POINT OF VIEW

JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

May – June 2014

From the Mayor

Dear Residents,

April and May have been very busy months for me, as I've been installing three acres of new vineyard in my day job.

I look forward to the upcoming budget sessions, as it is always interesting and fun to help prioritize the Towns needs and interests.

Hopefully the wind will die down for home tour and then we can all begin to enjoy the essence of summer laziness here in our lovely town.

Best wishes to you all in the meantime,
Mayor Nikki Check

As the Egg Fries

I came across a great quote the other night:

> "It is not fair, to treat people as if they are finished beings. Everyone is always becoming and unbecoming."
>
> *Kathleen Winter*, a contemporary Canadian author

Lately I think I'm becoming more unbecoming than usual.

Lew Currier

Dear Jeromans

"Politics" as a pejorative may apply at the State level, where it's all about appearances & the blame game. But at the local level it is about GETTING THE WORK DONE! Jerome is especially democratic as we are so few that each person can, and does, get heard. It is truly exciting to move an infrastructure project forward, to influence how tourism is accommodated without lessening the quality of life for us residents, to help shape what gets done around here.

Please join this effort, consider taking part by running for Council. Hopefully we will not ever again be suckered into voting for anyone who is only running for their own conflict of interest, or for a single issue as those Councilmembers neglect other work.

We need Jeromans to step up!

Love
Anne Bassett

Meeting Dates for May, June, and July 2014

Regular Council Meeting May 13 at 7:00 pm	**Council Meeting** June 10 at 7:00 pm	**Council Meeting** July 8 at 7:00 pm
Planning & Zoning May 7 at 7:00 pm	**Planning & Zoning** June 4 at 7:00 pm	**Planning & Zoning** July 2 at 7:00 pm
Design Review Board May 12 at 7:00 pm **Regular**	**Design Review Board** June 9 at 7:00 pm **Regular**	**Design Review Board** July 14 at 7:00 pm

Manager's Dugout

ABOUT THE UPCOMING ELECTION …

Are you interested in serving on the Town Council? Candidate packets are now available at Town Hall, and the deadline for submittal is May 28. The primary election will take place on August 26. For more information, contact me at 634-7943 or by email at c.gallagher@jerome.az.gov.

In addition to electing members of Council, the August 26 primary election will include a **voter referendum** regarding vacation rentals. Any interested party may submit an argument (for or against) to be included in the publicity pamphlet for that election. Our Town Code provides that arguments must be limited to 300 words or less, and must be accompanied by a fee of $250.00. State law requires that arguments be submitted no later than May 28, 2014. For additional information, and to review the complete text of the Ordinance which is being referred, visit the Town's website at www.jerome.az.gov.

Are you registered to vote? The deadline for voter registration is July 28! If you haven't yet registered, voter registration forms are available at our Town Hall and Library, at the Post Office, at the Department of Motor Vehicles, and at the Yavapai County Recorder's offices in Cottonwood and Prescott. You can also register online at www.servicearizona.com.

- Candace Gallagher

IT'S TIME FOR A SPRING CLEAN UP!

Our Public Works crew will be making the rounds soon to pick up your old appliances, unwanted furniture and larger trash, at no charge.

If you are on the MONDAY TRASH ROUTE, place your items at the curb between Saturday, May 24 and Tuesday morning, May 27.

If you are on the FRIDAY TRASH ROUTE, place your items at the curb between Saturday, May 31 and Monday morning, June 2.

There will be only one pickup per household. Please be sure to place your items at the curb and NOT in the street.

WE WILL pick up: Large household items, furniture, appliances, small amounts of building materials, excess household garbage, dried latex paint, and limbs or brush placed in manageable bundles no more than four feet long.

WE WON'T pick up: Automotive batteries, tires, motor oil, antifreeze, household hazardous waste (any product that is marked as flammable, corrosive, explosive or poisonous, such as paints, varnishes, chemicals, pesticides, and cleaners), air conditioners, construction debris, waste soil, concrete, rocks, and oil-based paint.

