



# POINT OF VIEW

## JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

November-December 2022

### From the Mayor's Desk:

I must say our Town Council is an excellent team that works well together and is committed to doing what is best for our community. Being the only "guy" on the Council does have its fun moments with my colleagues!

In the past two years, the Town Council has done a great job in getting Covid vaccine and booster shots available to our citizens. We have also secured grant and loan funding to rebuild our sewer plant as well as address some of the roads and infrastructure that need repair - not to mention working on the Hotel Jerome along with addressing the emerging water issues.

I have represented the Council at the Chamber of Commerce for over two years and now it is emerging as a major contributor to restoring the "art" back into Jerome's reputation - not just "ghosts." A sincere thanks goes out to their new leadership and the overall commitment of its members to promote our town.

I am honored to be re-elected to our Town Council for another two year term. I encourage our Jerome citizens to attend Council meetings and become engaged in our efforts to do the very best for our Town - from infrastructure improvements to managing business practices that benefit the community.

Thank you all for stepping up to participate. Best wishes for a happy holiday season and New Year!

Sincerely,  
Dr. Jack



Dr. Jack Dillenberg revealing his "Town Council's Man" shirt.



Council-Elect swearing in. L-R: Magistrate Bradshaw Napper, Ms. Harvey, Ms. Barber, Dr. Dillenberg, Ms. Moore, & Ms. Sheffield

### ELECTION RESULTS OF THE TOWN OF JEROME PRIMARY ELECTION OF AUGUST 2, 2022

Jerome Council Member (2-Year Term)

Name	Votes	Percentage
Barber, Christina "Alex"	132	18.4%
Moore, Jane	131	18.3%
Dillenberg, Jack	114	15.9%
Harvey, Sage	102	14.3%
Sheffield, Sonia	96	13.4%

### Scheduled Meeting Dates for November, December 2022 & January 2023

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, November 8 at 7pm

#### Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 13 at 7pm

#### Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 10 at 7pm

#### Planning & Zoning

Tuesday, November 15 at 6pm

#### Planning & Zoning

Tuesday, December 20 at 6pm

#### Planning & Zoning

Tuesday, January 17 at 6pm

#### Design Review Board

Tuesday, November 22 at 6pm

#### Design Review Board

Tuesday, December 27 at 6 pm

#### Design Review Board

Tuesday, January 24 at 6pm

## Jerome Humane Society

The rain gods held off as friends and supporters enjoyed the 2022 Jerome Humane Society Brunch & Auction. This year's theme, "Bird is the Word" was on display in the gorgeous centerpieces created by Miranda Gunnell of the Peacock Flower Co. (in the Clemenceau Plaza, Cottonwood), a lovely quilt made by Janice Chesnik, and in many of the outfits sported by guests.



\*Highlights of the auction items ranged from a 2005 Toyota Tundra bequeathed to JHS by Mountain Dave Morris to a gorgeous photo of Chad's butt!

\*Tommy Anderson lent the perfect note to the brunch with his uniquely special singing talent. Auctioneer Carrie Anderson brought her charm and enthusiasm to encourage ever-higher bids on the many lovely auction items and exciting experiences donated by area artists and businesses.



\*The food, as always, was delicious and innovative, overseen by Erin Ryan, her 20th year of cooking and orchestrating the team! The open bar was popular as ever, featuring Mimosas, Bloody Marys and much more.

\*There are many people to be thanked, including drivers: Gary, Dan, Scott, George Bob, Will and Bernie. Special kudos to Eric who cheerfully helps attendees and those with mobility issues at "the end of the road".



We thank everyone who helped, donated to and attended this spectacular community event that supports the health and welfare of local pets.

The Jerome Humane Society wishes a happy and healthy holiday season to all of our friends, clients and supporters. *See you next year!*

\*Pictures of (clockwise): Erin Ryan, Virginia Kennaway, Carrie Anderson, and Tommy Anderson



Blessings from Haven,

We are eagerly awaiting our new conveyor belt for the food pantry. It is expected to be in by the end of 2022 if all goes as planned. We are so thankful for the grant to help us fund this needed lift up the outside stairs.

We are always thankful for this food pantry that supplies the needs of so many and grateful for all the donations of time and money this community gives to our ongoing effort. The need for food assistance has continued to grow as you probably are aware.

May you all be blessed to be a blessing to others by sharing the gifts of the season; hope, peace, joy, and the greatest of all, love for one another.

With a grateful heart,

Pastor Vicki



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## THE 47<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY HALLOWEEN DANCE

Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> marked the 47<sup>th</sup> year of the Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary Halloween Dance and fundraiser. Once again this year the event was held at the sliding jail area on the basketball court. It was well attended with over 600 participants in attendance, a lot of them being local residents.



We would like to thank all who attended to support the fire department and thanks to all the hotels, B&B and restaurants, that provided gift certificates for the costume contest. First place in the costume contest went to Bug Man and second place winner was Hellboy, congratulations to both.



**Jerome Fire Department would also like to wish everybody Happy Thanksgiving, a joyous holiday season and a Happy New Year.**

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.

