

# POINT OF VIEW

# JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

March — April 2023

## HOME SWEET JEROME From the Mayor's Desk

I would like to take the opportunity to offer a huge THANK YOU to our Fire Department, Police Department, and Town Crew for their incredibly important contributions to the health and safety of our Town and her citizens during the recent blizzard, power outage, and freeze. Many motorists were assisted after experiencing terrible, lowvisibility, and icy road conditions by our departments and their volunteers. Special shout-out to Officer Kerry Lee, for giving locals rides home during the snowstorm. When the transformer blew, the Fire Department, PD, and Crew made sure to secure the scene to protect citizens from the downed line until repairmen could arrive. The Fire Department also opened their doors as a warm haven for anyone experiencing the power outage. The Town Crew stayed late to find and repair frozen water lines so that citizens would have water, and some of the crew even went door-to-door to check on houses affected by the freezing temperatures.

So, to the Jerome Fire Department, Jerome Police Department, and Jerome Town Crew I would like to say you have all gone above and beyond for Jerome. All of your hard work and dedication has been noticed and appreciated!

Alex Barber Mayor of Jerome

#### **MEMORIES WANTED!**

Have you or a dear friend or family member served on Town Council, been a Mayor, an important volunteer, or a longterm resident of Jerome?

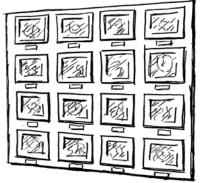


Illustration of possible wall design

We would like to hear from you! We are planning to start gathering information to create a **Town Hall Memorial Wall.** 

Please submit photos, dates of service and/or dates of residency in Jerome, and any other relevant details; for example: department, board, or society served on between such and such dates.

All submissions can be dropped off at Town Hall, mailed to P.O. Box 335, Jerome, AZ 86331, or emailed to the Deputy Clerk at k.muenz@jerome.az.gov

Also, if you know of someone who was an important part of Jerome, past or present, who you do not have any other information on, go ahead and NAME DROP! We will try to find more information if we can.

THANK YOU, Mayor Alex

## Scheduled Meeting Dates for March, April, & May 2023

All of the regularly scheduled meetings will take place on Tuesdays. Council is the 2nd Tuesday of each month, P&Z is the 3rd Tuesday, & DRB is the 4th Tuesday of the month.

**Regular Council Meeting** 

Tuesday, March 14 at 7pm

**Planning & Zoning** 

Tuesday, March 21 at 6pm

**Design Review Board** 

Tuesday, March 28 at 6pm

**Regular Council Meeting** 

Tuesday, April 11 at 7 pm

**Planning & Zoning** 

Tuesday, April 18 at 6 pm

**Design Review Board** 

Tuesday, April 25 at 6 pm

**Regular Council Meeting** 

Tuesday, May 9 at 7 pm

**Planning & Zoning** 

Tuesday, May 16 at 6 pm

**Design Review Board** 

Tuesday, May 23 at 6 pm



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#### **Jerome Humane Society**

## Lew Currier, Jerome Humane Society co-founder, Board Member, and Treasurer

Please join Mimi Currier and all who loved Lew to celebrate his remarkable life.

#### Sunday, April 30, 2023, at 5pm in the Nellie Bly Party Room

As we all know, Lew loved a great potluck.

Please bring a dish or drink to share in honor of our friend.







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#### Annual Letter to Jerome Humane Society Members February 2023

Dear Jerome Humane Society members and friends,

Another year has flown by, and it's time again to renew your membership and attend the Jerome Humane Society's 2023 Annual Meeting and potluck on Thurs, March 9, at 6:30pm in the Nellie Bly party room. At the meeting we'll be electing our 2023 Board of Directors (nominees shown in table.)

Jerome Humane Society Board of Directors Nominees for 2023			
* Indicates a current board member			
* Mary Wills	* Lori Riley	Ann Reese	
* Sally Dryer	* Tessa Unwin	*Sue Rioux	ŀ
* Marge Mitchell	* Linda Kelt	*Teri Klein	]
* Mimi Currier	* Joyce Richards	*Karima Botterweg	ľ

It's hard to believe we've been operating for 26 years now, and we're busier than ever. This past year we:

- helped a record number of pets as clinic operated full force with Virginia, Sally, and our fantastic techs.
- hosted the most successful fall brunch and auction in JHS history.
- provided pet owners in need across the Verde Valley with affordable medical care, food, and supplies.
- invested in our beautiful clinic (a new microscope for Virginia and a new water heater for Sally!)

