



POINT OF VIEW

JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

May-June 2022

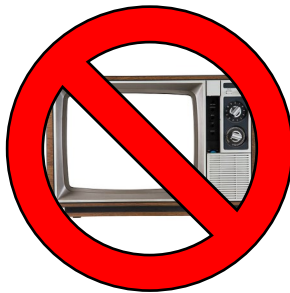


Time to Take out the (Extra) Trash

Starting **Monday, June 6th**, Jerome's Public Works Department will begin their annual extra trash pick-up. 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. Nice, eh?

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

hazardous waste ∅ **contaminated soil** ∅ **tires** ∅ **large drums** ∅ **medical waste** ∅ **wet paint**
asbestos ∅ **batteries** ∅ **railroad ties** ∅ **fluorescent light bulbs** ∅ **television sets**



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

If you are on the Monday route, same drill.

Public Works will run this special service through **Friday, July 1st**, or until the dumpster is full. 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!

Scheduled Meeting Dates for May, June, & July 2022

For the last year or two, DRB meetings have been held the first Monday of each month, and P&Z meetings have been held the third Wednesday. This has been changed so that all of the regularly scheduled meetings will take place on Tuesdays.

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 10 at 7pm

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 14 at 7pm

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 12 at 7pm

Planning & Zoning

Tuesday, May 17 at 6pm

Planning & Zoning

Tuesday, June 21 at 6pm

Planning & Zoning

Tuesday, July 19 at 6pm

Design Review Board

Tuesday, May 24 at 6pm

Design Review Board

Tuesday, June 28 at 6pm

Design Review Board

Tuesday, July 26 at 6pm



The Bird is the Word!



That's the theme for this year's fabulous JHS Brunch and Auction, so start your search for a "birdy" ensemble. Local artists and businesses: please consider donating a piece of your work or an experience (meal, drinks, trip, etc) to the auction line up. This is our primary fundraising event so please be generous. Fantastic Carrie Anderson will once again be our auctioneer and Tommy Rocks will be entertaining us!

Sunday, October 16, 9 a.m. - noon.

T'is the season for nasty, opportunistic critters to seek out your pets. JHS has Frontline available.



Also, beware of foxtails and rattlesnakes during your outings with your pets.



Heat is also deadly. Watch for pets in hot cars (pic) and report them to Jerome PD at [928.634.8992](tel:928.634.8992). They will contact us if help is needed.

And make sure your own pets have plenty of cool, fresh water to drink.



Meanwhile, stay cool and groovy!

Blessings from Haven,

The food bank is currently mask-optional; however, we ask you to please be cautious as Covid is still with us. Some of us didn't recognize each other after such a long time of eyes only. What a gift to see each other smile again!

May and June bring a hallmark time to celebrate mothers and fathers. Whoever you consider those persons to be in your lives I hope you will take the time to think of them and thank them. People who love and nurture us in this life are a gift every day. Hallmark just reminds us of that.

Covid has taught us to appreciate more of the gifts of life, especially people who we love. It's easy to take things and people for granted, isn't it? Often times we have to intentionally stop and breathe in a sense of peace and thankfulness for daily life. When we have to go without, we soon recognize how little we really need.

Your generosity and help continue to support the Haven food pantry. We can't thank you enough. We can always use extra helping hands, just contact Randy Boardman at 928 300-8713 or Ann Rees for the times you are available.

May April showers bring you May flowers and bless you with joyful smiles!

