

# CATHEDRAL CITY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 28, 2019

# Community Update by Paul S. Wilson, Fire Chief



"Get rid of those weeds around your home or business"

During the winter of 2019, Cathedral City enjoyed above average rainfall. As spring weather approaches the weeds, wildflowers and grasses are growing at an abundant rate.

This vegetation will quickly dry out and present a real fire danger. In accordance to city ordinances, weeds must be removed to prevent a threat to your residence, business, and surrounding properties.

#### Remember the following:

- · Mow, cut or treat weeds to inhibit their growth.
- A vegetation fire can quickly spread to a home or commercial business.
- Do <u>not</u> toss cigarettes out of a car window. Vegetation fires can be caused by the improper disposal of cigarettes/cigars.

- When conducting metal grinding, cutting, or welding operations be cautious of sparks landing in combustible areas. Keep a fire extinguisher and/or garden hose readily available.
- When towing an ATV, boat, construction, landscaping, or recreational trailer do <u>not</u> let the trailer safety chains drag on the ground. The sparks created by the safety chains dragging on the roadway can ignite a fire along the shoulder grasses.
- Never park your vehicle on dry grass or weeds. The catalytic converter can ignite combustibles underneath the vehicle.
- Be alert to weather conditions, especially low humidity and windy conditions. Red flag warnings are issued by the National Weather Service when conditions are severe enough to proliferate fires.
- Maintain defensible space of at least 50 feet of cleared area around your home or business. Vegetation that is growing near your roof eaves, should be trimmed to prevent ladder fuels. "Ladder fuels" are combustible vegetation that will support and extend burning into a structure.
- Call 9-1-1 if you observe smoke or fire along a roadway. You may be the first to report a situation that can be controlled, in the incipient stage.

Contact the Cathedral City Fire Department for additional fire safety informationat (760) 770-8200 or visit us on the web at <a href="https://www.cathedralcityfire.org">www.cathedralcityfire.org</a>

#### NEWS



The Late Mayor Gregory Pettis Donates His Campaign Funds to the Cathedral City High School Choir

The award-winning Cathedral City High School Choir, led Choir Director May LeRoy, was a treasure to former Mayor Greg Pettis who passed away on January 15th. Mayor Pettis devoted much of his time and energy raising tens of thousands of dollars to help send the choir to Australia, Italy, and New York's Carnegie Hall. He wanted the world to see ...Read more.

# New "Homeless" Button on Cathedral City Police Department App

Last night, Police Chief Travis
Walker presented to the City Council
his report on the progress being
made by the homeless liaison officer
within the police department who



helps the homeless community find proper social services, while at the same time, working to protect property and keeping residents safe. During the "one point in time homeless count" earlier this ...

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## "Anytime Fitness" Opens in Cathedral City

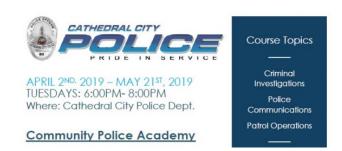
When you think of Cathedral City, you may think of "fitness" first! Cathedral City has a brand-new fitness center in the former Tuesday Morning location at Canyon Plaza Shopping Center across from Target and Trader Joe's. This 6,000 plus square foot, upscale

fitness facility caters to those who are looking for the best fitness equipment, a gym that feels like ...Read more.

#### Free Community Police Academy – Register Now

Get involved with your local Police
Department. Come join us for an
interactive experience in police work.
We offer a FREE 8-week Community
Police Academy. This 8-week class
offers a hands-on approach that
enables attendees to better
understand the role of the police
department in their community. You
will learn about various divisions

within your police department and volunteer opportunities. ...Read more.





### Cathedral City LGBT Days' Bed Race – Saturday at 11 am

Get ready for a Pride Parade with a little drama and suspense! The Cathedral City LGBT Days' Bed Race, emceed by Bella da Ball, happens this Saturday, March 30, 2019 starting at 11 am in front of City Hall in Downtown Cathedral City. Here are the current list of groups

competing for Fastest Bed, Best Decorated, Best Theme, and Most ...Read more.

