

# TALK OF THE TOWN

## Dance Featuring *Sentimental Journey*

November 18, 2006  
January 20, 2007

7 p.m.

Clarkdale Clubhouse Auditorium

\$5.00 Admission

Refreshments available for purchase.

Sponsored by the  
Heritage  
Conservancy  
Board.



## Museum/Archive Grant

The Town and the Clarkdale Heritage Center partnered to submit a grant application to the Arizona Department of Tourism to renovate a Town building for use as a museum and archive. The project was selected to receive funding. Governor Napolitano came to Clarkdale on October 16th to present a \$50,000 check.



Left to right: Drake Meinke, Heritage Conservancy Board; Lisa O'Neill, Verde Canyon Railroad; Joyce Driscoll, Admin. Services Director/Town Clerk; Pat Williams, Councilmember; Doug Von Gausig, Mayor; Governor Janet Napolitano.

## Thanksgiving Storytelling by Marge Fallon



All ages.

Saturday at 10 a.m.  
November 18, 2006

At Clark Memorial Library.  
39 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale  
Across the parking lot from  
Town Hall.

634-9760 or 634-9591

## SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!

Santa will be at the  
Clarkdale Town Park on  
Saturday, December 2nd  
at 1:30 pm

Free photos with Santa  
and hot chocolate.  
Children may help make ornaments  
for the Town Christmas tree.



## Fire Department Grants Received in 2006

Grant	Amount	Town Portion	Items
GOHS—Governor’s Office of Highway Safety	9,000.00	0	Extrication Tools & Equipment
NAEMS – Northern Arizona Emergency Medical Services	2,700.00	0	Medical Equipment
State Land Department - Rural Fire Assistance	5,200.00	520.00	Personal Protective Clothing
State Land Department - Volunteer Fire Assistance	1,200.00	1,200.00	Fire Tools and Equipment
Pepsico of Arizona	847.00	0	Gatoraid – One Ton



The Clarkdale Fire Department has recently received several grants. The adjacent chart shows what the funds will be used for and the amount of funding received.

## New Commercial Zoning Districts

The Town Council has approved three new commercial zoning districts and a commercial overlay district.

- The Town Center District will eventually replace the Central Business District zoning. It is intended to maintain the historic business district feel of Clarkdale’s downtown while encouraging adaptive reuse of existing buildings. The Neighborhood Commercial District is intended to act as a transitional zone buffering residential areas from large commercial spaces, especially along Highway 89A and Broadway. The allowed uses are more service oriented, with lot coverage encouraging smaller buildings with buffer areas.
- The Highway Commercial District allows more intense commercial uses along the major roadways and accommodates big box commercial stores such as a grocery store. The allowed uses within this zone and the amount of lot coverage by buildings and parking areas anticipates greater traffic handling and multi-use centers.
- The 89A Commercial Corridor Overlay District extends 500 feet on either side of the centerline of Highway 89A from Eleventh Street to the town limits. Any areas zoned commercial in this area will have additional development requirements. Since this area was identified as a gateway into the community, it is important that it not become a sea of parking lots and commercial uses. The Overlay District requires that some of the mature natural vegetation on each lot remain as part of the

design.

Developers are also required to take special care of the wash areas and, most importantly, they are required to participate in the Town’s Master Trails Plan. This is a plan to connect major residential and commercial areas of town through a trail system that provides a safe pedestrian and bicycle traffic route throughout the community.



**Margie Hardie,  
Administrative Assistant**

I am usually the first person you meet when coming to Town Hall. For the past year and a half I have had the pleasure of answering questions about Town services, issuing burn permits, receiving suggestions and complaints, handing-out brochures and event information and until recently, processing utility bills. Being at the front desk has given me the opportunity to meet and get to know many of the friendly residents of Clarkdale. I am always glad to assist everyone who comes in or calls Town Hall. See you soon!

### This past year....

- The Clarkdale Fire Department responded to 506 calls.
- The Community Development Department processed 312 building permits.
- Clarkdale Police Officers responded to 2,597 calls and made 142 arrests.
- Public Works maintained 56 miles of streets, 10 acres of cemetery and 5 acres of parks.
- There were 3,491 visits to the Municipal Pool.
- The Clark Memorial Library checked out 10,169 books.