And so much more thanks to the generosity of our community and you, our members.

We've had a lot to be grateful for, but there was sadness too. With the passing of Lew Currier, an era came to end for JHS. Lew was a JHS cofounder, Board Member and Treasurer - guiding us for decades through times of celebration, crisis, and growth. Please join Mimi Currier - and ■ all of us who loved Lew – on April 30, from 5 – 8pm in the Nellie Bly party room to celebrate his remarkable life.

I know Lew was immensely proud of the organization the Jerome Humane Society has grown into, and so am I. I look forward to seeing you all at our Annual Meeting and thanking you in person for your support.

#### With thanks,

Marge Mitchell

President, The Jerome Humane Society

#### Blessings from Haven,

On February 6th we received our long-awaited blessing of Haven Food Pantry's conveyor system. This has long been a dream and is now a reality thanks to some very generous gifts from friends of the food pantry as well as new friends dedicated to helping heal hunger. Receiving a grant from the USFDA provided other funds needed to purchase this equipment from Bent River Machinery, who gave us direction in design and we're able to create our vision!

With the use of Elwood the conveyor system, as Ann has named it), we are now able to unload our 3 weekly shipments of food without injury to anyone. Our backs are very thankful!

With the shortage of parking in Jerome, the spaces across from the church are often filled, even with the signs posted no parking Sunday and Wednesday mornings. We are sorry for the inconvenience and know this is difficult for many of you. Please remember to be careful of ice while walking a distance with your heavy load and crossing the highway to your vehicle.

Anyone in the food bank will gladly help get you and your boxes safely where you need to go! Thank you to all who have supported us in this journey as we continue to spread love, joy, and food to all.

Rejoice for the much-needed water as you await a beautiful Spring. May you enjoy each new day for all it offers in life.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Vicki and Haven











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## JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT

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(928) 649-3034 blair@jeromefire.us

## March 2023 Newsletter Outlook/Conditions

With the winter storms, please be aware that Jerome will have an abundance of dry fuels this spring and into the summer. Once we start receiving the springtime winds and the temperatures start to rise the grasses and shrubs will become extremely dry and become very receptive to sparks until we receive monsoonal rains. So, please use caution when using anything that could produce a spark.

With conditions the way they are now, we are expecting another active fire season this year. Last year Arizona had a dry and busy fire season. With the current predictions we are expecting more of the same fire activity in our region and acrost the western united states.

Please do what you can to remove any dead fuels within 30 feet of your house and clean all dead and down debris out to 100 feet. Remove all debris, trim grasses and other vegetation from the downhill side of your house. By doing this it will help make you property safer in the event of a fire and give the fire department a chance to stop the fire before it reaches your house.

Please call the Fire department if you need into the brush/slash pile to drop off your trimmings. The Fire Department records all the loads put in the pile; this is a large part of the town of Jerome's recognition of being a Firewise community.

For any resident that would like to receive a Firewise assessment on their property please contact the Fire Department, we have a certified Firewise adviser on staff. This assessment would give the recommendations on helping with your house being a little more fire resistant from vegetation fires.

We have started a mulch pile for grass, leaves, and other small yard trimmings. This mulch pile is available for all that uses mulch in gardens. There is also an area for large logs that will not consume when the pile is burned. If your logs are larger than 4 inches in diameter, we ask that you drop them off in that area, these logs will then be cut into firewood for anyone that needs it for winter heat.

Remember, if you have any hot ash, charcoal or partially burned firewood, place a metal container with water on a gravel or non-flammable surface outside for at least one day before disposal. Please do not dump hot ash in a trash receptacle.

### File of Life and "Rescue Pet" Stickers

The Fire Department has Magnetic **Files Of Life** envelopes available at the fire station. These envelopes will inform the Fire department of medical data, such as medications, allergies, and medical history. They will also provide emergency contacts. These are to be placed on the refrigerator so that we can easily find them. If you have any questions or need one of these **Files Of Life** cards.

- Easy to Peel & Stick
  - Long Lasting
- Sticks Well to Most Surfaces



Also, we have "Rescue Pet" stickers. these are used to alert First Responders of pets in the house. These stickers are to be placed on your front door. This will provide firefighters with the knowledge that there are the potential rescues inside the building. It also lets EMTs know what potential pets are on the premises that will need to be secured and cared for, in the event they will be left unattended. Please stop by the Fire Station if you would like one of these stickers.



