

# CityLine

January-March 2018: *State of the City*

## State of the City

by *Sonny Culbreth, Interim City Manager, Community and Recreation Services Director*

Welcome to a New Year. We look forward to 2018 being an exciting time for Litchfield Park. As you can see, the theme of this *CityLine* issue is “State of the City.” Someone once asked me, “*What is the State of the City?*” and I answered “*Arizona, of course*”. Well, I tried. They didn’t laugh either, but don’t stop reading. To date, this *CityLine* issue is one of our most informative. If you attended the annual State of the City on Saturday, January 20, you know it was an interesting meeting. We took a look back at 2017 and forward to 2018. If you were not able to attend, then we encourage you to read on. Not only does Mayor Schoaf’s article highlight the meeting, pages 6 and 7 of this issue are dedicated to the information shared. Read to discover special event dates for concerts and festivals including the annual Community Garage Sale; info about a new City device app you can download and access from your phone; the Yard of the Quarter winner; and much more. Go ahead, take a look and enjoy!

## New City Mobile App

The City of Litchfield Park is releasing a new mobile app solution. The new digital tool will provide you with a better connection to local resources, news and information you want and need when on the go. Use the Litchfield Park mobile app to enjoy convenient access to special events, meeting agendas, the business directory, recreation programs, the City’s social media, and much more. Download the app on an Apple® device:

- Search the name “CivicMobile” in the iTunes App Store. Make sure to choose “CivicMobile” and not the “CivicMobile Preview Demo”.
- Once the CivicMobile app is downloaded, search Litchfield Park or use the “Find My Location” feature to find our app.
- Once you’ve selected Litchfield Park during the first use, the Litchfield Park mobile app will open each time the app is used.

If you have an Android device, visit the Google Play™ store and search for Litchfield Park.

## Welcome New Neighbors

Shop Litchfield Park and support area businesses! Help sustain the local economy and maintain City programs and projects including parks, recreation, streets, and public safety. How? A portion of the retail tax from purchases you make at Litchfield Park businesses is a primary source of revenue for the City. Please extend a “welcome” to these new Litchfield Park businesses:

- Clear Sky Dermatology, *Rancho La Loma Medical Building*  
14044 W Camelback Road, Suite 220
- Italian Brother’s Pizza, *Wigwam Creek*  
13000 W Indian School Road, Suite A-6



## A Message from Mayor Tom Schoaf



I hope you joined us for the annual review of the State of the City. Our City is in great condition and on a very good path going forward. We hired William (Bill) Stephens, US Air Force Colonel (Retired) as our City Manager. Bill's childhood home was in nearby Tolleson/Maryvale. Following a distinguished military career, which included serving as Base Commander at Grissom Air Base, Charleston Air Base, Youngstown Air Base and Dover Air Base, he was most recently the City Manager for Benson, Arizona.

We continue to hold meetings with our development/planning partner to review key goals of the City Center planning project. With the assistance of ASU and MAG, a parallel effort has started to understand what features will contribute to the City Center's long-term success including what mix of uses is necessary for it to be a financial success for our City. Our first public meeting to obtain resident input was at 6:30pm on Thursday, February 15 at the Litchfield Elementary School.

Cachet Homes, Mattamy Homes and Richmond American continue to build residential units in our City. Construction has also begun on a new Burger King, Christian Brothers Auto Repair and Caliber Collision at the southwest corner of El Mirage and Camelback. Planning continues for the property at the southeast corner of Dysart and Camelback. Finally, the Historical Society has received a grant to prepare a plan for a new center for the society on the La Loma hilltop. This center is moving toward reality because of the continued support and generosity of the Paul Litchfield/Wally Denny family.

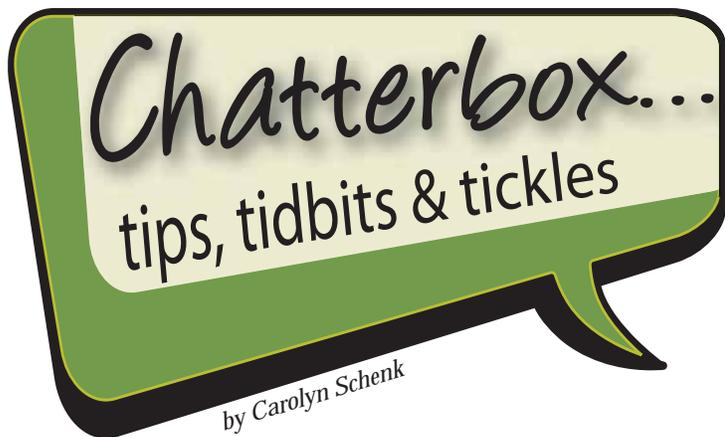
Strong sales tax receipts have allowed the City to build its financial reserves while undertaking multiple capital projects. We continue implementing our street maintenance plan with multiple streets receiving enhancements. We constructed another wall replacement phase along Camelback, we rebuilt and upgraded the wall between the Lake and the condominiums to the south. New playground equipment has been added to our parks and a new bathroom is being constructed at Camelback Park. We are also adding a water slide and upgrading the bathrooms at the Recreation Center.