## Carbon Monoxide: A Hidden Hazard

As Clarkdale is well into the autumn season, gas heaters, furnaces and fire places will be starting up to keep us warm and comfortable. Be aware of a hidden hazard: Carbon Monoxide.

It is well known that carbon monoxide from car exhaust can be deadly if not properly vented to the outside. But people can also become sick and die from breathing the carbon monoxide that may be produced from burning common heating fuels like wood, coal, kerosene natural gas and propane.

Carbon monoxide is odorless and colorless, so it is difficult to detect. It may also be mixed with other products of combustion like smoke or fumes. Carbon Monoxide or CO, as it is abbreviated, may be formed when the fuels are not completely burned. When inhaled in even small amounts, CO is absorbed into the bloodstream where it interferes with the blood's ability to transport oxygen. Even very small amounts of CO in the air can be highly dangerous.

When a heating device is properly designed, installed and vented, heat is released and the byproducts of combustion are vented to the outside. Small traces of carbon monoxide may also be formed, but these will be harmlessly vented outdoors.

But if the furnace or appliance is not functioning properly, excessive amounts of carbon monoxide can be formed. If an appliance venting system is not working right, the CO can spill into the living space, creating a hazardous condition.

### Conditions leading to CO formation and infiltration:

- Anything that plugs the vent system: bird nest, debris or vent pipe collapse.
  - Venting pipes that are rusted through.
  - Plugged fresh-air vents in crawl spaces, basements, utility rooms or closets housing a gas appliance.
- Improper air adjustment, wrong orifice size, or misalignment within burner systems, which can create excessive amounts of CO that may infiltrate indoors.

### Preventive Measures:

- Read and follow manufactures' operating and maintenance instructions on all appliances and

equipment.

- Have a qualified technician check the system periodically for proper combustion.
- Check all vent pipes to ensure a clear path for the exhaust gases.

### Common Indicators of a Carbon Monoxide Problem:

- Chronic headaches, nausea or eye irritation when indoors.
- Flu-like symptoms – dizziness, fatigue or difficulty breathing.
- Over time, CO poisoning may result in confusion, disorientation, physical collapse and death.
- An unidentified chronic odor inside the home.
- Dying or unhealthy indoor pets.
- Condensation on cool indoor surfaces.
- Discoloration or soot buildup at warm air outlets of the heating system.

**Remember:** Exposures to Carbon Monoxide can be hazardous, even deadly. Carbon Monoxide detectors may help. They provide an additional means of warning about this "hidden hazard"

### If you suspect the presence of Carbon Monoxide (CO):

- Get everyone to fresh air immediately.
- Open windows and doors to air out the room or building.
- Turn off suspected appliances.
- Seek medical assistance if symptoms of CO persist.
- Call for professional help to find and fix the situation.

The Clarkdale Fire Department has instrumentation to check your home if you feel there may be a Carbon Monoxide problem.

By Jerry Doerksen - Fire Chief





For the latest information on events, meetings and Town services go to:  
[www.clarkdale.az.us](http://www.clarkdale.az.us)

## Incorporation Anniversary

The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Clarkdale's incorporation is next year! The 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Clarkdale is 2012, only 5 years away.

These are momentous occasions for Clarkdale and exciting events in the town's history!

Many Clarkdale residents have strong ties to the Town's history. Furthermore, most residents want Clarkdale's history to be a key part in defining the Town's future. With this in mind, we are encouraging a community effort in commemorating these two anniversaries. All residents are invited to get involved.

Committees composed of Clarkdale residents will be deciding how best to acknowledge and celebrate these occasions. Since the actual anniversary of our citizen ownership is July 1, 2007, the main celebration event will take place during the traditional 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities held in Town Park. We hope that the committees will also be able to plan a number of other community projects and events, some of them specifically youth oriented, throughout 2007. The more volunteers, the more that can happen!

