



# POINT OF VIEW

## JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

September-October 2019

### 2019 GHOST WALK



### THE DEMISE OF O.A. DAAGS

PRESENTED BY THE  
JEROME HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY - OCTOBER 11TH & 12TH**

NEW SHOW STARTS EVERY HALF HOUR AT SPOOK HALL

**6:30PM TO 9:00PM**

**Friday \$15.00 - Saturday \$20.00**

**PURCHASE TICKETS ON-LINE**

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RESERVATIONS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Due to subject matter this performance should be regarded as PG-13.

CAUTION: GHOST WALK INVOLVES WALKING OVER  
UNEVEN GROUND AT NIGHT. WEAR COMFORTABLE SHOES. ABSOLUTELY NO HIGH HEELS! THE ROUTE IS NOT  
HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE. ALL RISKS AND LIABILITIES ARE ASSUMED BY THE TICKET HOLDER.

INFORMATION: 928-634-1066

#### Meeting Dates for September, October and November 2019

**Regular Council Meeting**

September 10th at 7:00 pm

**Planning & Zoning**

September 4th at 7:00 pm

**Design Review Board**

September 9th at 7:00 pm

**Regular Council Meeting**

October 8th at 7:00 pm

**Planning & Zoning**

October 2nd at 7:00 pm

**Design Review Board**

October 15th at 7:00 pm

**Regular Council Meeting**

November 12th at 7:00 pm

**Planning & Zoning**

November 6th at 7:00 pm

**Design Review Board**

November 13th at 7:00 pm



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## Jerome Fire Department

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### Jerome Fire Department Picnic/Potluck on Thursday, 09-26-2018

It's time, once again for our annual Town of Jerome Fire Department's Picnic. We are looking forward to seeing as many of our townsfolk as possible at this gathering on Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, Middle Park, beginning at 5 pm. Don't forget to bring your favorite side dish. The Jerome FD Auxiliary will provide the hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, water and soda. This is also a great time to thank all of our volunteer firefighters for all their hard work throughout the year. And is always a wonderful time to talk with your neighbors while enjoying a great meal cooked by firefighters! The Jerome Ukulele Orchestra will also be on hand for the fourth year running to provide some much-needed home grown entertainment!

### Everyone is welcome!

### The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary Halloween Dance

Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> marks the 45<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that the Jerome FD Auxiliary has hosted the Halloween Dance and fundraiser. The band will be the Naughty Bits, there will be a costume contest and lots of fun to be had. Doors will open at 8:00 with the band starting at 9:00 PM playing until 1:00 AM. Please remember that this is an all cash event and please drink responsibly (21 and older). This annual dance is our largest fund-raising event for the year and typically accounts for 60 - 70% of our discretionary spending funds.

### Firewise USA Community

We are marking our fourth year as a nationally-recognized Firewise Community. We just wanted to remind you that if you would like us to do a Firewise evaluation of your home, just give us a call. Also, if you have some fuel remediation needs and are unable to do the work yourself, give us a call and we will do what we can to assist you in order to make your home more fire safe.

**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 the fire and EMS doesn't interest you, but you would still like to help your fire department, the Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary is always welcoming new members as well! Come join us!**

Thank you for your continued support.

Rusty Blair, Fire Chief JVFD

### *Moore Comments for my Jerome Compadres*

Oh, such fun being a council member again with all the controversy going on! Never a dull moment here! Parking, parking, parking - that conundrum of an issue that doesn't go away - along with water, sewer, streets, housing, etc., etc. I have spent so much of my 40+ years living here studying and thinking about all of the above!

As long as people love driving their cars, and probably will continue to as long as they are able, this is reality. Yes, we have, as the Council, voted to go ahead with the parking kiosks, as the previous Council had done, and set money aside for. And yes, it is controversial, and yes, I have mixed feelings about it, but I am willing to give it a try to see how it works out. If we don't try, we will never really know. Yes, there are a lot of bugs to work out, which I don't think we can assess until we implement the plan; it is a work in progress meant to hopefully garner some additional needed revenue to help with our infrastructure. I am hoping that our visitors will feel that it's a worthy cause since the thousands of them who visit every day benefit from our maintenance of infrastructure as well. Our sales tax revenues just about cover our police, fire, public works, and staffing needs, but not much else. We have many immediate needs to fix our water, sewer, and streets infrastructure. And waiting for a tram to be built years down the road will not cover "in the now" costs.