If this event goes smoothly and is well received, we may consider doing a fall cleanup event as well.

Jerome Fire Department

Rusty Blair, Chief JVFD

It's that time of year again!! The snakes are coming out of hiding and are on the move! Be sure to prepare yourself, your home and your pets for the possibility of an encounter with one of our local critters.

You can help to avoid finding them in your yard by cutting tall weeds and clearing any brush or woodpiles that they could hide in. Standing water under swamp coolers and in pet bowls are also an attraction for snakes and other wild critters.

If you find a snake, try to stay calm, keep your distance, but try to keep an eye on the snake, and call 911 so the fire department can come and safely relocate it to a new home outside of town.

Just a friendly reminder that we are in high brush season and the fuels are very dry right now and are continuing to grow. There are very strict restrictions on burning countywide and we ask that all residents please abide by the restrictions. With the summer coming, we would also like to remind people that NO fireworks are allowed within town limits per the Town Code. Also, due to countywide restrictions, fireworks are currently not allowed in the county at all. Please help to keep our little town safe from a devastating fire!

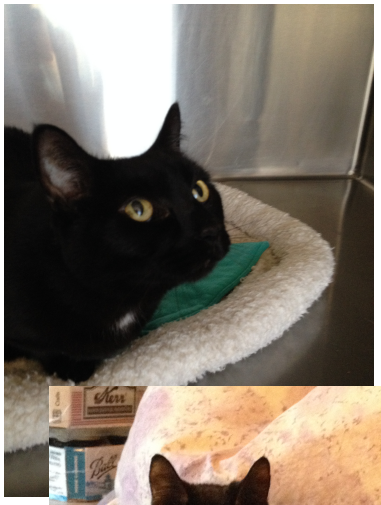
The Fire Department is always looking for new members for fire or EMS or both. Free training, cool t-shirts, and drive big trucks with red lights. 5:00 PM, every Thursday. Come on down and see what we do. Everybody is welcome.

If the fire and EMS doesn't interest you, but you would still like to help out, the Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary is always welcoming new members as well!! Come join us!! If you wish to join, please contact Chief Blair at (928) 300-8701 or you can e-mail your interest to *blair@jeromefire.us* or *jeromeauxiliarysecretary@gmail.com.*

Thank you for your continued support.

JEROME HUMANE SOCIETY

Anticipation is mounting! The Flea Market is coming! Believe it or not, it will be the largest ever. So large we will be open for three full days: Saturday, May 24; Sunday, May 25; and Monday, May 26, from 8:00 – 4:00 each day. BEST STUFF EVER, so save the dates. We are still accepting donations, too. Call Mary, 301-7797 or Sally, 301-5079 for pick up or drop off. Items may also be dropped off anytime in front of the clinic. Thank you all for your donations thus far.



We have been helping with many pet adoptions this year. One of the big challenges has been rehoming older pets. We would like to start a "Fospice Program"... that is a combination of

Amber (L) and Greeneyes

foster/hospice care. We need special volunteers who are interested in caring for these wayward pets. We will sponsor medical care. These animals just need a loving, safe environment to live out their later years. Currently, we are looking for such a situation for sister kitties, Amber and Greeneyes. They are black cats in need of a quiet, loving, indoor-only environment. They are ten-years-old, somewhat shy, and were surrendered when their person could no longer care for herself, let alone them. Please consider this kind of pet care mission. Call Sally 301- 5079 for more information.

Spring

On a younger note, we have an American Bull Dog, "Spring"! The sweetest 100-pound girl ever. Abandoned in Cottonwood, in need of medical care... which Dr. Kennaway provided... she needs a loving home ASAP.

We also have Nicole (named for her rescuer – Officer Florisi) abandoned in Jerome, tied to a tree! A Husky mix... pregnant! She is in a wonderful foster home currently and has given birth to just one puppy... named Uno. Both need a forever home.

Nicole and Uno

Last, but certainly not least, Bob and Carol have been residents at Soiled Doves Studio for several months. We would like them to stay together – they are still available for adoption. Please call Sally at 301- 5079 for the scoop, so to speak!

