



TOWN OF CLARKDALE

# "SMALL TALK"

OF THE TOWN



DECEMBER 2009  
Volume 7

## Please join us for a Presentation to the Public



**WHERE:** Clark Memorial Clubhouse Men's Lounge  
19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale

**WHEN:** Monday, December 14, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.  
Monday, February 22, 2010 at 6:00p.m.  
Monday, March 29, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

For information visit our website: [www.clarkdale.az.gov](http://www.clarkdale.az.gov)

### CAT/LYNX Verde Valley Bus Routes



You can now travel by bus from Clarkdale to Tlaquepaque and return to Clarkdale for only \$6.00.

Local bus service from Clarkdale to Cottonwood and Verde Village is available for \$1.00 per ride or \$2.00 for an all day pass . The Clarkdale Red Route begins at Garrison Park in Cottonwood. The Clarkdale Red Route takes Broadway to Main St to Cement Plant Road down SR 89A to Lamplighter Village and ending at Lisa and then the return loops back through Main St to Broadway and returning to Cottonwood Garrison Park.

At Garrison Park you can take the Green Route to the Yavapai College Verde Campus or the other way to the Verde Village area out SR 260 to Western Dr. The Blue Route travels around Cottonwood stopping at shopping centers and going to the medical complexes at Willard and SR 89A. All these routes are managed by Cottonwood Area Transit (CAT), and all three routes meet on the hour at Garrison Park allowing the passenger to estimate their travel times better.

The New Verde LYNX route runs from Cottonwood Garrison Park to West Sedona through Downtown Sedona and out SR 179 to the Poco Diablo Resort. The cost for this service is \$2.00 per ride. Monday through Saturday there are eight routes daily to and from Sedona. On Sundays three routes run each way.

For a complete list of route stops and approximate times there is a Rider's Guides available at Clarkdale Townhall and Clarkdale Utilities or call 928-634-2287 or 928-282-0938.



### Jury Duty Scam

Most citizens take summonses for jury duty seriously, although not everyone wishes to comply. As a result they may become vulnerable to a scam such as this.

A caller claims to be a jury coordinator. If you protest that you haven't received a summons for jury duty, the scammer asks for your Social Security number and date of birth so he can verify the information and cancel the arrest warrant.

*Give out any of this information and bingo: Your identity was just stolen.*

This scam is particularly insidious because scammers use intimidation to bully people into giving information by pretending they are with the court system. The FBI and the federal court system have issued nationwide alerts on their web sites, warning consumers about the fraud.

### Community Development Department



*Just a reminder to Clarkdale residents:*

There are quite a few miscellaneous projects that require a Building Permit. The following is a list of this type of building project:

- ◆ Electrical Service Upgrades
- ◆ Wood stove, gas, or wood burning fireplace
- ◆ Repair or extension of sewer lines
- ◆ Lawn drip or sprinkler systems/ and grey water systems
- ◆ Decks
- ◆ Storage sheds
- ◆ Carports and Patio covers
- ◆ Fences
- ◆ All swimming pools and spas
- ◆ Repairs or additions to gas lines
- ◆ Any structural changes
- ◆ Grading over 50 cubic yards
- ◆ Demolition of any dwelling

There is a listing of all permits and fees on the town website under Department/Community Development or call the Community Development Department at 639-2500.

Clarkdale Heritage Conservancy Board &  
The Clarkdale Heritage Center Present  
2010 Heritage Dances  
Featuring Sentimental Journey Band



**Upcoming Dance Dates**

**January 9, 2010**  
**February 13, 2010**  
**March 13, 2010**  
**October 9, 2010**  
**November 13, 2010**

**\$7.50 Admission Per Person**  
**Refreshments Available**  
For more information call 639-2400



**Preschool**  
**Storytime**

@ the Clark Memorial Library

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**10:00 A.M.**

*Preschool story times are filled with stories, finger plays, action rhymes, music and more, aimed at children 3-6 years old. Storytime is presented at 10 a.m. each Wednesday in the Children's Section of the Library. For more information call the Clark Memorial Library at 639-2480.*



Younger siblings and friends are welcome

INTERESTED IN BEING A CLARKDALE VOLUNTEER?

**Community Services Department  
Volunteer Program**

Clarkdale is extremely fortunate to have an extensive group of Volunteers. Their service to the community helps preserve the historic integrity of the town while helping it move forward for the benefit of current and future residents.

There are about 39 Board & Commission members plus volunteers in the Library, Public Works and Community Development. We also have numerous residents who help with our special events throughout the year.

What does a Volunteer give to the town?

- ⇒ Valuable Time
- ⇒ Creativity
- ⇒ Support to the staff
- ⇒ Continuity of values
- ⇒ Good Example of Citizenship
- ⇒ Enthusiasm

What does the Town offer to a Volunteer?

- ⇒ Knowledge/ Training
- ⇒ Social interaction
- ⇒ Self-Satisfaction
- ⇒ Our Gratitude
- ⇒ Fun

How do you become a Volunteer?

1. Come into the library and talk to one of our Community Services staff or call (928) 639-2460.
2. Go on line to our website and click on the Volunteer page. [http://www.clarkdale.az.gov/volunteer\\_opportunities.htm](http://www.clarkdale.az.gov/volunteer_opportunities.htm)
3. Talk to any employee of the Town and they will help get the information you need.

We look forward to talking with you about combining your interests with our volunteer opportunities.

Contact: Margie Hardie: [margie.hardie@clarkdale.az.gov](mailto:margie.hardie@clarkdale.az.gov)  
Dawn Norman: [dawn.norman@clarkdale.az.gov](mailto:dawn.norman@clarkdale.az.gov)

**Urban Wildlife**



If you have wildlife frequently visiting your home, ask yourself

"What is the attractant?" Usually if you have birdseed, pet food and a water dish, garbage or non-native plants such as fruit trees these may be attracting them. Even without any enticement, these animals may just naturally come into your yard.

**Remember, wild animals are only looking to fulfill their basic needs; food and water, and will respond if we provide their needs.**

Make sure you watch your small domestic animals outside; wild animals may consider them a meal. If you find unwanted wildlife in your home or on your property the best thing to do is provide an escape route for the animal. Most will leave on their own by leaving a gate or door open and then leaving them alone. Do not block their escape route; it may cause the animal to become agitated and dangerous. There has been a proliferation of skunks in Upper Clarkdale and the tips mentioned in this article may help to reduce the increased numbers. Please keep in mind that, although the Clarkdale Fire District can help with rattlesnake removal, the Clarkdale Police Department and Clarkdale Animal Control do not have the authority to capture and relocate wildlife. Wildlife control businesses have permission with Arizona Game and Fish to provide this service.

**It's Important!**



Population-based data drawn from the census, estimates and surveys play a critical role in the conduct of community development programs undertaken by Federal, state, and local governments. Such data are central to the conduct of the

Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG), the federal government's 13th largest formula grant program with \$4 billion in obligations in fiscal year 2007. Since 1974, this program has provided \$120 billion to help communities address a host of urban problems ranging from poverty and deteriorating housing to population loss and social isolation. Given the breadth of the program's objectives and the diversity of the nation's communities, CDBG employs four formulas to allocate funds among 50 states, the District of Columbia, and 1,080 local governments. These formulas depend on census data, including total population, individuals in poverty, lagging population growth, households in overcrowded homes, as well as the number of pre-1940 homes.