There will still be free parking in town including the parking lot one block beyond the fire station. I would also like to thank the businesses that supply parking on their own property for their employees and customers; it is of great benefit to the town! (UVX Apartments, Grapes, Sky Fire, Nellie Bly, Papillon, Cleopatra Hill, Made in Jerome Pottery, Grand Hotel, the Historical Society, Surgeon's House and the Club House, sorry if I missed anyone!) Can you imagine if there were also buildings in all those spaces with no additional parking?!

And thank you to all who step up to thoughtfully help the town out, and don't just throw stones! We love you.

**Councilmember Jane Moore**

45<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL JEROME FIRE DEPT. AUXILIARY'S

# HALLOWEEN DANCE

SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
AT SPOOK HALL



**COSTUME  
CONTEST &  
PRIZES!**

*Must be present to win*



**THE  
NAUGHTY BITS!**

**DOORS OPEN  
@ 8 PM  
BAND PLAYS FROM  
9 PM TO 1 AM**

**\$15 per person / \$25 per couple / Cash Only**

*All proceeds go to benefit the Jerome Volunteer Fire Department*

**Full Bar - cash only. 21 & over only—valid photo ID needed to enter.**

**If you leave the building and Spook Hall is at capacity when you return, you will have to wait to re-enter.**

## ***Hello Jerome,***

Last newsletter, I invited you to drop by and say hello. I appreciate all of you who did, especially those who came by after I fell down the stairs at Haven onto the sidewalk. I am so thankful for the friendly faces and humorous conversations we shared as I tried to get my mind off the pain of the sprain. I received remarkable attention by the emergency team of Jerome. Randy Boardman gave me a ride to the hospital, as I promised Chief Muma, and they found nothing broken. Thank you all so very much for your care.

Speaking of care, I want to thank all the people who help the church load, unload, deliver and prepare for Wednesdays food distribution. With your help and support our handful of members are able to serve as many as 150 people on Wednesdays. That is amazing work my friends. I am humbled to be a small part of this community effort. Thank you for being an inspiration of love and caring to me and to your neighbors.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at upcoming town events. If you have ideas or talents you'd like to share with the church, let us know. We'd love to do something new and joyful with you especially in the coming months of celebrations.

Peace to you all,

Pastor Vicki VICLYNNL@yahoo.com



## **A Message from Our Town Crew**

Please do not throw away Styrofoam peanuts (packing nuts) into the cardboard bins. This causes a huge mess on the ground all around our bins and dumpster. When we transfer the cardboard to our truck, and if we don't catch it, it will cause a mess when it arrives at the recycle center. Instead, please put them in a container and put them into the dumpster as they are not recyclable. Or, better yet, save them and reuse them. Thank you!



## ***Happy Fall Jerome,***

I am looking forward to fall and a break from the heat. With very little monsoon this year we are facing almost unbearable heat and very dry conditions. Take steps to be Firewise Jeromans. This month has brought a housefire and too many accidents to count. Thank you, Rusty Blair, Jerome Fire Department, Jerome Police Department and every hardworking citizen involved in these incidents; Jerome has a great team. Thanks again for keeping us safe!

Paid parking is coming to town and a press release was issued, you can read it on our website to get the details.

I strongly urge businesses to use eco-friendly to go containers and stop using single-use plastics. Remember, no wipes in our pipes please. If we all do our part, we could reduce our trash load significantly. And if you can, give our hardworking town crew a thank you when they come by your street. A little kindness goes a long way.

Come join the Jerome Town Council as we move Jerome into the future. Council meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 600 Clark Street in the Council Chambers.

***Mayor Christina "Alex" Barber***



Katie Lee left us almost two years ago. In her will, Katie donated most of her possessions to Northern Arizona University, including her personal books. However, the Cline Library felt that they should be available in her hometown, so they re-gifted them to the Jerome Historical Society. The JHS agreed, but lacking enough space, they gave them to the Old Book Room. We are in the process of creating "Katie's Corner," where this extraordinary collection will soon be on display.

