



Town of Sahuarita Receives Two National Awards for Financial Reporting

The Town of Sahuarita Finance Department has received two awards for excellence in financial reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). The Town's *Annual Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2015* received **Special Performance Measures Recognition** from the GFOA – a first for the Town. For the 9th straight year, the Town received the GFOA's **Distinguished Budget Presentation Award**, the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting.

“We’re pleased and honored to be recognized by GFOA for our fiscal efforts,” said Town Finance Director A.C. Marriotti, CPA. “This is the first year we have received special recognition for our performance measures, tied directly to the Town’s Strategic Plan.”

Elected officials and staff began working on a strategic plan in December 2013 to guide future

decision-making and resource management. The Sahuarita Strategic Plan 2014-2017 was adopted on April 28, 2014.

To receive the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, a governmental body must produce a comprehensive budget document that meets criteria as a policy document, an operations guide, a financial plan and a communications tool. The award is valid for one year only.

“Creating a truly useful, understandable and transparent budget requires a team effort by elected officials and staff,” Marriotti said.

The GFOA is a major professional association servicing the needs of more than 18,000 appointed and elected local and state government officials. Its Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

Town of Sahuarita Finance Department Seeks Members for Finance & Investment Advisory Committee

If you love numbers, finance, investing and accounting, volunteers are needed to fill the seven-member Finance & Investment Advisory Committee for the town.

The Finance & Investment Advisory Committee acts in an advisory capacity to the Town Council, Finance Director, and Town Manager in matters pertaining to the Town’s accounting, finances, investing, debt and other related issues.

The committee meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 5:15 p.m.

You can either fill out a volunteer form at Town Hall or do it online by clicking on the following link:

<http://sahuaritaaz.gov/FormCenter/Volunteer-Opportunities-2/Volunteer-at-Town-Hall-47>

Reminder... Nominate a Town Employee for the New Manager's Choice Employee Excellence Award



Organizational Effectiveness

Foster an organizational culture that embraces change, creativity, innovation and calculated risk to ensure proactive, consistent, efficient and accountable service to our community.

The Employee Morale Team has expanded the Employee Recognition Program to include a new *Manager's Choice Employee Excellence Award*. Members of the public, as well as Town employees, now have an opportunity to nominate Town employees for special achievement and superior performance in the categories of:

- Safe Practices and Wellness
- Customer Service
- Special Accomplishments
- Heroism
- Volunteerism
- Ingenuity



Go to www.sahuaritaaz.gov/award for a description of the new *Manager's Choice Employee Excellence Award* and the nomination form.

Friday, May 1, 2015, is the deadline for submitting your nomination to the Town Manager's Office for the *Manager's Choice Employee Excellence Award*.

Completed nomination forms will be reviewed by the Town Manager and awards will be made in June 2015 and December 2015. Award recipients will receive an inscribed plaque and a monetary

award at the discretion of the Town Manager. Their name and award will also be engraved on a commemorative plaque displayed at Town Hall. The winner(s) will be announced in the Town's newsletter and at the semiannual *Minute with the Manager* meetings, and awards will be made at a Town Council meeting.

SAVE THE DATE...

Town of Sahuarita 20th Anniversary Luncheon, April 8th



Save the date now because you won't want to miss out on the 20th Anniversary of the Town of Sahuarita luncheon to be held at the Desert Diamond Casino on Wednesday, April 8, 2015.

More details about this exciting event coming soon.



Town of Sahuarita and Small Business Development Center First Quarter 2015 Events



Economic Development

Continue to grow the Town's economic base bringing in jobs associated with retail, light manufacturing and quality commercial enterprises.

BizHUB Preview Event... Big Success

Victor Gonzalez, Economic Development Manager for the Town of Sahuarita, welcomed more than 35 community leaders and small business owners to a sneak preview of the BizHUB on Thursday, January 29, 2015. Ellen Kirton, Director for the Small Business Development Center; Lydia Duron-Kari, Loan Officer for ACCION; and Larry Kempton, Chairman of the Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce were introduced as partners who are committed to offering workshops and assistance at the BizHUB when it opens later this spring.



The purpose of the BizHUB is to support existing businesses, foster business development and encourage entrepreneurship with a centralized one-stop business connection center. Through this project, services and activities will be offered to strengthen new and existing businesses for success. Victor noted that one of the Town's Strategic Plan goals is to "Continue to keep close contact with our local area businesses and industries to better understand their needs and opportunities" and that this project is intended to advance that goal.