Bob and Carol

And just one more very important thing... some of you may already know, we have two new wonderful dedicated volunteers helping at the clinic, Nancy Stewart and Spring Fisher – two busy, caring people who have carved out time for Jerome. Thank you!

THANK YOU JEROME FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Jerome Humane Society Clinic Hours

Thursdays	Noon – 5:00 p.m.
Clinic Phone:	634-6166 *(during clinic hours only)*
Appt. Phone:	639-1341

A Message from the Zoning Administrator

Jerome's Design Review Board was established in order to preserve and protect the historic character of the Town and ensure new development is compatible with the surrounding environment. Some towns have separate Design Review and Historic Preservation boards, while some, like Jerome, combine the duties of each into one Board. Design review is not intended to restrict creativity, variety, innovation or imagination. The process is not intended to create hardships for individuals. Rather, it is the duty of the Design Review Board and the design review process, to treat all residents equally and with fairness while considering and honoring Jerome's unique character and Historic Landmark District designation.

Design Review Board approval is required for new development, new homes or structures, alterations to a vacant lot (including landscaping, retaining walls and grading) and exterior alterations to existing structures, including but not limited to:

- Paint color change
- Windows and Doors
- Fences
- Decks
- Porches
- Railings
- Stairs
- Signs
- Roofing
- Sheds or accessory structures
- Walls (rock walls, retaining walls, concrete walls, etc.)
- Siding and architectural elements
- Solar installations (including solar energy systems and solar water heaters)
- Additions (dormers, garages, carports, rooms, etc.)

Design review requirements apply to *all properties within Town limits*. All exterior alterations, whether new construction or changes to existing structures, must go through the Design Review Board. Application fees vary, depending on the scope of your project. Design review for signs, paint color changes, and minor exterior alterations (doors and windows, etc.) require an application and fee of $25.00. Some projects requiring Design Review Board approval will also require a Building Permit. If you have any questions or doubt as to the need for a building permit, please contact the Building Inspector, Barry Wolstencroft, at b.wolstencroft@jerome.az.gov.

Applications can be obtained on the Town's website, at Town Hall, or emailed by request. Completed applications are to be submitted, with the appropriate fee, to the front counter at Town Hall. Design Review Board meets the second Monday of every month. Deadlines and meeting dates are posted at all official posting locations. It is recommended that you submit applications far in advance of the deadline, to ensure Staff has adequate time to review the materials. If you have questions about applications, fees, projects or the design review process please don't hesitate to contact me.

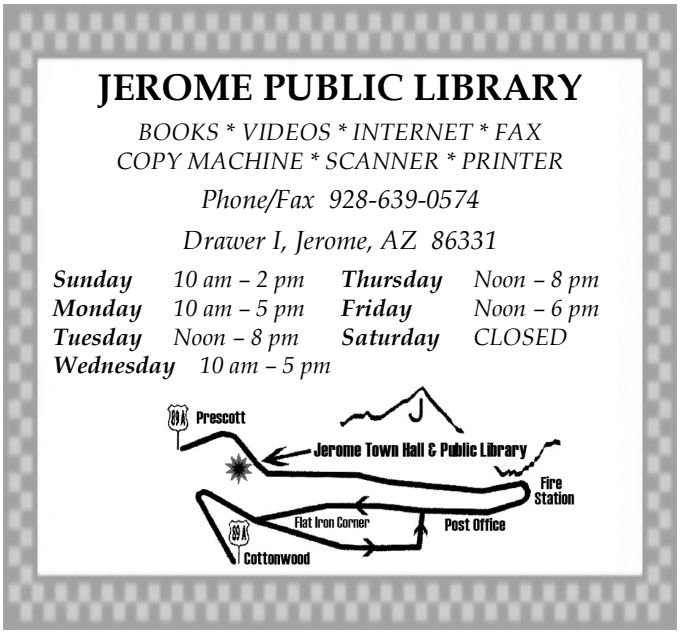
For the love of Jerome,
Rebecca Borowski

The Jerome Library

To all our Beloved Jerome folks! Your Library Needs Your Help Now!