The Town of Clarkdale 2007 Calendar will have a "Historic Clarkdale" theme. In commemoration of our 50 years of incorporation, it will be filled with photos and stories of the town's history. Contact Town Hall at 634-9591 if you would like to pre-order a copy.

Committees are beginning to form now to organize and plan. Even if you are unable to attend one of the scheduled committee meetings, there will be many different ways to participate. Get involved! Contact Committee Coordinator Winnie Bohall at 634-9475 (weekdays only between 3:30 pm and 5:30 pm), or Janet Perry at Town Hall 634-9591.



## Clarkdale Students Visit Town Departments

The Town of Clarkdale joined municipalities across the state in recognizing the League of Arizona Cities and Towns' fifth annual *Strong Cities & Towns Week* on October 15-21, 2006.

The purpose of *Strong Cities & Towns Week* is to encourage communities; elected officials, citizens, youth and city and town service workers to interact and celebrate superior delivery of the services that better their quality of life.

Students from the Clarkdale-Jerome School came to tour the town facilities to learn about municipal government.

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade class was greeted by Council Member Bohall. At the Court, Judge Cipriano explained some of the local ordinances including the motorized skateboard ordinance. Community Development Director Sherry Bailey and Planner/GIS Technician Pam Ravenwood explained some of the tools they use for community planning. This included the Yavapai County's GIS system. Student's homes or a specific parcel of property were pinpointed on a computer. An impressive demonstration was given by Sergeant Wiley and Canine Officer Laser. Administrative Services Director/Town Clerk Joyce Driscoll gave a presentation on local government in the Council Chambers.

The Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade classes were also greeted by Council Member Bohall. During their visit they had the chance to walk through an ambulance, a fire engine and meet Canine Officer Laser and his handler Sergeant Wylie. The highlight of their visit was being able to spray the fire hose!!! In the Clark Memorial Library they were able to hear stories by Storyteller, Marge Fallon.

The second and third-grade classes participated in a poster contest. The theme of the contest was, "I am grateful to Town Workers because...". The winner for each grade received a \$10 Wal-Mart gift card. All participants received an honorable mention ribbon.

The artwork was on display in the Clark Memorial Library throughout the week.



**Town of Clarkdale**  
**Founded 1912 — Incorporated 1957**

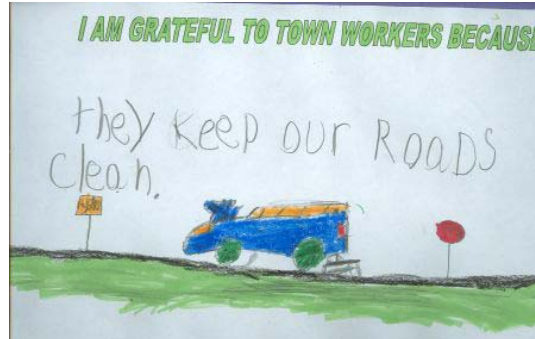
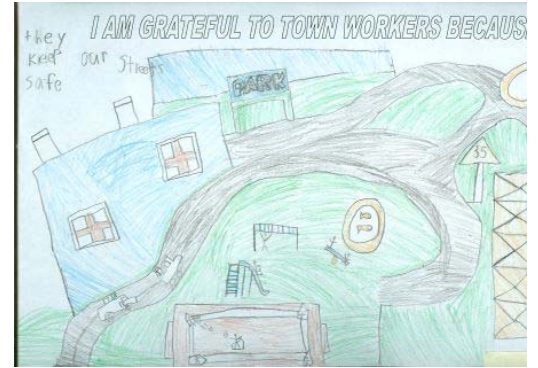
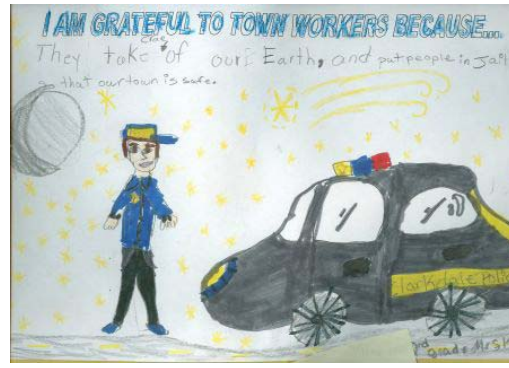




Macee won the 2nd Grade poster contest.