Town Manager Kelly Udall emphasized that "the BizHUB concept helps us to build a closer relationship with local businesses so that we can reach out to better understand their needs and help them to be successful."

Attendees saw how the Town Hall Lobby will be transformed for networking opportunities, workshops, small business resources, state-of-the-art technology, collaborative work and meeting spaces, and plug and play workspaces. Poster boards illustrating the new layout design and samples of the furniture materials for the space can be viewed in the lobby of Town Hall.

Victor also shared that a new website devoted to BizHUB activities and a scheduling system are under design and will be launched in the coming months.

Victor said that the BizHUB is made possible by a grant of \$92,100 from Freeport-McMoRan, through its Green Valley/Sahuarita Community Investment Fund. The Town is grateful for Freeport-McMoRan's award and strong support of economic development activities in Sahuarita.

Before the opening of the BizHUB, the following workshops will be offered at the Town Hall Council Chambers:

- February 19, 2015, 9-10 a.m. – Access to Capital: Traditional/Non-Traditional Financing
- March 26, 2015, 9-10 a.m. – Connect to Local, State, Federal Procurement Opportunities



More: Town of Sahuarita and Small Business Development Center – First Quarter 2015 Events



Economic Development

Continue to grow the Town's economic base bringing in jobs associated with retail, light manufacturing and quality commercial enterprises.

Lending Workshop – “Access to Capital: Traditional/Non-Traditional Lending for Small Businesses”

Need Money? Join us as the Small Business Development Center and the Town of Sahuarita share traditional and non-traditional financing solutions and access to capital.

Experienced professionals from the Small Business Development Center will take part in a no-cost, one-on-one business assessment after the event.

The event is made possible by the Small Business Development Center and the Town of Sahuarita with the support of the Freeport-McMoRan Community Investment Fund.

When: Thursday, February 19, 2015

Where: Sahuarita Town Hall
375 W. Sahuarita Center Way
Sahuarita, AZ 85629

Time: 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Procurement Fair – “Connect and Learn About Federal, State and Local Procurement for Small Businesses”

Ever wonder how you can sell your product or services to government? Here’s the information session that will help you. Join us as the Small Business Development Center and the Town of Sahuarita host a procurement fair, where we’ll offer up information on how you can connect with local, state and federal procurement opportunities.

Also, experienced professionals from the Small Business Development Center will take part in a no-cost, one-on-one consulting assessment after the event.

This event is made possible by the Small Business Development Center and the Town of Sahuarita with the support of the Freeport-McMoRan Community Investment Fund.

When: Thursday, March 26, 2015

Where: Sahuarita Town Hall
375 W. Sahuarita Center Way
Sahuarita, AZ 85629

Time: 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Sahuarita STEMtacular Starts February 8th!



ARIZONA SCITECH SAHUARITA STEMtacular

The Town of Sahuarita is excited to partner with the Sahuarita Unified School District, Rancho Sahuarita, and multiple businesses and private organizations to offer the communitywide Sahuarita STEMtacular Event, February 8-13, 2015. Sponsors for the event include the Green Valley Pecan Company, Jim Click Automotive, Hubday and Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce. The menu of events highlights science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and reflects a statewide celebration that offers a series of expos, workshops, exhibits and tours held in diverse venues. It is a collaboration of more than 450 industry, academia, arts, civic, community and K-12 organizations. Sahuarita's STEMtacular week of events is found on the Town website at

<http://sahuaritaaz.gov/scitech>

For more information on individual events, held in Sahuarita and all over the State of Arizona, please visit the Arizona SciTech website at

<http://azscitech.com>



Here is a rundown of the Sahuarita SciTech Events:

