

Talk of the Town

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Dear Neighbor,

The Town of Clarkdale asks for your support to build a new building at the Cemetery. The building would be used for all cemetery business and would contain a conference room to meet with clients, an office for the cemetery worker, and a restroom. Currently the Town has a staff member assigned to the cemetery full time for maintenance, and upkeep of the property.

A couple of generous individuals have offered to match donations towards the building, but your donations are needed to help make this new building a reality. Significant donations will receive lasting recognition as a permanent part of the building. A substantial donor will have the opportunity to have the building named on behalf their family or a loved one. Please see the enclosed Donor Form for more details about how you can make a lasting contribution. Construction of the new cemetery building is targeted to start the spring of 2003.

Please complete the enclosed Donor Form (Page 2) by November 15, 2002 and mail it with your contribution to The Town of Clarkdale, P.O. Box 308, Clarkdale, AZ 86324. Questions regarding the new cemetery building can be directed to Coleen Gilboy, Town Finance Director at 634-9591.

Thank you for your generous support.

Sincerely,

Michael Bluff
Mayor

Gayle Mabery
Town Manager



Proposed Cemetery Building

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CEMETERY BUILDING DONATIONS

♣ Yes, I wish to donate funds to the Cemetery Building

Name of Contributor: _____

Address: _____

City / State / Zip: _____

Daytime phone number: _____

Place an X next to the level of donation:

- ♣ Contributor up to \$200
- ♣ Bronze \$201 to 1,000 - name on plaque
- ♣ Silver \$1,001 - 5,000 - name on plaque and a tree
planted in the Cemetery
- ♣ Gold \$5,001 - 10,000 - same as above plus a Bench in the
Cemetery
- ♣ Diamond (limited to 2 contributors) . . . \$10,001 - 25,000 - same as above plus a room
named after you, your family or a loved one
- ♣ Benefactor (limited to 1 contributor) . . \$25,001+ - same as above, plus Building named
after you, your family or a loved one

(The tree and bench will each have a plaque with it to identify who donated the items)

Donors will be contacted regarding the naming information.

**Please complete the above information, enclose your contribution and mail by
November 15, 2002 to:**

Cemetery Building
The Town of Clarkdale
P.O. Box 308
Clarkdale, AZ 86324

Grants Update

By: Beth Escobar, Grants Administrator

Look for things to start hopping in the Centerville neighborhood. The paperwork has been filed, the contractors selected, the designs approved and now work is ready to begin on two grant funded projects in the Centerville subdivision.

Work will begin on the new Centerville Park in early September and should be completed before the new year. The new park will include a regulation size basketball court, a children's playground, covered ramadas and a walking trail. Work on the park will be done by the Town Crew. This project is funded by grants from the Governor's Office of Housing and Arizona State Parks.

At the same time, work will begin on the Centerville Drainage project that will improve streets and drainage in this neighborhood. This project will last several months and may cause some temporary inconvenience to residents. Town staff is committed to keeping the neighborhood informed as the work progresses. Please contact Town Hall with any concerns. This project is also funded by a grant from the Governor's Office of Housing.

*Thanks to the Centerville Action Zone Committee for their help
in bringing these two projects to reality.*

Other Grant Activity:

- 1) Progress is continuing on the design for the downtown revitalization project design, and work should begin on this project early next year.
- 2) Other projects for which the Town is seeking alternative funding include improvements to the waste water treatment plant, remodeling of town buildings, and a youth recreation program.

September Memorial

**Memorial ceremony to reflect
on the events of 9/11/2001.
Tree planting and
quiet moments of reflection.**



**September 7, 2002 5:30 p.m.
(before the 6:00 p.m. Concert-in-the-Park)**

Sponsored by Town of Clarkdale.

A BIG THANK YOU!

OPERATION GRADUATION was a huge success and we could not have done it without the continued support of the Town of Clarkdale. The Clark Memorial Clubhouse is the ideal location for a party of this size and we truly appreciate that we are able to use this beautiful building every year. So, to the Town of Clarkdale and all those involved...THANK YOU!!!



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Water Saving Foot Pedals



Part of the solution,
not the problem.

The faucet foot valve not only saves water,
but it prevents cross contamination of germs.

See it in action at our booth.

Sept. 7 & 9

Tapestry of Treasures in Sedona

Sept. 28

Verde River Days in Cottonwood

Handy for everyone! Easy and convenient for a
handicapped person or someone with arthritic
hands, fibromyalgia or MS.