*Rusty Blair, Fire Chief JVFD*

*Jerome Fire Station—Continued*

At the September 11, 2022 Council Meeting, Mayor Jack Dillenberg, Fire Chief Rusty Blair, and the Jerome Town Council presented a certificate to Mr. Carl Whiting in recognition of his promotion to Battalion Chief.

**Congratulations Battalion Chief Whiting!**



Buddy needs a forever home, having lost his to high rent. He's super-loving with his person, likes to play, and talks a lot too once you get to know him. He loves wet food but eats dry too. He's a survivor of outdoor life and is used to defending himself, so introductions to other cats must be monitored. Otherwise, he's pretty chill and a lovebug!  
If you're interested in adopting Buddy, please call: **928-235-5960** and leave a message with your phone number.



**Jerome Historical Society**



The Jerome Historical Society has hired John Sterr as our Archives Manager.

John comes to us from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he was director at the Charles Allis Art Museum.

John is a photographer, specializing in taking authentic tintype photographs; you may see John taking these photographs at the Bartlett Hotel. Welcome John if you see him in town.

You can follow John at Silver City Tintype on Instagram or Facebook.



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  
Director  
Jerome Historical Society



**Jerome Chamber of Commerce's**  
Special Event celebrating local businesses

Join us every first Saturday  
of the Month from 5—8 PM

**NEED A RIDE???**

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.**



## Obituary for Daniel Vladich Jr

Daniel Vladich Jr, always known as “Danny”, passed away in Camp Verde, AZ on September 25, 2022 - 2 months shy of his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday, while recovering from a fall and receiving therapy after his hip fracture surgery. Danny was born in Jerome in 1938 where he grew up until the mine closed. His family was transferred to Ajo, Az where he continued his education. After high school, he was employed by the Phelps Dodge Company until he was inducted into the US Army. He proudly served 2 years while stationed in Germany and was active in the reserves for 4 years. Upon his discharge, he continued to work for the company for a total of 12 years as a locomotive engineer. He returned to Jerome to help his parents when his father retired. While there, he worked for a few years for the Phoenix Cement Company in Clarkdale. He was then rehired again by Phelps Dodge, working as a welder in Morenci, AZ for 14 years. After ending his career, he returned to Jerome and took care of his mother for 15 years until her death in 2000.



He is preceded in death by his parents and his sister Dorothy, a nephew, and a sister-in-law and brother-in-law. He is survived by three sisters, Mary Lou (George), Helen (Jack), Joan (Tim), a brother Frank and many nieces and nephews. He leaves behind his beloved cat, Einstein.

He was indeed loved by his family and friends. He was a true “Jeromite” - a native who spent his last years enjoying the climate, walking to town to check his mail, visiting with the locals, and talking with the tourists.

And a special thank you from the Vladich family to his friends and medical team who stayed close to him and gave him their unconditional love and support during his last years.



## LIBRARY ART WORKSHOPS—WINTER 2022

### Fabric and Paper Bird Ornaments

November 5:  
10am – 12pm

November 19:  
10am – 12pm

\$20.00  
Donation



### Felted Alpaca Hat

November 26: Noon – 4 pm

Made with  
Arizona  
Alpaca

\$45.00  
Donation



### Christmas Ornaments

December 3:  
10am – 12 pm

\$20.00  
Donation



### Felted Arm and Hand Warmers

December 10: Noon – 4 pm

Made with Arizona Alpaca

\$45.00 Donation

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

# JEROME COMMUNITY GARDEN



We are celebrating our second year of the Jerome Organic Community Garden. We got our fence last year in November, ♡ Thank you Town of Jerome!

This year we hope to get electricity to the garden as well as build our shed. We have our volunteers ready.

We are still cleaning up after this years abundant summer monsoons and are looking to plant a winter crop before our winter weather. We may have a few beds open, please share with anyone who may be interested!

Facebook link to the Jerome Community Garden:  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=10006442274227>



## UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

- ◆ NOVEMBER 11TH: VETERAN'S DAY  
*Normal Trash Pickup*
- ◆ NOVEMBER 24TH: THANKSGIVING  
**TOWN HALL CLOSED on THANKSGIVING**  
*Normal Trash Pickup*
- ◆ DECEMBER 25TH: CHRISTMAS DAY  
**TOWN HALL CLOSED on Monday, December 26th**  
*Dumpster and Cardboard only,*
- ◆ NOVEMBER 27TH: *Normal Trash Pickup on Tuesday, December 27th*
- ◆ JANUARY 1ST: NEW YEAR'S DAY  
**TOWN HALL CLOSED on Monday, January 2nd**  
*Dumpsters and Cardboard only, Normal Trash Pickup on Tuesday, January 3rd*



**HAPPY 2023!**

## The Jerome Kid's Christmas Party

**SANTA will be at Spook Hall!!!**

**Saturday, December 10th**

**Starting at 10 AM.**

**Sign your child up at Paul & Jerry's, the Spirit Room, or Town Hall.**

**With Questions, Special Gift Requests, to Sign-Up a Child, or to Donate, please call Burt Doss at: (928) 301-3125**

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