- ▶ **SciTech Family Day at Titan Missile Museum,**
Sunday, February 8, 2015, 8:45 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Free admission for two school-aged children living in Sahuarita for each adult paid admission of \$9.50. Children under 6 years of age are free. First come, first served. For more info, call (520) 625-7736 or email info@titanmissilemuseum.org
- ▶ **SciTech Family Day at ASARCO Mineral Discovery Center – Mine Tour**
Sunday, February 8, 2015, noon – 4 p.m.
Free admission for school-aged child living in Sahuarita with paid adult ticket of \$9. Three tour times available, limited in size. Tour times: noon – 1 p.m., 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. and 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
- ▶ **Science Passport Experience at Sahuarita Middle School**
Thursday, February 12, 2015, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Middle school students grades 6-8 will explore STEM through interactive displays, workshops and demonstrations provided by approximately 30 vendors. Students can earn the chance to win prizes through their passport answers learned at each exhibit.
- ▶ **SciTech Night Out at Sahuarita Lake Park and Rancho Sahuarita Clubhouse Outdoor areas.**
Friday, February 13, 2015, 4 – 8 p.m. Great events include:
 - 4 to 5 p.m.** at Sahuarita Lake Park. **Hydronalix** will demonstrate E.M.I.L.Y. in the lake. E.M.I.L.Y. is the remote control Emergency Integrated Lifesaving Lanyard manufactured in Sahuarita.
 - 4 to 6 p.m.** at Rancho Sahuarita Clubhouse parking lot. The **Mathematics Roadshow** by professors from the University of Arizona Physics Factory and Math Department. YouTube link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XfICFUjB7ZI>
 - 6 to 8 p.m.** at Rancho Sahuarita Clubhouse Tennis Courts. There will be **Stargazing** with the Sonora Astronomical Society and the Tucson Amateur Astronomy Association. Multiple telescopes will be available for student viewing of the planets and stars.
 - 6 to 8 p.m.** at Rancho Sahuarita Clubhouse lawn. **Science Movie Night.** Bring your own chairs and blankets and enjoy dinner offered from food trucks.

* Note – The food trucks will be available throughout the evening in the Rancho Sahuarita Clubhouse parking lot.



Update on Town of Sahuarita Wastewater Utility Bills

The Town of Sahuarita Wastewater Utility is continuing to make progress on its billing services now that residents and businesses are no longer billed for wastewater services with their water bills.

Since the Town began wastewater billing in August 2014, we have been working hard to set up the necessary systems and software. Please call our Wastewater Utility phone line at (520) 344-7101 if you have questions or concerns. Call volumes are high at the beginning and end of billing cycles, but if you leave a message, we will respond as soon as possible.

We appreciate your patience and apologize for any inconvenience that this transition may have caused.

Billing cycle

We are working toward a standard billing cycle in which bills are sent in the month immediately following the month of service. We expect to achieve that in August 2015, when the bill will reflect the previous month of service.

The mailing in February will include the November 2014, December 2014 and January 2015 billing statements. Due dates for each monthly statement will be staggered. The billing statements for February through June 2015 will be individually mailed.

Paying through your bank

If you pay your wastewater bill through your bank, the funds are typically withdrawn by your bank on the date you requested the bank transfer funds. But processing that payment can take 1-2 weeks, so

your next bill may not have reflected your payment. We are working with our bank to electronically record payments that customers make through their banks, which we expect will reduce that processing time.

Electronic payment options

Currently, credit card payments can only be made by calling (520) 344-7101. We are working to make it possible for customers to make one-time electronic payments or schedule recurring payments. As soon as that service is available, we will post information on our webpage and will include an announcement on the billing statement.

Wastewater late fees

The transition from combined to separate water and sewer billing has resulted in some customer payments being credited entirely to water bills, leaving unpaid sewer bill balances. Only customers with unpaid balances from May 2014 or earlier have received late fees. To help customers avoid late fees on unpaid balances, a payment plan has been created to spread the unpaid balance over three to six months. Late fees are waived as long as the customer remains current.

More information

The Town's website provides answers to many of the frequently asked questions (FAQs) we receive. To access the frequently asked questions, please visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov and type "billing" in the search window.

Thanks to Everyone Who Helped 'Beat Back Buffelgrass' Last Month

The annual Beat Back Buffelgrass Day was held Saturday, January 24. This year's chosen work site was a drainage ditch on the north side of West Duval Mine Road near the entrance to the Titan Missile Museum. The volunteers worked together to help eradicate buffelgrass, which has invaded Southern Arizona and



is threatening to transform the mostly fireproof diverse Sonoran Desert into a flammable and impoverished savanna, affecting both natural and urban areas.

The volunteers stuffed more than 200 garbage bags full of buffelgrass.



