

POINT OF VIEW

JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

May – June 2015

AS THE EGG FRIES

MAY, 2015

SPRING CAN REALLY HANG YOU UP THE MOST

*Spring this year has got me feeling
like a horse that never left the post.*

*I lie in my room
staring up at the ceiling.
Spring can really hang you up the most.*

*Doctors once prescribed a tonic.
Sulfur and molasses was the dose.
Didn't help one bit.
My condition must be chronic.
Spring can really hang you up the most.*
Fran Landesman

Spring Fever has got me. The wall in the park still haunts us. The Sliding Jail seems tipping over the edge of a precipice. The short-term rental issue is sputtering in the back room. Candace is frantically trying to get the budget thought out. Joni's red-eyed, trying to get out this newsletter. The Town Crew is working overtime to get the plumbing running smoothly. The Chamber is at fever pitch, getting ready for Home Tour. The Humane Society is working on

sick kitties and on their Flea Market coming in a fortnight. Rusty and his troops, on top of their usual duties, have been sprucing up the town, giving it a Spring Cleaning. Even Allen—Mr. Cool as always—is certainly under serious pressure to get a handle on the upcoming busy weekends.

And here I am, listening to some cute chanteuse telling me about her love life. What can I say? I'm a Taurus, and the honeysuckle smells very nice today.



But wait! I just got this article finished. That's been bugging me all morning. The tide is turning! Time to get to work. There *is* stuff to do, actually quite a bit. And there goes the phone. Got to run....

But the lady's right: Spring *can* really hang you up the most.

Lew Currier

Meeting Dates for May, June and July 2015

Regular Council Meeting
May 12 at 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning
May 6 at 7:00 pm

Design Review Board
May 11 at 7:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting
June 9 at 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning
June 3 at 7:00 pm

Design Review Board
June 8 at 7:00 pm

Regular Council Meeting
July 14 at 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning
July 1 at 7:00 pm

Design Review Board
July 13 at 7:00 pm

Manager's Dugout

Candace Gallagher, Town Manager/Clerk



We want to know

Yavapai County is considering conducting a **Hazardous Household Waste Disposal Event** for Verde Valley towns. Each town would share proportionately in the cost based on the level of their residents' participation (proof of residency would be required), and it is estimated that Jerome's share would be around \$700. Items accepted would include cleaners, pesticides, acids, antifreeze, paint, paint remover, paint thinner, solvents, stains, fluorescents, pool chemicals, adhesives, fuels, household mercury and batteries. They would NOT accept anything commercial or from a business, ammunition, asbestos, explosives, fireworks, medical waste, radioactive materials, tires, used oil, appliances, household trash, or anything in plastic bags. The event would take place in Camp Verde on a Saturday morning in the fall.

We would like to hear from you! Is this something you would like to see Jerome participate in? Are you likely to travel to Camp Verde to dispose of these items? Please let us know!

Save \$\$ on your prescription drugs ...

Did you know that **free prescription discount cards** are available to Jerome residents? Through our participation in this National League of Cities (NLC) program, **Jerome residents have saved a total of \$639.46 (average savings 26.8%) since our participation began in May 2013.** The program has no restrictions based on a resident's age, income level, or existing health coverage, and the card can be used at more than 60,000 participating retail pharmacies across the country. It helps residents who are completely uninsured, as well as residents who have insurance, but have specific medications that are not covered by their insurance. It can also be used for pet medications filled at participating pharmacies.

Residents can obtain a free NLC Prescription Discount Card in a number of ways. You can print them from the Internet at www.caremark.com/nlc, or you can pick up a card at Jerome Town Hall or the Town Library. Residents can also use www.caremark.com/nlc to locate the nearest participating pharmacy or call (888) 620-1749 for assistance with the program.

United Verde Soil Program in Clarkdale

The Town of Clarkdale has announced that Freeport Minerals Corporation (Freeport) has submitted an application with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality's (ADEQ) Voluntary Remediation Program to undertake the United Verde Soil Program in Clarkdale. Full details about the program are available on Clarkdale's website at http://www.clarkdale.az.gov/United_Verde_Soil_Program.htm.

