



TOWN OF CLARKDALE

"Small TALK" OF THE TOWN

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"Small Talk" - Welcome to the 1st Edition

With the many changes that have taken place in our organization in response to the economic downturn, our "Talk of the Town" newsletter also received its share of funding cuts. Because of that, in fiscal year 09-10, we will only be able to produce two of those newsletters. But, since communicating with Clarkdale residents is a top priority for us, we came up with the idea of inserting monthly news flyers in with the utility billing notices that get mailed out. This way we avoid additional postage costs, but keep in touch more frequently. While these mailings will only reach utility customers, they will also be posted on our website serving to help keep everyone in the loop.

Similar to the larger "Talk of the Town" newsletter, the "Small TALK" flyer will be used to report on important information, updates and news that is affecting Clarkdale. The flyer is a work in progress so, if there are particular questions that you have, or information you would like to know about it, we'd like to hear from you! Give us a call at 639 - 2441.



Stay in the loop – go to www.clarkdale.az.gov

WATER UTILITY NEWS

July 1, 2009 is not only the start of the Town's new fiscal year, but it is also the day that the Utilities Department takes over the operation and maintenance of our own water system. In January 2006 the Town of Clarkdale and the City of Cottonwood purchased a private water company called Cottonwood Water Works. At that time the Town of Clarkdale formed an Inter Governmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Cottonwood to provide contract operations, maintenance, and emergency repair services for the Town's water system. The Town's goal as outlined in the IGA was to take over the complete operations of our water system by July 1, 2010. We are glad to report that the Town was able to accelerate the process and will assume operations on July 1, 2009, one year early. We are very appreciative of the effort and quality of work performed by the City of Cottonwood in performing their duties as outlined in

the IGA. As we move ahead on July 1, 2009 assuming the operations and maintenance of the Town's water system, the Utilities Department will provide daily checks of the water system components and infrastructure, collect process control and regulatory samples, provide and/or coordinate emergency repairs, and operate the arsenic removal system at the 89A site. The City of Cottonwood has cross-trained our personnel, provided operational records and test results, and shared with us their operational knowledge of our water system. It will be important that the Town of Clarkdale and the City of Cottonwood continue to work together in the future and establish inter-municipal water connections to provide an uninterrupted supply of water to either municipality in case of emergency.



WATER UTILITY DEPARTMENT AND AFTER HOUR EMERGENCY

(928) 639-2520

Starting July 1, 2009 the Cottonwood after-hours emergency number will no longer be valid for Clarkdale residents.

Town of Clarkdale office hours are 8:00am to 5:30pm Monday through Thursday. By calling 928-639-2520 during those hours, you will reach a Clarkdale Utility Department representative. By calling 928-639-2520 after office hours, your call will be routed to an after-hour phone service who will alert our on-call staff to investigate the call and take any necessary corrective actions.

Examples of after-hour emergencies:

- Water service outages, water main breaks, leaks, and sewer backups or blockages.
- Suspicious activities in or around the water and/or sewer systems



CLARKDALE'S OLD FASHIONED FOURTH OF JULY

Don't miss Clarkdale's Old Fashioned Fourth of July festivities in the Town Park located at 1001 Main Street. A variety of activities geared to please all ages are scheduled throughout the morning hours!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- ★ **7 am** Raising of the Colors presented by VFW
- ★ **7 am** Pancake breakfast hosted by the Clarkdale Police Dept. and Clarkdale Fire District.
- ★ **9 am** 4th of July Kids' Parade hosted by the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce (See below for more information.)
- ★ **9 am- 11 am** Town Park Events and Activities- Children's Games hosted and sponsored by the Clarkdale-Jerome School, Fire Engine Rides, Clark Memorial Library Ice Cream Social, and music performed by the Cottonwood Community Band.

An overwhelming amount of volunteer support was received for this event! 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.

If you would like more information on the Old Fashioned 4th of July contact Parks & Recreation at 639-2490.

10'x10' vendor spaces are available to reserve for a minimal fee. Contact Community Services at 639-2441 to reserve your space or for more information on vendor spaces.



4TH OF JULY KIDS' PARADE

Hosted by the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce

The annual 4th of July Kids' Parade will start at 9 a.m. The route will begin at Clarkdale-Jerome School and continue down Main Street through the business district.

Prizes will be issued for: Chamber's Choice, Best Decorated Pet, Best Decorated Bicycle, Best Decorated Wagon, Most Original, Most Patriotic Group, and Red, White and Bluest.

Those interested in participating must register at 8:15 am. at the Clarkdale-Jerome School. Parade participants are limited to youth age sixteen (16) years and under. There is no fee to enter the parade. Parade registration forms, rules and route maps are available at: www.clarkdale.az.gov.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

June 20 6-8pm
HEADLESS CHARLIE
Hard/Metallic Rock

July 18 7-9pm
SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY
Big Band

Sponsored by The Clarkdale Foundation

August 8 7-9pm
IN HARMONY
Folk Rock

August 22 7-9pm
JUNCTION 87
Country Western

September 12 6-8pm
HWY 61
Classic Rock



Clarkdale Volunteers - A Community Stepping Forward

It takes a community to run a town or city. And our corps of volunteers have always been instrumental in helping to make that happen. We now need that help more than ever if we are to continue with the services and events that have been provided in the past. Already this year, because of volunteers and sponsorships, we are able to present 7 Concerts in the Park and hold our traditional Old Fashioned 4th of July event. Without this help these events would not be happening. The same is true with other community events and services. Please contact our Community Services Department at 639-2441 and talk with Margie, Dawn or Janet about how you can get involved.

Clark Memorial Library

New Hours!

Monday—Thursday
8:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

Saturday
12:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Closed Fridays & Sunday

