

# Talk of the Town

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April, 2004

## 2004 Theatre Productions



**Murder is a Game:** by Fred Camichael, Director - Steve Fekkether, Assistant - Jesse Mejewski

Performances:

April 22 (Gala Opening)	6 p.m.
April 23, 24, 29, 30	7 p.m.
April 25	2 p.m.
May 1, 6, 8	7 p.m.

**Playing Doctor:** by William Van Zandt & Jane Milmore, Director - Jeffrey Steed, Assistant - Bobbie Davis

Performances:

Sept. 9 (Gala Opening)	6 p.m.
Sept. 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25	7 p.m.
Sept. 12, 19	2 p.m.

**The Odd Couple** (female version): by Neil Simon, Director - Steve Fekkether

Performances:

Nov. 4 (Gala Opening)	6 p.m.
Nov. 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20	7 p.m.
Nov. 7, 14	2 p.m.

**Variety Show** - First annual fundraising production for the Old Town Players

Performance:

June 12	7 p.m.
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**Gala Opening - Includes dinner and the show**

(proceeds for Gala benefit the Town of Clarkdale Parks & Recreation Department)

Admission \$30.00

Tickets for the Gala Openings are only available prior to the performance at Clarkdale Town Hall, 890 Main Street, Clarkdale. For more information, call 634-9591. Seating is limited.

**Single Performance Ticked Prices**

Adult Admission	\$8.00
Seniors	\$6.00
Students	\$4.00

**Season Ticket Prices (4 performances)**

Adult Admission	\$25.00
Seniors	\$20.00
Students	\$12.00

Tickets for performances (except Galas) are only available at the door before each performance. Theatre doors are open 30 minutes before curtain time. For season tickets or questions, please call 639-0538.

**Theatre Location:** The historic Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth Street (behind Town Hall), Clarkdale, Arizona.

**Mountain Lion Sited** - A Mountain Lion has been sighted in the Patio Park area of town on numerous occasions and is getting less fearful of people. We encourage people to keep an eye on your pets and children. Arizona Fish and Game has been contacted.



**Historic Houses** - The Heritage Conservancy Board has information in its archives about many of the houses in the historic district of Clarkdale and about what it means to be part of that district.

New Council members will be sworn in at the regular Council meeting on June 8, 2004 at 6 p.m.

## May is for Celebrating Clarkdale

### MAY IS A MONTH FILLED WITH CLARKDALE EVENTS FOR ALL

Enjoy an evening in town at **2004's Spring Business Block Party.**  
**Friday, May 14 -- 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

Come on over to **10<sup>th</sup> and Main Streets.** Share the great refreshments (you can even bring some of your own specialties to add to the bounty), good music and, most of all, time to visit with friends and neighbors along Clarkdale's Historic downtown and Town Park.  
Sponsored by the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce.



### Clarkdale Community Water Fair and Yard Sale

**Saturday, May 15, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Park**

● A great day to find out more about the most precious natural resource in our desert community, water, plus what each of us can do to use this resource wisely. There will be information about water, water saving devices and habits, and answers to questions you might have.

You'll find air-inflated games, a dunk tank and a few other fun surprises.

Arranged by Clarkdale's Water Advisory Group.

If you have some information about water and would like to share it,  
**CONTACT Ellie Bauer at 634-9450.**

If you're interested in taking part in the community-wide yard sale,  
**CONTACT Mike Turner at 946-9496 or 300-6040.**



*& we all know what happens at the end of May - IT'S -----*

A hand-drawn style poster for a pool opening event. The background is light gray with wavy lines representing water. The text is written in a casual, hand-drawn font. At the top left, it says 'TAKE THE BIG PLUNGE!!!'. Below that, 'POOL OPENING' is written in large, bold letters. To the right, it says 'Saturday - May 22 10 AM - 4 PM'. In the center, 'Free Swim!!' is written. At the bottom left, it says 'Great Food! Fun Games!!'. At the bottom center, it says 'Sign up for lessons'. At the bottom right, it says 'Sponsored by: The Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce &amp; The Town of Clarkdale'.

## SWIMMING POOL



7 Days a week  
 Open Swim Noon to 5 p.m.  
 Family/Lap Swim 5:30-6:30 p.m.

### Swimming Lessons

June 14 to June 25 and July 5 to July 16  
 Register at Town Hall beginning June 1  
 Children ages 5-15 \$25.00 per child  
 Each class is 25 minutes in length.

