHOW

WEDNESDAY | **MARCH 18 • 2 p.m.**
THURSDAY | **MARCH 19 • 7 p.m.**
See page 71 for more information.



NEW REGISTRATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM!

The Chandler Community and Neighborhood Services Department's new registration and reservation system was implemented on November 1, 2014. **If you haven't already, you will need to create an ACTIVE Net® account in order to complete activity registration or reservations online.** See pages 13-15 for more information. **While creating your new account, please make sure to renew your subscription to Break Time or you will no longer receive it.** Due to our new registration system it will be necessary for all current Break Time subscription holders to "renew" their subscription through ACTIVE Net®. See page 4 for instructions.

www.chandleraz.gov/registration

WHAT'S YOUR ACTIVE?

Please see more Special Events and Programs on pages 8-9 and on the back cover!



Follow us on Instagram and Twitter @ChandlerRec and find Chandler Recreation on Facebook and YouTube!

CHANDLER CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

Councilmembers: Nora Ellen, Kevin Hartke, Rick Heumann, Rene Lopez, Terry Roe, and Jack Sellers.

Contact the Mayor and Council at 480-782-2200 or by email at Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov.



A Message from Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

As we leave the winter behind, now is the perfect time to “spring” into a new wellness plan. Warmer temperatures afford the perfect opportunity to utilize the many recreational amenities and programs we offer here in Chandler.

And this year, fitness pros across the country are saying the new trend will be...old school. Good old-fashioned body-weight training. You know, the

stuff you learned way back in gym class.

That means you can take full advantage of all the City has to offer in terms of gyms, trails, sport courts, golf courses and recreation centers. This issue of Break Time is a great guide to set you on the path to better health! Within these pages are literally hundreds of activities for people of all ages. Take a few minutes to explore all we have to offer and start making your plans today.

We are also organizing another wellness fair to help you coordinate your efforts toward a healthier body and mind. My 3rd annual “Health Connect” expo will take place on Saturday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Tumbleweed Recreation Center, located at Tumbleweed Park (the southwest corner of McQueen and Germann roads). This year, we are making it a true multigenerational event with speakers, vendors and activities geared to people of all ages.

The free, family oriented health and fitness expo is co-sponsored by Dignity Health (Chandler Regional Medical Center).

For more health tips, visit www.chandleraz.gov/connect; or follow me on Twitter @jaytibshraeny. Spring is in the air Chandler, let’s get healthy!

Sincerely,

Jay Tibshraeny
Mayor

Children participating in programs marked with this icon will be engaging in activities that will increase their heart rate and metabolism so that they burn more calories. For more information on youth wellness, visit www.chandlerregional.org/Health_Information.



Chandler Parks & Recreation Board

The seven-member Parks & Recreation Board assists and advises the City Council, City Manager and Community and Neighborhood Services Department staff in the development and continuing review of goals and objectives for Chandler’s park system and recreation programs.

They also assist and advise in providing essential policies, rules and regulations relating to the use of recreation facilities and programs; planning and development of park lands and recreational areas; and in establishing priorities relating to park development and recreation programs.

Board meetings are usually held the first Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. in the Council Conference Room, 88 E. Chicago St.

Board Members

- **Linda Peterson-Price, Chair**
- **Joseph Guadagno**
- **Erin Hays**
- **Bill Staples, Vice Chair**
- **Paul Rose**
- **Damon Testa**
- **Dean Visser**

Staff Liaisons:

Barbara Young, Recreation Manager

Mickey Ohland, Park Development & Operations Manager

For information on meetings of the Parks & Recreation Board, and on all other boards and committees go to www.chandleraz.gov/agendas.

Community and Neighborhood Services Department Administrative Staff

Director: **Jennifer Morrison**

Recreation Manager: **Barbara Young**

Park Development & Operations Manager: **Mickey Ohland**

Housing & Redevelopment Manager: **Kurt Knutson**

Community Resources & Diversity Manager: **Leah Powell**

Neighborhood Preservation Manager: **Malcolm Hankins**

CDBG Program Supervisor: **Barbara Bellamy**

Neighborhood Programs: **Judy Ramos**

Our Mission & Pledge

The mission of the Chandler Recreation Division is to enhance the quality of life for all residents through diverse, innovative and affordable parks and leisure opportunities.