Quality of Life

Sahuarita Officer Genzer Wins Award



Officer Wes Genzer was awarded the 2014 Sons of the American Revolution Award. Officer Genzer is an exemplary officer with genuine desire to serve the community to the best of his ability and gives his all while on duty. He is frequently found helping other officers on their calls and lending his experience when he is not on his own calls. Officer Genzer has investigated numerous cases and closed them with arrests. Recently, a subdivision in our community, Madera

Highlands, had a number of Criminal Damage/Graffiti calls that ultimately affected 25 residents. He began conducting follow-up on these cases and was able to quickly locate two suspects who admitted to committing the vandalism and who were arrested. Officer Genzer is well liked and respected by his colleagues, supervisors and the community. Congratulations and thank you for the hard work, Officer Genzer.

Maintain a high quality of life that makes Sahuarita a community of choice for residents and business investment. Encourage a unified community identity.



On Monday, January 19, the Sahuarita Police Department and the community came together for the Rancho Sahuarita New Year/New Friends Picnic. Everyone had a great time eating,



jumping on the jumping castle and throwing the football around with Sahuarita's new Police Chief, John Noland. Thank you to all who came out and participated and thank you, Rancho Sahuarita Clubhouse, for having us!



Sahuarita Ranks as the Safest Place in Arizona for the 2nd Time



Sahuarita has a lot of great things going for it. Safety is one of them.

For the second year in a row, Sahuarita ranks as the safest place in Arizona for municipalities with more than 10,000 residents.

Movoto Real Estate, based in San Mateo, Calif., compiles a lot of "Top 10" lists in the states it operates in, and ranked Sahuarita safest in the state in 2014, too.

It bases its rankings on the FBI Uniform Crime Report, using the most recent – for 2013 – for this year's top 10.

According to the FBI, Sahuarita had only 366 crimes total in 2013, and most of those were property crimes, as opposed to violent crimes.

There were only 17 violent crimes – and no murders – which was enough to rank the town No. 1 for that criteria.

According to Movoto, Sahuarita "had the third-lowest property crime and the third-lowest total crime, meaning locals can breathe easy no matter if they're worried about personal safety or the safety of their possessions."

"It also should help them breathe easy to know locals of Sahuarita had merely a 1 in 73 chance of being the victim of a crime in 2013."

Small towns may just be the way to go. Gilbert and Surprise were the only places with populations over 100,000 that made the top 10. Phoenix and Tucson ranked 36th and 37th for safety in the state, respectively.



Clean water starts with me!



Pima Association of Governments

Do your part to keep our precious water supply free of contaminants.

The rain that runs in our washes and seeps into our soil can take pollutants with it if we're not careful.

Pima Association of Governments, of which the Town of Sahuarita is a member jurisdiction, reminds us all that "Clean Water Starts with Me."

Here are a few ways you can help:

- Take your vehicle in for regular maintenance to ensure that it will not leak. If you notice a leak, have it fixed immediately and clean up any drips or spills.
- Don't pour your waste oil or hazardous chemicals down the storm drain. Storm drains lead directly to washes. The Town of Sahuarita holds an annual recycling event, where Sahuarita residents may bring household hazardous waste and electronics to the Sahuarita Plaza to be either recycled or disposed of safely.

- Pick up after your pets. Left alone, dog waste can pollute ground and surface water, attract flies and pests, cause an unpleasant odor and create unsanitary living conditions for dogs. Dog waste can also transmit parasites and infectious diseases.
- Use and store yard chemicals safely. Only apply fertilizers and pesticides as directed, and avoid using them three days before rain is expected.
- Be sure to recycle as much as possible. The less you throw in the trash, the less likely waste materials will make it into storm drains and washes. Even cooking grease can be recycled to produce valuable biodiesel.

For more tips, visit the [PAG website](#).

Quail Creek Veterans Municipal Park Upgrades to Begin this Spring

In early spring of 2015, construction is expected to begin on Quail Creek–Veterans Municipal Park Phase-2A.

The construction will consist of:

- Two 225' X 350' Lighted Soccer Fields
- Site Lighting
- 100 Parking Spaces



- One Restroom Building
 - Men: (1) Toilet, (2) Urinals
 - Women: (3) Toilets
 - Building includes maintenance & storage rooms.
- Pedestrian Sidewalks – ADA Compliant
- Drinking Fountains – ADA Compliant
- Site Fencing
- Spectators Turf Areas
- Out of Bounds Soccer Goal Backstop Netting
- Soccer Field Sideline Fencing Along Old Nogales Highway
- One Vendor Pad
- Sports Leagues Storage Area
- Landscape and Irrigation



Sahuarita Teen Advisory Council Holds 2nd Annual Memorial Color Fun Run



The Sahuarita Teen Advisory Council (STAC) wanted to do something special for community members who have suffered a loss greater than any other, the loss of a child. They hosted the second annual Memorial Color Fun Run to remember the teens on Saturday, January 24. A plaque donated by George Mouradian with PVB Fabrications Inc. was unveiled in front of the Memorial Tree, which was donated last year. Alyssa Lizardi read a beautiful and moving tribute while the runners prepared themselves

at the starting line. The money that was raised went to the Tanner Bell Karr Scholarship Foundation (TBK Foundation).