### Pool Passes Available at Town Hall

Children, 20 visits, \$17(85 cents a visit)  
 Children, 40 visits, \$30 (75 cents a visit)  
 Adult, 20 visits, \$30 (\$1.50 a visit)  
 Adult, 40 visits, \$50 (\$ 1.25 a visit)  
 Family pass, unlimited visits, \$75

The pool is located behind the Clark Memorial Clubhouse on Ninth St. The pool is wheelchair accessible. Call Town Hall, 634-9591 for more information.



## Volunteers Needed for Clean-up

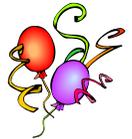
The area of Allen Springs Road at the end of Mingus Avenue has been experiencing a huge amount of illegal dumping and transient camps. To help us combat this problem the Forest Service has closed this area to camping. We are looking for volunteers to help keep this area clean and strongly encourage the public to call the police if they see people dumping garbage or brush. The number to call is 634-2921.

## TOWN OF CLARKDALE'S ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION boys and Girls -



**Decorate your bike, your wagon and yourself and enter the Children's parade !! Sign-up at the Clarkdale-Jerome School at 9:15 a.m. on July 4th.**

**Remember to gather at the gazebo in the park afterwards to see if you won a prize.**



## Schedule of Events

- 700 a.m. Pancake Breakfast, held by the Clarkdale Police & Fire Departments
- 10:00 a.m. Parade Begins!  
 Prizes:  
 Best of Show  
 Chamber's Choice  
 Best decorated pet  
 Best decorated bicycle  
 Most original  
 Most patriotic group  
 Best decorated wagon  
 Red, White and Bluest
- 10:30 a.m. Ice Cream Social, held by the Clarkdale Library Board  
 Cottonwood Community Band begins playing  
 Children's Games and Activities

## WE NEED YOU!

## Volunteers Needed for July 4, 2004

Would you like to help with Children's Games, bake a cake or help with the parade? Maybe you would prefer helping



in the preparations before the event. If you are interested in volunteering for the July 4, 2004 event and, helping us make it better than ever, please call Town Hall at 634-9591.



## Town of Clarkdale BUS TRIPS!

All bus trip reservations will be taken at Town Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. M-F. Payment is required at the time of reservation. Tickets are non-refundable. However, if there is a waiting list, we will attempt to sell your ticket for you. If you are unable to come to Town Hall to register during these hours, please call or email Coleen ([coleeng@clarkdale.az.us](mailto:coleeng@clarkdale.az.us), 634-9591) to make special arrangements. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis. Children are welcome, but they must be accompanied by an adult. Fees include the ticket into the event and transportation.

For baseball games, lunch is on your own. You are welcome to bring food onto the bus. However there are limitations on what may be brought into Bank One Ballpark. Transportation is by yellow air-conditioned school bus.

### Dinner Shows

“Dinner” shows are at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater in Phoenix. Lunch is a buffet with a salad bar.

*Cats* - Saturday, May 22

*Music Man* - Saturday, July 10

Cost: \$40 per person, includes show lunch, transportation, tax, gratuity

Time: Bus leaves Town Hall parking lot at 9:00 a.m.

### Baseball Games

Seats are lower level. Handicapped accommodations available.

Cost: \$25 per person, includes transportation and event ticket.

Time: Bus leaves the town hall parking lot at 10:30 am. for the 1:35 pm games.

Sunday, June 20th - *Tampa Bay Devil Rays*

Sunday, August 8th - *Atlanta Braves*

Sunday, Sept. 12th - *San Francisco Giants*

## Mountain Gate Subdivision

Plans for a large development on the parcel of land located at the intersection of 11<sup>th</sup> Street and Highway 89 A are continuing through the Town’s approval process.

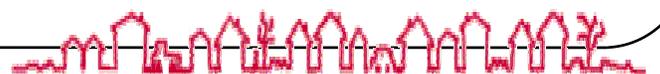
At the March 8, 2004 Clarkdale Planning Commission meeting, the Commission voted 4-1 to recommend to the Town Council approval of the Preliminary Plat for the Mountain Gate subdivision. A preliminary Plat is the initial set of technical drawings for a development and includes the layout of the lots and the road design. The Planning Commission’s recommendation was forwarded to Council with a list of requirements for Empire Companies, the developer of the subdivision. These stipulations include off site improvements such as a road that connects Broadway with Highway 89A and improvements on 11<sup>th</sup> Street, which will be the main entrance to the subdivision.

