

## SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TO DISCUSS FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Town recently conducted five (5) public workshops at various locations to discuss the available options for Fire and Emergency services in the Town of Carefree.

These critical workshops invited the public to engage with a panel of experts and ask questions about the levels of fire and emergency services as well as the associated costs for each.

A financial analysis by Rounds and Associates identifies that Carefree will not have sufficient funds to pay for the option that includes Automatic Aid within the forecast period and beyond. Furthermore, there are only two realistic options to cover the costs for Automatic Aid: a sales tax increase or the implementation of a property tax. Within Carefree the sales tax has historically been very volatile from one year to the next which makes fiscal planning more difficult. A property tax will prove to be a more stable source of revenue. If Automatic Aid is demanded by the Town, in the specific case of Carefree, the implementation of a property tax would be recommended if fiscal stability is also a concern.

This topic will be discussed at a special town council meeting on **December 13th at 5:00 PM** (this date is critical to meet the State Law requirements for the special election). The council will consider putting this item on the special election ballot to occur in May for voter consideration.

View information and learn more on our website: [carefree.org/community-engagement](https://carefree.org/community-engagement)

## ENGINEERING UPDATE:

### **2023 Pavement Maintenance Project:**

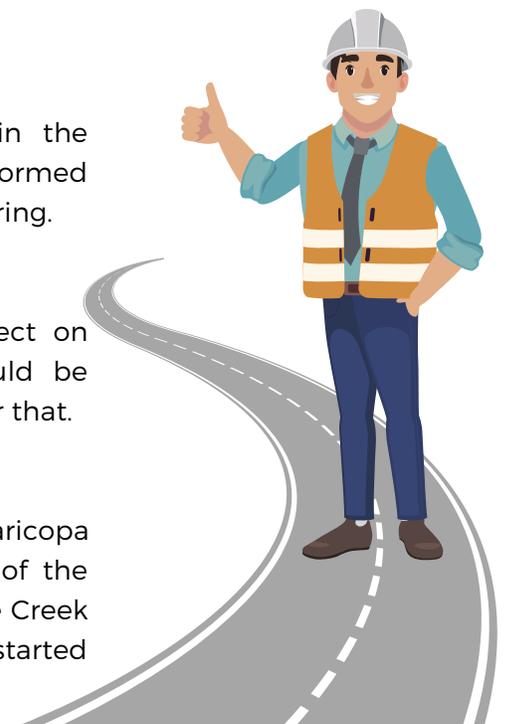
Work will begin on the 2023 Pavement Maintenance Project in the Highlands after the Thanksgiving holiday. Crack sealing will be performed this year with a cape seal (chip seal followed by a slurry seal) in the spring.

### **Drainage Improvement Project:**

Design will be starting soon for the drainage improvement project on Carefree Drive just north of Cave Creek Road. The design should be completed in about six months with construction following soon after that.

### **Maricopa Association of Governments Grant:**

The Engineering Department has secured a grant from the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) to further enhance the safety of the crosswalks at three locations on Tom Darlington Drive including Cave Creek Road, Ridgeview Place, and Wampum Way. Design plans should be started after the new year.



# RURAL METRO PERFORMS LIFE-SAVING MEDICAL RESPONSE DURING ART FESTIVAL

Contributed by: Shawn Gilleland, Rural Metro  
Public Information Officer, Community Relations, Business Development

November 5, 2022, at 1342, Engine and Rescue 821 were dispatched to a fall, at the (extremely crowded) Carefree Art Fair. At 1:45 pm, crews arrived on scene to find a 75-year-old in full Cardiac Arrest in the middle of the fair. The Mayor of Carefree stated that he was talking with the patient when he suddenly dropped to the ground, and he immediately called 911.

On scene, the crew of Engine 821 immediately started CPR, prepared the patient for transport, and moved him into the rescue unit. The patient was transported Code 3 to the hospital within five minutes of our crew arriving on scene. The patient's condition was very serious, requiring intense medical intervention during transport to the hospital.

