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City of Chandler Recreation Facebook

CHANDLER

Chandler Nature Photo Contest deadline coming this Friday

The deadline to enter Chandler Recreation's annual Nature Photo Contest is Friday, March 17.

Entries are being accepted in three categories: This Beautiful City, Creature Worth Noticing and Picture Worth A Thousand Words.

Entries must come from a Chandler park, program or event and can be submitted digitally online at chandleraz.gov/naturephotocontest or in person at the Environmental Education Center, 4050 E. Chandler Heights Road.

For more information, call 480-782-2890.

27th Senior Expo coming to Chandler Community Center

Chandler's 27th Annual Senior Expo is from 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, March 15, at the Chandler Community Center, 125 E. Commonwealth Ave.

The event includes free blood pressure checks and a limited number of free cholesterol and glucose tests on a first-come, first-served basis.

Senior Expo information is available at 480-782-2720 and chandleraz.gov/senior-adults.

Chandler libraries conducting March Madness Book Sale

The March Madness Book Sale will be held Friday-Sunday, March 17-19, at all four Chandler Public Library locations.

Hardbacks and paperbacks will be available, starting at 25 percent off on Friday and Saturday, with deeper discounts on Sunday. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Chandler Public Library.

The four Chandler libraries are: Basha, 5990 S. Val Vista Drive; Downtown, 22 S. Delaware St.; Hamilton, 3700 S. Arizona Ave.; and Sunset, 4930 W. Ray Road.

MESA

Mesa Public Schools, MCC will offer college advisors

Mesa Public Schools and Mesa Community College are partnering to increase attainment of post-secondary credentials. Six Mesa high schools will have a full-time MCC college advisor on site to assist students beginning this fall.

MCC's Interim President Sasan Poureetezadi said MCC is committed to expanding access to college programs and services and escalating student success.

TEMPE

ASU finishes in top 5 of best online colleges

Arizona State University has been ranked the fifth-best online college by College Choice.

The school was called "the gold standard of education for the country's accredited online colleges." The College Choice website says ASU "is world-renown both for its comprehensive listing of online degrees and for its student-friendly virtual college setting."

College Choice examined accreditation, graduation rates, student debt numbers, job placement records and other metrics.

In the survey, Western Kentucky University was ranked first, followed by Pennsylvania State University World Campus, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University – Worldwide, University of Illinois at Chicago and ASU.

For the full list, go to collegechoice.net/rankings/best-online-colleges-and-universities.

EAST VALLEY

Bashas' to deliver groceries through deal with Instacart

Bashas' and Instacart have teamed to deliver groceries in as little as one hour. The grocer and the delivery service will cover Tempe, Chandler, Gilbert and Mesa in its new plan.

To use the online service, customers must visit a new Bashas' grocery delivery website (bashas.instacart.com) and enter a delivery ZIP code. First-time users will have to create a log-in.

The delivery charge is \$5.99 for grocery orders \$35 and up. Customers can also sign up for an Express membership for \$149 with free deliveries.