Ismael won the 3rd Grade poster contest.



## Recognize a Town Employee for Cities and Towns Week

Is there a Town Employee that has made your day or whose service you really appreciated? On October 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> the Town celebrated the fifth annual Cities and Towns Week. This week is intended to raise awareness of valuable city and town services all over Arizona. If you would like a Town Employee to be recognized for the service he or she provides, please mail in the form below, or call or email Dawn Norman, Parks and Recreation Supervisor, at 634-959, [dawn@clarkdale.az.us](mailto:dawn@clarkdale.az.us), with the employee's name and why you want to recognize the employee.

If you would like a Town Employee to be recognized for the service the he or she provides, please fill-out the following form and send it in or drop it off at Town Hall by November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Yes, I would like to recognize a Town Employee for Strong Cities and Towns Week

Name of Employee(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Comments, reason you want to recognize this person or persons: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of person submitting form: \_\_\_\_\_

## Clarkdale Projects

I met with Governor Napolitano's Northern Arizona Director, Virginia Turner, in October, and one of the questions she always asks is "So what's happening in Clarkdale?" This time, I had a hard time keeping my answers brief! So much is going on, and so many good things are happening that we spent over an hour getting through them!

We talked about the completion of the **wastewater treatment plant** upgrade which allows us to remove our effluent from the old tailings near Tuzigoot and will give us treated reclaimed water that can be sold for dust treatment, landscape watering, etc. The newly-upgraded water will be applied to the new site west of the old Miller warehouse, where you can see that more than 700 trees have been planted to soak up any unsold effluent. This has been a huge project that our Public Works Director, Steven Burroughs, has managed to bring in on time and under budget.

I told Ms. Turner that the Tuzigoot **tailings** have disappeared over the last few months, finally repairing a scar on our land that has persisted for over a hundred years. If you haven't been out on Tuzigoot Road lately, you might want to go see what has been done. Phelps-Dodge has reclaimed and reseeded the area with all native vegetation and by next spring we should see a field of green desert shrubs where the scorched earth had once been. As a public service and at no charge, PD also put in a new road to the **Tuzigoot bridge day-use area** for Arizona State Parks and Clarkdale, which will allow much safer and better managed use of that area.

After this project is completed and our effluent has permanently been removed from the north end of the tailings, we can start to work on our **new wastewater plant** to be built on the land just west of the current plant. The new plant will give us the capacity to handle commercial users as well as the already-approved residences in our town.

Next we discussed the **89A "bypass"** project in 2007. The bypass will become a 4-lane highway from Cottonwood through Clarkdale and this will finally allow for commercial use of that corridor. We can expect to see some positive things happen along the corridor within the next few years. ADOT has vowed that the project will be a model of efficiency and engineering that the entire state will look to as an example of how to do it right. Of course, we'll wait and see, but that's certainly the right attitude! I know that the roundabouts along the route are controversial, but all my studies on the subject indicate

that, if done correctly, roundabouts are far superior to traffic signals in safety, traffic handling and accessibility.

I shared with Ms. Turner that the **industrial area** in Clarkdale will soon be opened up by a **new road** connecting Broadway near the train depot to Cement Plant Road. Clarkdale's industrially-zoned property runs from east of the depot to Cement Plant Road. This area has suffered in the past for the lack of a good road and insufficient wastewater capacity for industrial users. It is the Town Council's job to ensure that new commercial industry will meet the needs, as well as the sensibilities of our community, and the Council is dedicated to doing just that.

My conversation with the governor's director included the continuing upgrades on the new **water system**. Steve Burroughs gives a huge amount of his time to guiding this on-going process. The Mountain Gate well and new storage facility have added more capacity to our system, and the new well near the Highlands project will increase it even more. When these two new resources are on-line, Clarkdale will have sufficient water to serve the expected population for years to come. The next big water project is to install federally mandated arsenic abatement equipment on the system. We expect to have this done early next year.