Retail \$79.99. Call 254-1083.

Eye Glass Donations

On October 31st Clarkdale/ Jerome Lions Club members will be collecting "used eye glasses" for donation.

Please bring them with you to the Town Park.



Who's the new guy?

By: Sharon Driver, Fire Department

Have you seen a few new faces driving the fire trucks recently? Clarkdale Fire Department is pleased to introduce you to our two new full-time employees and reacquaint you with our other full-timer.

Shawn Cotton lives in Prescott Valley with his wife, Monique, and son, Tyler (5). He has been a Firefighter/EMT for 2 years. When asked why he wanted to be a firefighter, he replied "I like to work with the public and the shift schedule allows me to spend time with my family."

Ben Gibson has lived in Prescott for five years. He, and his wife, Rachel, have three children; Kendra (4), Cossette (2), and Adia (9 months). Ben has been an EMT for 3 1/2 years and a firefighter for 2 1/2 years. Asked why firefighting is his career? "I enjoy helping people".

Brian Driver has been with Clarkdale Fire for the past year. He and wife, Sharon along with Thomas (17), Shonnte (12), Rhiannon (7) and Gabriel (4), decided to move to Clarkdale 4 years ago after a weekend visit and have never been happier. "I'm a firefighter because I want to be a benefit to the community and make myself a better person."



A Message From Your Police Department

By Lloyd Jones, Police Chief

Clarkdale's third annual National Night Out was again a success. The event took place August 6th at the Clarkdale pool. National Night Out is a crime prevention program which encourages neighbors to become acquainted and united in protecting their neighborhoods from crime.

The following sponsors were instrumental in the success of the event: Verde Canyon Railroad, Phoenix Cement Plant, Yavapai Broadcasting, Clarkdale-Jerome Lions Club, and Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce, were instrumental in the success of the event. Members of the town council were also present to lend their support. However, I would be remiss if I did not personally recognize Ellie Bauer. This event would not have occurred without her enthusiasm, coordination, and dedication. THANK YOU!!

Several incidents have occurred within our community, in the last few months, which underscore the importance of community involvement. There have been several assaults and a homicide. Although the investigations are continuing, several arrests have been made. Only through neighbors and community involvement are these type of investigations brought to a successful closure.

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Verde Valley Humane Society

Post Office Box 1429
1502 W. Mingus
Cottonwood, AZ 86326
(928) 634-7387
vvhs@wildapache.net

STOP LITTERING!
Please spay or neuter your pet!

TOWN BUDGET

By: Coleen Gilboy, Finance Director

The budget is an annual process. New requests for funding are presented from a variety of sources including staff, Council, Boards, and outside organizations. Once the requests have been reviewed, a tentative budget is presented to the Town Council by the Town Manager.

The Town of Clarkdale's major expense categories are: General Fund:

Police, Fire, Court, Administration,
Buildings, Planning and Zoning,
Parks and Recreation, and Donations

Streets

Wastewater

Sanitation

Cemetery

The Town of Clarkdale's main revenue sources are:

Local Sales Tax (1/2% of which is allocated
for Fire Department Equipment)

State Sales Tax (share)

State Revenue Share (personal property tax)

Franchise Fees Property Tax

Business Licenses

Court Fees

Building Permits

Parks & Recreation Fees

User fees (both sanitation and wastewater)

HURF

2001-2002 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Purchase of new fire truck
- Addition of full time firefighter.
- Relocation of court from library basement to police building.
- Purchase of a new Police car.
- Summer Recreation program served 86 children during Summer of 2000-2001.
- Received donation of park land. Set up fund for accumulate money for park sites purchases.

2002-2003 BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- Design and remodel of police and old MVD buildings to house future growth of town staff.
- Have architectural plans drawn for pool restroom and shower facility.
- Obtained a police vehicle from the Prescott Area Narcotics task force (PANT) board.
- Increase fire department staff by one full-time firefighter for 24 hour coverage 7 days a week.
- Retire the debt of the police building.



Concert Sponsors!

