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of the Community
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Terri Kimble, President/CEO

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Recently, I had the honor of being included in *Chandler Lifestyle Magazine's*, "Real Women of Chandler" feature. While it is truly an honor to be ranked among these incredible Chandler women, I can't emphasize enough how important it is to recognize that Chandler is cultivating such a diverse group of individuals contributing to our community. I'm talking about entrepreneurs of big business and the worker bees of our nonprofit sector, and public safety to education, these women make a difference every day.

So that is why we are so excited to feature these fabulous women at the May 16th **Women in Leadership Luncheon** at Soho 63. Please [click here](#) to see the Chandler Lifestyle article, and [click here](#) to purchase tickets to the luncheon because you won't want to miss the opportunity to see them in person, hear their stories and have the opportunity to speak with them and connect.

Then on June 1st, the Chamber is celebrating it's **30th Anniversary of the Community Awards!** This is our big awards presentation where the show never fails to entertain! This year Chandler Mayor Jay Tibshraeny will meet the Valley's iconic *Morning Mayor*, Dave Pratt! Dave will emcee the evening so it is sure to be a night you won't want to miss! Of course we will be honoring the outstanding individuals, businesses and volunteers that make our city great and our Chamber strong.

Because we are celebrating our 30th anniversary, the theme will feature a throwback to the 80's! Enjoy the music, big hair and fun and games that we all enjoyed when we were ah, 10—right? Seating is limited, so please join us to support our award winners and experience a true "blast from the past!" [Register now.](#)

Commentary from Mayor Jay Tibshraeny

@jaytibshraeny



In late March, Overstreet Chandler officially broke ground at the corner of Chandler Boulevard and Arizona Avenue. This project will be a game changer for our downtown, with a new level of energy and additional entertainment options for residents.

Overstreet Chandler will include 77,000 square feet of new restaurants -- and the Flix Brewhouse complex, making it one of the hottest destinations in the East Valley, if not the state. This will be the first Flix Brewhouse in Arizona and one of just six in the country. The chain brews its specialized craft beers on site for patrons to enjoy during a show or in the lobby bar.

The project furthers a decades-long shared vision that I have had for this area. It's been a long time coming, and I think the foresight that the developer, LGE, had for this site will be worth the wait. What we have always wanted to achieve in the downtown is a well-balanced place that embraces many uses -- from multi-family, office, entertainment and retail, to arts and culture. A true urban environment that is energized 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Having grown up in Chandler, I have seen this area undergo many changes. Some good, some not. We've overcome many challenges through the years and are now in a period of remarkable rebirth. It's very exciting to me to see the transformation. Through the combined efforts of the City, and the private development community, we are on a pretty good roll right now. In fact, this project alone is estimated to bring an economic impact of \$51 million to the City of Chandler. I want to again thank our partners at LGE -- and all of the groups that are working with us on this project. We appreciate their investment in downtown and for sharing our vision.

Just to the west of this project is the Alta San Marcos multi-family project that will soon be under construction. And, finally, we also are excited about the Site 6 project across from City Hall that the City Council unanimously approved late last year. The 169,000-square-foot development will include a multi-building office and commercial mix -- as well as additional parking. Ryan Companies is the developer, and like LGE, have a proven track record in the Valley.

All of this development will present some challenges for those coming to downtown in the coming months. But remember, there is plenty of parking on the east side of Arizona Avenue with three parking garages for your use at no charge.

I encourage you to continue to shop and dine in our downtown. With so many unique shops, galleries, restaurants and bars, there is a little something for everyone. And, don't forget the Farmers Market each Thursday from 4-7 p.m., and the monthly Art Walks. Both are sponsored by our partners at the Downtown Chandler Community Partnership.

Ribbon Cuttings



Ribbon Sponsor



The Beehive Studio
3450 W Chandler Blvd Suite 113
Chandler, AZ 85226



Vaya Salon
10 N San Marcos Pl., Suite C
Chandler, AZ 85225



Verde Salon
950 E Riggs Rd #5
Chandler, AZ 85249



6th Annual Ultimate Ribbon Cutting
@ FORM Prosperity Wealth Advisors
1490 S Price Rd
Chandler, AZ 85286

Chamber Monthly Event Guide

Events and Programs to Help You Learn and Prosper
Register for events on calendar page of chandlerchamber.com



Wake Up Chandler

Wednesday, May 10

7:30 am to 9:30 am

Kneaders

[REGISTER](#)

Public Policy Series

Friday, May 12

Chamber Office

8am to 9:30 am

202 Extension

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Women in Leadership

Tuesday, May 16

10:30 am to 11:30 am Mentoring

11:30 am to Noon Networking

Noon to 1:30 pm Keynote/Lunch

Real Women of Chandler

Power Panel

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Business After Business

Thursday, May 18

5 pm to 7 pm

Washington Federal

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Ask an Expert

Tuesday, May 30

Chamber Office

Noon to 1 pm

“Selling Your Business”