As you'd expect, the majority of Katie's books are about her beloved Southwest and its rivers, canyons and cowboys. Of the 200 books, 127 of them are inscribed to Katie by the authors, citing her as an inspiration, hero, muse, friend and/or valued contributor. It's a remarkable testament to her. There is also a 1976 hardcover first edition of her own book, "Ten Thousand Goddam Cattle," in which Katie hand wrote this:

*This is my very own book - The first one out of the box; the first I ever wrote or felt in my hand - Maybe the last. Writing is a "hard way to go" -*

*Am I happy? Elated? Overjoyed that it's finally done? No - It was too long coming, all those who cared deeply about it with me are gone. Brandy, my mom, my dad - Maybe I'll feel more excited when I get some reactions - performers need an audience. I don't even know if mine's out there. After 20 years or so - does anybody really give a damn?*

*Katie*

-Michael Gallagher

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<i>Sunday</i>	10 am - 2 pm	<i>Wednesday</i>	10 am - 5 pm
<i>Monday</i>	10 am - 5 pm	<i>Thursday</i>	10 am - 7 pm
<i>Tuesday</i>	10 am - 7 pm	<i>Friday</i>	Noon - 5 pm
	<i>Saturday Noon - 2 pm</i>		

**Old Book Room Hours**

Tuesday & Thursday      Noon - 2:00 p.m.

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

**Hello Jerome,**

My name is John Knight and I'm pleased to be your new Zoning Administrator. Please call, e-mail or stop in if I can help you with an addition, signage, design review, a use permit or anything planning or zoning related. I have over 30 years of Planning and Development experience in California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Arizona. Over the years I've been a public sector Planner, Developer, Teacher, and Consultant.

My wife Wendy and I are recent transplants to Northern Arizona from the Central Coast of California. We have two adult children (one in Colorado and one in California) and now live with our two "fur babies" (our dogs Scruffles and Oatie). My passions are hiking, rock climbing, and gardening. If I'm not home in the garden (or at work), you'll probably find me up high on the slick rock somewhere.

I love to walk around town at lunch or making on-site visits. If you see a tall, skinny guy with a tan Tilley hat, please stop me and say hello. I look forward to meeting you soon!

Thanks,

John



"Well I'll be darned! Accordin' to this here zoning law, this town is plenty big enough for both of us!"

## Jerome Humane Society

### Hello Jerome!

We hope you and your pets are staying cool during these hot, hot days. We at JHS are sure looking forward to the cooler temperatures of autumn!

### JHS Brunch Sun Oct 20 - Save the Date!

In addition to respite from the heat, we love fall because it brings our most anticipated event of the year! Save the date for our annual brunch and auction taking place Sunday, October 20 at the lovely Honeymoon Cottage. Brunch tickets are already on sale at Nellie Bly. It's sure to be a magical event with amazing food, the best Bloody Mary's around, silent and live auctions, and the fantastic music of the Jerome Ukulele Orchestra!

### Holy Meow, Catman! We did it!

We achieved an important milestone last month when we placed the last of our six foster cats and kittens into wonderful homes. Three of our "wards" were extremely sick kittens that took two months - and a team of amazing volunteers - to nurse back to good health. Our re-homing work isn't done, however,

as we have one last fantastic male feline named Chester in need of a new family. Chester is an 8-year old big, loving, hunka-munka of a cat, currently residing at the clinic. If you have room and the wherewithal to add this grand old guy to your family, please contact us.



### Scrapin' the Bottom of the Barrel

Summer at JHS is always a tough time for us financially, as the number of pets in need hits a high at the same time our funds hit a low. If you have a balance due at the clinic, please consider making a payment against your account. Big or small, your payment will be a big help. Remember, you can call the clinic and make a credit card payment by phone!

Stay cool, dear furry friends of the Jerome Humane Society! We'll see you in October if not before.

### Jerome Humane Society Clinic Hours

Thursdays 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Clinic Phone: 634-6166 (*during clinic hours only*)  
Appt. Phone: 235-5960

## Jerome Chamber News

- **Jerome Council** - Thank you for approving the tourist revenue recommendations presented by the JCC. This is a huge help!
- **Upcoming Events**
  - September 26-29 - **Jerome Indie Film Festival & Jerome VW Jamboree XXIX**
  - October 18 - **Jerome's Woodstock Costume Dance** for Jerome friends and residents only, get your hippie on! Spook Hall 8-11pm, doors open at 7:30pm with a \$10 cover. Beer and wine, cash bar only. DJ Music, vinyl and digital, hosted by our own Lounge Lizard D.
- **Art Walk** - First Saturday (each month 5-8pm) We are giving this monthly event a new facelift. Look to October with a refreshed advertising campaign involving a participating red-light district and more!
- **Volunteering** - As everyone knows, Jerome is always full of them, although it continues to be a challenge to get new residents involved. I encourage you to step up and help! For example, "Light up the Mountain" event will be here before we know it and we need more help making this a continued success!

Please let us know if you have an interest in volunteering or joining and becoming more involved. The JCC meets the first Friday of each month - upstairs at the Jerome Fire Station @ 8:30am. (info@jeromechamber.com)

### Police Dispatch Number

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

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

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