This year we were able to offer several concerts thanks to the generous donation of our sponsors:

Alcora Marble

Clarkdale-Jerome Lions Club

Lamplighter Village

Mold-in Graphics

Phoenix Cement

Verde Canyon Railroad

Zachary Construction

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Saturday nights in the park

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Sept. 7 **Sentimental Journey**-playing big band goodies

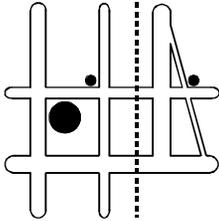
Sept 21 **Janice Paul Combo**-smooth and mellow tunes

Sept 28 **John Ziegler and Major Lingo**- playing a unique style of mellow rockin' earthy tunes

General Plan Update

By Ry Smith, Planner

The General Plan is complete. The General Plan Advisory Committee did a wonderful job working with our Town Staff, shaping our community's vision for the future. Comments from the public are included in the General Plan.



The Council will hold the last Public Hearing on September 10, 2002. If all goes well, the Council will approve the plan and it will go to Clarkdale's voters on November 5th. For the first time in the General Plan must be ratified by the voters. Material explaining the General Plan will be sent to registered voters in the middle of September. This will help answer questions and guide you through the details of the Plan.

Anyone who would like a copy of the General Plan may obtain one at the Planning and Zoning Department or Town Hall at 890 Main Street. The General Plan is also available on the Town's website at: www.clarkdale.az.us/generalplan.html. Questions are always welcome, so please call us at 634-9591.

LIBRARY DONATIONS

1. Air conditioning was installed in the library building in 2001, partly paid for by a generous donation from the **Library Advisory Board**. Thanks for being so cool!



2. **Robert Rose** of **Main Street Lock and Key** donated locks and keys for two library display cases. Now we can show off Clarkdale's history.



3. 4th of July donations came from the following:

Smoke-N-Guns paid for ice cream.

Safeway gave a gift certificate.

Basha's donated some ice cream.

Fry's gave a gift certificate.

Wal-Mart gave a gift certificate.

Friends of the library made cakes & cookies.

Thanks to everyone!



Coffee & Donuts at the Clarkdale Recycling Site

By: Cate Mugasis, Volunteer

If you have one hour per week to help with monitoring the bins, or if you would just like additional information on recycling in the Verde Valley, please join us for coffee and donuts on September 20, at 7:00 a.m. The site is located across the parking lot from Town Hall, adjacent to the Clark Memorial Library, at 39 N. Ninth Street.

Clarkdale staff and volunteers will be available to answer your recycling questions and hopefully recruit additional volunteers to help monitor the recycling bins. Use of the recycling site is growing by leaps and bounds.

THANK YOU, CLARKDALE RECYCLERS!!

Housing Rehabilitation Dollars Available

Residents of the Town of Clarkdale may be eligible for housing rehabilitation funds through the State Housing Trust Fund. Funds are awarded based on income eligibility guidelines and can be used to repair safety hazards and increase accessibility inside and outside of a home.

Funds are awarded as a forgivable lien, in 5, 10, and 15 year time periods depending on the amount of repairs.

For information on eligibility requirements or to request an application, contact Grants Administrator Beth Escobar at Town Hall or call 634-9591.



Library Notes

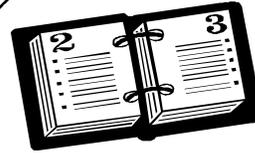
By Charlotte Hawken, Library Manager

NEW BOOKS

Available September-November

Library Hours

Mon 9:00 - 4:00
Tues 1:00 - 6:00
Wed, Thurs, Fri.
& Sat 1:00 -
4:00



Town Calendar

ML - Men's Lounge, Clark Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St.
AUD - Auditorium, Clark Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St.
CML - Clark Memorial Library, 39 N. Ninth Street
TH - Town Hall, Conference Room, 890 Main Street
LB - Library Basement, 39 N. Ninth Street



- Sept 2 Labor Day—Town Offices closed
Sept 5 Library Advisory Board 9 am, CML
Sept 7 Sept 11 Memorial 5:30 pm, Park (pg 3)
Summer Concert 6 pm, Park (page 5)
Sept 10 Regular Council 6 pm, ML
Sept 11 Design Review Board 9 am ML
Sept 16 Parks/Rec Commission 7 pm, TH
Sept 18 Planning Commission 7 pm, ML
Sept 20 Recycling Meeting 7 am, Bin site (pg 6)
Sept 21 Summer Concert 6 pm, Park (page 5)
Sept 24 Special Council 6 pm, ML
Sept 25 Heritage Conservancy Board 5 pm, ML
Sept 28 Summer Concert 6 pm, Park (page 5)
Oct 3 Library Advisory Board 9 am, CML
Oct 8 Regular Council 6 pm, ML
Oct 9 Design Review Board 9 am, ML
Oct 16 Planning Commission 7 pm, ML
Oct 21 Parks/Recreation Commission 7 pm TH
Oct 22 Special Council 6 pm ML
Oct 23 Heritage Conservancy Board 5 pm, ML
Oct 31 Halloween on Main Street
Nov 5 General Election
Nov 7 Library Advisory Board 9 am, CML
Nov 11 Veterans Day—Town Offices closed
Nov 12 Regular Council 6 pm, ML
Nov 13 Design Review Board 9 am, ML
Nov 15 Cemetery building donor form due (pg 2)
Nov 18 Parks/Recreation Comm 6:30 pm, TH
Nov 20 Planning Commission 7 pm, ML
Nov 26 Special Council 6 pm, ML
Nov 27 Heritage Conservancy 5 pm, ML
Nov 28 Thanksgiving—Town Offices closed
Nov 29 Town Offices closed