Our special events throughout the year were once again spectacular. A special thank you to our Centennial Celebration Committee for an outstanding event that has been recognized as the Outstanding Community Special Event by the Arizona Parks and Recreation Association.

All in all, it was a very good year with more to come in 2018.

## FREQUENTLY REQUESTED PHONE NUMBERS

<b>Animal Control</b>	602 506-7387	<b>Goodyear Fire Customer Service</b>	623 932-2300
<b>APS</b> (to report street light outages)	602 371-7171	<b>Library</b> (Litchfield Park)	602 652-3000
<b>Bus</b> (Valley Metro)	602 253-5000	<b>Liberty Utilities</b> (water & sewer) after 4:30pm call	623 935-9367 623 935-3395
<b>Chamber of Commerce</b> (Southwest Valley)	623 932-2260	<b>Luke Air Force Base Information</b>	623 856-1110
<b>City Hall</b>		<b>New Life Center</b> (women's shelter)	623 932-4404
Administration/Clerk/City Manager	623 935-5033	<b>Police (MCSO)</b> Emergency	9-1-1
Building Department	623 935-1066	Non-Emergency	602 876-1011
Building Permits & Property Maintenance	623 935-1066	<b>Recreation Center</b>	623 935-9040
Court	623 935-7091	<b>Southwest Gas Corporation</b>	877 860-6020
Finance	623 935-4364	<b>Waste Management</b>	888 964-9780
Human Resources	623 935-4364	<b>West Valley Arts Council</b>	623 935-6384
Public Works/Field Operations	623 935-4356	<b>West Valley View</b>	623 535-8439
<b>Cox Cable</b>	602 277-1000		
<b>Dust Control Violations</b>	602 372-2703		



## Tips

Begin the New Year by being organized. Make a photo copy of your wallet's contents and store in a safe place at home. If your wallet is lost or stolen, you will have a quick reference to the information you were carrying. Referring to your copy makes it easier to cancel credit cards and replace your driver's license, etc.

## Tidbits

Looking for a new place to walk and visit in the City? On October 28, 2017, St. Peter's Episcopal Church located at 400 S. Old Litchfield Road, dedicated their labyrinth [lab-uh-rinth]. The history of the labyrinth goes back 5,000 years or more. A labyrinth is a walking meditation, a path of prayer and an archetypal blueprint where psyche meets Spirit. It has only one path that leads from the outer edge in a circuitous way to the center. It is a beautiful place to visit and reflect. Make it a point to visit this new addition to our City.

## Tickles

Dearest Dad,

I am coming home to get married soon, so get your checkbook out. I'm in love with a boy who is far away from me. As you know, I am in Australia and he lives in Scotland. We met on a dating website, became friends on Facebook, and had long chats on Whatsapp. He proposed to me on Skype and now we've had two months of a relationship through Viber. My beloved Dad, I need your blessing, good wishes, and a really big wedding. Love, your daughter, Lilly

My Dear Daughter,

Like WOW! Really? Cool! Whatever... I suggest you two get married on Twitter, have fun on Tango, buy your kids on Amazon, and pay for it all through PayPal. And, when you get fed up with your new husband, sell him on eBay. Love, Your Dad

## ... and a Quote

*The more a man knows, the more he forgives.* Catherine the Great, Empress of Russia 1762-1796