Empire Companies will also be required to enter into a Development Agreement with the Town to include provisions for a method by which wastewater treatment shall be provided to this project; any required participation on the part of Empire Companies in Improvement/Community Facilities Districts for the purpose of development of infrastructure components to serve this project; provisions for the joint maintenance of the park area and play/ball fields, as well as trails, and for sharing access to those facilities by all Town residents; and provisions for the availability of the community building for use by all Town residents on a reasonable basis dependent on time availability.

The Clarkdale Town Council held a work session on March 23 to receive public input regarding the development and the Preliminary Plat. At this work session the Council requested that Empire Companies make some changes to the Preliminary Plat being submitted prior to the public hearing that was scheduled for April 13. Council also requested that Empire present some general information regarding the trail system that will be included in this development and the design of the homes.

Over eighty citizens attended the Public Hearing on April 13. Empire Companies made a presentation and several people voiced their opinion during the public comment period. After the public hearing was closed, Mayor Michael Bluff thanked all the members of the community who have participated in this process. The Mayor specifically noted the efforts of the Citizens Group, stating that their participation has resulted in a better product.

The Council voted to approve the Preliminary Plat 4-1. Empire Companies and the Town now will enter into the Technical Review Phase that will address such things as street and drainage design.



## Limited Use RV Camping



Effective February 24, 2004 the Clarkdale Town Council passed an ordinance allowing limited use RV and Travel Trailer camping. This ordinance allows any property owner, or any other person they give permission, to camp on their private property in a RV or Travel Trailer. Camping is limited to no more than two weeks at a time and no more than three instances per calendar year. The ordinance also allows for use of an RV or Travel Trailer during construction as long as a building permit for construction remains in force and not past the time when a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued.

Any RV or Travel Trailer used for camping on private property must have a self-contained sewage collection system. A temporary power connection of adequate amperage on a freestanding pole of adequate construction must be provided to the RV or Travel Trailer when used for camping. A permit will not be required for RV/Travel Trailer camping on private property. Call the Planning Department at Town Hall, 634-9591, if you have any questions.

## New Minor-Subdivision Ordinance

At their February 24, 2004 meeting the Clarkdale Town Council adopted a new Ordinance that amends Chapter 12, Subdivision Regulation, of the Town Code. The ordinance creates a new Minor Subdivision process that applies to a subdivision of ten or fewer lots.



This new ordinance is a result of several months of work between the Planning Commission, Town staff and interested community members. It streamlines the process required for a subdivision of ten or fewer lots by waiving the requirement for a Preliminary Plat, which requires a public hearing before the Planning Commission. A preliminary plat is a detailed, technical drawing of a subdivision.

The ordinance establishes a Subdivision Committee consisting of one member of the Planning Commission, the Planning Director and the Public Works Director. This committee reviews and has the power to approve minor subdivision applications.

Arizona Revised Statutes provide for waiving the requirement for a Preliminary Plat. The requirement for a Final Plat may not be waived, however, and Minor Subdivisions will still need to go through this process. A Final Plat is a complete technical drawing that includes road details, drainage engineering and dedicated easements and right-of-ways.

The new Minor Subdivision process is designed to assist property owners who are interested in creating a subdivision of ten or fewer lots who would find the standard subdivision process costly and burdensome. Call the Planning Department, Town Hall, 634-9591, if you have any questions.



## Verde Valley Humane Society

Post Office Box 1429  
1502 W. Mingus  
Cottonwood, AZ 86326  
(928) 634-7387  
vvhs@wildapache.net

**STOP LITTERING!**  
Please spay or neuter your pet!

## Cattle Guard at Sycamore Canyon



Alert! The Town has installed a new cattle guard on Sycamore Canyon Road at the Town Limits. It is approximately 0.8 miles from Tuzigoot National Monument.

The Public Works Department (PWD) has installed the cattle guard to deter cattle from entering Clarkdale. PWD hopes that it will alleviate problems reported due to cattle within Town boundaries.

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Next to Olsen's Grain



**Town of Clarkdale  
Summer Concert Series 2004**

Saturday, May 8 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Double Take"**

Dave Nelson

Saturday, June 12 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Major Lingo"**

Unique style Mellow rockin' tunes

Sunday, July 4 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Obsidian Blues"**

Jammin' blues and Rock & Roll

Saturday, July 24 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Phillip's 21"**

Rock and Christian tunes

Saturday, September 11 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Sentimental Journey"**

Big Band tunes

Saturday, September 25 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Juan Whey y de Vatos"**

Latino Blues & Rock

Saturday, October 2 - 6 - 8 p.m.

