



TOWN OF CLARKDALE - A 2012 CENTENNIAL TOWN

“SMALL TALK” OF THE TOWN

DECEMBER



2015



Santa

is coming to Clarkdale!!!

Children can visit with Santa and have their picture taken with the guest of honor, enjoy hot chocolate and cookies, and create an ornament with the Made In Clarkdale Artists to hang on the Town Park tree – all for FREE, as a holiday gift to you!!!

**SATURDAY, December 5th
12:00 p.m. ~ 2:00 p.m.**

MEN'S LOUNGE

Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N Ninth St.

DOORS CLOSE PROMPTLY AT 2:00 P.M.

*For more information contact
Community Services at 639-2460.*



Caroling in the Park

**Friday, December 18th
6:00 p.m.**

Clarkdale Town Park Gazebo

Celebrate with friends and family singing traditional holiday songs around a warm cozy fire in front of our festively decorated historic gazebo in the Clarkdale Town Park. Caroling will begin at 6:00 p.m.

The town will provide song lyrics and hot chocolate to warm your bones! Dress according to the weather and bring a flashlight to help read the lyrics.

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29TH ANNUAL **ART** EXHIBIT
Presented by the
Made In Clarkdale ARTISTS
Showing December 3rd - 6th, 2015
GALA OPENING
December 4th, 6 pm - 9 pm
Clark Memorial Clubhouse
9th and Main Street, Clarkdale, AZ
www.madeinclarkdale.org

THE 29th ANNUAL MADE IN CLARKDALE ART SHOW 2015

Made In Clarkdale is presenting a four-day art show: December 3rd-6th, 2015. The art show will open Thursday, December 3rd; host the annual Gala evening event on Friday, December 4th; offer a variety of arts educational workshops on December 3rd-5th; and continue through Sunday, December 6th.

The show is open daily at 9am. Closing times are: Thursday and Saturday at 7pm, Friday at 9pm and Sunday at 4pm.

Since 1987, artists living and/or working in Clarkdale have been sharing their artistic talents with the public through the annual Made In Clarkdale art show. Each year is different and exciting as new artists join and add their creative vision. Over 60 artists are represented expressing a wide range of media from fine paintings, photography, ceramics, metal, wood and more, including a boutique area. This show provides a diverse range of original artwork and handcrafted items for your enjoyment as well as an opportunity for purchasing handmade art items.

On Friday, come join our 29th celebration Gala party from 6pm-9pm. There will be music by The Janice Paul Combo and food and wine. Come celebrate with the neighborhood, and enjoy the incredible array of art. The Gala event offers you a wonderful opportunity to see and talk with your favorite artists, meet the new artist members, check out new artworks by the local talent, and enjoy the community atmosphere that is a hallmark of the Made In Clarkdale Art Shows.

Please check the website for more details about the show:
www.MadeInClarkdale.org or call 928-301-9798.

Stay in the



www.clarkdale.az.gov

WINTER TIPS FOR CLARKDALE WATER CUSTOMERS

We all enjoy our wonderful Verde Valley weather, but it is important to remember, as colder weather moves in, that we will have freezing temperatures this winter. As you ready your house for the colder months ahead, don't forget about your water system. When water freezes, it expands. So if the temperature of your pipes drops below 32 degrees, even for a short period, you run the risk of a pipe breaking. Take the following precautions now to avoid a major headache later. Know where your main waterline shut-off is *before* problems arise. Depending on the age of your house, it can be inside a garage, basement or laundry room, or underground in your yard near your meter box.

Signs You Have Frozen Pipes

- You turn on the faucet but nothing comes out. Look in the most likely places and gently thaw the area. Whatever you do, *do not* use a blowtorch to warm up a frozen pipe. Many homes have been set on fire this way.
- The water is turned off but you hear rushing water running anyway. This could be a sign that you have a leak somewhere. You should turn off the water lines immediately and investigate.

Outside Your Home

Disconnect and store garden hoses. If your home has a separate shut-off for external faucets, turn it off and drain the water from those faucets. You may have freeze-proof faucets, which are found on many newer homes. After removing hoses from this type of faucet, turn the valve off and it will winterize itself. If you leave something connected to the faucet, water can't drain out.

Turn off and drain sprinkler and drip systems. You may want to call in a professional company to blow out any leftover water in the underground lines. A broken sprinkler pipe can do damage to the delicate components that make up the entire system, increasing the cost of repair.

Backflow Devices

Backflow devices are located next to your water meter and require insulated frost-proof covers to prevent freezing.

Avoid Freezing Pipes

Most frozen pipe situations are preventable. If you do an inspection of the areas of the outside of your house near the water pipes, you can see things that may need to be addressed. Protect exposed pipes by wrapping them with pipe foam insulation or heat tape.

Finally, never turn off the heat when you leave home during the winter. Instead, set the temperature to at least 55 degrees F (higher if you've had problems in the past or live in an area of extreme cold).

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE OFFICES AND LIBRARY
WILL BE CLOSED:

NOVEMBER 26TH & 27TH

DECEMBER 24TH & 25TH

DECEMBER 31ST AT NOON

JANUARY 1ST

Happy
HOLIDAYS

FROM THE TOWN OF CLARKDALE

Clark Memorial Library News

Due to a number of challenges, the Clark Memorial Library Advisory Board has chosen to not hold the Annual Book Sale that is held in December.

The Library now offers items for sale year round at the *"Book Deals & Steals"* section during regular Library hours. There is a great selection of books and other items available to purchase. The Library staff regularly rotates the inventory with new arrivals.

Library hours are Monday-Thursday 8am - 5:30pm and Friday 8am-noon. Closed Saturday and Sunday.

Book Deals & Steals
Great prices, great selection!
COME SEE US TODAY



CLARKDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM

One of the truly great highlights of working in our small museum is the donations from generous Clarkdale citizens and strangers alike. The most recent donation which came to us from the Benatz family, was a small medal about the size of a quarter with the initials C. V. F. D across the top. Our first reaction was that it came from Camp Verde. Upon closer inspection of the medal were the words "Tip Top". Then the real story appeared before our eyes when we opened the ledger labeled "Clarkdale Volunteer Fire Department 1913-1918" which accompanied the medal. This ledger had been given to Dorothy Benatz by Herb Young many years ago and in it we discovered the very first volunteer fire department meeting was held in September of 1913. This book contains the minutes from the first five years of the fire department's existence. Attendance was taken at each meeting with a total count of each area in Clarkdale. Three areas were listed: Tip Top, Hilltop, and Ever Ready. Our mystery was partially solved! But where exactly were these places? The medal itself was found on Third North with a metal detector. Could that area have ever been called Tip Top? Or was it lost there nearly 100 years ago? If you have any information on the early volunteer fire department, please give us a call at 649-1198 or send us a message at clarkdaleheritage@gmail.com.