



"SMALL TALK"



CLARKDALE SUSTAINABILITY PARK PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

WHERE: Clark Memorial Clubhouse Men's Lounge
19 N. Ninth Street, Clarkdale

WHEN: Thursday, May 27, 2010, 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 29, 2010 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 31, 2010 10:00 a.m.

Please join Mayor Von Gausig and Town Manager Gayle Mabery to learn about the Clarkdale Sustainability Park concept. A series of public presentations will be ongoing at different dates and times so as many people as possible can attend. There will be a Power Point shown with time afterwards for open discussion of comments and questions. We hope to see you there!

"The core concept of the Park: To produce energy, water and economic vitality with as little environmental impact as is possible today."



Beginning May 1st and continuing through July 10th the Census Bureau will conduct Non-Response Follow-up operations across Northern Arizona to visit all households for which a questionnaire has not been returned. Some households who have already returned their forms may still be visited by a Census worker for follow-up or quality control checks. Any household whose forms were returned after April 17 will probably be visited by a Census worker. A Census worker must make up to six attempts to contact the resident. Telephone Questionnaire Assistance Centers will continue to take phone interviews only between April 22nd and July 30th.

Please remember that Census workers will not ask you for personal identification like a social security number, banking information, or for account numbers. Each Census worker will have a badge identifying them as employees of the United States Census Bureau.

Telephone assistance number: 1-866-872-6868
Spanish 1-866-928-2010 / TDDY 1-866-783-2010

Our current participation rate is only 62%. We need all residents counted in order to receive appropriate funding for our population. Please take the time to be counted.

If you have questions please contact Dawn Norman at (928) 639-2490.

PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM WILDFIRES BY CREATING DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Joe Moore, Fire Chief, Clarkdale Fire District



Wildfires strike quickly and without warning. Following are some tips to help protect your home.

Defensible Space – Create fire-resistant space around your home.

- ◆ Keep burnable materials at least 30 feet from your home and outbuildings. Clear a 10-foot area around wood piles, propane tanks and barbecues.
- ◆ Clear pine needles, leaves and other debris from your yard, roof and gutters. Also remove overhanging and dead limbs.
- ◆ Keep grass and weeds trimmed to less than 4". Thin a 15 foot space between tree crowns, and remove limbs within 15 feet of the ground. Remove vines from the walls of the home. Consider removing highly flammable shrubs (Juniper, Bitterbrush and Manzanita).
- ◆ Inspect chimneys at least twice a year. Equip chimneys/stovepipes with a spark arrester.
- ◆ Use 1/8-inch mesh screen beneath porches, decks, floor areas and the home itself. Also, screen openings to floors, roof and attic.
- ◆ Ensure adequate accessibility by large fire vehicles to your property. Accesses should be clear of vegetation/tree limbs thirteen feet high and two feet out from both sides of your road/driveway. Post easy-to-read address signs.
- ◆ Teach children about fire safety. Keep matches out of their reach.
- ◆ Have a garden hose that is long enough to reach any area of the home and other structures on the property.
- ◆ Store gasoline, oily rags, etc. in approved safety cans and place them in a safe location.
- ◆ Keep handy household items that can be used as fire tools: a rake, axe, handsaw, or chain saw, bucket and shovel.

For more information visit www.firewise.org. or call the Clarkdale Fire District (928) 639-4591.

Strategy I "Water Alert"

STRATEGY I "WATER ALERT" MAY 1ST

Effective May 1st the Town of Clarkdale's Drought & Water Shortage Preparedness Plan is in effect.

Under the Town of Clarkdale's water ordinance, Drought and Water Shortage Preparedness Strategy Level I is automatically in effect from May 1st through September 30th each year. With that in mind, effective May 1, 2010 @ 12:01 a.m., the Town of Clarkdale will move into Demand Reduction Strategy I "Water Alert".