**"Johnny Lingo Trio"**

Folk & Pop Standards

Saturday, October 16 - 6 - 8 p.m.

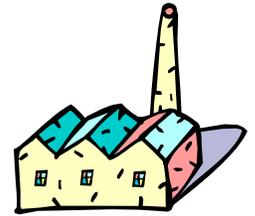
**"Danny Rhodes & the Messengers"**

Great entertainment from a local favorite

Bring your friends, your family, food and  
lawn chairs for a great evening of  
**FREE!** entertainment.



**Slag Pile  
Conditional Use Permit**



Verde River Iron Company, in partnership with Transylvania International, received approval from the Clarkdale Town Council for a Conditional Use Permit to reclaim materials from the slag pile. Using new technology, Verde River Iron plans to reclaim ninety-five percent of useable materials from the slag pile including iron, silica, copper and small amounts of other precious metals.

Plans are to refurbish the old smelter building to accommodate this processing.

Approval of the Conditional Use Permit by the Town Council included several stipulations. Council, staff, and citizens who spoke at the public hearing on this matter expressed concerns about noise. A stipulation in the permit requires Verde River Iron to work within the Town's existing noise ordinances. If complaints occur due to the noise generated by this operation, Town staff will work with Verde River Iron to implement a solution.

Traffic over the historic Bitter Creek Bridge and through the neighborhoods of Patio Park and Lower Clarkdale was an additional concern discussed at the public hearing on April 13. Verde River Iron and Transylvania International have agreed to enter into negotiations with landowners to the west of their property to develop a connection to Cement Plant Road. Staff members will be monitoring their progress.

Verde River Iron plans to begin this project in nine months. Once the operation is up and running, it will be a 15-20 year project with 100-120 employees.

**Sponsor a Concert**

Concerts are only possible with the help of financial partners. Each concert costs between \$400 and \$750, with some bands helping with a discount. In the past, the Town has enjoyed many good concerts, thanks to the generous donations of the businesses and citizens of Clarkdale. Sponsors for concerts are still needed. If you are interested in helping, please contact Katie at Town Hall, 634-9591. Sponsors are recognized in all advertising for the event.



**Severe Storms**

*In the event of an electrical storm:*

- *Get inside a building or automobile*
- *Don't stand near a single tree or the tallest tree in a group.*
- *Get out of and away from water.*



## Messages From Your Police Department

By Chief Patrick C. Haynie



### Identity Theft

Arizona is one of the leading states for Identity Theft. This is not an easy crime to solve and depends on the victim to take a heavy role in solving it. Try not to let this happen. To begin with, shred documents with personal information on them, get your mail in lock boxes or the post office and check your credit report on a regular basis. If you need more information, stop by the police department and pick up a free brochure.



### Vehicle Thefts

For the past couple of years Clarkdale and Cottonwood have experienced an increase in vehicle thefts and vehicle burglaries. To help combat this problem keep your vehicles locked and valuables out of sight, preferably not in the vehicle. Most of these thefts and burglaries happen in the early morning hours. Please call the police on any suspicious activity and help us put a stop to this. We have made some arrests this past month, but we still have a problem. Call your neighborhood officer to help set up a block watch in your neighborhood. Also, do not leave any vehicles parked outside with a garage opener inside.

### Motorized Skateboards

The Clarkdale Town Council passed an ordinance regarding motorized skateboards. The following is a summary of the new law:

- The operators must be over the age of 14 and must have in their possession a note signed by his/her parent or guardian which states: The name, date of birth, address and phone number of the operator, (child); the name, home address, home and work telephone number of the parent or guardian; and wording that the parent/guardian has reviewed the rules regarding the operation of a motorized skateboard in Clarkdale and that the operator has permission to be operating a motorized skateboard.
- The operator MUST wear a helmet, safety glasses or goggles, and protective footwear.
- The motorized skateboard must have a mechanical break.
- ALL TRAFFIC LAWS must be obeyed including stop signs. Operators must drive the motorized skateboard on the road surface, NOT on the sidewalks. They may only be operated on streets where the speed limit is 25 mph or less.
- The ordinance will be enforced the same as a civil traffic violation and will carry a fine of about \$75.