2015 Sahuarita Parks & Recreation Classes

Classes for Kids 3 to 5 Years Old

All classes are held at Anamax Park & Recreation Center. For more information or to register call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec

"A Lot for Tots" – Expanded interactive Pre-K program for ages 3-5 years old (potty trained):

Mondays, Wednesdays, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.

Session 5: February 18 – March 25 (No class February 16)

Session 6: March 30 – May 6

Tuesdays, Thursdays, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Session 5: February 17 – March 26

Session 6: March 31 – May 7

"Creative Dance" – Dance program for fun and exercise for ages 3-5 years old (potty trained):

Mondays, 10 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Session 5: February 23 – March 23 (No class February 16)

Session 6: March 30 – May 4

"Tiny Tikes Sports" – A sports program for ages 3-5 years old (potty trained) geared toward introducing children to basic sports and developing gross motor skills:

Mondays, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Session 5: February 20 – March 27

Session 6: April 3 – May 8

"Little Dragon's Taekwondo Program" – This program is specifically designed for children 3-5 years old (potty trained). It focuses on improving children's basic motor and listening skills in a positive, fun and motivational way:

Tuesdays, Thursdays at 3 p.m.

Cost is \$45 for the entire month (a month averages eight classes)



Parks & Rec has Programs for Young Children

Sahuarita Parks & Recreation Wiggle Waggle Worms are classes aimed at children ages 9 months to 3 years and their parents. Classes are held at Anamax Park and are drop-in, with a fee of \$5 per class.

Children and parents share songs, play games and participate in obstacle courses. The focus of the program is on developing large motor skills.



"Little Worms" – Wednesdays, 10–10:45 a.m. for ages 9 to 18 months.

"Bigger Worms" – Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m.–noon for ages 10 to 36 months.

For more information visit Anamax Park, call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec





Don't Forget to Join Us for FREE Story Time

Join us for stories, songs and arts and crafts during FREE Family Story Time at Anamax Park Mondays and Fridays at 11 a.m. For more information, visit Anamax Park or call (520) 445-7850.

Southern Dragon Taekwondo Offers Martial Arts Classes at Sahuarita Anamax Park for Adults and Children

Adults and children will gain confidence, increase physical health, gain better mental focus and learn self-defense. There are class levels for basic, intermediate and advanced skills.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday every week (16 classes per month)

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

No contract and first uniform is free.

Cost is \$90 per month or \$5.50 per class.

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec

Parks & Rec Karate for Kids

Sahuarita Parks & Recreation *Karate for Kids* classes teach basic to advanced skill development and self-defense principles. All classes are held Saturday mornings at Anamax Park Recreation Center.

Session Dates:

Session 2: February 14 – March 28 (No class March 21)

Session 3: April 4 – May 9

Session 4: May 16 – June 27 (No class June 6)

Class Times:

Pee Wee (4-6 year olds) – 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Junior (7-12 year olds) - 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Teen (13-18 year olds) - 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec

Sahuarita Parks & Rec Youth Ballroom Dance Classes

Join us Tuesday evenings at Anamax Park Recreation Center. Kids ages 7 to 16 will learn the Cha-Cha, Samba, Jive and Waltz.

Dates:

January 6 – May 5 (No class on March 17)

Class Times:

7-11 year olds – 4:30 p.m. - 5:20 p.m.

12-16 year olds – 5:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec

Sahuarita Parks & Rec NEW Xtreme Sports Programs



Xtreme Sports Performance Program for Ages 6 to 13

Our youth sports performance program focuses on improving speed, agility, coordination, proper movement, technique, reaction time, strength and self-confidence for building a strong athletic foundation in each participant. Please bring water and cleats to class.

All classes will be held at Anamax Recreation Center.