The Crews on Engine and Rescue 821 did an outstanding job. Our crews were dispatched, arrived on scene, treated the patient with Advanced Cardiac Life Support, prepared the patient, and transported him, all within a 9-minute window while being able to achieve and maintain ROSC (Return of Spontaneous Circulation) until the patient was safely admitted to the emergency room.

Rural Metro commends the actions of the following crew members:

## Engine 821

- Michael Ojeda
- Spencer Peters
- Timothy Davison

## Rescue 821

- Stephen Tarantino
- William Browning



Rural Metro recommends that every adult learn or at least be familiar with the application of Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). This event is a stark reminder of how sudden someone's life can be in danger. Timely intervention, by the application of quality CPR and emergency response notification, calling 911, increases the survivability of a cardiac event by 2-3 times. Conversely, about 90% of people who experience an out of hospital cardiac arrest die.

Hands-only CPR can be learned in two steps:

1. CALL 911,
2. PUSH HARD AND FAST on the center of the chest:

<https://cpr.heart.org/en/cpr-courses-and-kits/hands-only-cpr>

Learn more:

<https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/cpr>  
<https://cpr.heart.org/>



## TOWN OF CAREFREE HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS



Kicking off the festivities is the Town's annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, "Carefree Lights Up", on Saturday, December 3rd. Guests will be entertained by the Cactus Kickers, Desert Hills Presbyterian Church Carolers and Bell Ringers, along with local music talent, Kevin Glenn, will delight us with the sounds of Christmas. Carefree Lights Up: Saturday, Dec. 3rd, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion & Carefree Desert Gardens. Free to attend.

On December 15th, Carefree Art Galleries come to life for Third Thursdays Art Walk. With 15 different galleries featuring unique art pieces, live demonstrations, artist lectures, and more. Begin at any gallery and stroll at your leisure, enjoying an evening of art, music, and culture. Live performances in Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion round out the experience for an evening to remember.

Third Thursdays Art Walk: Every Third Thursday, 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM. Free to attend.

Carefree resident, Henry Molder, brings a very special workshop on December 16th: Learn to play the Native American Flute. The sound of the Native American Flute has the power to soothe and heal. Come learn the history of the Native American Flute and how it can be used in today's hectic world. Participants receive a hand-made wooden flute, beginning Native American Flute instruction, a brief history of Native American Flute, Meditation Songs played by Henry, and one FREE private lesson.

Workshop: Dec 18, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM, \$75 due at the door. Seats limited.

Register your spot: <https://forms.gle/zL93ekxn6d5CNHDY6>

Celebrating its sixth year, Chanukah in Carefree brings the community together in celebration of the Festival of Lights. Featuring eight nights of themed activities, local Jewish organizations will take turns hosting the evening festivities and lighting the 6.5-foot-tall menorah in the Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion. In addition to the holiday celebration, Chanukah in Carefree welcomes all to join in the 'Spirit of Giving' to those in need. This year's selected charity is Foothills Caring Corps. Hosted among the Desert Gardens within the Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion, guests will enjoy music, food, drinks, raffles, and good company. Chanukah in Carefree celebrations begin at 5:30 PM nightly. Free to attend.

## SALT RIVER PIMA MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY AWARDS GRANT TO TOWN OF CAREFREE



The Town of Carefree was awarded grant funds from the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community towards the purchase of a new Brush Truck and supplemental equipment for fighting wildland fires.

Carefree Mayor, Les Peterson, was present to receive the honor.

The new vehicle will be the Town's asset to keep for the benefit of Carefree residents and will aid in response to wildland fires.

On behalf of the Town of Carefree, we thank the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community for their generous support.

## WELCOME NEW BUSINESSES!



WISTL SKIN

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**37555 N Hum Rd, Carefree, AZ 85377**

As a professionally licensed aesthetician for nearly two decades, working in high level plastic surgery practices on Chicago's Gold Coast and North Shore, Andrea Hochstedt has developed a proven protocol of synergistic procedures and techniques all aimed at improving overall skin quality and natural beauty for both men and women.

