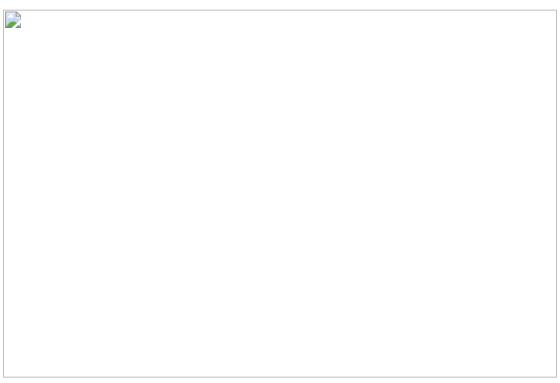


# CATHEDRAL CITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

August 11, 2016

# Community Update by George Crum Police Chief



# CATHEDRAL CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND POLICE DEPARTMENT FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND RECAP

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#### FIRE DEPARTMENT JULY 1 - JULY 4, 2016

The Cathedral City Fire Department was dispatched to the following emergency incidents from

7:00 a.m. on July 1 through 7:00 a.m. July 5, 2016;

July 1st - 10 emergency incidents - none related to fireworks

July 2nd - 18 emergency incidents - 1 fireworks related (see summary below)

July 3rd - 15 emergency incidents - none related to fireworks

July 4th - July 5th @ 0700 hrs. - 16 emergency incidents - 1 fireworks related (see summary below)

No injuries were reported from the use of fireworks during the holiday weekend.

Summary of fireworks related incidents:

• 7/2 8:18 p.m. 67600 block of Carey Rd. - Palm tree fire - ignited by illegal aerial fireworks, fired by private party guests. No damage or loss other than burnt tree.

Palm Springs F.D. provided mutual aid to shuttle water from a remote fire hydrant.

• 7/4 2:19 p.m. 68200 block of Modalo Rd. - Grass fire in rear yard of residence.

Possibly fireworks related. No evidence found and homeowners denied usage of fireworks.

No damage or loss other than burnt grass.

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT JULY 4, 2016 RECAP**

Cathedral City Police Department Fourth of July Weekend Recap covering calls for service from 7:00 a.m. on July 1st through 7:00 a.m. on July 5th 2016.

During the period from 7:00 a.m. on Friday, July 1st through 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 5th, the Cathedral City Communications Center received 846 calls for service with 110 of those calls being fireworks related. Community members reported 67 of the 110 fireworks calls for service, the rest were police officer initiated.

Cathedral City Police Officers physically responded to all 67 calls for service initiated by community members. Officers issued 16 criminal citations to individuals illegally possessing fireworks during the deployment period. There were a total of twenty overtime deployment shifts where officers were working fireworks enforcement detail funded by the fees collected through the "Safe and Sane Fireworks Program." Four officers worked overtime on July 1st from 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., four officers worked on July 2nd from 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., six officers worked overtime July 3rd from 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. and six officers worked July 4th from 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

In comparison to fireworks calls at neighboring cities during the same period, the following was reported:

Desert Hot Springs had 95 Fireworks Calls for Service

Palm Springs had 31 Fireworks Calls for Service.

Palm Desert, Rancho Mirage and Thousand Palms have not replied to the City's request for fireworks data. Indio did not track their fireworks call for service this year.

#### BENEFITS TO CATHEDRAL CITY NON-PROFITS

Six non-profit groups were issued permits to sell Safe and Sane Fireworks. They include Calvary Christian Center, Cathedral City High School Band Boosters, St. Louis Church, Calvary Bible Church, Cathedral City Youth League, Desert Elite Football, and Palm Springs Elk Lodge.

The TNT Fireworks Company estimated gross sales from five of the six groups were \$204,480.

The estimated net profits for the authorized vendors were:

CCHS Band Boosters \$16,428

St. Louis Church \$12,360

Desert Elite Football Club \$ 7,042

Palm Springs Elks Lodge #1905 \$ 3,216

Cathedral City Youth League \$ 4,874

Total Estimated Net Profits to Charities: \$68,452

#### **ENFORCEMENT COSTS COVERED BY THE PROGRAM**

The City collected fees and permits of \$3,191 from each of the above groups for total City revenues of \$19,146.

The City fees and permits paid for additional police officers on the July 4th holiday weekend, at a cost of \$10,680, four community firework safety billboards at a cost of \$5,350, and four and one-half hours of fire department administrative time at a cost of \$280.

Total City expenses were \$19,310.

The added police personnel provided through the "Safe and Sane Fireworks Program" funding not only allowed for more enforcement measures of fireworks related activity, but it also offered a bigger police presence throughout the City during the long holiday weekend.

### News



City Council of Cathedral City Asks Its Residents to Become a Charter City

City Council of Cathedral City Asks Its Residents to Become a Charter City Last night, the City Council voted unanimously to place a measure on the November 8th Ballot to ask voters on whether or not to change from a General Law City to a Charter City. The Council created a Sub-Committee to work on a draft charter, has had ...