6-9 Year Olds: Classes meet Wednesdays, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., and Sundays, 9 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

10-13 Year Olds: Classes meet Wednesdays, 3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m., and Sundays, 10:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Session 1: March 1 – March 25
Session 2: March 29 – April 22
Session 3: April 26 – May 20

Costs: \$90 for eight classes or \$50 for four classes (all classes include pre and post fitness assessment).

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec



Xtreme Boot Camps

Boot camps are a mixture of body-weight exercise, cardio, calisthenics and strength-training workouts. Boot camps will be H.I.I.T. (High Intensity Interval Training) style workouts that will be held at area parks.



Participants will receive weekly nutritional meal plans to incorporate with weekly workouts for maximum results.

Beginners are welcome. Please bring water, mat and workout attire to camps.

Anamax Park Boot Camp: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-7 a.m.

North Park Boot Camp: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.

North Park Weekend Boot Camp: Saturdays and Sundays, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Costs: \$99 for one month unlimited sessions with nutritional meal plan; one physical

assessment; before and after picture; and biweekly “weigh-ins.”

\$270 for three months unlimited sessions with nutritional meal plan; nutritional coaching; three physical assessments; before and after picture; biweekly “weigh-ins” and take-home workout sheets.

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec

Beginning Argentine Tango Classes

Join us at Anamax Park on Mondays from 7 to 8 p.m. and learn basic steps, Tango Technique and floor craft for Argentine Tango. No dance experience or partner needed. Drop-in class cost is \$7 per class.

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec

FREE Parenting Classes

Sahuarita Parks & Recreation in conjunction with The Parent Connection is offering FREE Parenting Classes. You may pre-register by calling (520)321-1500. Classes will be held at the Anamax classroom.

Wednesdays, February 18 – March 25, 2015 (6 weeks), 6 p.m. – 8 p.m., *How to Talk So Kids Will Listen*

Wednesdays, April 8 – May 13, 2015 (6 weeks), 6 p.m. – 8 p.m., *Calming the Family Storm*

Wednesdays, May 20 – June 24, 2015 (6 weeks), 6 p.m. – 8 p.m., *Parenting Young Children*

For more information call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec



FREE Pickleball Clinics

Pickleball is a combination of badminton, table tennis and tennis, and is an ever-growing sport all over the country played by all ages.

The Town of Sahuarita Parks & Recreation Department has partnered with the newly formed Southern Arizona Pickleball Association to hold Pickleball Clinics at the tennis courts located at Anza Trail School, 15490 S. Rancho Sahuarita Blvd.

The next FREE Pickleball Clinic will be on Saturday, February 21, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED Classes

Sahuarita Parks & Recreation and the Green Valley Fire District are offering Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED Classes on the third Saturday of the month at Anamax Park and Recreation Center from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Students must register, pay and pick up book at least one week before class. Classes will be taught by Green Valley Fire District BLS Training Center.

Costs are: \$50 for First Aid/CPR/AED classes; \$35 for CPR/AED classes; \$30 for just the First Aid class.

To register, please call (520) 625-9438.



Let Sahuarita Parks & Recreation Help You Reduce Your Risk of Falling

Did you know that one in three adults over the age of 65 will fall this year? Don't be one of them! Join us for the Fall Intervention Training Clinic (FIT).

Build your confidence with this fun informative class. It focuses on dynamic balance exercises and rounds out the workout with low impact aerobic warm-up, strength training for the lower body and stretching for flexibility.

Class will meet every Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon at the Town of Sahuarita Parks and Recreation Center. The next session will be February 19–March 26, 2015. Each session is six weeks long and costs \$60. The session is limited to 12 participants, with all equipment and materials provided. For more information or to register, call Mia Lee Cooper (520) 204-5264 or Ann Sirianni at (520) 465-1221.

Something for Everyone at Parks & Rec Adult Fitness Classes

Here is a rundown of what is available for adults. All classes are held at Anamax Park and Recreation Center, 17501 S. Camino De Las Quintas.

"Hatha Yoga" – Mondays, 2–3 p.m., Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 5:45–6:45 p.m. with Diana Makes.

Mondays, 5:45–6:45 p.m. and Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 8:30–9:30 a.m. with Debbie Stenson.

"Chair Yoga/Strengthening" – Every other Friday, 2–3 p.m. with Carla Perez.

"Body & Core Conditioning" – Fridays, 7–8 a.m. with Rosi Reeves.

"Zumba" – Wednesdays, 6–7 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7–8 p.m. with Cicely "C.C." White-Lee.