Peace be your gift,

Pastor Vicki

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JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT
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Prescott National Forest Outlook/Conditions

Key Points Current drought status: Near to below average precipitation in March has allowed severe to exceptional drought conditions to continue across northern Arizona. Fuel Conditions: Energy Release Component (ERC): ERCs are generally near average for this time of year. Temperature and Precipitation Outlooks: April - Odds favor drier than average conditions near the Arizona/Utah border. Otherwise, equal chances exist for above, near, or below normal precipitation across the rest of the state. Odds favor warmer than average conditions across Arizona. April through June - Odds will continue to favor drier than average conditions near the Arizona/Utah border. Otherwise, equal chances exist for above, near, or below normal precipitation across the rest of the state. Odds favor warmer than average conditions across Arizona. July through September - The extended outlook favors above normal temperatures, with odds tilted in favor of a wetter than average monsoon season across Arizona. Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook: Above normal fire threats look to develop at lower elevations (SE AZ into Yavapai County) in April, with above normal fire threat spreading north across all of Arizona by May and June. With wetter than average conditions favored by Mid July, the significant wildland fire potential should normalize by then. NWS Flagstaff Drought Monitor Comparison 2021 (Current) 2020 Comparing the latest drought monitor to the one from this time last year shows how drought conditions worsened across Arizona. Currently 100% of the entire state is in a drought, as opposed to 24% of the state this time last year.

Last year Jerome Fire Department wildland crew had 3 off district assignments, they were in Arizona, Utah and California. So far this year in March we accepted an assignment to Texas. Since our wildland crew has been back, we've had requests for different assignments in New Mexico, the Crooked fire in Prescott and the Tunnel fire in Flagstaff. However, we did not accept any of the assignments due to vehicle maintenance and our crews needing wildland refresher and pack test, which were done April 21, 2022. Crews will be available to go back out after April 22, 2022. Jerome fire is expecting once again a very active wildlands season.

File of Life and "Rescue Pet" Stickers

We have magnetic **Files of Life** cards available at the fire station that help first responders contact the right person(s) in the event of an emergency. These must be placed on the refrigerator so we can easily find the information. *Only the person(s) listed on these cards can be contacted by the Fire Department in case of an emergency.*

We also have "Rescue Pet" stickers used to alert first responders of pets in the house. These stickers should be placed on or near the front door. This alerts firefighters of potential rescues inside the building and lets EMTs know what pets to care for or keep inside if the house is left unattended. If you would like **File of Life** card or a Rescue Pet sticker, please contact us at 928-649-3034.



The Jerome Fire Department is doing everything they need to be doing to protect their first responders and the public. Know that we are here to serve you in the event of any emergency.

JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT- continued

Jerome residents please be extra cautious with barbecues and when you are smoking. We will be expecting to go into fire restrictions very soon. Keep an eye on the bulletin board at the post office and other posting areas. We were also announcing it on Gulch radio and other social media avenues.



Firewise Community Day, Saturday May 7th Moved to September

The Jerome Fire Department's 8th annual Community Firewise Day at the Jerome Fire Department will be held in September in conjunction with our annual potluck picnic.

This is a dedicated day where folks in the community can focus their efforts on creating defensible space around their home or business by eliminating dried fuels like leaves, twigs, and branches. Also, any dead growth including some live paradise trees that may need to be thinned, thereby creating defensible space.

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.

Rusty Blair, Fire Chief, JVFD

Volunteers needed at the Library

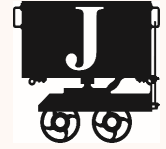
- Volunteer needed to help with various art exhibits in the library, two hours per week ,flexible hours. Duties: frame and hang art prints.
- Volunteer needed to manage the Old Book Room two to four hours per week, flexible hours. Duties: Open the OBR to the public during posted hours, work on exhibits, maintain shelved books.
- Volunteer needed to maintain bookshelves in the library. One to two hours per week, flexible hours. Duties: Dust bookshelves and maintain the book collection.

-Kathleen Jarvis, Jerome Public Library

Library Hours

Sunday	10am – 6 pm	Thursday	10am – 7 pm
Monday	10am – 3 pm	Friday	10am – 5 pm
Tuesday	10am – 3 pm	Saturday	12pm – 6 pm
Wednesday	10am – 5 pm		

Jerome Historical Society



JEROME HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOANS PAINTING TO PHOENIX ART MUSEUM

This past winter the Jerome Historical Society was privileged to loan a painting from its collection, “Miner Pushing Ore Cart” by William D. White to the Phoenix Museum of Art for an exhibition called “Landscapes of Extraction,” which explored the art, artistry, and impact of mining on the American West.

