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Calendar

Details on Phoenix.gov/Calendar

- JAN 02 New Year's Day* (observed)**
City Offices Closed
- JAN 06 First Friday**
Downtown Phoenix Art Galleries and Open Markets 6 – 10 p.m. DTPHX.org
- JAN 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
City Offices Closed
- FEB 1 Auxiliary Presentation**
Pueblo Grande Museum 6:30 p.m., Free Admission
- FEB 11 Rain Gardens Class**
Saguaro Library at 2 p.m.
- FEB 17-18 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event**
Paradise Valley Park 602-262-7251 for details
- FEB 20 Presidents Day***
City Offices Closed
- FEB 25-26 Arizona Matsuri Annual Festival of Japan**
Heritage & Science Park Azmatsuri.org

*Trash and recycling collection are not affected.



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District 3 to Vote in Election Runoff

Because no candidate for Councilmember in District 3 received a majority of the votes cast at the Nov. 2016 Special Council Election, a Runoff Election will be held in Council District 3 on March 14, 2017.

The deadline to register to vote in this election is Feb. 13, 2017. District 3 voters on the Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL) were mailed an election notice in mid-December, and will automatically receive an early ballot by mail unless they return the PEVL notice by Jan. 18, 2017. Early ballots will be mailed beginning Feb. 15, 2017.

Voters not on the PEVL can request an early ballot by mail no later than March 3, 2017.

For more information or to request an early ballot by mail, visit Phoenix.gov/Elections, call 602-261-VOTE (8683) or use the 7-1-1 Relay System.



Come Celebrate Chinese Week

Everyone is invited to celebrate the Chinese New Year 4715, the year of the Rooster, between Feb. 6-12. A Chinese Cultural and Cuisine Festival will happen Feb. 10-12 at Margaret T. Hance Park, 1202 N. Third St., with live entertainment, children's activities, martial arts, food and drinks for sale, crafts and souvenir vendors. Admission is free! Presented by Phoenix Sister Cities, Inc. and the Phoenix Chinese Week Committee. More information at PhoenixChineseWeek.org.



SciTech Festival Speaker Series

As part of the 6th Annual Arizona SciTech Festival, Pueblo Grande Museum will be hosting The Science of Sound & Music lecture series, presented each Friday in February at noon.

These 45-minute lunchtime lectures are free and open to the public. Come explore the science of constructing traditional and modern electronic musical instruments as well as current research being conducted on the benefits of musical therapy. For more information, visit PuebloGrande.com.



Prevent Human Trafficking in AZ

This issue is printed in blue ink to recognize Human Trafficking Awareness Day (Jan. 11). The entire month is dedicated to raising awareness of human trafficking worldwide. According to a report by the AZ Attorney General's Office:

- In Arizona, when trafficked as a minor, the average age of a person forced into sex trade is 14 years old.
- 78,000 men in Phoenix are online sex ad customers.
- One in every three homeless young adults in Arizona has experienced sex trafficking victimization.

To learn about efforts to stop trafficking visit Phoenix.gov/StopHumanTrafficking or call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-37-37-888.

Get Rid of Your Old Paint Cans!

If you plan to attend an upcoming Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) event, here are some things to do first:

- Give away your usable HHW materials, such as cleaning chemicals, pool chemicals and paint, to family or friends.
- Have current city services bill and matching photo ID ready to show staff.
- Separate your electronic items from the chemicals for faster unloading.
- Place cans, glass bottles and smaller HHW items inside a box or container.
- Put hazardous items in a secondary box or bucket to avoid possible leaks.
- For your safety, please **stay in your vehicle** at all times.
- The next HHW event is Feb. 17-18 in Paradise Valley Park, followed by March 17-18 at Washington Park. Call (602) 262-7251 for details.



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Volunteer to Be Part of the Action

The city of Phoenix is partnering with the Phoenix Local Organizing Committee for the 2017 NCAA Final Four in Phoenix to recruit volunteers. Be a part of the Final Four Fan Fest, March Madness® Music Festival, the annual NCAA Final Four Dribble and several community initiatives.



With a weekend full of action, community members have the opportunity to get involved and be a part of Arizona history as Arizona hosts the Final Four for the first time. All volunteers must be 18 years or older by March 1, 2017. All festivities are scheduled from March 28 - April 3.

Together, we can make the 2017 NCAA Final Four in Phoenix a slam dunk! To register or review Volunteer Program FAQs visit PhoenixFinalFour.com/Volunteer.



Just a Reminder ...

Water and sewer rates will increase two percent each, effective March 1, 2017. The adjustments are necessary to pay for the rehabilitation and replacement of infrastructure used to deliver high-quality water to homes and businesses and to safely remove and treat wastewater. Phoenix's water and sewer rates are still among the lowest in the nation. Phoenix.gov/Water.

Recognize and Honor the Past

February is Black History Month and Phoenix Public Library is celebrating with programs for the entire family. Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics (STEAM) classes for kids are exploring black inventors and artists. Celebrate black music and the GENIUS of Hip Hop. Learn how the historic Buffalo Soldiers formed in 1866. Burton Barr Central Library is hosting a poetry reading and series of other lectures discussing race, culture, religion with Angelica Lindsey-Ali and Lovelle Akim McMichael Sr., author of "Saving Our Black Boys." Check out a calendar of events at PhoenixPublicLibrary.org.

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Keeping Track

You can obtain information and take appropriate precautions to learn about sex offenders in your community. The Arizona Department of Public Safety website can be used to track individual offenders and locations (by ZIP code or address).



You can sign up to receive email notifications about offenders, find out the definition of classifications, find the location of offenders, learn the requirements for offenders to register and see laws regarding offenders at azdps.gov/Services/Sex_Offender.

Recycle in 2017

Make recycling part of your new year's resolutions! The top 10 materials to go in your blue recycling containers: *Cardboard, paper, food boxes, mail, food cans, beverage glass bottles, food jars, beverage cans, plastic jugs and plastic bottles with caps on.*

It's that easy! Please take the time to sort these materials and place them in your blue recycling bins.

Plastic bags, old electronics and textiles should not be placed in your blue recycling bins. Make it your resolution to recycle right! For more information, email the recycling team at ReimaginePhoenix@Phoenix.gov.