Clarkdale has scheduled a special Town Council meeting for Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. During the meeting, the Council will hear a presentation from ADEQ about their Voluntary Remediation Program. In addition, Freeport will make a formal presentation about the United Verde Soil Program, which will include a discussion of the boundaries of the initial project area. The meeting will be held in the Clark Memorial Clubhouse, 19 N. 9th Street in Clarkdale, and the public is invited to attend the meeting.

JEROME KIDS ART WORKSHOP 2015

June 15th -July 4th 9:30am-12pm

Located just below Town Hall

This summer's Jerome Kids' Art Workshop marks the return of its founder's participation, Richard Johnson. As many Jeromies know, Richard is a master in wild 3-D wearable art and sculptures made from cardboard. We are excited for these skills to be passed on to a new generation during this summer's workshop. Penelope is back this year as coordinator & will lead workshops involving life size marionettes, as well as art games to spark creativity. These creations will be featured in the Town's 4th of July Parade & other community events.

Mark your calendars for Friday, June 5th

The J.K.A.W. Benefit at Paul & Jerry's at 6:30pm. Stop by P&J's or the library to purchase raffle tickets prior to the event. Raffle prizes will be posted on Jerome Kids Art Workshop Face book page. It's a potluck: Bring a dish, if you wish...

Donations for raffle prizes can be dropped off at the library or for pickup: call Penelope at (928) 708-9674. Cash/Check donation jars are located at

The Historical Society's Museum Shop, Post Office, Library and Town Hall. Checks can be made out to The Town of Jerome. Your donations are what keep this important program going for generations of kids.

THANK YOU JEROME & Welcome back Mr. Richard! Let's keep our Kids Art Workshop going...



Jerome Fire Department

Rusty Blair, Chief JVFD



Summertime is almost here, so now is a good time to evaluate your defensible space around your home. The Prescott National Forest office has predicted above average temperatures and continued drought conditions for an active wildland fire season.

The Fire Department offers site inspections for your defensible space. The Town slash burn site is available for you to dispose your weeds, brush and trees. Also, the Fire Department will be hosting a Paradise Tree workshop on Monday, June 22nd at 5 p.m. Learn how to properly control these trees. There are many herbicide products on the market, be careful and follow all directions on the label. Be cautious of home remedies as there are not regulated and may be more harmful than good. The following chapter of the IPMC is shown. This chapter deals with weeds, brush and tree control. We all live very close together and wildfire is a potential danger for all of us. Let's work on defensible space.

International Property Maintenance Code As Amended and Adopted by the Town of Jerome 9 July 2009

Section 302.4 - Weeds, bushes, trees and other vegetation. All exterior property areas shall be kept free from dry vegetation, tumbleweeds, weeds, bushes, tall grass and trees which present a visual blight upon the area, which may harbor insects or rodent infestations, or which is or may likely become a fire hazard or otherwise threaten the health and safety or the economic welfare

of adjacent property owners or occupants. It is the responsibility of the owner or occupants to cut or remove grass and weeds in excess of ten (10") high throughout the property unless the Building Official, in consultation with the Fire Code Official or his designee, determines that it is not practical to do so on some or all of the property.

Section 302.4.1 Dangerous Trees. All exterior areas shall be kept clear of trees that may cause a danger. The following criterion shall apply:

1. Tree dead or near dead and is likely to fall.
2. Tree is overhanging a public or private way so as to be in the path of vehicles and/or pedestrians.
3. Tree has an infectious disease, parasites or insects.
4. Tree has become a danger to overhead electrical wiring.

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.

Courtesy of the Jerome Historical Society

*Did you know.....*that the Jerome Historical Society turned 62 years old in March? That's right. The JHS would now be eligible to start collecting social security benefits if it were a person. But of course the JHS is not a person. It is an organization that has proudly dedicated itself over the past six decades to preserving the uniqueness of Jerome for current and future generations. Our Mission Statement reads:

"The mission of the Jerome Historical Society is to collect, protect, preserve and present the unique physical, cultural and mining history of Jerome through its buildings, archives, library, museum and other programs. The Society will be the repository for primary materials that document this history and will be committed to public and scholarly inquiry."