## 2018 Flag Ceremonies

8:15am City Hall Front Lawn, Reception to follow

### Merchant Marine 80th Founder's Day March 15

Flag Raising Ceremony: Thursday, March 15

### US Army Day 243rd Birthday June 14 (also Flag Day)

Flag Raising Ceremony: Thursday, June 14

### US Coast Guard 228th Birthday August 4

Flag Raising Ceremony: Friday, August 3

### US Air Force 71st Birthday September 18

Flag Raising Ceremony: Tuesday, September 18

### US Navy Day 243rd Birthday October 13

Flag Raising Ceremony: Friday, October 12

### Marine Corps 243rd Birthday November 10

Flag Raising Ceremony: Friday, November 9

## Holiday Office Closures City Hall, Magistrate Court & Recreation Center

### President's Day

Monday, February 19, 2018

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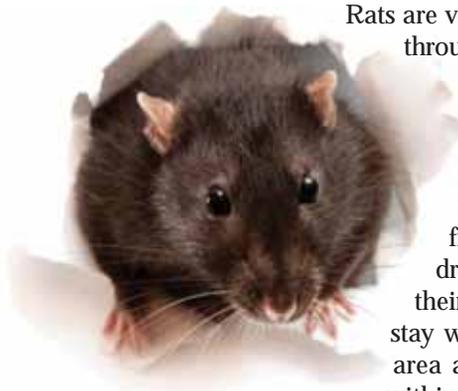
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## Roof Rats Sighted in Litchfield Park

by Lynn Webb, Code Enforcement Officer



Rats are very destructive, gnawing through wiring and destroying citrus. The key to eliminating rats lies with residents who maintain clean yards (especially keep trees free of fruit and pick up dropped fruit and debris on their property). Rats prefer to stay within a 200 to 300 yard area and generally stay right within a residential backyard.

Maricopa County states that successful removal of rats is obtained by residents who:

- Remove nesting opportunities
- Clean up yards, garages, carports and patios by removing all debris
- Keep their property free of accumulation of landscape and household debris
- Keep all trash in containers with properly fitting lids
- Remove all bird seed, dog and cat food from outside
- Remove all outside water sources (*leaking faucets, pet water, etc.*)
- Place bait stations and traps safely (*located away from pets and children*) on their property

Rat nests are usually constructed of manmade debris, twigs, cotton, and plant materials, and can be found in dark, enclosed areas including garages, between walls, in attics, or in boxed-in plumbing. In outdoor areas surrounding homes, rats nest in debris piles, yard water, old furniture, and trees.

Eradication of rats requires relentless effort of the whole neighborhood. The City is working with Maricopa County and professional trappers to identify resources for residents in addressing this issue. Further information can be found on the Maricopa County website at <https://www.maricopa.gov/EnvSvc>.

## Arts in the Park Outdoor Concerts

All concerts held on The Wigwam front lawn



**Sunday, March 18, 2018**

Come Back Buddy 4-6pm

[comebackbuddy.com](http://comebackbuddy.com)



**Friday, April 6, 2018**

Cold Shott & The Hurricane Horns 7-9pm

[coldshottandthehurricanehorns.com](http://coldshottandthehurricanehorns.com)

## Kiwanis Litchfield Park 10K, 5K, 1 Mile Run & Healthy Classroom Challenge

Saturday, February 24

You're invited to run or walk the palm and orange tree-lined Litchfield Park route during this special event! Participate in the 2018 annual run by registering and remitting your registration fee. Participants running in the competitive races—10K, 5K, 1 Mile—registration fees are \$20. The Healthy Classroom Challenge, a one-mile walk or run, is \$10 per participant. Proceeds from the event are donated to Friends of the Rec, a 501(c) non-profit organization committed to encouraging youth and healthy family social and recreation activities in the Litchfield Elementary School District.

Additional information and registration forms are available online at [www.litchfield-park.org](http://www.litchfield-park.org) or in the lobby at the Litchfield Park Recreation Center, 100 S Old Litchfield Road. Register online at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com). Questions? Call 623-935-9040.



**Yoga in the Park**, taught by Yoga Alliance Instructor Gina McElroy, focuses on learning breathing techniques to ease stress and strengthen your body and mind in a positive and fun environment! Register now for the March 2018 sessions that will be held on four (4) consecutive Saturdays starting March 3 on the Library lawn. Register online at [litchfield-park.org](http://litchfield-park.org) for individual adult yoga and in the lobby for family yoga.



- Yoga in the Park Adult Individual/March 3-24, 2018/10am-11am

- Yoga in the Park Family/March 3-24, 2018/11:15am-12pm

**Questions?** 623-935-9040

## Community Garage Sale

*Saturday, April 14*

On Saturday, April 14, 2018, during the hours of 7am-5pm, the City of Litchfield Park is encouraging a city-wide Community Garage Sale. Litchfield Park residents who live within the city limits and wish to participate, are encouraged to set up a garage sale at their own home. This is an opportunity to recycle items that you no longer have a use for and that someone else may need. Questions? Call 623-935-9040.