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Coffee with Congressman Biggs

Wednesday, May 31

Chamber Office

8 am to 9 am

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**Celebrating 30 years
of excellence**



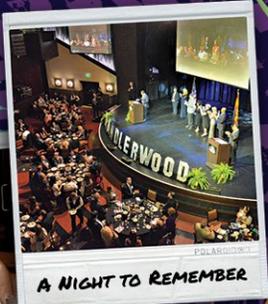
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CHANDLERS ANGELS



CONNECTIONS



A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

JUNE 1, 2017

**5:30pm Registration &
Cocktail Reception**
6:00pm Dinner/Program

**Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino
(Hotel is attached to the casino)
5040 Wild Horse Pass Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85226**

REGISTER <http://bit.ly/2qd1dJy>

Congratulations to Our Winners!

Large Business of the Year
Garmin International

Medium Business of the Year
Alliance Bank of Arizona

Small Business of the Year
Commit Agency

Micro Business of the Year

Find out May 4th at 10:30 am on our Facebook live

Chandler Cup
Rogers Corporation

Community Cup
Chandler Symphony Orchestra

Chamber Cup
Jane Poston, J2 Media

Diversity Award
PayPal

James R. Snedigar Award
Russell Suprak, Chandler Fire, Health & Medical

Ambassador of the Year
Dave Waltzer, Combined Insurance

School Administrator of the Year
Leo Schlueter, Carlson Elementary

Educator of the Year
Torie Brown, Andersen Elementary

School Support Staff of the Year
Roy Mesquita, AZ College Prep, Erie Campus

Celebrating 30 years of excellence in the Chandler Community!

Join us as we honor the outstanding individuals, businesses and volunteers that make or city a great place to work, live and play! Come out and support these incredible award winners.

Register Now



Selling Your Business

Why you shouldn't wait until you are in financial trouble

Ask *Join us for lunch!*
an **EXPERT**

Jeff Militello of Berkshire Business Sales and Acquisitions will talk about when to sell and how to go about getting the most out of your investment.

Tuesday, May 30

Noon to 1 pm

Chandler Chamber

25 S Arizona Place, #201

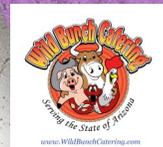
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New Members



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Ambassador of the Month

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Desirae Barkan
DBarkan Designs
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How did you get started in this business?

My previous employer (Tom Balding Bits & Spurs) encouraged me to grow and seek opportunities in the Graphic Design field. Upon relocating to Chandler for my husband's career, I decided it was a perfect opportunity for me to start my own business. Thus, DBarkan Designs LLC was born.

Share one financial strategy that made your company more successful this year.

Working from home – conducting meetings at local coffee shops – has allowed me to keep my overhead low and offer competitive rates to me growing clientele. It is a financial win for my business and my clients.

Who do look up to or admire and why?

To choose just one person, I again return to my previous employer (Tom Balding). Through working with him so closely I learned the true value of the people you work with, to keep an open mind to their struggles and success, and to support them as they achieve a more fulfilling life. What he has accomplished in his life and what he has provided for his family and employees is truly an amazing statement of the man he is.

What have been your most valued professional experiences?

I must answer this in two parts. First the many leadership programs I have been a part of from the age of eight until present day. You cannot stop learning and growing as a leader in your family, with your friends, and in your community. Secondly as a Graphic Designer Adobe has been a key in continued training and education. Their support to the creative community is all encompassing – from Adobe Max conference to daily tutorials – they keep my design on the edge of new trends and technology.

What are your hobbies?

Reading, painting, anything outdoors (hiking, biking, running, and playing), crafting, trying new and exciting food, and traveling.

If you could have dinner with any 3 people, living or dead, who would it be and why?

There is never a day that goes by that I don't wish to see my sweet mother again. Sitting down to a meal with my mother and Audrey Hepburn would be a true treat. The many staggering hurdles Audrey Hepburn overcame and kept her positive can-do attitude should be inspiration to everyone. I would love to learn how she continued to keep her chin up, smile bright, and constant drive to success ever-present through so many dark and crushing life experiences.

What are your top 3 favorite books/movies and why?

1) Jane Austin's 'Pride and prejudice' (book) – It shows you to look inside people, not be so superficial, and to stand up for what you believe.

2) John C Maxwell's 'The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership' (book) – In one on my leadership programs we walked through this book (immersing ourselves in each law) over the course of a year. It opened my eyes to the many forms leadership takes, the integral part it plays in our daily human interaction, and how to be a better me every day I am privileged to be alive.

3) 'P.S. I love you' (movie) – Sometimes you need a solid chick-flick to make you feel alive. This one delivers a wide range of emotions and leaves you with the warm fuzzies that any truly great chick-flick should.