The ordinance explains the above in greater detail. If you would like to view the ordinance, or obtain a copy to review with your child, please go to the Police Department or Town Hall.



### Free Bicycle Registration

Every year many stolen bicycles are recovered. However many fail to get back to their owners.

The Clarkdale Police Explorers, with the support of the Jerome Elk's Lodge, is offering FREE bike registration. This information is used in the event your bike becomes lost or stolen. Having the description, manufacture and, most importantly, the serial number on file. This will aid the police in trying to recover your bike if it is lost or stolen.

A registration form can be obtained from the Police Department, Town Hall or through the Clarkdale-Jerome School Resource Officer.

### Livestock and Poultry Permits

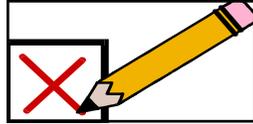
A friendly reminder is in order letting you know the Town of Clarkdale requires permits to keep livestock or poultry. Livestock: Two animals per acre on a lot of not less than one acre with a permit cost of \$25.00 per animal. Poultry: One animal per each one thousand square feet of property of not less than 10,000 square feet. Animals must be penned and they must be crowless or voiceless. Permit cost is \$10.00 for up to 15 animals, \$5.00 for each additional 10 animals.



## May 18th - Election

By Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk

The Clarkdale Primary Election was held on March 9, 2004. The number of ballots cast was 1,177 out of the 1,827 registered voters. This is a 64.42% voter turnout. Following are the March 2004 primary election results:



### Mayor

Bauer, Ellie, 412 votes

Von Gausig, Doug, 746 votes

(write in votes: 2)

### 2-Year Council Seat

Wiley, J.R. "Jerry", 893 votes

(write in votes: 44)

### 4-Year Council Seat

Groom, Thomas, 577 votes

Sa, Frank (write-in), 344 votes

Williams, Pat (write-in), 543 votes

A candidate is declared elected to office in the primary if that candidate has a majority of all ballots cast. Ballots cast were 1177, so in this election a candidate needed more than 588.5 votes to be elected outright. Doug Von Gausig and Jerry Wiley met this criteria.

Thomas Groom, Frank Sa and Pat Williams will have a run-off election for the two 4-year council seats at the General election to be held on May 18, 2004. This election will also be an ALL MAIL BALLOT election. Persons wishing to vote in the general election must register no later than April 19<sup>th</sup>. Ballots were mailed on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Ballots may be mailed back, dropped off at Clarkdale Town Hall or dropped off at the Yavapai County drop box in Cottonwood. Ballots must be received no later than 7 p.m. on election day to be valid. On election day, town hall will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. to accept ballots or allow persons to vote provisional ballots.

If you believe you are a registered voter in Clarkdale but you did not receive a ballot, you have the right to vote a provisional ballot. Contact Joyce Driscoll, Town Clerk, 634-9591.

## Wastewater Capacity (Connection) Fee Increase



On February 24<sup>th</sup> the Town Council passed a resolution to increase the residential Wastewater Connection Fee to \$3,242 from \$1,000. This is the first increase since 1988. The increased fee will become effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. This time frame was set in the hopes of allowing existing residents, who have sewer available to them but are not connected to the system, to hook-up before the increase. A grant program and financing are being offered to these citizens.

The fee was also changed to be called the Wastewater Capacity Fee to better represent what the fee is based on. Traditionally these funds are used to fund construction costs of new wastewater treatment facilities or expansions of the same. The fee purchases 'capacity' in the wastewater plant for the structure being connected.

## Community Information and Referral 24-Hour Helpline 1-800-352-3792

## Downtown Revitalization Project - TEA 21

The project will span two blocks on Main Street, from Ninth to Eleventh. The approximate starting date for the construction is August 7, 2004 and it will last thirteen weeks. The project is being funded by two Transportation Enhancement Act (TEA) Grants through the Arizona Department of Transportation and by the Yavapai County ½ cent sales tax program for Regional Road Projects. There will be various projects taking place at once, so we apologize for any inconvenience this may create to the public throughout this process.

The drawings of the project consist of:

- Cement Pavers at the intersections.
- Street Trees/Landscaping
- Bicycle Racks
- Pedestrian Lighting
- Benches
- Widened Sidewalks



## Applications Sought For Town Board and Commission Appointments

The Town Council will be making appointments to all the Town Boards and Commissions in June. These appointments are for two year terms. Meetings are held once a month unless otherwise noted below. Special meetings may be held from time to time and members may assist with special events each year. **Citizens interested in serving on one of these boards should submit an application by May 20th.**

Applications are available at Town Hall and online at [www.clarkdale.az.us/forms.html](http://www.clarkdale.az.us/forms.html).

