

# POINT OF VIEW

## JEROME'S NEWSLETTER

September—October 2023

### CLEOPATRA HILL TANK #2 REPAIRS

You may have seen the “before” pictures on the Town of Jerome Facebook page, so here are some “work-in-progress” shots. Crews worked diligently for over two months to repair the Town’s water tank which was offline. These important repairs will help with redundancy efforts for the Town’s water supply. The construction work followed months of planning, and had added difficulty due to the challenging topography and restrictive access of the tank.

We are grateful to our crews and contractors for their hard work at getting Cleopatra Hill Tank #2 back online!



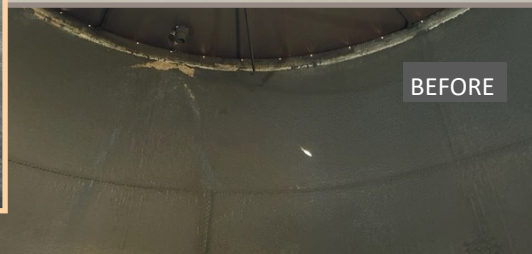
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According to Public Works Director Marty Boland, work included:

- \* a complete sand blasting of the inside
- \* assessment of needed fixes
- \* welding repairs to enhance the integrity
- \* fixing structural issues to the ceiling
- \* enhancements to the support
- \* new safety measures and a gauge to the outside
- \* Updated access points, along with primer and 10-12 mil of paint for sealant

### Scheduled Meeting Dates for September, October, & November of 2023

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

**Special Council Meeting/Public Hearing: Utility Rates**  
Monday, November 13th at 6:15 pm

**Regular Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, September 12th at 7pm

**Regular Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, October 10th at 7 pm

**Regular Council Meeting**  
Tuesday, November 14th at 7 pm

**Planning & Zoning**  
Tuesday, September 19th at 6pm

**Planning & Zoning**  
Tuesday, October 17th at 6 pm

**Planning & Zoning**  
Tuesday, November 21th at 6 pm

**Design Review Board**  
Tuesday, September 26th at 6pm

**Design Review Board**  
Tuesday, October 24th at 6 pm

**Design Review Board**  
Tuesday, November 28th at 6 pm



# Jerome Humane Society



## MEMORIAL

### Margaret Nellie (Matteson) Hinrichsen (April 3, 1923 to July 19, 2023)



Last July, Jerome Humane Society lost a stalwart supporter and the world lost an amazing woman. Margaret loved cats, a Turkey named Lola and the color yellow. An animal lover, she was a generous donor to JHS. Her most recent gifts included paying for the tents, tables and chairs for our annual brunch and auction - JHS' premier fundraising event. She was a long-time volunteer and board member.

Margaret died in hospice care after a fall which resulted in rehab, pneumonia and hospitalization. She was able to live independently in her home past the age of 100 thanks to the help and support of her many friends.

Margaret was a very independent and highly gifted individual. Her talents included making stunning jewelry and inspirational stained glass. She was an avid collector of kaleidoscopes and was an acknowledged marksman.

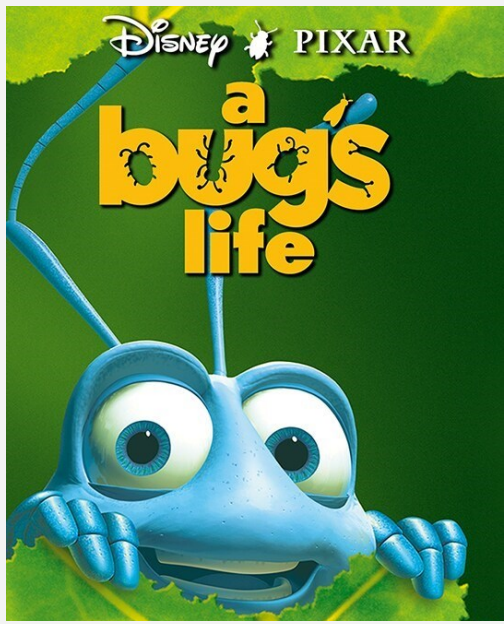
In addition to JHS, Margaret's interest and generosity extended to Sedona Opera League, Verde Valley Concert Association, Verde Valley Gem and Mineral Club, and the Naval Lighter than Air Organization among others.