Although there are many others, just a few examples of our commitment to this endeavor are on display daily throughout our town and the surrounding area:

- o Audrey Headframe Park
- o New State Motor Building Museum & Gift Shop
- o Boyd Hotel
- o Historical Plaques
- o Scenic Overlook
- o Mine Museum & Gift Shop
- o Spook Hall
- o Laura Williams Memorial Art Park



You too can become a proud member of the Jerome Historical Society or renew your membership by visiting our website at www.jeromehistoricalsociety.com or by stopping by the Mine Museum at 200 Main Street (open 9:30am - 5pm, 7 days a week). Your membership gets you:

- Free admission to the JHS Museums
- 15% off Gift Shop and On-Line Purchases
- Subscription to the Chronicle Newsletter
- One Free Hour of Research

Why So Many Regulations?

Al Sengstock, Zoning Administrator

Living in Jerome has its special gifts, such as the incredible views, the four seasons climate where no particular season will kill you, and of course to be a part of living history. However, living here also has its challenges and built-in obligations to each other, so that we can all live happily and safely. It is especially critical, due to the density of our housing and that fact that everyone is so close to their neighbors, that each property owner or renter give special attention to how their life-style and behavior affect each other.



Jerome has adopted a Property Maintenance Code which addresses such issues as unscreened storage of old tires, scrap material, non-running vehicles, vehicle parts and miscellaneous personal items. It also brings focus to the necessity for property owners and occupants to remove dry weeds and other combustible

plant materials as an effort to minimize fire danger. But the truth is, that if we each just do "the right thing" by our neighbors, and for that matter for ourselves, the need to enter into an enforcement effort is dramatically minimized.

We all know that parking is always an issue in our Town, and as I drive around Town, I see that there are many cases where if the parking areas along our streets were cleared of weeds and miscellaneous debris and storage, parking would be much easier, and in many cases, more parking spaces would likely be the result.

The value of eliminating unnecessary fire hazards is simple enough to understand, but there are other benefits gained by having a reasonably well maintained community; lower insurance rates, higher property and resale value, and of course at a very personal level, pride and peace of mind.

So both Fire Chief Rusty Blair and I ask you all to look around your property, do some spring cleaning and clear out the areas between your house and shed or garage, cut down and remove those weeds and old dead trees. If you need to find out where and when you can burn dry brush and tree limbs, call the Jerome Fire Department at 649-3034. For information about the Cottonwood Transfer Station to get rid of junk and debris, call 649-9733. If you need advice on what other options are available to screen or store personal items call me at 634-7943.....then just sit back enjoy wonderful Jerome!

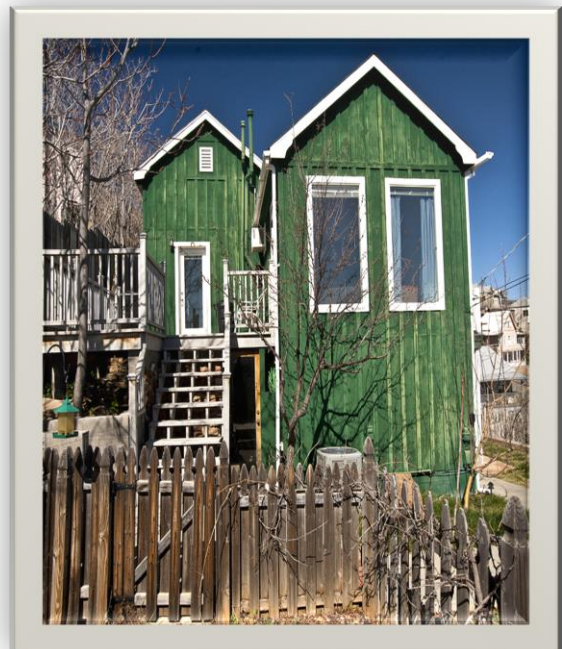
Greetings from the Jerome Chamber of Commerce

