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VACANT SEAT ON THE CLARKDALE TOWN COUNCIL

The Clarkdale Town Council outlined a process to fill the vacant seat on the Town Council that was created by the April 24th resignation of Council Member Patricia Williams. The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on May 22, 2012, and complete application packets should be turned in to the Clarkdale Town Clerk's Office at 39 N. 9th Street. The person selected will serve for a two-year term, through June 2014.

Applicants for the vacant Council seat must be qualified electors who are at least 18 years old and must have resided in Clarkdale for one (1) year prior to the appointment, which will be made at a Special Council Meeting on June 5, 2012.

Those interested in applying will be required to submit a Letter of Application, Resume and a completed Town Council Application Form. The application form and process details can be found on the Town's website, <http://www.clarkdale.az.gov> or by contacting the Clarkdale Town Clerk's Office, 39 N. 9th Street, (928) 639-2400.

The Town Council expects to interview candidates for the position at a Special Council Meeting, which will be open to the public, at 3:00 p.m. on May 29, 2012.

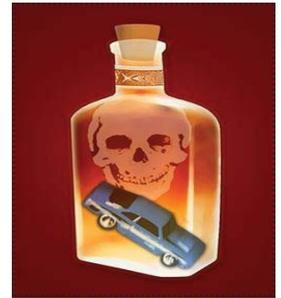
FROM THE CLARKDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM

This has been a great year for the museum and our staff. We have welcomed several new volunteers and added new events to our regular business hours. Jennie Coons has offered her skills to us as an office manager and bookkeeper. Carol Lombardo has received training in the use of Past Perfect, which is the software we use to categorize, record, photograph, preserve and organize the archives. She can be found at the museum many odd hours of the day or night. Twenty years as a national park supervisor in Death Valley, Linda Smith is our Collections Manager who oversees the archives, accessions the many artifacts which are donated to us and helps keep track of everything. This is a BIG JOB. Paul Peck works every Friday at the museum greeting visitors, doing research and field work, and helps with exhibits-all on his day off. Paul Handverger leads geological tours throughout the Upper Verde on behalf of the museum. Kit Southward is our videographer who creates professional DVD's of our oral histories and special events. These fine people have donated many hours to the museum and to our success in just four years of operation. We thank you!

Please stop by Wednesday through Sunday 10:00am to 1:00pm. For information please call 928.649.1198.

FROM THE CLARKDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

IT'S GRADUATION TIME TEEN DRUNK DRIVING KILLS



Did you know?

- Automobile crashes are the number one cause of teen deaths in the United States.
- 31% of teen drivers involved in fatal crashes were drinking alcohol.
- 72% of students have consumed alcohol by the time they graduate high school.
- One in three eighth graders drinks alcohol.

Teen alcohol use often starts at a younger age than you realize. Kids who start drinking young are seven times more likely to be in an alcohol-related crash.

While one in five teens admits to binge drinking, only one in 100 parents believe their child drinks alcohol. Some teens pay people they don't know to purchase alcohol for them while others get it from unrelated adults or even from their parents, guardians or other adult family members. Get to know the parents or caregivers of your teens' friends.

Whether you think your teens are involved or not it's important for you to talk to your kids about drinking and driving. Go to the SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) website and click on the "Parent Teen Matters" link to help you get the conversation started.

MONTHLY POLICE DEPARTMENT

CRIME REPORTS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Monthly traffic and crime reports are available on the Town's website:

<http://www.clarkdale.az.gov/policedept.html>

If you have questions call

Interim Public Safety Director John Wintersteen 649-7705.

CLARKDALE STORIES - The following scheduled presentations at the Clark Memorial Library have been cancelled: September 19 - Clarkdale-Jerome Lions Club and November 14 - Main Street Clarkdale: Then & Now. We apologize for the inconvenience.