Meeting dates and times are subject to change.

SEPTEMBER

Beyond Suspicion	James Grippando
Blessings	Anna Quindlen
Blue Latitudes	Tony Horwitz
Crime School	Carol O'Connell
Dark Horse	Tami Hoag
Demon in the Freezer	Richard Preston
From a Buick 8	Stephen King
Grave Maurice	Martha Grimes
Jinxed Carol	Higgins Clark
Kill Joy	Julie Garwood
Lake in the Clouds	Sara Donati
Nights in Rodanthe	Nicholas Sparks
Shrink Wrap	Robert B. Parker
Street Boys	Lorenzo Carcaterra

OCTOBER

Baudolino	Umberto Ecco
Death of a Stranger	Anne Perry
Family Matters	Rohinton Mistry
K. Graham's Washington	Katharine Graham
Murder Book	Jonathan Kellerman
No One to Trust	Iris Johansen
Worth the Fighting For	John McCain

NOVEMBER

Answered Prayers	Danielle Steel
Glorious Cause	Jeff Shaara
Murder at Ford's Theater	Margaret Truman



Upper Town Housing First to Last

Bungalow 1915-1917

Late Spanish Colonial Revival 1930

Check out the new display at the library,
located across the parking lot from Town Hall.
634-9760



Important Numbers:

Fire Department, non-emergency: 639-4591
 Police Dept., non-emergency: 634-7240 or 634-2921
 Cemetery Manager: 634-9591
 Clark Memorial Library: 634-9760
 Municipal Court: 634-1691
 All other business: Town Hall: 634-9591
 Fax: 634-0407, TTY: 1-800-367-8939

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 Clarkdale, AZ 86324-0308

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86324-0308

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CLARKDALE, AZ 86324

E-Mail Addresses (Partial List)

Town Hall	
Michael Bluff	Mayor
Ellie Bauer	Vice Mayor
David Leibforth	Councilmember
Rex Williams	Councilmember
Tom Groom	Councilmember
Gayle Mabery	Town Manager
Joyce Driscoll	Town Clerk
Garrett Hicks	Planning Director
Lyle Richardson	Interim Planning Director
Brian Pearson	Building Official
Kim Butt	Public Works Director
Police Department	Police Department
Lloyd Jones	Police Chief
Berry Van Hook	Fire Chief
Charlotte Hawken	Library Manager
Beth Escobar	Grants Administrator

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Visit our new and improved website

Council Minutes and agendas may now be downloaded from the Town's website. Also available on the site are the Town Code, and the proposed General Plan. More documents and features are being added regularly.



www.clarkdale.az.us



Urban Critters Causing You Jitters?

Do you have javelina and rabbits eating your flowers? Are coyotes, hawks and other urban predators making meals of pets in your neighborhood? Having food available for one wild animal can encourage visits from other species. If the food sources are eliminated in urban areas, this will force critters to once again adapt to living in the wild. The Department of Game and Fish is working to educate people about the dangers of feeding wild animals and about cleaning up food sources such as garbage, dog and cat food, hummingbird feeders and barbecue grills. This way, maybe we can eliminate urban wildlife problems.

If you would like more information, the Arizona Game and Fish Department has a free video just for you. The 15-minute video titled 'What's the Attractant: Living with Urban Wildlife' provides tips for dealing with a wide range of urban wildlife from skunks and bats to elk.

The video is available free at all Game and Fish offices. If you would like one mailed to you, please send \$3 for postage to: Living With Wildlife Video, Arizona Game and Fish Department, 2221 W. Greenway Road, Phoenix, AZ 85023. Or, check it out at the Clark Memorial Library.