The following measures are mandatory:

- ◆ Water shall be conserved both inside and outside the home using best practices available to minimize waste.
- ◆ Landscaping for residential uses shall be accomplished with plant materials that require little or no supplemental irrigation water.
- ◆ Outdoor water usage shall not occur between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm. Watering days shall be coordinated with your address. Even numbered addresses may irrigate on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. Odd numbered addresses may irrigate on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. For places where there is no discernable address, the even date schedule should be followed (right-of-ways, medians, etc.). No irrigation shall be allowed on Monday.
- ◆ Automobile washing shall only be undertaken with a bucket and hose with shut off nozzle, other water saving devices such as a pressure washer, or at carwashes that recycle or re-circulate water.
- ◆ No person shall waste water.
- ◆ Cooling of outdoor areas with water or misting devices is prohibited.
- ◆ Restaurants shall serve water to customers upon request only, and shall display table tents or other types of public notice to this affect.

- ◆ Hotels shall wash a customer's linens if a stay is in excess of one night on request only, and the hotel shall display notice to this affect.
- ◆ Construction projects are required to use reclaimed water or effluent for construction and dust control purposes.
- ◆ Requests for Commercial Provisions must be made to the Clarkdale Utilities Director.

The Town of Clarkdale is asking its citizens and businesses to become more aware of their water use habits and determine where they can reasonably reduce their water use to ensure a long term, sufficient water supply for all of us in Clarkdale. All Demand Reduction Strategies of the Plan are enforced by the Town of Clarkdale Utilities Department. Violations of this Plan shall result in the following surcharge:

A surcharge of \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars) shall be assessed to the account of record for a violation of Demand Reduction Strategy I "Water Alert", pursuant to Town Code Section 19-11-7. Surcharges shall double for every repeat violation that occurs within a calendar year.

Updates to Resource Status Levels and Demand Reduction Strategies will be posted on the Town's website: www.clarkdale.az.gov. Signage is also in place throughout the Town providing notice of the prevailing Demand Reduction Strategy Level (Strategy I = "Water Alert"; Strategy II = "Water Emergency"; Strategy III = "Water Crisis").

Practicing a low water use lifestyle is a way each individual and business can reduce the impact of drought on our natural resource. For more information, please contact the Clarkdale Utilities Department at (928) 639-2520.



CLARKDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM CHANGES

The Clarkdale Heritage Museum has undergone some exciting changes recently. Jerry Wombacher and Shawna

Jones have been appointed to fill vacancies left by Margaret Kznarich and Cynthia Lowry on the board of directors. Another change is our new name "Clarkdale Historical Society and Museum". Come in to view our recent exhibit of Early Businesses of Clarkdale. Do you know where Miller's Market was? Connor and Ettinger's Cigar Store? Lindner's Showroom? Gassaway Drugstore? Clarkdale Dairy? Old photos of these early businesses and others are currently on display. A collection of Clarkdale trade tokens used to promote business and extend credit to customers is also on loan for this exhibit only. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10:00-1:00. We are located at 900 First North, Clarkdale, AZ—Right next to Clarkdale Police Department. For information please visit our website <http://www.clarkdaleheritage.org/> or call 928 - 649-1198.



"Support your Town, Support your Chamber"

Partners promoting a vibrant Clarkdale is the vision statement of your Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce. You can help attain that vision in many ways:

- ◆ Volunteer a few hours a month in the Caboose Visitors Center
- ◆ Help out at an event, such as the upcoming Old Fashioned Fourth of July
- ◆ Purchase artwork displayed at one of the Chamber galleries
- ◆ Contribute an article or story to the Chamber website (www.clarkdalechamber.org)
- ◆ Join the Chamber and be part of the action...projects, programs, outreach to Clarkdale and regional businesses and organizations

For information, contact Chamber Coordinator Elizabeth Gertsner at 928.634.1123 or info@clarkdalechamber.com.

Together, we can keep the focus on Clarkdale.