



"SMALL TALK"

OF THE TOWN

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Utilities News Lower Town Water Main Replacement Project

Since 2006 when the Town of Clarkdale purchased the water system, we have experienced an extreme amount of water main and service line breaks in the "Lower Clarkdale" area of Town. Sixteen (16) leaks have been reported and repaired just since July 1, 2009. That amounts to two (2) leaks per week. It has cost the Town a substantial amount in materials and labor to band-aid these water lines that were installed in the early 1900's and are well beyond their life expectancy. The numerous service outages have caused quite a disturbance and inconvenience for our residents.

The Town of Clarkdale Utilities Department has already begun preparations for a water main replacement project in the Lower Clarkdale area of Town. All utilities such as gas, water, sewer, telephone, electric, and cable are in the process of being located and will be surveyed. You will see colored paint markings along roadways, down alleyways and on properties. This is just the first step in the planning process. The next step will be preparation of maps and plans drawn by an engineering firm that will be used for bidding the project by contractors. We will be sending out information to our residents who will be affected by this project and we will also be scheduling informational meetings before and during the construction process.

The Utilities Department is looking forward to this project and the benefits it will bring our community such as increased fire protection, a reduction in service interruptions to our residents, and reduced operational and maintenance costs.

We would like to thank our residents for their continued patience preceding this water main replacement project and we look forward to communicating and working with our residents during the construction process.

Interested in being a Clarkdale volunteer?

Contact: Margie Hardie (928) 639-2460
margie.hardie@clarkdale.az.gov
Dawn Norman (928) 639-2490
dawn.norman@clarkdale.az.gov

For information and applications go to www.clarkdale.az.gov

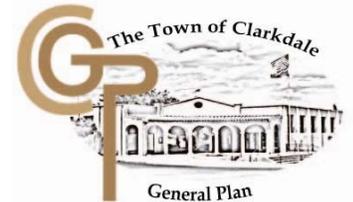


Clarkdale Heritage Center 900 First North Open Wednesday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Clarkdale Heritage Center Museum is pleased to announce that the September display will be honoring the town's founder, William Andrews Clark.

Following in October, the Fire District will host a display to observe Fire Prevention Month. They will provide equipment for a hands-on experience. During the second weekend in October, firefighters will be on hand for demonstrations and explanations. For information call the Museum at (928) 649-1198.

Clarkdale General Plan Revision Process



The General Plan Update Committee has been working diligently over the last three months to revise Chapter One, the Introduction Chapter. That chapter sets the format and tone of the rest of the chapters for the Town's General Plan. At their meeting on the 21st of September, the committee will review the changes and set their next meeting on October 19th as a public meeting to gather suggestions and comments on the direction that the revised General Plan is taking. They are asking everyone who participated in the focus group process or is interested in the revision of the General Plan for the town residents to attend the October 19th meeting at 4:00 p.m. in the Men's Lounge. The Committee will be discussing the direction of the overall changes to be included in the General Plan and the specific direction those changes will be taking. Each of the existing chapters of the General Plan will be revised to include goals and objectives to move Clarkdale towards a sustainability policy to guide decision making in the future. The public is encouraged to attend the October 19th meeting. For questions contact Community Development, 639-2500.



**CALL 911 FOR A LIFE
THREATENING EMERGENCY.**

**CALL (928) 634-2921
FOR POLICE HELP.**

When do you call Police Dispatch, (928) 634-2921

When do you call the Administrative office (928) 649-7700

911 Emergency

If there is a life threatening situation, call 911 immediately.

Police Dispatch (928) 634 –2921

If you see something happening or need an officer to take a report, call Dispatch right away. Waiting until later could prevent the police from gathering necessary evidence, catching the perpetrator, or preventing further incidents. Dispatch is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

DO NOT CALL the Administrative police number in an emergency. Calling this number will only delay response time. Clarkdale police officers are dispatched through the Cottonwood Police Department.

Call Dispatch if:

- You see a stranger in your vehicle.
- Someone is shooting off fireworks
- There are speeders in the area
- Someone in the area is acting suspicious
- There is a loud noise or party
- Stranger lurking around a vacant home
- If your neighbor is gone and there is someone on the property
- You have had damage to your home, car or other property caused by an individual
- You have a theft of property in or around your home
- You have a theft of your car or items in your car
- You are a victim of identity theft
- There is a loose dog/Animal Control

If you have had any type of theft, please do not touch anything; call Dispatch at (928) 634-2921 and wait for an officer to respond. It is imperative you leave the scene as you found it - don't move or clean up anything. You may destroy evidence.

Police Administrative Office (928) 649-7700

The Police Administrative office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, except holidays.

Clarkdale Patrol Officers are not normally in the office; they are usually patrolling the streets of Clarkdale. When and if they come into the office, it is to file reports or to do necessary paperwork.

If you need a copy of a report or need to make an appointment with the Chief of Police, Sergeants or patrol officers, please call the Administrative office. It is best to call before you come to the office.

Theft Prevention:

***An open vehicle, house or garage is an invitation for theft.
Make it hard for the thief!***

Town Department Directory	
<u>Department</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Mayor & Council	639-2400
Administration Town Manager	639-2400
Community Development	639-2500
Community Services	639-2460
Finance	639-2400
Library	639-2480
Magistrate Court	649-7730
Parks & Recreation	639-2490
Police Administration Police Dispatch	649-7700 634-2921
Public Works	639-2550
Town Clerk	639-2400
Utilities	639-2520
Utility Billing	639-2450

**HALLOWEEN IS COMING!!
YOUR PARKS & RECREATION
DEPARTMENT NEEDS
YOUR HELP**



This year's Halloween Event will be on Saturday, October 31st. We are calling for volunteers, 14 years and older, to help with this special event. Because traditional funding is not available, we need community involvement and support to be able to provide this annual event. Assignments include separating candy, delivering candy to residents, working road blocks (4:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) and assisting with the costume contest (4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.). Please contact Parks and Recreation at (928) 639-2490 to participate.

The traditional safe trick-or-treating in upper Clarkdale will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Last year over 1,300 trick-or-treaters along with their families traveled throughout upper Clarkdale. Every year, due to the large number of trick-or-treaters, the Town works to help upper Clarkdale residents by providing additional candy to hand out to the children throughout the evening. The Town is seeking both candy and monetary donations in order to provide the large quantities of candy needed. Donations are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the Administration Building, located at 39 N. Ninth Street, or mailed to: Town of Clarkdale/Halloween, P.O. Box 308, Clarkdale, AZ 86324.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Parks & Recreation at (928) 639-2490 or by email: dawn.norman@clarkdale.az.gov.