Sports Fan? Do you play or are you in the stands only?

I am not an organized sports fan. I will cheer on my friend's teams with them though! I am always down for a friendly game – please note this does not mean I am any good at the game of your choice... but I will give it my best shot!

Share your favorite networking tip.

Go into every networking event with the mindset of 'how can I help someone else succeed today.' As you make those connections, offer assistance, and give others a step up they will see the value you offer and return the favor. When you enter a networking event with the mindset of 'what can I walk out of here with' you have failed before you walk in the room.

Save the Date!

Chandler Chamber of Commerce

Education and Workforce Development Forum

August 30, 2017



*Leading the way to prepare
the workforce of the future.*



YES
YOUNG
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Join us at
Sir Veza's Taco Garage
for

Cuatro de Mayo! \$4 Margaritas

Thursday, May 4

3111 W Chandler Blvd,
Chandler, AZ 85226

5 pm to 7 pm

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**Who are the Real
Women of Chandler?**

Meet this incredible Power Panel from Chandler Lifestyle Magazine's *Real Women of Chandler* issue.

   #WIL @chandlerchamber

May 16 10:30 am to 11:30 am—Open Mentoring Circle
11:30 am to Noon—Open Networking
Noon to 1:30 pm—Lunch/Keynote Speaker

Location: SoHo 63 - 63 E Boston, Chandler, AZ 85225 (SE corner Boston St. & Arizona Ave.)





Did You Know . . .

Price Road Corridor Project

We received news from SRP regarding changes to the proposed Price Road Corridor 230 kV Project. SRP is resuming the project to bring needed power lines to the Price Road Corridor. They have announced, that in support of a reduced load forecast and changes in the City of Chandler's General Plan for the area, their previously proposed route has been changed.

This exciting change to the proposed route indicates the route will no longer run in any residential area south of Germann Rd. Instead, the new route will run east from the Knox substation, primarily on the south side of the Loop 202, to the north-west portion of the Price Road Corridor. Maps of the proposed route can be found [here](#). SRP is seeking input on the best location of the line from this area to the RS-27 substation site.

SRP will hold public open houses to gather comments on route considerations within the project's reduced scope and to review possible route alternatives to connect the Knox substation, located north of Pecos Road west of 56th St., with the new RS-27 230 kV substation at the intersection of Germann and Price roads.

The first open house is April 25, 2017, 5–8 p.m. at the Hilton Phoenix Chandler, 2929 W. Frye Road, Chandler. For more project information, visit priceroadcorridor.com or call the toll-free line at (855) 584-1484.

Joshua Wright—New Assistant City Manager, Dana DeLong—New City Clerk

Joshua Wright, formerly working with the town of Wickenburg, is the City of Chandler new Assistant City Manager. He is a past president of the Arizona City/County Management Association and received the Associate's Award for Excellence in Leadership in 2010. Wright was also named Economic Developer of the Year in 2011 by the Arizona Association for Economic Development. Wright, who started May 1., fills the position vacated by Marsha Reed, who was appointed city manager a year ago. He won the job after the city pared a field of 174 applicants down to four.

The Chandler City Council approved an employment contract and appointed Dana DeLong as the City Clerk at its Apr. 27 City Council meeting. DeLong comes to Chandler from the City of Prescott, where she has served as City Clerk for the past four years. Prior to that, she worked at the City of Tucson for nearly 20 years as City Records Manager, Management Assistant and in positions covering all facets of the City Clerk's Office. She is a certified municipal clerk, certified municipal election official and a notary public.

DeLong will begin her new post on June 5, 2017. She will replace Marla Paddock, who will retire later this summer after serving as Chandler's City Clerk since 2002.

Chandler Library Looking for Teen Volunteers

Do you know a teen looking for a way to keep cool this summer? Encourage them to volunteer at one of our four library locations! Teen volunteers are essential to the Summer Reading Program at Chandler Public Library. With the help of our summer volunteers, the library was able to reach almost 7,000 people last year! This is the perfect opportunity to gain volunteer service hours while helping your community during the hot Arizona summer. Reading program volunteer tasks include program registration, logging points, distributing prizes, answering questions and more. If you would like a more hands-on volunteering experience, consider assisting with the many programs provided throughout the summer. Click here for more information or call 480-782-2800.

Passport Season

Headed to Chandler's Passport Office? Please come prepared with everything you need to bring, and plan on an average wait time of one to two hours. Sorry for the inconvenience, but it's peak passport season and the staff is working diligently to help each customer. City staff appreciates your patience. If you have any questions, please call 480-782-2176 or visit the website at <http://chandleraz.gov/passports>. Watch the short video about applying for a passport: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2SwgIkX8>.