- P**rovide leisure opportunities for all
- L**isten and learn through community involvement
- E**fficient, friendly and qualified staff
- D**are to make the difference
- G**uarantee adventurous and diversified experiences
- E**xcellence in customer service

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ON THE COVER: Families have flocked to both the ZipKrooz and the assisted ZipKrooz, for children with disabilities, since their installation at Tumbleweed Park last spring The Parks Division works hard to ensure that children of all ages and abilities have opportunities to discover, imagine and grow at City of Chandler parks.

Spring Session Dates to Remember

- The spring class session covers March, April and May.
- The spring holiday is Memorial Day on Monday, May 25.
- Registration for **Chandler residents** starts: Saturday, February 7, 2015, at 10 a.m.
- Registration for **Non-residents** starts: Friday, February 13, 2015, at 10 a.m.

▼ IMPORTANT NEW ▼ REGISTRATION INFORMATION

SUBSCRIBE TO RECEIVE

Break Time

Free!

IN YOUR MAILBOX!

Due to our new registration system it is necessary for all current Break Time subscription holders to "renew" their subscription in our new software system.

When creating a new account with ACTIVE Net® online, simply check the Break Time check box under "Email and Subscription Lists" in order to receive a copy of Break Time in the mail. For those with an existing ACTIVE Net® account, log on to your account and under "Account Option" >"Change Address" and again under "Email and Subscription Lists" check the Break Time box to start receiving yours via postal service. *We will send one per household.*

During the transition we will continue to use our current subscriber list in addition to newly registered participants through the Summer 2015 issue of Break Time.

Those who do not subscribe can pick up a copy at your neighborhood library, community center, recreation center, or other City facilities, or read it online at www.chandleraz.gov/breaktime.

Whichever method you choose, we thank you for making Break Time a part of your active lifestyle!

Break Time Production Information

For questions about classes/registration, call 480-782-2727.
For questions about Break Time delivery, call 480-782-2910.

The *Break Time* recreation guide is produced by the City of Chandler Community and Neighborhood Services Department. *Break Time* is edited and designed by Vanessa Isaula and Brooke Peterson. Questions or comments about *Break Time* can be directed to: breaktime@chandleraz.gov.

Corrections and Updates:

Although the Community and Neighborhood Services staff makes every effort to ensure each issue of Break Time is free from errors, there are times when errors or revisions in dates, times, fees, instructors or registration information do occur. We strive to correct this information in a timely manner and we recommend that you check the City's website (www.chandleraz.gov/breaktime) for up-to-date information. We appreciate your patience and understanding when these situations occur.

SUMMER 2015 BREAK TIME

The next issue of Break Time covers the summer season (June, July and August) and will be mailed the week of **April 14, 2015, to ALL BREAK TIME SUBSCRIBERS.**

The summer issue will be available for pick-up in many City facilities April 17, 2015. **Summer class registration for Chandler residents begins on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at 10 a.m. and on Friday, May 8, 2015 at 10 a.m. for non-residents.**

KITT PEAK

NATIONAL OBSERVATORY NIGHT EXCURSION

SATURDAY • APRIL 11, 2015

FROM 1 P.M.-MIDNIGHT

DEPARTS FROM SNEDIGAR RECREATION CENTER | 4500 S. BASHA RD.

RESIDENT FEE: \$69 | NON-RESIDENT FEE: \$94

Come enjoy a night under the stars like you have never seen with Chandler Recreation at Kitt Peak Observatory. The Nightly Observing Program, offers a guided tour of hands-on astronomy by reviewing the most recent advances in the field and provides an understandable perspective of our place in the cosmos. We'll use the Observatories two telescopes to take a visual journey to the stars.

Please dress warm and wear good walking shoes.

Participants can bring sealed water bottles or non-alcoholic drinks. This tour includes a light deli sandwich meal provided by the Observatory. Fee includes transportation, light deli sandwich and tour admission. Trip is designed for ages eight years and up. Participants 8-17 years old, must be accompanied by a paid adult.

Call 480-782-2640 for more information



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www.chandlerlibrary.org

SOCK HOP 50's DANCE

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APRIL 17 • 6:30-9 p.m.

COMMUNITY CENTER • 125 E. Commonwealth Ave.



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DETAILS
PLEASE SEE
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CHANDLER
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Discover. Imagine. Grow.



SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2015
FROM 9 A.M. TO NOON

at Tumbleweed Recreation Center | 745 E. Germann Rd.
A family friendly event with dozens of health conscious vendors, fitness and cooking demonstrations, speakers and giveaways! There will also be a **RACQUETBALL** tournament and a **CYCLING CLASS** in the courtyard.

Join us for these activities and so much more!

www.chandleraz.gov/connect • 480-782-2900

EXPO

SPRING Family Night at the TRC
 THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH
 FROM 5:30-7 P.M.



Enjoy a variety of different recreational activities and entertainment each week.

Youth: \$2 Resident/\$3 Non-resident
 Teens: \$3 Resident/\$5 Non-resident
 (FREE for TRC pass holders)

Here are the upcoming events to look forward to:

3/4 » "Go Green" Paper Crafts	4/15 » Everything Sprouts in Spring
3/18 » So You Think You Can Dance	5/6 » Planets are "Far Out!"
4/1 » For "Peeps" Sake	5/20 » Gone Fishin'

For more information contact the TRC at 480-782-2900

Community Nights IN THE COURTYARD

AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER
 125 E. Commonwealth Ave.

Join us for family fun on the following nights
 FROM 5:30-7 P.M.:

March 5 • St. Patrick's Day Arts & Crafts
 \$2/person

April 2 • Pictures with the Easter Bunny
 \$3/photo

May 7 • Mother's Day Card Making & Celebration
 \$3/person

For more information, contact Shaun Bishop at 480-782-2730

CHANDLER center for the arts

Chandler Center for the Arts
 25 Years



100 BROADWAY
 Sun. March 1 • 2:30pm

CESAR MILLAN LIVE!
 LEADER OF THE PACK
 LIVE TRAINING DEMONSTRATIONS
 AUDIENCE Q&A AND MUCH MORE
 Sat. March 7 • 7:30pm

CELTIC Fire
 Sun. March 8 • 2:30pm

GARIBALDI
 Fri. March 20 • 7:30pm

Paul Williams
 Sat. March 28
 7:30pm



CAMP Kidz
 SPRING CAMP
 March 9-13, 2015
 9am-3:30pm
 For Ages 7-14

SUMMER CAMP
 All Camps: 9am-3:30pm
 Ages 7 - 14

Campers work on popular song and dance combinations from smash Broadway musicals to the latest Top 40 hits. On the last day of camp, kids make their Off-Broadway Debut for family and friends at the Center.

Professional coaching in all aspects of musical theatre - dancing, singing and acting.

Camp 1 (3 weeks): June 1-19
Camp 2 (1 week): June 22-26
Camp 3 (1 week): July 6-10

WWW.CHANDLERCENTER.ORG/CAMP

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EARTH DAY CELEBRATION, AND ARBOR DAY AT THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
 9 a.m.-NOON

4050 E. Chandler Heights Rd.
 (on the northeast corner of Chandler Heights
 and Lindsay roads)

FREE Admission!

Fun and educational activities for all ages!
 Learn more about nature, the environment
 and the great outdoors!

More information at
www.chandleraz.gov/eec

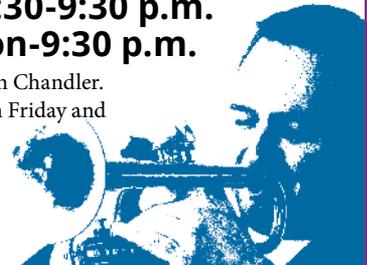


CHANDLER JAZZ FESTIVAL

2015

at **Dr. A.J. Chandler Park**
 & **March 28 • Noon-9:30 p.m.**

Enjoy **FREE** jazz concerts in Downtown Chandler.
 Listen to our headlining bands perform Friday and
 Saturday. Dance to local and regional
 performers throughout the weekend.
 Bring your blankets, favorite chair,
 umbrella and enjoy great jazz music
 with your friends.



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Family EASTER Celebration

FREE

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 • 9 A.M.-NOON
 at SNEDIGAR SPORTSPLEX • 4500 S. Basha Rd.

Easter Egg Scrambles starting at 10:30 a.m. for kids up to 9 years of age. In
 addition to the egg hunts there will be information booths, displays, interac-
 tive amusements and performances. Minimal charges for some interactive
 activities and photos with the Easter Bunny. At 11:30 a.m., there is a Family
 Easter Basket Give-Away before the event concludes at noon.

#ChandlerEaster

www.chandleraz.gov/easter