Coachella Valley
Mosquito and Vector
Control District Will
Intensify Mosquito
Abatement Controls in
Cathedral City

As a precautionary measure, the Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District has notified the City of Cathedral City that it has begun intensified mosquito abatement control practices due to a resident testing positive for the Zika virus after returning from out of the country. The District is in the process of going door-to-door to notify 300 homes in the ...

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### Nine Cities Workplace Wellness Challenge 2016 - Sign Up Now

Cathedral City has been invited (both employees and the entire community) to participate in the Workplace Wellness Challenge 2016 taking place here in the Coachella Valley.

You may have heard about one aspect of the Challenge—the Nine Weekly Saturday Walks scheduled between Aug 20 and Oct 15, in preparation for the Oct 22 Tram Road Challenge and Desert AIDS Walk. ...

## Public Forum Regarding the Maintenance & Operation Agreement with AYSO for the Dennis Keat Soccer Park



Public Forum Regarding the Maintenance & Operation Agreement with AYSO for the Dennis Keat Soccer Park The Cathedral City Soccer Park Complex was completed and became operational in 2006. Prior to the Construction and as part of the process of entitlement, the City held several neighborhood meetings to discuss the value that the park brings to the community, the challenges

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# Senior Citizen Trip to San Diego - Sign Up Now

Senior Citizen Trip to San Diego - Sign Up Now The Cathedral City Senior Center is offering a fun day trip to San Diego's Seaport Village that features wonderful shops, restaurants, entertainment and a wine tasting room on Saturday, August 20th. Tickets are available for \$40 per person through Gadabout Tours of Palm Springs. If 12 people sign-up from Cathedral ...

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### Cathedral City Kept Its Commitment to the Voters of Proposition 84 to Build a New Park

Cathedral City Kept Its Commitment to the Voters of Proposition 84 to Build a New Park In today's Desert Sun, there is an article detailing that a



percentage of park funds established by Proposition 84, approved by statewide voters in 2006, failed to build new parks in urban areas. It lists many cities up and down the state that received ...

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## La Michoacana Ice Cream Parlor Celebrates Its Grand Opening

La Michoacana Ice Cream Parlor Celebrates Its Grand Opening Mayor Pro Tem Greg Pettis, Councilmember Mark Carnevale, and Economic Development Director Curt Watts represented Cathedral City during the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new La Michoacana Ice Cream Parlor located at 27765 Landau

Boulevard, Cathedral City (in the same shopping center just east of Stater Bros. grocery store). Hosted by ...

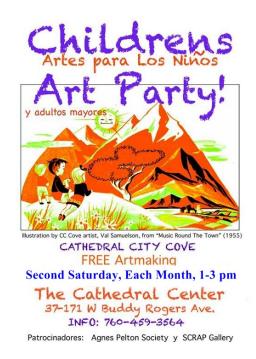
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### **Upcoming Events**

# Cathedral City Cove Art Party for Children & Elders

Children's Art Party for children and elders. NEW LOCATION and TIME THIS MONTH: Cathedral City Art Gallery (City Hall) The SCRAP Gallery and the Agnes Pelton Society hosts the Children and Elders monthly Art Party at the Cathedral City Art Gallery, 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero (adjacent to City Hall), on the Second Saturday of each month from 6-8 PM. Admission is free. ...

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### **FallFest**

KevaWorks, the promoter of the Tamale Festival in Indio, visited the Cathedral City Balloon



Festival in February and decided that they wanted to start a new annual event for the Coachella Valley called FallFest. It will be a family-friendly, community event that will take place October 27-30, 2016 in Downtown Cathedral City. FallFest will include a full carnival, complete with ...

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### Halloween Spooktacular at FallFest



Trick or Treat, Meet Your Fire and Police, and Win a Bicycle with a Cool Seat at Cathedral City's Spooktacular on Halloween The Cathedral City Police Department, Cathedral City Fire Department, City of Cathedral City's Special Events and many non-profit organizations bring to you the Halloween Spooktacular at FallFest, Sunday, October 30, 2016 from 1-4 pm. The event will occur downtown ...

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### Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Cathedral City is proud to sponsor the 4th Annual "Dia de los Muertos" featuring: mariachi bands folkloric dancers an art contest for middle and high school students a children's craft area supervised by SCRAP Gallery information tables food vendors This year, an an altar will be constructed that focuses on the 4 families who founded Cathedral City in the late ...

"Healing Field" is a tribute to the men and women of uniform who gave the ultimate sacrifice to our country while serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. The event is organized by the Cathedral City Rotary and sponsored by the City of Cathedral City. Located in Patriot Park next to Big League Dreams Sports Park at the corner of Date Palm ...

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35th Anniversary Celebration and Balloon Festival

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Opportunities, contact: Eric Davis, City ...

# Santa & Seasonal Lights

Join friends and neighbors for a Special Holiday Celebration featuring "Santa & Seasonal Lights" on Thursday, December 1, 2016 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Free event. 6:00 pm: Tree Lighting Ceremony at Cathedral City Civic Center Plaza Lighting of City Hall Light Refreshments Santa Claus Arrival Kids Art Project For Sponsorship Read more.

# 3rd Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days

For all information, CLICK HERE