Andrea has 20 years of laser and advanced aesthetic experience and specializes in the use of Intense Pulsed Light (IPL), Broad Band Light (BBL), radio frequency (RF), erbium, ND:Yag diode lasers, is trained in multi-dimensional chemical exfoliations, advanced micro-needling methods, and treatments for melasma, hyperpigmentation, rosacea and acne scarring.



**TOX BAR** -coming soon to Carefree!

**100 Easy St, Carefree, AZ 85377**

This new restaurant concept brings an upscale bar & restaurant with a 'secret' med spa accessed via hidden entrance. Owned and operated by nurses and advanced aesthetic injectors, Tania Hendricks and Christina Sumpter, Tox Bar offers a wide range of injectables including: advanced neuromodulators, dermal fillers, microneedling, PRP, Sculptra, Radiesse, PDO Threads, Kybella, and IV fluid management in our popular med spa locations, or nurse injectors bring their services to the home's of mobile clients within Cave Creek, Scottsdale, and the Phoenix Metro area. Tox Bar brings a fun and unique "bar" spin to med spa procedures. Stay tuned for updates!



## LOCAL PRESS

November 2022 press mentions and news articles are linked here for your reference (click title to read):

[Carefree Residents Discuss Town Revitalization](#)

[Great Things Come in Small Packages](#)

[Carefree Fine Art & Wine Festival Combines the Best of Both Worlds](#)

[New Year's Eve Retreat at CIVANA](#)

[Sticks Golf & Cigar Lounge Grand Re-opening](#)

[Country Doctor Service for your Technology](#)

[Artists return to the Hills for two-weekend studio tour](#)

## DECEMBER 2022 EVENTS

[CLICK HERE FOR ONLINE EVENT CALENDAR](#)

### 15th Annual Christmas Bazaar

Dec 2-3 | Our Lady of Joy Catholic Church

### Carefree Lights UP! Tree Lighting Ceremony

Dec 3 | Town Center | 5:30 PM

### Carefree Water Co. Meeting

Dec 6 | Council Chambers | 4 PM

### Town Council Meeting

Dec 6 | Council Chambers | 5 PM

Dec 13 | Council Chambers | 5 PM

### Kiwanis Christmas Jubilee

Dec 10 | Town Center | 10 AM

### Third Thursday Art Walk

Dec 15 | Town Center | 4-7 PM

### Workshop: Learn to Play the Native American Flute with Henry Molder

Dec 18 | 33 Easy Street | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### Chanukah in Carefree | 5:30 PM Nightly

Dec 18 | Temple Chai

Dec 19 | Desert Foothills Jewish Community Assoc.

Dec 20 | Family Night - games, crafts, music, fun!

Dec 21 | Jewish Social Group Cave Creek/Carefree

Dec 22 | Phoenix Holocaust Association

Dec 23 | Bauman Family -Shabbat

Dec 24 | Congregation Kehillah -Havdalah

Dec 25 | Community Night - movie & games

### Visit Santa at English Rose Tea Room

Dates: Dec. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18 | Time 11:00-3:00

### Dickens Carolers at English Rose Tea Room

Dates: Dec. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18 | Time 12:00-2:00

### HOLIDAY OBSERVANCES - Town Hall Closed

Dec 23 - Christmas Eve Observed

Dec 26 - Christmas Day Observed

Jan 2 - New Year's Day Observed



# **Our Lady of Joy Catholic Church**

Pima and Cave Creek Roads, Carefree

*15th Annual*

## **Christmas Bazaar**

*Friday, December 2nd  
Saturday, December 3rd  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.*