### Design Review Board

The Design Review Board reviews the exterior design of proposed new buildings, proposed alterations to buildings, excluding single family residences, and major development or redevelopment projects to assure that they are compatible with the surrounding environment and to preserve and protect the integrity and character of the Town. The Board meets on an as-needed basis.



### Heritage Conservancy Board

The Heritage Conservancy Board advises the Council and staff regarding the preservation, conservation, and promotion of natural, cultural and historical resources.

### Library Advisory Board

The Library Advisory Board advises the Council and

staff regarding the Clark Memorial Library operations and decisions.

### Parks and Recreation Commission

The Parks and Recreation Commission advises the Town Council on park development, recreational activities, programming, and community services.

### Planning Commission

The Planning Commission reviews all long-range plans for the Town, including the General Plan, specific plans, and rezoning. It also bears the primary responsibility for the initial review of larger developments, including applications for preliminary plats. Furthermore the Commission makes recommendations to the Town Council on planning policies.

### Board of Adjustment

The Board of Adjustment is a judicial body which has powers and duties prescribed by law and ordinance including: 1) To hear and decide appeals to administrative decisions; 2) To interpret the boundaries of zoning districts; 3) To hear and decide variances; 4) To permit the extension of nonconforming uses. This board meets only as needed, usually only a couple times a year.

### Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board

The Public Safety Personnel Retirement Board oversees the retirement pension fund for the Town's police officers. This Board consists of the Mayor, two citizens and two police personnel. This board meets only as needed, usually once a year.

## Work to Begin on Town Facilities

On March 9th the Town Council awarded a contract for construction and renovation in the following town buildings:

### Heritage Conservancy Building:

Partial) Interior

### Police/Court Building:

Squad Room

Evidence Room

Administrative Entrance

Updated

Chief of Police Office



Everyone is invited to participate in a private citizens group which meets one Monday a month to discuss Clarkdale water issues. Contact the group at 634-9450 or at



### Library/Community Development Building:

Interior work to include new office space for Planning and Zoning and Public Works. Entrance of building to become ADA Accessible.

The project will be funded by a low-interest loan provided by the Greater Arizona Development Authority, which will be paid back by 2017.

## Change in Recycling Services

The Town's trash contractor will no longer collect glass curbside. However glass may still be dropped off at the recycling center between the Clark Memorial Library and the Police Department. Following is an updated list of information on recycling for your convenience.

### Items Collected in

#### Town Hall Recycle Bin

Glass - colored and clear

Office paper - white and pastel

Newspaper/Magazines/Small

Catalogs - unbundled, binders under 1/2" wide, no phone books.

Cardboard - corrugated cardboard with no wax coating. Must be flattened. No cereal, beverage or produce boxes. Brown paper bags okay.

Steel/Tin - Cans only. Aerosol cans with cap and tip removed.

Aluminum - Cans only. No foil, pie tins or baking pans. Please rinse. Goes directly to the Lions Club. Proceeds are used for eye exams and glasses for the needy.

Plastic - Bottle shapes # 1 & 2 only, clear, frosted or colored. Crushed, please rinse. NO LIDS, tubs or tubes even if marked 1 & 2.

#### Items Collected Curbside

Newspaper Only - unbundled, no catalogs/magazines (Do not put in a bag)

Plastic - bottles only #1 & #2, crushed, please rinse. No lids, tubs or tubes.



## BUDGET PROCESS

The budget process is a cyclical process. A "beginning point" is the preparation of next fiscal year's base budget by the Finance Director and department heads. This budget is based on expenditures to date and experience from prior years. The base budget for each department, along with any requests for new positions, programs or services are then presented to the Town Manager. These "new" requests are presented from a variety of sources including staff, Council, Boards and Commissions, and miscellaneous outside organizations.



The Town Manager and the Finance Director then coordinate with the department heads to review and prioritize the base budgets and the requests for new services and/or programs. A tentative budget is presented to the Town Council (this year the first presentation of the budget will be May 11, 2004 at 6 pm).