UTILITIES DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Town of Clarkdale currently contracts with Patriot Disposal for trash collection and curbside recycling. Although most customers have both recycling and trash containers, Patriot Disposal's recently opened Freedom Recycling Center makes it unnecessary for customers to continue to separate recyclable materials from their trash. In the new center, Patriot's employees sort recycled materials from the regular waste stream, ensuring that all materials get sorted for potential recycling (instead of only those materials that were previously sorted by customers), and resulting in a higher percentage of recycled materials being diverted from landfills. To see a video that was made during a January visit of Clarkdale representative to the Freedom Recycling Center, go to <http://www.youtube.com/user/TownofClarkdaleAZ>.

In addition to newspaper, aluminum, office paper, cardboard, magazines, phone books, metal cans and Plastics #1-#7, Town of Clarkdale curbside recycling customers now have the opportunity to recycle clear and colored glass. Simply place glass items in with your mixed trash and recycling, and the employees at the Freedom Recycle Center will sort it to be recycled.

All customers may keep both the trash and the recycling containers they have and use them for trash and recyclable materials. Customers who no longer wish to keep both containers may contact the Town of Clarkdale Utilities Department to have one removed.

The Town of Clarkdale also participates in a regional recycling program so Clarkdale residents who do not purchase curbside trash and recycling services can still recycle. Sedona Recycles is the current provider of this service, and their recycling collection bins are available for use, located just west of the field at the Clarkdale-Jerome School (1615 Main Street) for mixed paper, cardboard, mixed plastics #1-#7, steel cans, aluminum cans, clear and colored glass, clothing, shoes, toys and small household items. For further information on the Town's recycling services, please contact Linda Lombardo at 639-2450 or Ellen Yates at 639-2520.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BUILDING OFFICIAL/CODE ENFORCEMENT



MAINTAIN VEGETATION - Having a regular property maintenance schedule helps keep properties clean! Planting low maintenance, low-water use vegetation can also reduce maintenance time and save water.

If you have limbs or bags of leaves, weeds, or grass, you may call the Utilities Department and ask to be placed on the list for additional pick-up on your regular trash pick-up day.

(If you are unable to maintain your property, contact family members, friends, possibly neighbors or groups in your area that may be able to assist you.)

PREVENTING FIRE HAZARDS **PROTECTS ALL OF US!**

DISPOSE OF TRASH PROPERLY - An accumulation of trash and debris detracts from the appearance of properties and neighborhoods. Please use designated trash containers or recycle bins.

REMOVE INOPERABLE VEHICLES - Inoperable vehicles visually detract from community appearance. It makes yours and your neighbors' property unattractive.



The Town of Clarkdale does follow an amendment to the International Property Maintenance Code that regulates the number and storage of certain motor vehicles. Contact Paul Grasso, Building Official, for details at 639-2500. Town offices are open Mon -Thurs, 8:00a-5:30p.



Clarkdale Magistrate Court Hours

In order to accommodate a temporary staffing situation the Clarkdale Court will be closed on Mondays beginning May 21, 2012 through the month of June. During this time the Court will remain open during regular hours of operation on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays ~ from 8:00am - 12:00pm, 1:00pm - 5:30pm. Regular hours of operation will resume again for Mondays beginning July 2, 2012.



LOOKING FOR SOMETHING FUN TO DO WHILE GIVING BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY?

Then Community Services needs YOU! The Clarkdale Parks & Recreation Department is currently seeking volunteers for the following events:

CONCERTS IN THE PARK - Various Saturdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

OLD FASHIONED 4TH OF JULY & CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION - Various tasks and time commitments between the hours of 5:00 a.m.-12 p.m. on July 4, 2012. Duties range from set-up/break-down, assisting the Library Ice Cream Social, to helping at the Kids' Parade.

For more information or to volunteer contact Dawn Norman, Community Services Supervisor, at 928-639-2490 or dawn.norman@clarkdale.az.gov.



CONCERT IN THE PARK SEASON OPENER

MAJOR LINGO

Saturday, June 9th 7:00 p.m.—9 p.m.

Clarkdale Town Park Gazebo