- Time is from 7am-5pm
- A city-issued garage sale permit is not required for this event
- All other sign requirements apply (see below)
- No rain date will be scheduled

### Signage Requirements

- Maximum sign size is 2 ft. x 2 ft.
- Signs are to be affixed to a stake and placed in the ground.
- No sign may be: (a) affixed to a utility pole; (b) affixed to a City tree; (c) placed in such a way as to obstruct the view of pedestrians or street traffic
- Signs may be posted one day in advance on Friday, April 13, and must be removed at dusk on Saturday, April 14, 2018
- Reminder: The City does not supply signs to residents

If you would like to have your address listed on the Litchfield Park website so people will know you are having a sale, please email your address to Tricia Kramer at [tkramer@litchfield-park.org](mailto:tkramer@litchfield-park.org). **Listing your address is strictly voluntary.**

## Spring Art & Wine Festival

*Saturday and Sunday, March 3 and 4*

*Save the date!* Great food, live music, fine art vendors, and much more! Eventgoers enjoy over 200 art booths, a beer and wine garden serving local microbrews and tastings from Arizona wineries and microbreweries, live music, entertainment, and a variety of appetizing food and beverage choices. Join us on Saturday and Sunday, March 3 and 4, each day from 9am until 5pm in downtown Litchfield Park. Free parking and admission. Additional event information is available online at [litchfield-park.org](http://litchfield-park.org) or 623-935-9040.

## Library Book Sale

*Saturday and Sunday, March 3 and 4*

The Friends of Litchfield Park Library will hold a used book sale in their Community Room from 9-5pm on Saturday, March 3 and from 9-3pm on Sunday, March 4, 2018. The sale includes non-fiction and fiction hardbacks, paperbacks and media items. Fiction selections include literary, crime, romance, historical, sci-fi, fantasy, and children's. Non-fiction includes history, biography, art, science, spiritual, military, cookery and food, travel, sports, self-help, large print, lifestyles and crafts, and collectibles. Electronics include DVD, CDs and book tapes. The hardbacks are \$1, paperbacks \$.50, media \$1 each. Specialty items and collectibles will be priced separately. **All items are half price on Sunday.** All profits are donated to the library to fund programs for children and adults. Donations of gently-used books and electronics are welcome and can be dropped off at the library prior to March 2, 2018. Call Susan at 623-935-4403 if you have any questions concerning the sale. Please support the Litchfield Park Library. *See you in March!*

## April Pools Day!

*Saturday, April 7*

The Litchfield Park Recreation Center's outdoor heated swimming pool will open on Saturday, April 7, 2018. On Saturday, from 1pm to 5pm, you are invited to attend the grand reopening with a pool party. **Admission is free** and activity highlights include music, food, raffle prizes, and family games. Our Aquatics Department is "*springing into summer*" with a full aquatic class schedule including group youth swim lessons, private swim lessons, tune-up clinics for summer swim team, and water exercise classes. Questions? Call 623-935-9040.



## State of the City

The 2018 State of the City address was held on Saturday, January 20, 2018, at The Church at Litchfield Park Souers Hall. Before and after the two-hour presentation, attendees were invited to network with organizational representatives and City Staff at information tables including:

- APS
- Kiwanis of Litchfield Park
- Litchfield Park Historical Society
- Litchfield Elementary School
- Litchfield Park Branch Library
- Rotary Club of Litchfield Park
- Scouts
- Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Waste Management
- The Wigwam Resort
- Litchfield Park Building Safety
- Litchfield Park City Clerk
- Litchfield Park Code Enforcement
- Litchfield Park Community & Recreation Services
- Litchfield Park Engineering
- Litchfield Park Finance
- Litchfield Park Planning
- Litchfield Park Public Safety
- Litchfield Park Public Works

## City Manager Search

Following the welcome and introduction of City Council, Boards & Commissions and City Staff, Mayor Schoaf outlined the process involved in the national search for a new City Manager. With an application deadline of September 30, 2017, 55 applications were received and 23 applicants met the job's minimum requirements. The applications were reviewed by the City Manager Selection Subcommittee and five applicants were selected for interviews. In December 2017, first interviews were completed and three applicants were recommended to Council for a second interview completed by full Council on January 6, 2018. Council voted unanimously to offer the position to William (Bill) Stephens, who accepted the offer, and will start the City Manager position on March 12, 2018.

William (Bill) Stephens, an ASU undergraduate with a Master's Degree from Golden Gate University, spent his childhood in west Phoenix. Bill, a retired Colonel of the United States Air Force, has been the City Manager for Benson, Arizona for the past four years.