Gallery



Public Policy with Eileen Klein, AZ Board of Regents



Women in Leadership Luncheon with Susan Sly



YES @ Dare to Escape AZ



Coffee with the Mayor



Ask an Expert with Park Howell and Story Marketing



April Economic Update Reaching for the Stars!



Public Policy Series

The Chandler Chamber of Commerce is your representative on local, regional and state issues. We discuss issues that are important to the success of your business and the community.

For a great article by Paul Maryniak from the East Valley Tribune on the April 28th meeting, [CLICK HERE.](#)

Friday, May 12, 2017

REGISTER

Joining us will be:

Theresa Gunn
Connect 202 Expansion

Bob Hazlett
Maricopa Association of Governments

Jack Sellers
State Transportation Board of Directors

8 am to 9:30 am
Chandler Chamber
25 S Arizona Place, #201
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State Transportation Board of Directors

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CHANDLER **A**
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Annual Golf Tournament

Friday, September 15

Breakfast/Registration

6 am

Call to Carts

7 am

Whirlwind Golf Club

5692 West North Loop Road

Chandler, AZ 85226

It's all good. . . good coffee and breakfast before you warm up, good swag in your bag, good company to share mulligan stories with and a great, world-class course to challenge the best golfers.

To register [click here.](#)



Visit chandlerchamber.com to register for events

If you are interested in hosting a mixer, contact Your Chamber representative or [click here](#).

*Refunds will only be given with a 72 hour cancellation notice.

The Chandler Chamber holds mixers twice a month, in the morning and evening to help you engage and connect. If you are interested in hosting a Chandler Chamber mixer, please email info@chandlerchamber.com.

Wake Up Chandler—7:30 am to 9 am

Wednesday, May 10

Kneaders

1090 W Queen Creek
Chandler, AZ 85248

Wednesday, June 14

Rudy's Country Store & BBQ

7300 W Chandler Blvd
Chandler, AZ 85226



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Wednesday, July 12

Carrabbas Italian Grille

1060 N 54th St.
Chandler, AZ 85226

Wednesday, August 9

Holiday Inn @ Ocotillo

1200 W Ocotillo
Chandler, AZ 85248

Business After Business - 5 pm to 7 pm

Thursday, May 18

Washington Federal

1010 W Chandler Heights
Chandler, AZ 85248

Thursday, June

Cuisine & Wine Bistro

4991 S Alma School Rd, #1
Chandler, AZ 85248



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Thursday, July 20

Buca di Beppo

7111 W Ray Rd
Chandler, AZ 85226

Thursday, August 17

D'Vine Bistro

3990 S Alma School Rd, #3
Chandler, AZ 85248



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New Chamber Staff

Meet Monique White

Chandler Chamber
Office Coordinator



Monique White

Monique White is from Arizona originally and recently spent 3 years in New Mexico. Having returned to her home state, she has joined the Chamber staff as Office Coordinator. She loves to stream-line operations and prides herself on customer service. On her down time she loves to read, draw and create graphic designs. She has a Labrador named Bailey and enjoys taking her to the dog park and on hikes. Stop by and say “hello” to Monique next time you are at the Chamber office!



Chamber Videos

Stay connected with events and seminars you may have missed—click below to go to our YouTube channel.





CHANDLER CHAMBERZ

The Chandler Chamber Referral Networks help our members network and grow their businesses.

Contact the Membership Development department of your Chandler Chamber for more information on Leads Groups at 480-963-4571.

Monday Morning Leads Group

7:30 am—8:30 am
SoZo Coffee House
1982 N Alma School Rd
Chandler, AZ 85224

Tuesday Morning Leads Group

7:30 am—8:30 am
BLD
1920 West Germann Road
Chandler, AZ 85225

Wednesday Morning Leads Group

7:30 am—8:30 am
Ocotillo Village Health Club & Spa
4200 S Alma School Rd
Chandler, AZ 85248
**Second Wednesday no meeting due to Wake Up Chandler*

Wednesday Lunch Leads Group

11:45 am – 1:00 pm
Stone & Vine Urban Italian
1035 W Queen Creek Rd, Ste103
Chandler, AZ 85248

Wednesday Leads Group

11:45 am—1:00 pm
Floridino's
590 N Alma School Rd
Chandler, AZ 85224

Thursday Morning Leads Group

7:30 am—8:30 am
Rudy's West Country Store & Bar-B-Q
7300 W. Chandler Blvd
Chandler, AZ 85226
**Fourth Thurs. no meeting due to Chamber 101*

Thursday Lunch Leads Group (West Side)

11:45 am – 1:00 pm
The Old Spaghetti Factory
3155 W. Chandler Blvd #9
Chandler, AZ 85226

Friday Morning Leads Group

7:30 am – 8:30 am
Chompie's Delicatessen Restaurant
3481 West Frye Road
Chandler, AZ 85226



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