Margaret's motto was "Production is the Basis of Morale", which gives you an idea of her work ethic. With a Master's Degree in Social Work, her careers included social worker, customs agent, teacher, and sales associate at Nellie Bly in Jerome, AZ.

Born in Mankato, Minnesota, Margaret joined the Navy where she met and married her husband Keith, an aviator in the Navy from 1942-1970, flying various aircraft including Navy blimps. She and Keith were married for 58 years. She is survived by her daughters Leigh Hinrichsen of Cottonwood, AZ, Daly Jessup of Hillsborough, N.C., grandson Tucker Jessup of Hillsborough, NC and her brother James Matteson (Gloria) of Mankato, Minnesota. Like Keith, Margaret will be interred at the Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.



Those wanting to honor Margaret are invited to make a donation to the Jerome Humane Society in her name. P.O.Box 807, Jerome, AZ 86331 or at [Jeromehumane.com](http://Jeromehumane.com).



### Don't Miss It!

**Join us for the time of your life at the Jerome Humane Society's premier fundraising event, the JHS Brunch and Auction! This year's theme is A Bug's Life, so wear something buggy.**

**Save the date: Sunday, October 15th, 9-noon at the Honeymoon Cottage. Tickets (\$30) are available from JHS Board Members and at Nellie Bly.**

**As always, we welcome donations of lovely, interesting auction items and experiences. Thanks everyone, and see you there!**



**JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
P.O. BOX 1025 \* JEROME AZ 86331  
(928) 649-3034 [blair@jeromefire.us](mailto:blair@jeromefire.us)

## Jerome Fire Department Picnic/Firewise community day on Thursday, 9-28-23

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 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Fire Station, beginning at 5 pm and going till 7PM.** The Jerome FD Auxiliary will provide hotdogs, hamburgers, chips, water & soda. This is also a great time to thank all our volunteer firefighters for all their hard work throughout the year. It is always wonderful to talk with your neighbors while enjoying a great meal cooked by firefighters! Once again, the fire department will be providing all the side dishes, so all you need to bring is you.



**Everyone is welcome!**

### Firewise USA Community in conjunction with the fire department annual picnic 9-28-23

We are marking our seventh 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 to make your home more fire safe.



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.

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 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

# The 48th Annual Jerome Fire Department Auxiliary Halloween Dance

**Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> marks the 48<sup>th</sup> 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 7:00 with the band starting at 8:00 playing until 12:00AM.**

\*Please remember that this is an all-cash event and please drink responsibly (21 and older).



This year's event will be held at the basketball courts near the sliding jail, as it was last year. This annual dance is our largest fund-raising event for the year and typically accounts for 60 - 70% of our discretionary spending funds.

The fire department auxiliary would also like to thank all of our sponsors that provide for the costume prizes as well as those who help facilitate putting on that event. A special thanks to Mark Krmptich for providing the funding needed for the tent.



## Blessings from Haven,

Now in the late summer and beginning of fall, some things are winding down and other things are starting up. It is time for us to give thanks for the cooler weather and the amazing colors of the change of season.

Haven gives thanks for Rebekah Kennedy's ongoing fundraising for the food pantry and donation of several very nice display cases that have improved the food pantry.

We give thanks to the Town of Jerome, for the use of the van for food pick-up help and the volunteer to drive it, John McDonald! More blessings than we could ever have imagined.



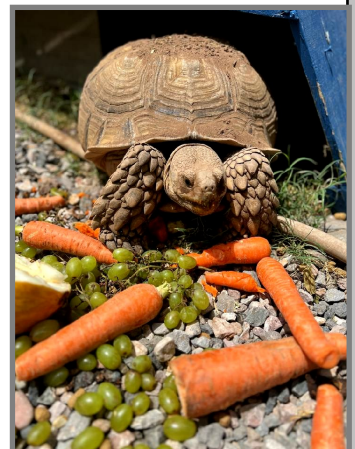
We also give thanks to the gifted Stacey Dexter. She has organized the clothes and housewares room into a welcoming boutique for all of you to find a treasure.