Home Tour is just around the corner on **May 16th and 17th**. This year is the **50th Annual** event and we are proud to say it is the longest running home tour in the state. We are still looking for volunteers if you have a day to spare. This is a great way to get involved in the community and meet some really nice people, especially if you are new to town. Call me if you want to hear more about this at **928.301.3004**. The Chamber hosts an after party thank-you dinner on May 17th at Spook Hall. Homeowners, volunteers and organizers get together to unwind and spend a few hours together with food and gifts provided by Jerome restaurants and shops.

On another note, May 11th at 2pm, National Geographic and Verde Valley Tourism Association will be giving a workshop on our new geotourism website that will be promoting sustainable tourism and authentic local businesses. The meeting is at The Clarkdale Clubhouse. The Jerome Chamber meets the first Wednesday of every month at 8:30am at the Fire House...upstairs. All are welcome.

All the best,
Donna Chesler
President of The Jerome Chamber of Commerce

The Rosie Salas house has a rich history in Jerome. Originally owned by Deputy Marshall Fred Hawkins, visitors will hear some great stories of the life and times associated with this interesting home. Photo by Michael Thompson.



The Jerome Library –

Kathleen Jarvis

The JEROME BOOK 10th Edition

The Town of Jerome phone book, a somewhat accurate list of Jerome residents and businesses, is now being compiled by the library staff.

There are three ways to report changes for the new phone book which will be published in June 2015.

Call the library and speak to staff or leave a message at 639-0574, stop by the library at 600 Clark Street or send us your info by mail.

PO Box 335 Jerome AZ 86331. The deadline for reporting changes is June 1, 2015.

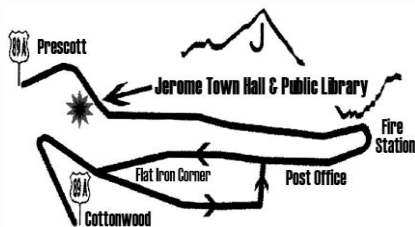
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Sunday	10 am – 12 pm	Thursday	10 am – 7 pm
Monday	10 am – 5 pm	Friday	Noon – 6 pm
Tuesday	10 am – 7 pm	Saturday	CLOSED
Wednesday	10 am – 5 pm		



Old Book Room Hours

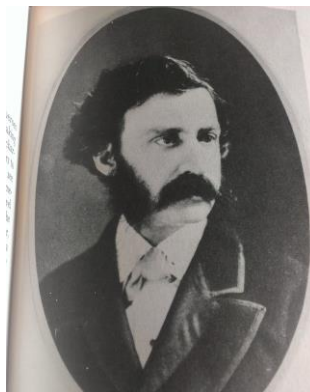
Tuesday Noon – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday Noon – 5:00 p.m.

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

Treasures in the Old Book Room

The Jerome Public Library is fortunate to have a compilation of twenty bound books of the works of Bret Harte, copyright 1891. Harte was a contemporary of Mark Twain. He wrote literary pieces about dance hall girls and crooked gamblers with hearts of pure gold; his works have persisted as lively actors in the



continuing myths of the Old West. He is best remembered for his short fiction featuring miners, gamblers, and other romantic figures of the California Gold Rush.

GHOST WALK October 9th & 10th

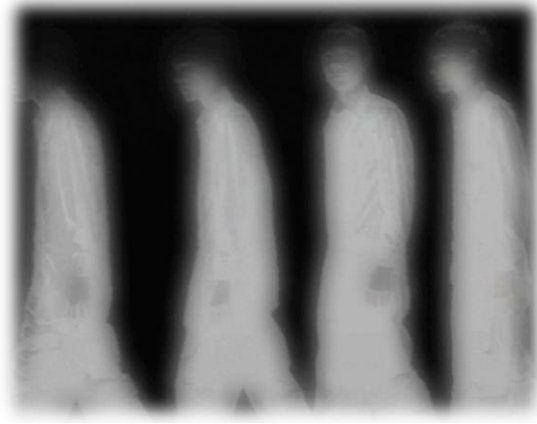
(Yes, there will be a Ghost Walk this year!)