### **70+ Vendors Offering:**

**Jewelry, Photography, Pottery, Toys, Candles,  
Women's and Children's Apparel, Yard Art,  
Holiday Decor, Wind Chimes, Fused Glass,  
Apache Crafts, Paintings, Imported Italian Food,  
Woodworking/Cutting Boards, and Much More!**  
**Featuring: Sweets & Treats, Joyful Grounds Cafe,  
and K of C Savory Grille.**

**Wine Bar Bistro (12 to 4 p.m.)**

**We are accepting non-perishable  
food items for the Foothills Food Bank.**

*Come and celebrate a Carefree Christmas with us!*

**[www.oloj.org](http://www.oloj.org)**

# Carefree Lights Up!

*Delight in the sights & sounds of Christmas*

**DEC. 3, 2022**

**Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion  
& Carefree Desert Gardens**

**Program:**

**5:30 PM (ish) - Tree Lighting Ceremony  
Desert Hills Presbyterian Church providing  
Caroling & bell ringing (before & after)**

**6:00 PM (ish)- Holiday Music Concert produced  
by Kevin Glenn, featuring local talent and a  
few numbers from The Cactus Kickers.**

**Sponsored by:  
APS, Kevin Glenn, Desert Hills Presbyterian  
Church Carolers and Bell Ringers, and The Cactus  
Kickers.**



**WORKSHOP: LEARN TO PLAY**

# THE NATIVE AMERICAN FLUTE



**Presented by: Henry (Hank) Molder**

The sound of the Native American Flute has the power to soothe and heal. Come learn the history of the Native American Flute and how it can be used in today's hectic world.



**Henry (Hank) Molder**

Henry Molder is a Native American Flute Artist who performs at many valley art and wine festivals. Locally he plays in the Carefree Gardens. Henry has recorded two albums. In addition, he provides individual and group lessons on the Native American Flute. He is a 34-year resident of Carefree.

**DECEMBER 18**

**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

**CAREFREE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
33 EASY STREET, CAREFREE**

**FEE PER PERSON: \$75**

**Registration is required**

**Workshop includes:**

- Hand-made wooden flute
- Beginning Native American Flute instruction
- Brief history of Native American Flute
- Meditation Songs played by Henry
- One FREE private lesson

**REGISTER:**

**<https://forms.gle/zL93ekxn6d5CNHDY6>**



# Christmas TOY DRIVE

Accepting donation Through

December 19th, 2022  
37401 N Tom Darlington Dr  
Carefree, Az

Please donate new unwrapped toys to support  
local families this Christmas season.

Thank You!



# CHANUKAH

## *in Carefree*

NIGHTLY MENORAH LIGHTING



December 18 - 25 | 5:30 PM

Sanderson Lincoln Pavilion

**SUN., DEC. 18**

**TEMPLE  
CHAI**

An evening with Cantor Ross  
Wolman & Adult Choir

**MON., DEC. 19**

**DESERT FOOTHILLS  
JEWISH COMMUNITY  
ASSOCIATION**

Small gift donations accepted  
by Jewish Family Children's Services

**TUE., DEC. 20**

**VALLEY OF THE SUN JCC  
FAMILY NIGHT**

Chanukah games, arts & crafts,  
storytelling, songs, and more...

**WED., DEC. 21**

**JEWISH SOCIAL GROUP  
OF CAVE CREEK & CAREFREE**

Traditional, meaningful celebration  
of Chanukah

**THU., DEC. 22**

**PHOENIX HOLOCAUST  
ASSOCIATION**

Featured Speaker:  
Holocaust Survivor,  
Dr. Hersch Altman

**FRI., DEC. 23**

**BAUMAN FAMILY  
(SHABBAT)**

Tzedakah recipient:  
Cave Creek Unified  
Education Foundation

**SAT., DEC. 24**

**CONGREGATION  
KEHILLAH  
(HAVDALAH)**

Chinese Food provided by  
Jade Palace

**SUN., DEC. 25**

**COMMUNITY NIGHT**

Movie night & games.  
Food, Drink and Raffles

(Recommended \$15 donation:  
to benefit Foothills Caring Corps)

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