For the past 15 years, the Yavapai County Library District has provided much of our library support. The County is now cutting it's funding, and our Jerome Library is on the chopping block. Loss of this financial support means that we either step up as a town and say "Yes, we want our library, and we will pay for it!" or we lose this precious resource. Our library staff and so many wonderful Jerome volunteers have put countless hours into making the library vibrant and viable. Even with volunteers, however, the library does require a basic fiscal budget, which is essential to its existence.

Please, now is the time! If you love your Jerome Library, if you value the information, recreation, culture and knowledge as well as critical Internet services that the library provides for our town, please write now to your Town Council, and let them know how you feel!



Ask them to please pick up where the County is leaving off and fund this invaluable resource.

Thank you and may we all continue to enjoy the Jerome Public Library for years to come.

There will be a book sale at the library for the entire month of June.

Kathleen

JEROME KIDS ART WORKSHOP 2014

This year's workshops will feature creative creature design & development. We will explore a variety of mediums, including ceramic, soft sewn sculpture, costume design and theatrical makeup, & we will create a large-scale kinetic creation. The kids will have the opportunity to participate in a wild community parade, collective rock musical writing, set design, promotion, and ticket & art sales.

Kindly mark your calendars for these very special dates!

There will be several OPEN HOUSE Clean Up Parties: Sunday, May 4; Sunday, May 18; Tuesday, May 20; Sunday, May 25; and Tuesday, June 10. Drop on by to help your community remodel the old workshop, which is located just below the Jerome Artists Co-Op Gallery. Let's make a fun, safe place for the young & young at heart to create!

The JKA Workshops will be on Monday, June 23; Thursday, June 26; Monday, June 30; Thursday, July 3; Monday, July 7 and Thursday, July 10.

There will be a WILD FOURTH of JULY PARADE though Jerome at noon! And, on Saturday, July 5, at 5:00 p.m., come to the JKAW OPEN HOUSE and ART WALK SALE

Then, on Friday, July 11, join us for a presentation of JKAW's play...THE WILD MINGUS!

Our WISH LIST includes: Fabric - all sizes & colors, real & fake fur, acrylic paint, paint brushes, foam, polyester filling, cotton, wool, wire, large buttons, clay, yarn, fabric glue, hot glue sticks, pillows, hand sewing needles - all sizes, thread, sewing machine needles, felt, sponge tip paint brushes, polymer clay, chicken wire & healthy snacks.

Donations can be dropped off at the Jerome Public Library, during the KJAW Clean Up Parties, The Art Room: located in Building A of The Old Jerome High School, or call Penelope to arrange a pick up.

KJAW is looking for volunteers with one or more of these skills: Wood working, musical, acting, sewing, costume design, sculpting, welding, painting, graphic design, filmmaking, a general handyman/woman, grant writing and school teaching. You MUST enjoy working with kids. Absolutely No creepy weirdoes...Only creative, kind, trustworthy weirdoes!

Let's make this the best summer ever! For more info on KJAW 2014, feel free to contact Penelope at (928) 708-9674 or lopedavis@yahoo.com.

49th Annual Jerome Historic Home and Building Tour

The Jerome Chamber of Commerce is ready for the longest running home tour in Arizona, which will be on May 17-18th, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m., with last ticket sales at 3:00 p.m.

This year's tour boasts several never-before-seen historic and significant homes and buildings:

- **The Rooming House / Phinney House**
- **The Porter / Farwell House**
- **The Riordan / Odegard House**
- **Haven United Methodist Church**
- **Vickers Miner's Shack / Check House**
- **Vickers Shack / Wills & Dryer House**
- **Contemporary Doss House**
- **The Van Mill / Bacharach House**
- **Spook Hall**

The Rooming House / Phinney House

Passenger vans will drive visitors to each location on this guided tour and docents will be onsite to explain the history and details of the homes.