At this time the Jerome Historical Society is only gathering contact information from anyone who wishes to participate in either a speaking or non-speaking supporting role in this year's Ghost Walk.

For those interested, please contact Steve Pontious via one of the below methods with your information. There will be an informal meeting at Spook Hall in June to go over the specifics of this year's Ghost Walk performance.

Email: spontious1@centurylink.net

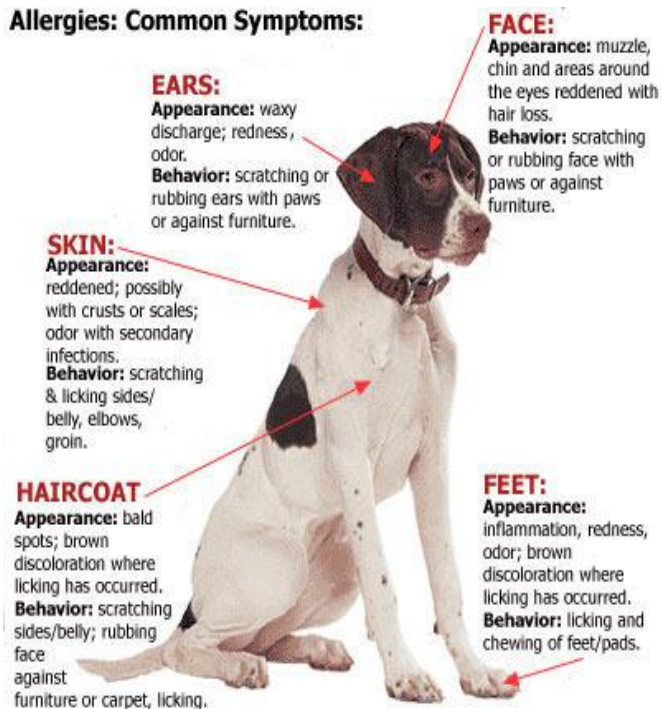
Text: 499-0106 or Home Phone: 634-5072



Jerome Humane Society

Hello friends and family (furry and otherwise!) Lovely spring has arrived here in Jerome, bringing blooms of lilacs, irises, roses - and allergy season! You may be surprised to know that pets get allergies just like their humans do. Below are some tell-tale symptoms of common pet allergies that you should be aware of:

Allergies: Common Symptoms:



If your pet pal is exhibiting these signs, consider making an appointment at the clinic for a check.

With warm weather approaching, remember that **dogs die in hot cars**! Check out below for a shocking perspective on how quickly a closed car gets to unendurable temperatures. If you see a pet suffering in a hot car, please call the Jerome police and/or the Jerome Humane Society for immediate help!

Outside Temp (F°)	Inside Temp (F°)	
	10 Mins	30 Mins
70°	89°	104°
75°	94°	109°
80°	99°	114°
85°	104°	119°
90°	109°	124°
95°	114°	128°

On a happy note this month, we're thrilled to report that Miss Kitty (the divine feline we featured in the last newsletter) has found her forever family!

This month we have another special cat looking for a caring home.



Please meet Foxy a 2-year old, silver and white, long-haired female. Foxy has had some hard luck recently, but she's in good health and with just a little TLC she'll be fully restored to her full loving foxiness. This kitty needs to be in a home with a comfortable lap!

That rumbling, jingling, roaring sound you hear is the **Jerome Humane Society Spring Flea Market just around the corner on May 23, 24 and 25**. Please save the date and come join us at the big event! It's a fun way to spend a little and help a lot. If you have pass-along treasures to donate, please call Sally at 928.301.5079 or Mary at 928.301.7797 to coordinate a drop off.

See you at Spook Hall on May 23, 24 and 25! Woof! Meow!

Jerome Humane Society Clinic Hours

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

Police Dispatch Number

For emergencies, always call **9-1-1**.
For all other situations, call police dispatch at **634-2245**.

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