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Clarkdale's Annual Old Fashioned 4th of July Event

Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 4th, for a day to remember. Don't miss Clarkdale's annual Old Fashioned 4th of July festivities in the Clarkdale Town Park.

The event begins at 7 a.m. with the raising of the Colors by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a pancake breakfast hosted by the Clarkdale Police Department and Clarkdale Fire District.

The annual Kid's Parade will start at 9 a.m. beginning at the Clarkdale-Jerome School. This year's parade is hosted by the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce. The parade route will head down Main Street and turn at Town Hall. Additional seating for observers will be available along the business fronts on Main Street. Prizes will be issued for each of the following categories: Red, White and Bluest, Most Original, Best Decorated Pet, Best Decorated Bicycle, Best Decorated Wagon, Most Patriotic Group, and Chamber's Choice. Those interested in participating must register with a parent/guardian beginning at 8:15 a.m. at the Clarkdale-Jerome School. There is no cost to enter the parade. The parade is limited to children age sixteen and under. Entries with animals are limited to household pets only, weighing no more than 50 lbs. All pets must be on leashes and must be held by someone strong enough to manage them. Younger children may be accompanied by one adult. No commercial entries or motorized vehicles are allowed in the parade. Parade rules and registration forms are available online at www.clarkdale.az.gov.

The accustomed 4th of July events and activities will take place in the Town Park beginning at 9 a.m., including an expanded number of children's carnival games hosted and sponsored by the Clarkdale-Jerome School, fire engine rides provided by the Clarkdale Fire District, the Clark Memorial Library Ice Cream Social, and music performed by the Cottonwood Community Band. The park activities are scheduled to last until 11:00 a.m.

This year's event is being solely operated by approximately 50 volunteers. In May, the Town of Clarkdale issued a call to the public for volunteers to assist with the event due to the current budget issues facing the Town. An overwhelming amount of volunteer support was received! Clarkdale is proud to have a strong community, as without your support, the Town would not be able to offer this grand event. Thank you to all those who responded to our call for volunteers! A special thank you to the staff of Clarkdale-Jerome School, Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce, The Vineyard, Clarkdale Fire District, and Verde Valley Ambulance.

Vendor spaces are still available. If you would like to rent a vendor space or would like additional information contact Community Services at 639-2441.

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