"SilverSneakers Strength/Balance" – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:30–2:30 p.m. with Wuanita Powers.

"Circuit Training" – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7–8 a.m. with Claire Long.

"Rosi's Boot Camp" – Saturdays, 8:00–9:00 a.m. with Rosi Reeves.

To register or for more information visit Anamax Park, call 520-445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov/parksandrec



Open Gym for Basketball and Volleyball

Sahuarita Parks & Recreation will be holding Open Gym nights at Copper View Elementary School from 6:30 to 9 p.m. for anyone 16 years or older.

Basketball will be Mondays and Wednesdays through April 29, and volleyball will be Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 29.

Cost is \$1 per person or FREE with current SUSD student I.D.

Hike with Sahuarita Parks & Rec ... it's Smiles of Fun!

The Hiking Club will depart every other Saturday at 7:30 a.m. from Anamax Park Recreation Center. Hikes will be led by an experienced hiking guide and will range from easy to difficult.

Costs are \$5 per hike or \$35 for a six-month pass.

For more information or to register, call (520) 445-7850 or visit www.sahuaritaaz.gov

The remaining season's hikes:

February 14 – “Cactus Forrest” – Easy

February 28 – “Hope Camp” – Moderate



Green Valley Model Yacht Club Calling All Remote Control Sailors!

Remote Control (R/C) sailors in Tucson, Green Valley and Sahuarita areas have formed the Green Valley Model Yacht Club (GVMYC). The purpose of the club is to promote R/C sailing, teach about sailing and sailboat racing and most importantly have fun!

The club meets at the north end of Lake Sahuarita from 1 to 3 p.m. during the winter months on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. The club is sanctioned by the American Model Yachting Association (AMYA) as Club #333.

Even if you don't have a model yacht, come out and borrow one to try. Club members are available to assist new members with picking a model and even construction if necessary.

For more information, visit www.gvmyc.com



ELECTRICAL: When is a Permit Required?



You may be required to get a permit from the Planning & Building Department when you have some electrical items installed at your residence.

Electrical Reconnection of Power to the Residence

Please note that if you shut your electricity off for more than six consecutive months, you will be required to obtain a permit from the Planning & Building Department to have the electricity reconnected before your electrical provider (TEP or TRICO) will turn the power back on. Once you have a permit, an inspection will need to be scheduled with the Town of Sahuarita to check for life safety hazards. Prior to obtaining an electrical reconnection permit, it is suggested that you do a pre-inspection check of all the electrical components inside and outside of the residence. Examples include “double tap,” which is putting two wires on one breaker; broken breakers; breakers from a different manufacturer; missing cover plates; exposed wires; etc. If electrical work was done without a permit, please include the work with the electrical reconnect permit.

Photovoltaic Meter Installation

When a photovoltaic (PV) solar system is installed at your residence, there are some steps to accomplish before activating the system. The company you hire will install all components of the system before requesting inspections. The Town of Sahuarita Building Inspector will meet the construction company at the job site to assure that what was installed matches the approved plans. When the system has passed all inspections the Building Inspector will place an approval sticker on the system PV meter box so that the electrical provider knows we have approved the system per code requirements. The same day of the inspection and approval, a

clearance is sent to the electrical provider. They then schedule a day to install the PV meter. Your electricity will not be shut off for this inspection. When the solar company is required to modify any part of the main electrical box or its components to be able to install your new system, a separate inspection may be required and your electricity will be interrupted for a short time.

Upgrading Electrical Service Panel and/or Components

When the electrical service box, which holds the main breaker and individual circuit breakers, needs to be upgraded to a larger service or replaced, your electricity will be interrupted. The meter will be pulled by the electrical provider and your electrician will be there to remove the electrical components that need to be replaced. The electrician will coordinate with the electrical provider to have the electrical meter reinstalled. The time to complete this type of work could be short or long depending on what the electrician encounters. When replacing an existing breaker or adding a new circuit with a new breaker, the main power may be turned off with the main breaker by the individual doing the work.

All of the procedures listed above will require that an electrical permit be obtained. Make sure your contractor has coordinated with both the electrical provider and with the Planning & Building Department. We don't know when power is being shut off and the electrical provider will not turn the power back on until they get approval from us. It is very important to get the electrical permit from the Planning & Building Department so you won't be without electricity.

Please contact the Building Safety Division at (520) 822-8866 or visit our website at <http://sahuaritaaz.gov/PB> to obtain information about requirements and permits.



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