#### **Events**

### Cristopher Cichocki's "Desert Sea" Exhibit (February 15 - May 5)

Internationally recognized, Coachella Valley artist, Cristopher Cichocki, will create his latest art installation entitled, "Desert Sea," on the Festival Lawn, 68-600 East Palm Canyon Drive, in Downtown Cathedral City with a scheduled opening on Friday, February 15, 2019 through Sunday, May 5, 2019. Desert Sea unveils a fusion of materials derived from the Coachella Valley that include Salton Sea barnacles, ...

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#### SCORE Quickbooks Workshops -Intermediate Course

SCORE Quickbooks Workshops Intermediate Course Sponsored by the Cathedral City Economic Development Department, this workshop is designed for current users of Quickbooks Online (QBO)



who want to expand their understanding and skills regarding functionality and navigation of the software. It will address intermediate accounting principles for small businesses and record keeping with QBO as well and general best practices and ...

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Palm Canyon Drive. Mayor Pettis was the ...Read more.

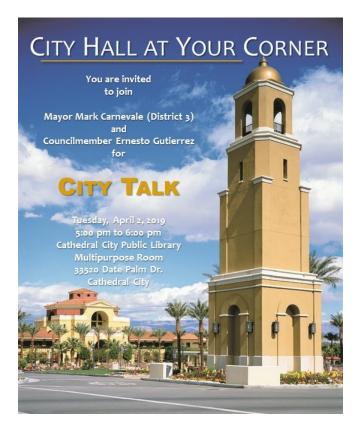
### Dedication of the Mayor Gregory S. Pettis Rainbow Crossing

The City of Cathedral City and the Cathedral City Gay Business
Association will host a Dedication
Ceremony of the Rainbow Crossing in honor of the late Mayor Gregory S.
Pettis on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 5:00 pm at the Rainbow Crossing located on West Buddy Rogers
Avenue near the intersection of East

## 5th Annual Cathedral City LGBT Days

March 29 - 31, 2019





## City Hall at Your Corner - April 2nd

Have an issue you would like to speak to your city councilmembers about or learn what is happening in Cathedral City? Then join us for "City Hall at Your Corner" hosted by Mayor Mark Carnevale (District 3) and Councilmember Ernesto Gutierrez. The forum will take place on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the ...

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#### Two for Tuesday

Cathedral City residents can ice skate for half-price on the first Tuesday of every month (excluding holidays) at Desert Ice Castle. Just bring proof of being a Cathedral City resident, such as an Driver's license, copy of a utility bill, or any other form of residential proof. Ages 3 years and up. The Time for Public Skate Available for "Two ...

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## Rethinking how museums work and feel

Dr. Stephen Karr will share his insights, and those of other modern cultural museum leaders, regarding the changed landscape in collecting, exhibiting, and interpreting the history and life of native/indigenous people. With his extensive background working in major museum organizations, Dr. Karr has participated directly in the movement to rethink how museums work and feel. Free admission, Cathedral City Library, 33520 Date Palm ...

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### Stop Identity Theft Program

To help STOP identity theft and as a service to its residents, the City of Cathedral City is hosting FREE Document Shredding Events. The Shredding Events are the first Saturday of the month October thru May each year.

Read more.



For more information Call (760) 770-0369 Email dpressgrove@cathedralcity.gov



# Greater Palm Springs Fast Pitch for Entrepreneurs

Cathedral City
DiscoverCathedralCity.com

The excitement is real as entrepreneurs from across the Coachella Valley compete in this Shark-Tank-style fast pitch competition. The audience will help select three winners who will take home cash prizes, and the top two contestants will advance to the countywide Fast Pitch Finale in Corona, CA. Part of Riverside County Innovation Month... Read more.

### Easter Kidapalooza

For more information, Click Here.

## Coachella Valley Boxing Battle in the Desert

Come watch the sport of amateur boxing on the Festival Lawn in Downtown Cathedral City. Doors open at 5:30 pm 1st boxing match starts at 6:30 pm

Read more.



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