Finally, I just had to crow a little about how proud I am of Clarkdale's staff, especially of our **Town Manager, Gayle Mabery**. This summer, Gayle attended a 3-week program at the prestigious John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University entitled "Senior Executives in Local and State Government." The course is open to only a few qualified students from all over the world. Gayle returned to us full of exciting new ideas and techniques for managing her team and our town. Gayle's \$10,600 tuition to the program was covered by a scholarship awarded by the Arizona City/County Management Association. Gayle is also the ACMA's President-elect for 2007. Not bad for a small-town manager!

I could have spent hours telling Ms. Turner about the great things happening in our town, but the picture I found myself painting was one of progress, improvements, and great things to come. The work of our staff, the Town Council, and all our boards and commissions is clear. It is to carefully balance all these improvements with our identity as a small, rural community. I'm confident that we are doing, and will continue to do, the best job possible of honoring that responsibility!

By Mayor Doug Von Gausig

## Check it Out

### Upcoming Books

#### November

Book of the Dead	Patricia Cornwell
Born in Death	Nora Roberts
Christmas Letters	Debbie Macomber
Cross	James Patterson
Empire	Orson Scott Card
French Women for All Seasons	Mireille Guiliano
Godfather's Revenge	Mark Winegardner
Gods of Newport	John Jakes
Handmaid and the Carpenter	Elizabeth Berg
Hollywood Station	Joseph Wambaugh
John's Story	Time LaHaye
Shape Shifter	Tony Hillerman
Shepherd, the Angel and Walter	Dave Barry
Temperature Rising	Sandra Brown
Under Orders	Dick Francis
Wild Fire	Nelson DeMille

**Pat Harris**, after years of service to the Town, decided not to apply for another term on the Library Advisory Board this year. Her devotion and experience will be missed, and her commitment is acknowledged and cherished. **Thank you Pat Harris!!**

#### December

Best Life Diet	Bob Greene
Boleyn Inheritance	Philippa Gregory
Capital Crimes	Jonathan Kellerman
Dr. Perricone's 7 Secrets	Nicholas Perricone
First Impressions	Nora Roberts
More Twisted	Jeffrey Deaver
Mystical Life of Jesus	Sylvia Browne
Nature Girl	Carl Hiaasen
Next	Michael Crichton
Rising Tide	Jeff Shaara
Santa Cruise	Mary Higgins Clark
Shadow Dance	Julie Garwood
Stalin's Ghost	Martin Cruz Smith
Treasure of Khan: Dirk Pitt	Clive Cussler
True Evil	Greg Iles

**New faster public computers - internet & CD burning.**



Online library catalog:  
[www.yavapailibrary.org/clark.htm](http://www.yavapailibrary.org/clark.htm)

### Library Hours

Mon & Wed 11:00 - 4:00  
 Tues 1:00 - 6:00  
 Thur, Fri. & Sat 1:00 - 4:00  
 Closed Sunday



## 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 St.  
 TH - Town Hall, Conference Room, 890 Main Street  
 YC - Yavapai College, M137  
 CJSJ - Clarkdale-Jerome School Library  
 CD - Community Development Conference Room, 39 N. Ninth

Nov 2 Library Advisory Board, 9 am, CML  
 Nov 6 Parks & Recreation, 5:30 pm, TH  
 Nov 7 **Election Day**, AUD  
 Nov 8 Design Review Board, 6:30 pm, ML  
 Nov 10 Town offices closed - **Veterans Holiday**  
 Nov 14 Regular Council, 6 pm, ML  
 Nov 15 Heritage Conservancy, 5:15 pm, CML  
 Nov 18 **Heritage Dance** 7-10 pm, AUD  
 Nov 20 Planning Commission, 6 pm, ML  
 Nov 22 Board of Adjustment, 6 pm, ML  
 Nov 23-24 Town offices closed - **Thanksgiving Holiday**  
 Nov 28 Special Council, 6 pm, ML

Dec 1-10 **Made in Clarkdale Art Show**, 6 pm, AUD  
**Library Book Sale**, 6 pm, Clark Clubhouse