*William (Bill) Stephens*

## Looking Back at 2017 and Ahead to 2018

Mayor Schoaf introduced a variety of updates including Elections; City Center; Residential Development; Commercial Development; La Loma Homestead; Crane Plume; Financial; Road Maintenance; Multi-Use Pathway; Perimeter Wall; Lake Enhancement Project; City Park Enhancement; Community & Recreation Services Programs & Special Events; Centennial Celebration; and Litchfield Elementary School 100th Anniversary.

## City Center Planning (approximately 30 acres)

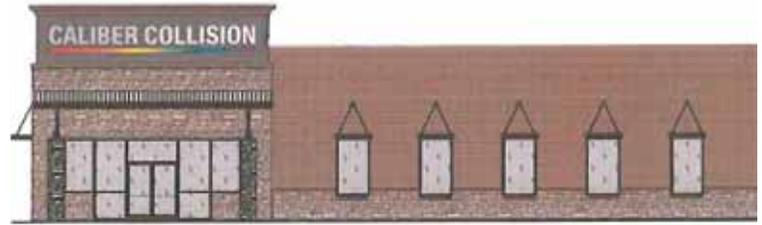
In 1996, the City adopted the "Village Center Specific Plan" that provided guidelines and an illustrative plan for development of the City Center/downtown area. In 2014, the City purchased the 2.15 acres of Scout Park property and two smaller properties including Scout Lodge and access to the Litchfield Road underpass (1.88 acres) from Dragon & Crane who had obtained the property from Kabuto International. In July 2015, the City negotiated with Dragon and Crane and purchased approximately 17 acres of property (4 parcels) located within the City Center. In January 2017, the City purchased a 5.5 acre parcel located at the northeast corner of Wigwam Boulevard and Litchfield Road from Torino Holdings. The acquisition of these properties, along with the 3.66 acre City Hall property, provides an opportunity to develop a City Center that benefits the City.

In early 2016, the City issued Requests for Proposals (RFPs) to seek out a development team to partner with the City to complete the master plan design and development. In August 2016, Council selected a team and began contract negotiations. The City and the selected team were unable to reach an agreement and a new team, Destination LP, was selected in September 2017, to develop a master plan. A City Manager's Working Group was formed and is comprised of representatives from City Council, City Boards & Commissions, business owners, property owners, community leaders, and Staff, to work with Destination LP. The City will seek input from residents, owners of property within the City Center, owners of existing City commercial entities, and the Wigwam during 2018 through meetings and web surveys.

## Residential & Commercial Development

**Residential development** continued in three demographic locations during 2017, including Cachet at the Wigwam at Litchfield Road and Village Parkway; Sunset Terrace located north of the Litchfield Marketplace near Camelback and Litchfield Road; and AV Homes in the Village at Litchfield Park.

**Commercial development** at Litchfield Marketplace included the completion of Ace Hardware in May 2017. Monument Point Business Park, located on the southwest corner of Camelback and El Mirage Roads, was annexed into the City in February 2008, but the economic downturn delayed development. In 2017, architectural, site and landscape plans were approved for three new businesses including Burger King, Christian Brothers Auto Repair and Caliber Collision (*renderings pictured to right*). In December 2016, design plans for a Dignity Health stand-alone emergency facility were approved for the hard corner of the parcel located at the southeast corner of Dysart and Camelback Roads. A plat to subdivide the property to facilitate further development is currently being processed.



## Crane Plume 2017 Update

The northern portion of the plume remains stable and under control. The Litchfield Park Lake Well was sampled in February and August 2017. TCE results remain **below** detectable levels. Crane Company installed two new extraction wells and one new injection well to control the plume in the southeast portion of the plume area. Crane Company is working with ASU to conduct laboratory studies to evaluate potential use of iron and bioremediation to treat the source area on the former Unidynamics facility. Crane continues to work to define and control the deep plume in Subunit C west of the former Unidynamics facility.

## Financial Update

Sales taxes and state shared revenues equal 82% of the fiscal year 2017 City's revenues, with 36% from retail sales tax, 17% from state shared revenues and 22% from construction/real estate sales tax. Primary sources of revenue include Recreation, Community & Special Event Services, Special Districts, franchise fees & licenses, building permit fees, court fines & forfeitures, and sales tax.