Several dates should be kept in mind during the budgeting process. State law requires that, on or before the third Monday of July of each fiscal year, the Town Council must adopt a tentative budget. Functionally though, the Town of Clarkdale adopts a tentative budget prior to June 30<sup>th</sup> (preliminary adoption is scheduled for June 22, 2004) so that the staff has a guideline for expenditures on July 1<sup>st</sup>, which is the beginning of the Fiscal Year. Once the tentative budget has been adopted, the expenditures may not be increased upon adoption of the Final Budget. However, they may be decreased. With the adoption of the Tentative Budget, the Council has set its maximum "limits" for expenditure but these limits may be reduced upon final adoption.

There is no specific date set by state law for adoption of the final budget. However for cities and towns with a property tax, there is a deadline for adoption of a property tax levy - the third Monday in August. Since the state law requires a period of at least seven days between adoption of the final budget and adoption of the tax levy, the deadline for adoption of the Final Budget becomes the second Monday in August.

Major items that are effecting this years budget include:

- The possible acquisition of the water companies (the Town has to budget for the expense in the preliminary budget; otherwise, if we do acquire the water companies, we will not be able to pay our water expenses.)
- The formation of a Fire District. The Town will have to budget both ways (keeping the fire department as a Town run department and the fire department becoming a Fire District) All revenues and expenses for maintaining a fire department have to be built into the base budget. In case the fire district does not form we can expend the funds to support the Town operated fire department.
- The upgrade and construction of the wastewater treatment plant. All funds necessary to build a new plant need to be budgeted in the event the Town is able to secure the funding for construction.

## Library Notes

By Charlotte Hawken, Library Manager

### NEW BOOKS

#### APRIL

Above and Beyond  
 Art of Mending  
 Body of David Hayes  
 Firestorm  
 Guardian of the Horizon  
 Loud and Clear  
 Murder Walks the Plank  
 Nighttime is My Time  
 Reckless Abandon

#### MAY

Double Play  
 Eventide  
 Folly and Glory  
 Funny Cide  
 Goodbye Summer  
 Hidden Prey  
 Just One Look  
 Liars and Thieves  
 Loving Scoundrel  
 Narrows  
 Olivia Joules  
 Paid Companion  
 Salty Piece of Land  
 Shifting Tide  
 Sleeping Beauty  
 Summer I Dared  
 Therapy  
 Words of Silk

#### JUNE

Blowout: An FBI Novel  
 Cold Case Squad  
 Color of Death  
 In the Moon of Red Ponies  
 Kill the Messenger  
 Killer Smile  
 Monday Mourning  
 Plan of Attack  
 Sam's Letters to Jennifer  
 Sullivan's Law  
 Ten Big Ones

#### JULY

Forgotten Man  
 Skinny Dip  
 Kiss Me While I Sleep

### Library Hours

Mon & Wed 11:00 - 4:00

Tues 1:00 - 6:00

Thur, Fri. & Sat 1:00 - 4:00

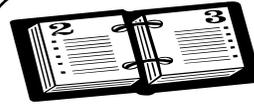
Closed Sunday

Sandra Brown  
 Elizabeth Berg  
 Ridley Pearson  
 Iris Johansen  
 Elizabeth Peters  
 Anna Quindlen  
 Carolyn Hart  
 Mary Higgins Clark  
 Stuart Wood

Robert Parker  
 Kent Haruf  
 Larry McMurtry  
 Sally Jenkins  
 Patricia Gaffney  
 John Sandford  
 Harlan Coben  
 Stephen Coonts  
 Johanna Lindsey  
 Michael Connelly  
 Helen Fielding  
 Amanda Quick  
 Jimmy Buffett  
 Anne Perry  
 Philip Margolin  
 Barbara Delinsky  
 Jonathan Kellerman  
 Sandra Brown

Catherine Coulter  
 Edna Buchanan  
 Elizabeth Lowell  
 James Lee Burke  
 Tami Hoag  
 Lisa Scottoline  
 Kathy Reichs  
 Dale Brown  
 James Patterson  
 Nancy Rosenberg  
 Janet Evanovich

Robert Crais  
 Carl Hiaasen  
 Linda Howard



## Town Calendar

ML - Men's Lounge, Clark Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St.  
 AUD - Auditorium, Clark Clubhouse, 19 N. Ninth St.  
 CML - Clark Memorial Library, 39 N. Ninth Street  
 TH - Town Hall, Conference Room, 890 Main Street  
 LB - Library Basement, 39 N. Ninth Street