For the first time in the history of the Tour, tickets will also be sold online at *jeromehometour.eventbrite.com*. Ticket prices are **$20 for adults, $10 for children 3-11 and children under 3 are free.**

Also, instead of selling tickets at the old firehouse on Main Street, guests can now purchase them in the comfort and the shelter of Spook Hall and enjoy entertainment and seats while waiting for the shuttle to begin this wonderful tour. This tour is not handicapped accessible and no strollers or pets are allowed.

As always, the Jerome Chamber needs all the help possible for this huge undertaking and welcomes volunteers. Be a docent, van loader, or perhaps a driver. Please contact Chamber President Liz Gale at The Mile High Grill if you are interested in spending an interesting weekend helping out.

For more information about the tour, call 928.634.2900.

Greetings From Haven UMC

Dear Jerome Friends:

Haven United Methodist Church was thrilled to see so many people at our Easter services. We believe that Jerome has the best view for a sunrise service that there can be. Our Easter egg hunt was a big success as well.

On May 17 and 18, Haven will be a part of the Jerome Home tour. We will have refreshments at our stop. Please stop by and see us.

Thanks to all of you who have brought donations to our food and clothing bank; we try to help the people of Jerome with this rewarding ministry and are so grateful for the town's support.

Please join us on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. for a great time of worship and fellowship.

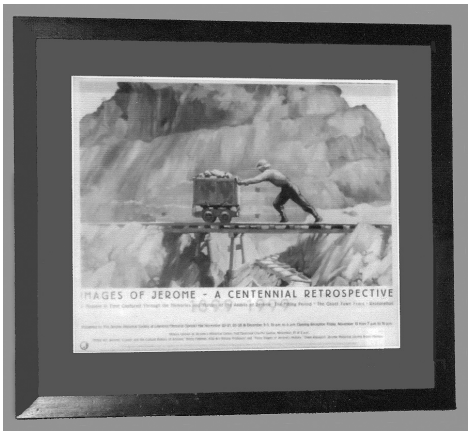
Sincerely,

Michael and Janet Keffer, Pastors

Police Dispatch Number

For emergencies, always call **9-1-1.**

For all other situations, call police dispatch at **634-2245.**



One of the many beautifully framed posters, maps and artwork featured in the Old Book Room.

Old Book Room Hours

Tuesday	Noon – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	Noon – 5:00 p.m.

Or call for an appointment – library staff will be happy to open the Old Book Room for you.

Yes! We can Co-Exist!!

"CO-EXIST!" Peaceful existence is THE desire of all humans! In one's travels around town, it isn't unusual to read bumper stickers that encourage folks to live peacefully with one another. Sunday, 27 April, found Friends of Holy Family Catholic Church celebrating some amazing church history, which has recognized two Church leaders who epitomized that caption exhorting people to *co-exist*. They are Popes (Papa, Spiritual Father) John XXIII and John Paul II, who were inducted into what can be called the "Heavenly Hall of Fame" for spiritual leaders. These two, like Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King, and Mother Teresa of Calcutta, blazed a trail of righteousness for the spiritually and materially poor, making every effort to ensure that peoples everywhere were able to freely "co-exist" with one another.

And, we are delighted to introduce three hoped-to-be-accomplished projects: (1) The sale of Memorial Bricks at $25 per brick with three lines of caption; (2) The opening of a gift shop; and (3) The start-up of a financial campaign to raise monies to restore the Church's Kilgen & Son pipe organ, one of three of its type remaining in the USA! We are ecstatic that Mr. Charles Kegg of Kegg Pipe Organ Builders (www.keggorgan.com) is willing to take on the restoration project so that we may once again share with others the sweet sounds of this historical musical treasure, inoperable since 1979!!

We invite you to support our efforts by spreading the word to others!

Many blessings!
Friends of Holy Family Catholic Church
e-mail: bluecircle333@yahoo.com
or ibenothing2@yahoo.com

Town Holiday Schedule

May 26, Monday – Memorial Day
Trash will be picked up on Tuesday, May 27.

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