## Project Updates

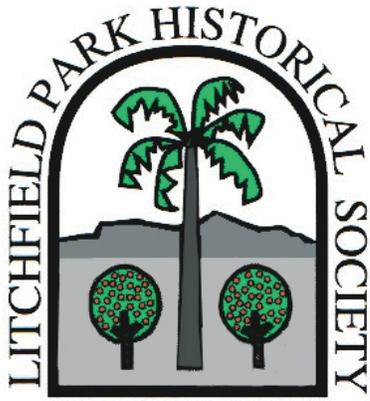
During 2017, the **Pavement Preservation Program** completed the Village Park parking lot paving, micro sealed Villa Nueva, Escondido and Mountain View Drives, crack sealed Dysart Road inlet and La Loma Drive, and repaved Val Verde Circle, Florence Avenue, Bandera Circle, and Esperanza Drive. **The Litchfield Road Multi-Use Pathway Project** completed a new sidewalk and landscaping on Litchfield Road from Bird Lane to Camelback Road and installed a new sidewalk on Bird Lane to Litchfield Road. **The Perimeter Wall Phase IV-B Project** constructed a new wall along the south side of Camelback Road located between the east end of the Perimeter Wall Phase IV-A Improvements and the west end of Camelback Park with approximately 1,740 lineal feet in length and 8-9 feet in height. **The Tierra Verde Lake Enhancement Project** was completed in the spring of 2017, and included a new concrete shoreline, sidewalk, security fencing, low-level lighting, and landscaping. **City Park Enhancement Projects** included playground replacement at Aleppo Park, ADA swings at Turtle and Camelback Parks and a concrete parking lot at Village Park. **Scout Park Phase II** construction was completed that included the installation of a playground, tot lot, Ramada, backstop, trash receptacles, concrete cart path, drinking fountain, and benches.

## Community & Recreation Services

**Recreation programs** enhance the quality of life for City residents including youth sports, aquatic classes and lessons, pool events, and a licensed preschool. In 2018, the Recreation Center is scheduled to remodel the public restrooms and add a water slide to the swimming pool. **Special Events** continued to contribute to the economic and social vitality of the City and supported over 20 award-winning special events including Oktoberfest; Arts in the Park Outdoor Concert Series; Native American Art Festival; Christmas in the Park; Kiwanis Winter Trout Fishing Derby; The Kiwanis Litchfield Park 10K, 5K, 1 Mile Run; and the Spring Art & Wine Festival.

## State of the City Presentation

The full State of the City presentation is available online at [litchfield-park.org](http://www.litchfield-park.org), access Live > Government > State of the City or <http://www.litchfield-park.org/DocumentCenter/View/8411>



## The Path to Incorporation: Litchfield Park Becomes a City

Thirty years ago the community of Litchfield Park became Arizona's newest city, but not without a period of uncertainty. Goodyear Tire and Rubber's patronage had faded from the picture. The Wigwam Resort and the farm acreage surrounding Litchfield Park were no longer in the company's hands, having been sold off in its fight against corporate raider Sir James Goldsmith. Although a move to incorporate the community was already taking shape, the aftermath of the takeover attempt brought a new sense of urgency to the process. Residents anticipated being swallowed by other cities such as Phoenix or Glendale and were unsure of how developers' plans for the surrounding acreage would affect them. The contract with the homeowners association that had maintained the community was set to expire, and the choice to incorporate became clearer as residents sought to preserve Litchfield Park's unique character and identity.

A core group of residents, which included former Goodyear Mayor, Charles Salem, and Tri-City Chamber of Commerce members Marcia Ellis and Ed King, approached the League of Cities and Towns and recruited local residents to form an incorporation committee. With the goal of gathering signatures of two-thirds of registered voters from the community's population of 3,700, the committee held public informational meetings to gauge public support and share information about the incorporation process. Goodyear and Avondale's approval was also necessary as dictated by state law. Goodyear readily agreed to de-annex land that surrounded Litchfield Park allowing for the future city's projected expansion.

The original plan for Litchfield Park's municipal boundaries encompassed much of the land that had been part of Goodyear Farms with boundaries that ran from Camelback Road south to Thomas Road and Cotton Lane east to El Mirage Road. Residents expected the developing firm Westinghouse to develop communities similar to the original town site, only to find Westinghouse-Goodyear properties had been sold to SunCor, a subsidiary of Pinnacle West. Hopes were high that Litchfield Park would become a city close to 20 square miles in area; roughly the same size as Fountain Hills. But SunCor would eventually put the property in the City of Goodyear, ensuring Litchfield Park would retain its 3.3 square mile footprint—a diminutive Monaco among sprawling valley cities.



*Litchfield Park's first Mayor,  
Charlie Salem*

After the way was cleared for incorporation, a city council government was appointed by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors. The seven members were appointed to one-year terms, many of whom had served on the incorporation committee. Those who served on the first city council included Mayor Charles Salem, Vice Mayor Barbara Robey, Scott Clarke, Marcia Ellis, Tom Schoaf, Bill Tainter, and Ron Wheat. By the time the year 1987 drew to a close, Litchfield Park had become *The City of Litchfield Park*.