Apr 30-May 1 *Relay for Life*, Riverfront Park

May 6 Library Advisory Board, 7 pm, CML

May 9 Bus Trip, *Philadelphia Phillies*

May 11 Regular Council, 6 pm, ML

May 10 Parks & Recreation, 6 pm, ML

May 12 Design Review Board, 9 am, ML

May 17 Planning Commission, 6 pm, ML

May 18 *Election* - Mail ballots only

May 22 *Pool Opening* - free swim, 10 am

May 22 Bus Trip, *Cats* Dinner Show

May 25 Special Council, 6 pm, ML

May 26 Heritage Conservancy, 5:15 pm, LB

May 31 Town offices closed, *Memorial Day*

Jun 3 Library Advisory Board, 7 pm, CML

Jun 8 Regular Council, 6 pm, ML, New members

Jun 14 Parks & Recreation, 1 pm, ML

Jun 16 Design Review Board, 9 am, ML

Jun 20 Bus Trip, *Tampa Bay Devil Rays*

Jun 21 Planning Commission, 6 pm, ML

Jun 22 Special Council, 6 pm, ML

Jun 23 Heritage Conservancy, 5:15 pm, CML

July 1 Library Advisory Board, 7 pm, CML

July 4 *Old Fashioned 4th of July* - Uptown Park

*Pancake Breakfast*, 7 am

*Children's Parade*, 10 am

*Ice-Cream Social*, 10:30 am

July 12 Parks & Recreation, 6 pm, ML

July 13 Regular Council, 6 pm, ML, New members

July 14 Design Review Board, 9 am, ML

July 19 Planning Commission, 6 pm, ML

July 27 Special Council, 6 pm, ML

July 28 Heritage Conservancy, 5:15 pm, CML

Meeting dates and times are subject to change.



The Library needs volunteers to organize and conduct preschool story hour programs (days and hours to be determined).

Online Library Catalog from your home: [www.yavapailibrary.org/clark.htm](http://www.yavapailibrary.org/clark.htm)



### Important Numbers:

Fire Department, non-emergency: 639-4591  
 Police Dept., non-emergency: 634-7240 or 634-2921  
 Cemetery Manager: 634-9591  
 Clark Memorial Library: 634-9760  
 Municipal Court: 634-1691  
 All other business: Town Hall: 634-9591  
 Fax: 634-0407, TTY: 1-800-367-8939

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David Leibforth	Councilmember
Rex Williams	Councilmember
Tom Groom	Councilmember
Chris Keller	Town Hall
Gayle Mabery	Town Manager
Joyce Driscoll	Town Clerk
Coleen Gilboy	Finance Director
Katie Cannon	Parks and Recreation
Charlotte Hawken	Library Manager
Lisa Christensen	Grants Administrator
Steven Brown	Planning Director
Allyson Waak	Public Works Assistant
Brian Hildebrandt	Building Official
Pat Haynie	Police Chief
Maria Contreras	Court Clerk
Don Eberle	Fire Chief

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### New Staff Members

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 Planner II

Normalinda Zuniga  
 Administrative  
 and Finance  
 Assistant



### Gazebo Project Update

By Joyce Driscoll



The Town of Clarkdale, Heritage Conservancy Board, Parks and Recreation Commission and the Clarkdale Foundation are working together on the gazebo refurbishment project.

The project will retain as much of the original pieces of the structure as possible. The remaining portions that must be removed either for lead based paint abatement or because of deterioration will be replaced with materials resembling the original construction. The size of the gazebo will remain the same.

Any funds collected in excess of the project costs will be used in the park.

Donations are being accepted by the Clarkdale Foundation, a non-profit organization, towards this

project. Contributions should be made to: The Clarkdale Foundation - Gazebo, Post Office Box 345, Clarkdale, Arizona 86324. Donors wishing to remain anonymous should note this on their check.

We would also like to thank all of you who have already sent in donations. We appreciate your support! **PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION** recently contributed \$8,000 to the project! We also want to thank the anonymous donor, who provided a match challenge, donating \$1 for every \$2 donated up to \$4,000!

Thank you for helping us to return the Gazebo to a place of pride in the community. As of April 11, 2004, a total of \$36,203 had been raised.

The lead based paint abatement began on April 15. After much negotiation, the cost for this will be \$8,032, much lower than initially thought. Estimates from contractors on the remaining portion of the project have ranged from \$22,000 to \$35,400.