



TOWN OF CLARKDALE - A 2012 CENTENNIAL TOWN

# “SMALL TALK” OF THE TOWN



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## FREE CHILDREN’S BOOK EVENT

To celebrate the “Week of the Young Child”, the Clark Memorial Library in collaboration with First Things First, will be giving free books to children, ages birth to 5 years.

**Tuesday, April 8 from 9:30am—10:30am**

Reading to young children is one of the best ways to help them build the skills they need to succeed in school. Library cards will also be available for children 4 years and older on this day.



For more information on the event or to learn what is required to obtain a library card, call 639-2480.

**Clark Memorial Library, 39 N. 9th Street, Clarkdale**



## CLARKDALE TOWN PARK EVENTS

**SATURDAY, APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup>**

**12:30pm - 4:00 pm**

### VERDE RIVER POKER RUN - POST PADDLE PARTY

Join Clarkdale Parks & Recreation and the Verde River Valley Nature Organization for the Verde River Poker Run - Post Paddle Party. Throughout the afternoon there will be live music performed by 2 G’s & a C Note (formerly Martinez Livas), various park activities and vendors on site. This event is free to the public. So come out and enjoy a beautiful afternoon in your town park!

**FRIDAY, MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**6:00pm - 7:00pm**



### PRE-SEASON CONCERT IN THE PARK

Are you looking forward to the upcoming 2014 Concerts in the Park? Enjoy a FREE pre-season concert featuring the Notorious Quartet sponsored by AZ WE Dance.

The Notorious Quartet isn't just any ordinary folk band. Sweet vocals and virtuosic fiddling coupled with driving rhythm and snappy guitar solos make for a thrilling musical experience in genres that span many continents. They push the envelope towards swing, blues and Gypsy modes. Make sure to bring your own seating. There will be a 50/50 raffle with proceeds benefitting Clarkdale’s Concerts in the Park series.

## Roundabout Clarkdale



**The Clarkdale Caboose Gift Shop**, located at the corner of Main and Ninth Street, has joined our business community. The hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday 8:00 a.m. To 5:00 p.m.

Owners Laura and Pat Ladeau are pleased to offer a variety of gift ideas including art creations, lotions, soaps, jewelry, candles, scarves, greeting cards and toys. Also for sale are Clarkdale souvenirs such as magnets, coffee mugs, T-shirts, bookmarks and key rings. A variety of cold drinks, snacks and candy as well as fresh, homemade cupcakes are in stock.

**Shop Local: Your sales taxes help fund Town improvements!**

Grand Opening - **The Clarkdale Market**, located at 915 Main Street, opened mid-March. The market stocks all types of groceries, including canned and dry goods, milk and farm-fresh eggs. The Clarkdale Market is open every day from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Stop by in the morning for a hot cup of coffee and a breakfast burrito or locally made croissant, or pick up the missing ingredient for your dinner recipe on the way home from work.

Owners Caryll and Roy Beard already have several stores throughout Arizona and many years of experience serving their customers. Call the Market at (623) 734-6831 to place a grocery order to be delivered. They have also applied to be able to accept food stamps and sell lottery tickets.



## STEM COMMUNITY EXPO

**You're invited!** On March 28<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 9 PM at the Yavapai College Verde Valley Campus, we're having fun with science, technology, engineering, and math. There will be lots of hands-on fun for kids of all ages and prizes to be won as well. See you at the STEM Community Expo! Questions? Call Community Development at (928) 639-2500.



## NEW HYDRANTS MAY MEAN LOWER PROPERTY INSURANCE RATES

**News from Clarkdale Fire Chief, Joe Moore:** With the completion of the Town of Clarkdale's "Twin 5's" water line replacement project, which included the installation of new hydrants, several properties now have a lower Public Protection Classification (PPC).

The PPC is set by Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO). ISO evaluates communities according to a uniform set of criteria, including water supply, and sets the PPC. Most insurance companies use PPC information as part of their decision-making when deciding what coverage to offer and prices to charge for personal and commercial property insurance.