## You are Part of Our Winning Team

*by Shelly Smith Hornback, Coordinator of Community Information and Partnerships*

When it comes to excellence in education, we agree with author Jamie Vollmer who insists, "Schools cannot do it alone." It's true that excellent schools can only exist when multiple factors align. Students, teachers, staff, parents, volunteers, business leaders, community partners, and elected officials must work together to achieve success for all students. Indeed, you are a critical part of our winning team!

The recent override election is a striking example of a variety of stakeholders partnering to protect art, music, physical education, and many more of Litchfield Elementary School District's award-winning programs. Thanks to your support, we can also increase pay to combat the teacher shortage. The override helps attract and retain quality teachers who are crucial to strong schools in our community.

In addition to supporting bond and override campaigns, you can promote quality education in our community by spreading the word about our many job openings. Litchfield Elementary School District has an ongoing need for quality teachers, speech therapists, bus drivers, and more. Visit our new website at [www.lesd.k12.az.us](http://www.lesd.k12.az.us) to learn about our attractive benefits package and increasingly competitive pay.

Referrals continue to be our greatest source of talent identification. We invite you join us in the hunt for qualified professionals who always put students first.

## Is Your Address Visible from the Street? *by Tanja Tanner, Goodyear Community Education Coordinator*

What?! You don't have a house number posted on the outside of your house? If you don't, then the emergency crews may have a difficult time finding your address. Unfortunately, emergencies can, and do happen. When precious seconds can mean the difference between life and death, you want to be sure you've done everything you can to put the odds in your favor. It's a fact that fire doubles



in size every minute. Also, every minute that passes without CPR and/or defibrillation during a cardiac event, the chances of survival decrease by 10%. This means that finding your address promptly is extremely important during these types of emergencies. Statistics show that even a few seconds saved not "searching" for a house number can significantly improve the outcome during a medical or fire emergency. In order to be easily visible from the street, house numbers should be at a minimum of 4-inches high and half-inch wide and shown in a contrasting color. Please help us find you!

For more information, email the Community Risk Reduction Staff at [gdycdrr@goodyearaz.gov](mailto:gdycdrr@goodyearaz.gov) or call 623-882-7308.

## There's Music in the Air. Live Music Thursday-Saturday Evenings

### Wigwam Bar | 7 - 10pm

European-style community courtyard with small and large plates menu, plus signature cocktails, wines and craft beers.

### Litchfield's | 6 - 9pm

Perfect for Inspired dining, celebrating or simply kicking back over delectable drinks and savory hors d'oeuvres.



WIGWAMARIZONA.COM | 623.935.3811



## Beautification Committee Selects Yard of Quarter Winner

Congratulations! Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Stoneback, 14461 West Mountain View Drive



## Renewable Resolutions

This year, make resolutions that are better for your health and the environment. Start small and try one simple change. Fulfilling one resolution starts you on a path for bigger and better changes.

### Small Step, Big Impact

Make a manageable commitment and focus on one recyclable item. Pledge to recycle all your empty aluminum cans. Did you know that recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to power a television for two hours? Once recycled, it is an endlessly reusable resource that only takes 60 days to end up back on the shelf as a new can. But, only half of all aluminum cans are currently recycled. You can make a big difference just by recycling all your aluminum cans.



Homes recycle more when there are multiple recycling containers. And not just in the kitchen.



### Simplify and Multiply

Make it easier to recycle more. Place recycling bins throughout your house, not just in the kitchen, to increase your impact. Convenience and commitment take the sweat out of recycling.

As the year goes on, add more items to your recycling bins. Include empty plastic bottles and steel cans. Add clean paper and cardboard.

If you use plastic bags to line your recycling bins, remember to empty your recyclables loose into your curbside cart for collection. Plastic bags create big problems when mixed with other recyclables. Return clean plastic bags to a local retailer to recycle separately.

### Eliminate Doubt

Most importantly, remember the adage “*When in doubt, throw it out.*” If you’re not 100% sure it’s recyclable, put it in the trash can. The holidays spark a lot of wishful recycling – putting non-recyclables in the recycling bin and hoping for the best. This leads to a lot of trash in the recycling and it ruins loads of good materials. Go with what you know: only put clean and empty cans, bottles, paper, and cardboard in the recycling.