Dec 2 **Santa Comes to Town**, 1 pm, Town Park  
 Dec 4 Parks & Recreation, 5:30 pm, TH  
 Dec 7 Library Advisory Board, 9 am, CML  
 Dec 12 Regular Council, 6 pm, ML  
 Dec 13 Design Review Board, 6:30 pm, ML  
 Dec 18 Planning Commission, 6 pm, ML  
 Dec 20 Heritage Conservancy, 5:15 pm, CML  
 Dec 25 Town offices closed - **Christmas Holiday**  
 Dec 26 Special Council, 6 pm, ML  
 Dec 27 Board of Adjustment, 6 pm, ML

Jan 1 Town offices closed - **New Years Holiday**  
 Jan 2 Parks & Recreation, 5:30 pm, TH  
 Jan 4 Library Advisory Board, 9 am, CML  
 Jan 9 Regular Council, 6 pm, ML  
 Jan 10 Design Review Board, 6:30 pm, ML  
 Jan 15 Town offices closed - **M. L. K. Holiday**  
 Jan 16 Planning Commission, 6 pm, ML  
 Jan 17 Heritage Conservancy, 5:15 pm, CML  
 Jan 20 Dance, **Sentimental Journey**, 7-10 pm, AUD  
 Jan 23 Special Council, 6 pm, ML  
 Jan 24 Board of Adjustment, 6 pm, ML

Meeting dates and times are subject to change.



## Important Numbers:

Fire Department, non-emergency: 639-4591  
Police Dept., non-emergency: 634-7240 or 634-2921  
Clark Memorial Library: 634-9760  
Municipal Court: 634-1691  
Community Development & Public Works: 649-3538  
Town Hall: 634-9591  
TTY: 1-800-367-8939



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## Board and Commission Members

New Board and Commission Members are appointed in September. We would like to thank our outgoing members for the time they have given to serve on these boards and commissions. We would also like to thank our existing and new members for their service. The current Board and Commission Members as of October 1st are:

**Municipal Property Corporation Board of Directors**  
Kerrie Bluff, Janice Benatz and James Gemmill.

**Planning Commission**  
Jorge Olguin, Sarah Voit Vinson, Amy Bayless, Robyn Prud'homme-Bauer and David Puzas.

**Library Advisory Board**  
Roberta Peterson, Mary Sue Hill, Gloria Browne, Jean Stevens, John Stevenson, Mary Lu Estlick, and Margaret Krznarich.

**Parks and Recreation Commission**  
Ron Black, Krysta Dehnert, Maya Radoccia, Howard Beck and Lynda Zanolli.

**Board of Adjustment**  
Richard Dehnert, Lee Daniels, Anita Simgen. Duane Norton and Charles Bennett.

**Heritage Conservancy Board**  
Gerald Wombacher, Jess Valdez, Linda McDonough, Larry Blair and Drake Meinke.

**Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Local Pension Board**  
Officer Tommy Nester, Joyce Driscoll, Amy Bayless and Mayor Doug Von Gausig.

**Design Review Board**  
Dennis Rhoades, Robin Bonefield, Phil Falbo, Charles Scully and Marsha Foutz.

By Walt Good, Deputy Town Clerk



Clarkdale Volunteer Firefighters Steve Burroughs and Bill Green at a training fire in Centerville.

## Volunteers Needed

**Library**—Courier to take tubs of books to and from the Cottonwood Library at 1:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call Charlotte at 634-9760

**Park**—Person to lock Main Street Park restrooms at 9:00 p.m. daily. Call Dawn, 634-9591.

## Tax Credits for Water Conservation Systems



Starting January 1, 2007, there is a five-year period when individual state tax credits can be claimed for 25% of the cost of installing a graywater conservation system with a maximum credit amount of \$1,000. It authorizes \$200 tax credits for homeowners who have purchased homes that were developed with water conservation systems installed prior to the transfer of title.

Graywater is waste water from wash machines, bath sinks, showers and tubs. Graywater originates from the residence where it is reused for household gardening, composting, lawn watering and landscape irrigation. This helps conserve water by reusing water from daily functions. Gray water systems vary from simple low-cost systems to highly complex and costly units.

For more information contact Community Development, 649-3538