#### Fire extinguishers:

Jerome Fire Department would like to thank all the residents that took advantage of this year's Fire Department's annual fire extinguisher maintenance program with Life, Safety and Property company for a small fee. We provide this service every February to unsure that your fire extinguishers function properly in the event you might need to use it. Please take advantage of this program each year.

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Jerome Fire Station—Continued

#### **Public Service & Public Works**

Please remember if you have a water or sewer leak, contact Public Works **928-634-7943**Or if you have a traffic related event, please call Jerome PD at **928-634-8992**For all other matters, contact us at the Jerome Fire Department **928-649-3034** 

Please remember that if you need assistance with Firewise activities you must fill out a Firewise application and submit it to the Fire Department before work can be approved. Applications can be obtained at Town Hall or the Fire Department.



#### **FUTURE FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS**

The Fire Department is always looking for new members for fire, EMS, and/or both. Free training, cool t-shirts, drive big trucks with red lights. 5 PM every Thursday. Come on down and see what we do. Everybody is welcome. If fire and emergency medical services don't interest you but you would still like to help out, the Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary always welcomes new members. Come join us!!

Thank you for your continued support. Fire Chief, Rusty Blair

#### Time to Take out the (Extra) Trash MAY 2023

Early warning that 2023's annual extra trash pick-up will start Monday, May 1st. Jerome's Public Works Department will do a one-time per household, single bulk item removal. This means you can put that torn-up recliner or broken vacuum cleaner out with your regular trash and the town crew will whisk it away for you.

#### Items town crew will NOT pick up:

hazardous waste  $\varnothing$  contaminated soil  $\varnothing$  tires  $\varnothing$  large drums  $\varnothing$  medical waste  $\varnothing$  wet paint asbestos  $\varnothing$  batteries  $\varnothing$  railroad ties  $\varnothing$  fluorescent light bulbs  $\varnothing$  television sets

If your regular trash is picked up on <u>Fridays</u>, then that's the day to set out your extra pick-up.

If you are on the <u>Monday</u> route, same drill.

Public Works will run this special service through **the month of May** OR until the dumpster is full. Please keep in mind we are talking about single bulk items, don't empty your whole garage! Not sure of what can or cannot be picked up? Call us at town hall: 928-634-7943.

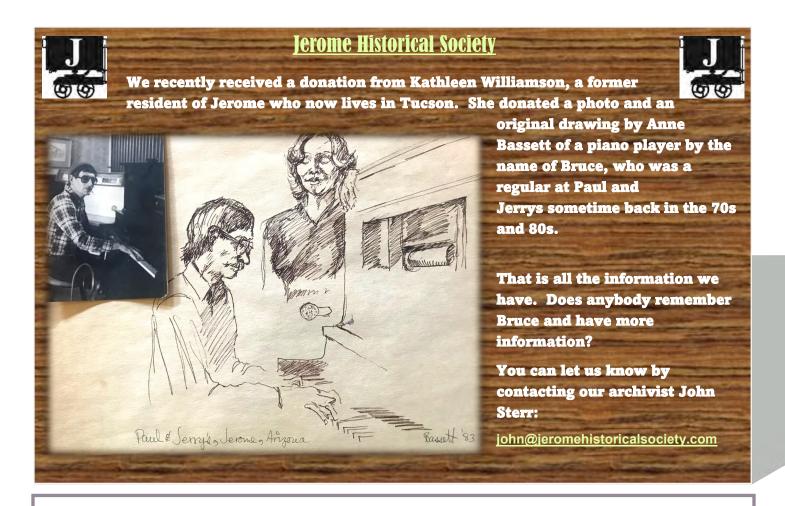
One more thing: Please bag your trash and be mindful of the weight of your regular cans. The town code limit is 40 pounds max—let's spare the crew's backs. Thank you!

# A Portrait of Dorian Gray



Now that Candace Gallagher has retired as
Jerome's Town Manager, she has more time for
artistic pursuits! She has gifted us with the
"Portrait of Dorian Gray," 2023, painted to
immortalize the former Town Hall cat of the same
name. Dorian was adopted by Town Hall and lived
out the reminder of his life here; he has since
passed over the rainbow bridge. We have placed his
portrait in a place of prominence in the Town Hall
offices so that it can be appreciated by our current
crew of office cats Abby (pictured), Wyatt, & Doc.
Thank you, Candace!