You can see this painting in the Jerome Mine Museum on Main Street. It was part of a series commissioned in the mid-1930’s by Phelps Dodge Corporation, which owned the mines in Jerome at that time. White, an artist from Delaware, had been commissioned by Phelps Dodge to paint images illustrating various aspects of hard rock mining and of the miners themselves.



Two other paintings by a Jerome-born artist, Lew Davis (born 1910), were also hung in the museum gallery on each side of the “Miner Pushing Ore Cart.” “Morning at the Little Daisy,” depicting miners gathering at the mine headframe waiting to go down into the mine, is owned by the Phoenix Art Museum. “Little Boy Lives in a Copper Camp,” is a poignant portrait of a young boy sitting beside a window overlooking the dry and barren hills surrounding the mining town. Both of these paintings were funded through federal support from the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the mid-1930’s.

The “Landscapes of Extraction” exhibition closed on March 6, 2022, and “Miner Pushing Ore Cart” is once again at home and on view in the Mine Museum on Main Street in Jerome.

Consider becoming a member of the Jerome Historical Society. As a resident of Jerome, you are part of the ongoing history of our town.

Don Feher

Board Member, Jerome Historical Society

You can join the Jerome Historical Society or renew your membership by visiting our website at www.jeromehistoricalsociety.com or stop by the Mine Museum at 200 Main Street (open 9am–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

Mother’s Day—Sunday, May 8th

Memorial Day—Monday, May 30th

Father’s Day—Sunday, June 19th

First Day of Summer—June 21st



HOW IS OUR PAID PARKING SYSTEM DOING?

Jerome established a pay-to-park system a few years ago that has served the town well. Here's a statement of income and expenses covering the 22-month period from July 1, 2020 and April 30, 2022:

Kiosk revenue	\$ 507,837
<u>EXPENSES:</u>	
Salaries & Wages	\$36,486
Payroll taxes	3,982
Credit card processing fees	74,496
Software service & support	9,878
Operating supplies	4,376
Telephone expense	3,978
Miscellaneous expenses	57
Capital expenditures	<u>20,442</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>153,695</u>
NET INCOME	\$ <u>354,142</u>

During this period, the parking fund has transferred \$183,791 to our utilities and HURF funds to help finance needed work on our springs, maintenance and replacement of water and sewer lines, street repairs, and ongoing work on the public restrooms planned for First Avenue, which we anticipate will be complete by the end of summer. We anticipate even greater transfers in future years.

There had initially been some concern that paid parking would hurt our businesses and deplete our sales tax revenue, but that has not proven to be the case. In fact, during this period, sales tax revenues have substantially *increased*. During fiscal year 2019, the average monthly sales tax revenue was \$85,559. During fiscal year 2020, when the impact of COVID was felt, the average monthly sales tax revenue dropped slightly to \$78,281. In fiscal year 2021, that figure bounced back to \$99,442, and during the first nine months of fiscal year 2022, the monthly average sales tax revenue has been a healthy \$117,448 ... and that does not include April, May and June, typically some of our strongest months.

All in all, our paid parking program has been a tremendous success and an asset for Jerome.

NEED A RIDE??

The Town of Jerome offers a shuttle ride from Jerome into the Cottonwood area to assist locals with access to grocery stores, banks, doctor appointments, and other needs. Meet the shuttle at Town Hall, 600 Clark Street, at 9 a.m. every Wednesday, or call our shuttle driver, Scott, to arrange a meeting spot along the route: **(928) 821-0133**. He'll also bring you back to Jerome.

For any questions or comments regarding the shuttle, please call (928) 634-7943 or send email to info@jerome.az.gov.



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