See what a big impact you can make when you start small and keep it simple! Access the 2018 WM holiday schedule online: <http://www.litchfield-park.org/DocumentCenter/View/4584>

## SHOP THE PARK

### DOWNTOWN

*Wigwam Boulevard & Old Litchfield Road*

#### Dining

Litchfield's <i>Wigwam</i>	623 935-3811
Old Pueblo Café	623 935-5059
Park Café	623 535-6661
Red's Bar & Grill <i>Wigwam</i>	623 856-1094
Ribbons Tea House	623 536-8119
The Lazy Palm Sports Grill	623 518-6388
The Litchfield Taproom	623 536-4804

#### Service Providers

Charity Realty	623 536-5010
Elizabeth Arden Red Door Spa <i>Wigwam</i>	623 535-4967
Ellsworth & Warren Family Dentistry	623 935-9376
Fringe Salon	623 935-0505
Haircutters in the Park	623 935-9505
Homesmart	623 335-7747
King Enterprises	623 935-5101
Litchfield Park Cross Fit	623 695-6449
Litchfield Park Old Fashion Barber Shop	623 535-0300
Morrisette Martial Arts	623 935-0400
Smith Law Offices	623 935-2870
Tri West Realty	623 536-9378
Wigwam Resort	623 935-3811
Wigwam Golf	623 935-9414

### WIGWAM CREEK SHOPPING CENTER

*Indian School and Dysart*

#### Dining

China Red Café	623 535-7599
Italian Brother's Pizza	602 421-6661
KFC	623 535-5528
McDonald's	623 935-7710
Señor Taco	623 935-0343
Subway	623 536-9401
Baskin Robbins	623 535-4488

#### Service Providers

Albertsons	623 535-7991
Anytime Fitness	623 935-2737
Compass Bank	623 547-2440
Cowtown Skateboards	623 536-2345
Embassy Tanning	623 935-0021
Fantastic Sams	623 535-3989
Goodyear Tire & Auto Service Center	623 536-0613
Hacienda Del Rey	623 498-8682
J's Barber Shop	623 935-3525
Leslie's Swimming Pool Supplies	623 547-3807
My Peak Wireless	208 484-6066
O'Reilly Auto Parts	623 536-0490
Osco Pharmacy Albertsons	623 535-7153
Sun West Nails	623 547-3844
US Bank Albertsons	623 536-2407
Valero Corner Store & Fuel Station	623 535-7991
Wigwam Creek Dental Care	623 547-0010

## PLAZA IN THE PARK

*Litchfield & Camelback*

#### Dining

Ground Control	623 535-9066
La Loma Mexican Grille	623 935-0981

#### Service Providers

Allstate Insurance	623 486-1828
Banner Health Clinic	623 474-8370
Core Body Pilates West Valley	623 285-5462
CVS / Pharmacy	623 547-4799
Edward Jones Investments	623 935-3959
Fit Body Boot Camp	623 536-2537
Glamor Nails & Spa	623 536-3330
Litchfield Center for Restorative Dentistry	623 935-5055
Litchfield Park Pool Service & Supply	623 935-5121
Little Sunbeams Preschool	623 935-0422
Moody's Smoke Shop	623 535-1010
Real Aztate	623 223-1663
Share More Smiles Orthodontics	623 547-2022
Studios of Style	623 547-1849
The Beauty Box	623-535-3893
Wee Care Corporation	623 935-6040

### LA LOMA MEDICAL PLAZA LA LOMA VILLAGE – SENIOR LIVING

*Litchfield & Camelback*

#### Health & Well-Being Providers

Academic Urology & Urogynecology of Arizona	623 547-2600
Clear Sky Dermatology	623 219-4777
Gibbs & Martin Dentistry	623 535-5488
Lab Corp	623 536-7477
Litchfield Dental Care	623 547-0307
Pinnacle Family Medicine	623 935-9600

#### La Loma Village

La Loma Health Care Center	623 537-7400
La Loma Community	623 537-7500

### LITCHFIELD MARKETPLACE

*Litchfield & Camelback*

#### Dining

Hot Bagels & Deli #1	623 243-9071
Jack in the Box	623 594-4273
Little Caesars	623 594-8312
Panda Express	623 536-1016
Starbucks Coffee	480 285 8886
Times Square Italian Restaurant	623 322-7437

#### Service Providers

Ace Hardware	623 535-1303
Cute-icle Nails Spa by Kelly	623 536-1994
Fry's Fuel Center	623 334-7735
Fry's Marketplace	623 334-7735
MedPost Urgent Care	928 323-8112
Oasis Dental Spa	480 822-7659
Pet Planet	480 924-2347
Supercuts	623 935-3112
The Little Clinic Fry's	623 334-7745

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You make a difference  
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Recycling just one aluminum can saves  
enough energy to run a TV for two hours.

Make the promise to recycle at  
[RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com](http://RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com)