The PPC for Clarkdale is 4/8b. This means that properties within 1,000 feet of a hydrant have a PPC of 4; while properties outside this range have a PPC of 8b - the lower the number the better. Persons with homes in the vicinity of the new hydrants may be able to get a reduction in their property insurance, depending on their insurer! We have had homeowners in the past tell us that their property insurance premiums went down 30% due to the PPC for their home going from an 8b to a 4!

We highly recommend that persons with homes in the vicinity of the new hydrants contact their insurer. A map, provided by the Town of Clarkdale, depicting the properties within 1,000 feet of the new hydrants is available on the Clarkdale Fire District website: [clarkdalefd.org](http://clarkdalefd.org). Homeowners and insurance agents may call (639-4591) or email ([admin@clarkdalefd.org](mailto:admin@clarkdalefd.org)) Clarkdale Fire District to verify the classification of individual properties.

## Candidate Nomination Packets Available

In Arizona, persons are nominated to run for public office in the Primary Election by a petition procedure for nomination. This process allows any qualified voter within the Town boundaries of Clarkdale the opportunity of seeking public office. The nomination paper is a formal notification to the Town Clerk that the individual intends to seek public office.



Candidate Nomination Packets are available Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM and Friday between 8:00 AM and Noon at the Town Hall located at 39 N Ninth Street, Clarkdale. Candidates must file a Political Committee Statement of Organization or a \$500 Threshold Exemption Statement with the Town Clerk before receiving or expending money, circulating Nomination Petitions, or distributing campaign literature. In order to be on the ballot, completed packets must be filed with the Town Clerk between April 28, 2014 and May 28, 2014.

There are two seats with four year terms for Councilmember and one seat with a two year term for Councilmember on the August 26, 2014 ballot. A candidate is declared elected to office in the Primary Election if that candidate has a majority of all votes (ballots) cast. A canvass of the August 26, 2014 election results will determine if the November 4, 2014 General Election for local candidates is required.

Future issues of the "Small Talk" will provide additional information regarding the August 26, 2014 Primary Election process and items on the ballot. Town Clerk, Kathy Bainbridge, may be contacted at 928-639-2445 for specific information.

## CLARKDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM



**CHANGES:** The museum has undergone several changes recently, among them the phasing out of our gift shop to a museum bookstore only. This change coincides with the opening of the Clarkdale Caboose Gift Shop. Many of our same artists have relocated their local artwork to this very special place owned by Clarkdale residents, Laura and Pat Ladeau. We urge you to visit the Caboose Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 to 5:00. Our bookstore will now have a wider selection of local and regional history books to choose from. Please check us out. We have many copies of "Empty Mansions" for purchase.

**THANK YOU:** A big thank you goes out to Mary Beth Groseta for her presentation on "Quilts and Quilt Makers of the Verde Valley" held on Feb. 1. John Stevenson also presented the history of the "Santa Fe Railroad in Arizona and Clarkdale" on March 2 to a full house in the Ladies Lounge. We thank you both for your special contribution to the Historical Society, its members and the public!

**TOURS:** Free public tours of the Clark Memorial Clubhouse will continue on March 19, April 16, and May 21 at 9:45 am. These tours have been very well attended by local residents and many others from Sedona and Prescott. Special tours may be scheduled by contacting the museum at 928-649-1198.

**MEMBERS:** We want to thank our new and renewing members: Dave and Margie Beach, Bob Beltz, Carol and Frank Lombardo, Jack Mayes, Drake Meinke, Joyce Richards and Bernie Molaskey, Salt River Materials Group, Mick Ryan, Bill Scales and Mary Liggitt, Ruth Wicks, Ruthann Kroese, and A.B. and Natalie Berman.

**MUSEUM HOURS:** Wednesday 10 am–1 pm, Thurs., Fri. and Sat., 11 am–2 pm. We are located at 900 First North, Clarkdale. Find us on Facebook too!