## JEROME COMMUNITY ART WORKSHOP—SPRING 2023

## **Art for Everyone**

Dedicated to making Art education a priority

March & April... Art Classes...Date and Time to be announced.

Learn to use a Pyrography Pen Wood Burning Station. Wood burning on wood kitchen utensils.

<u>Basic Metalsmithing:</u> Learn to use simple tools to fabricate Copper and Bead Jewelry. Class one- Make a triskelion spiral, Stamp and texture metal and use a doming punch block. Class two- Fabrication with copper wire and fold forming, Class three- Simple rivets and cold connections.

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<u>Paste Paper:</u> Make your own decorative papers in an artistic way, use for book covers and end papers.

<u>Matchbook Notebooks:</u> Use your finished paste papers to create tiny notebooks and mini journals.

E-mail <u>jeromeartworkshop@gmail.com</u> to request Class time and dates to be sent to your email address.

Call the Library at 928-639-0574 for more information or to sign up for classes

#### **DO YOU NEED A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT?**

As we move into the busier Spring and Summer months, the Staff at Jerome Town Hall would like to remind everyone that we now have an application process for Special Event Permits. **Not all Special Events will require a permit**, depending on size, location, and other factors. If you are planning a Special Event and are not certain whether or not it requires a Permit, you can

access Town Code on our website at: <a href="https://jerome.az.gov/jerome-town-code">https://jerome.az.gov/jerome-town-code</a> Look for Chapter 10, Article 10-3 Special Events.

OR feel free to call Town Hall with any questions at **928-634-7943**. Our normal business hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 AM to 5 PM. If you call after hours, please leave a message and we will get back to you!

You can also find a link to PRINT the Special Event Permit Application on our website at: https://jerome.az.gov/forms-and-applications

Here is the section of Town Code about Special Event Permit applications:

Section 10-3-3 Special Event Permit Application.

A. Special Event Permit applications shall be submitted to the Town, on forms provided by the Town, for review and approval. Special event permit applications must be submitted at least thirty (30) days prior to the event.

- 1. All special event applications must be reviewed and approved by the Town Manager, in consultation as needed with the Fire Inspector, Police Chief, Zoning Administrator, Building Inspector and/or Public Works Director.
- 2. Separate permits or approvals may be required by County or State agencies, such as the Yavapai County Health Services Department, Arizona Department of Transportation, and Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control. Documentation of such approval, if applicable, must be provided to the Town Clerk at least one week prior to the beginning of the event.
- B. The Special Event Permit application must include:
- 1. Primary access routes to the property and available parking for the crowds anticipated. Special traffic control personnel may be required for larger events. January 2023 Chapter 10 Page 13
- 2. Provisions that will be made for trash removal, outdoor lighting or other electrical needs, and signage. 3. The business name (dba), contact information, and proof of Transaction Privilege Tax License (TPT) or exemption status for every vendor that will be attending the special event for the purpose of selling food, drink, or retail sales of any kind, or promotion of their business or another.
- 4. Copies of any required State or local licenses, or application submitted for State or local licenses for any business attending in accordance with Section10-3-3(B)(3) of this Article, including Town of Jerome Business licenses when required. See Article 8-3 of the Jerome Town Code.
- C. Special events which occur on a Town right-of-way or on property owned or leased by the Town require an "Application for Facility Use." This application must be submitted along with the Special Event Permit application. [Ord. No. 475, 11/9/21; Ord. No. 486, 12/13/22]

# UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

Saint Patrick's Day

Friday, March 17th

1st Day of Spring

Monday, March 20th

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**April Fool's Day** 

Saturday, April 1st

**Good Friday** 

Friday, April 7th

**Easter Sunday** 

Sunday, April 9th

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 14th

\* Memorial Day

Monday, May 29th

Note: for National Holidays falling on a MONDAY (asterisks), Cardboard, Dumpsters & trash on Main street will be collected that day. All other trash on the regular Monday route will be picked up on

Tuesday.

#### **NEED A RIDE???**

\*Important to note: Just because your

Special Event does not require a Permit, it is still required to be in compliance with all

applicable Town codes, ordinances and

regulations at all times, including those

pertaining to noise, signs, and off-premise activities. [Section 10-3-7 Exceptions]

Meet the shuttle at Town Hall, 600 Clark Street, at 9 a.m. every Wednesday for a ride into Cottonwood to run errands. Have questions? Call the shuttle driver at: **(928) 821-0133.** 

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**BOXHOLDER**