I give thanks to all of you who shared my birthday at the food pantry! I felt like a 68-year-old kid with so many loving friends! I am always so blessed by your smiles and kind words.



Lastly, because we know so many of you have a deep love of animals, we want to share a few photos of the animal friends who enjoy the fruits of our labor after pantry hours! These adorable ones live down near Tuzigoot, on their big Alpaca farm.

Enjoy the pics and the beautiful season of life,  
Pastor Vicki





## JEROME HISTORICAL SOCIETY TURNS 70



This is the headline in The Jerome Chronicle Newsletter for this month, distributed to Jerome Historical Society members.

In 1953, as buildings in Jerome were being dismantled, alarmed residents took up the cause to save and preserve the buildings and history by forming the JHS. It was a hands-on operation from the start, as residents who outlasted the mines pitched in by building, painting, and scouring the town for artifacts for the museum. The formation of the JHS was skillfully guided by Mr. James Brewer who was superintendent of Tuzigoot National Monument.

Since 1953 the JHS has collected a large archive of Jerome history, in mining records, historical photographs, and family memoirs. There has been enormous effort and work over seven decades to restore and maintain many old buildings, a tribute to many people whose dedicated efforts we enjoy in our town to this day.

Become a member of the JHS and enjoy your own copy of our newsletter and get help answering your questions about Jerome.  
\$15.00 per year. Phone 928-634-1066.

Don Feher Director  
Jerome Historical Society



## JEROME COMMUNITY ART WORKSHOP 2023

### September / October Art Classes

- **Sept. 9:**  
**Pyrography, the Art of Wood burning**  
10am- Noon, \$30.00
- **Sept. 16:**  
**Dyed Paper for Paper Arts**  
10am-Noon, \$35.00
- **Sept. 23, Oct 7., & Oct. 21:**  
**Introduction to Hand-crafted Paper Making**  
Noon – 3 pm, \$40.00

- **Sept. 30 & Oct. 28:**  
**Learn to use a Gel plate for Artistic Printing**  
10am- Noon, \$40.00
- **Oct. 7 & Oct. 28:**  
**The traditional Craft of Broom Making**  
Noon – 3 pm, \$45.00
- **Oct. 21:**  
**Alcohol Ink Art**  
10am – Noon, \$40.00



**Sign-up by calling the Library, 928-639-0574  
or e-mail: [jeromeartworkshop@gmail.com](mailto:jeromeartworkshop@gmail.com)**

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

# JEROME CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A big thanks to everyone who came out to our first Music and Arts Festival and made it such a great event for residents and guests alike. We appreciate you! We're planning to do it again next June.

Our next Art in the Park event will be **September 30th from 12-5PM!**

20 local artists will be painting and creating plus we will have live music from The Invincible Grins and Toxic Positivity. We hope to see everyone there. If you would like to participate as an artist, contact Ginger:

[president@jeromechamber.com](mailto:president@jeromechamber.com)

We are also looking forward to Light up the Mountain in November and are planning to light up the J again prior to the event. Also, we're going to have a town Christmas party this year. Yay!

We are also looking for a treasurer and secretary for the chamber. If you are interested, email Ingrid:

[vicepresident@jeromechamber.com](mailto:vicepresident@jeromechamber.com)

Thanks for your support Jerome!

Ginger Mackenzie

President - Jerome Chamber of Commerce

## 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 the Jerome Fire Department 928-649-3034

The Town Shuttle runs every Friday from 11 AM to 4 PM, Saturday & Sunday from 11 AM to 6 PM and has some special hours on MAJOR HOLIDAYS!!!

As always, please call **928-821-0133** if you would like to be picked up by the Town shuttle on days/hours it is in operation.

## UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

### **\*Labor Day**

Monday, September 4th  
(Town Hall Closed)

### **Veteran's Day Observed**

Friday, November 10th  
(Normal Trash Pick-Up)

### **\*Thanksgiving Day**

Thursday, November 23rd  
(Town Hall Closed)

### **Day after Thanksgiving Day**

Friday, November 24th  
(Normal Trash Pick-up, crew off the rest of the day)

*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.*

## Jerome Chamber of Commerce Special Event celebrating local businesses



Join us every  
**FIRST SATURDAY**  
of the Month  
from 5 to 8 PM

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