



# Prescott Valley



**November  
2019**

# Town News

## Festival of Lights, light parade & more on Fri., Dec. 6

Be sure and save the date for the 2019 Prescott Valley Festival of Lights and Night Light Parade starting at 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6!

The festivities will kick off at the Prescott Valley Civic Center Theater on the Green, with music from the Coyote Springs Elementary School and Bradshaw Mountain Middle School choirs, a holiday message from Mayor Kell Palguta, and reading of the Night Before Christmas with Chamber CEO Marnie Uhl. Bring your young children to read with Marnie!

At 6 p.m., Mayor Palguta will give the signal to turn on the lights of the Civic Center and grounds. This is a spectacular event. The Town of Prescott Valley Public Works crews begin decorating on October 1 each year, and every year, something new is added!

Just a few minutes later, at 6:10 p.m., the annual Night Light Parade begins. The parade winds its way from the Event Center east on Lakeshore Drive and then circles the Civic Center. Parking is available at the Civic Center parking lots and around the outside of Skoog Blvd.

After the parade, be sure to take your little ones to the third floor in the Civic Center and get free photos and a visit with Santa! See you here on Dec. 6!



Join us for Festival of Lights on December 6!

## Realtors, Scouts give PV Bark Park a paw up

The Prescott Valley Dog Park at Mountain Valley Park saw improvements to the off-leash area thanks to local Realtors and Scouts.

The renovations include two new dog agility courses, picnic tables and benches, resurfacing of the park area, and more shade trees.

These improvements are made possible by a \$4500 Placemaking grant from the National Association of Realtors®, facilitated by the Prescott Area Association of Realtors® (PAAR).

PAAR partnered with local Eagle Scouts, FRIENDS of Prescott Valley Parks and Recreation, and business leaders on this project.

Placemaking grants are awarded to local and state Realtor® associations to



Benson Morris, left, and Kadyr Maynard headed up renovations on the PV Bark Park for their Eagle Scout project.

help members create new public spaces and destinations in a community, thus

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# Viewpoint/Spouse Drive intersection improvement project nears completion

The Viewpoint Drive/Spouse Drive intersection in Prescott Valley has been under construction through the summer. The project, which includes roadway, underground storm drain and sidewalk improvements, will also expand the Viewpoint and Spouse Drive intersection.

This \$3.45 million construction is part of a multi-year project to provide a connection between the Town's Civic Center to State Route 89A. Funding for the project comes from the Town's 1/3 cent sales tax, dedicated to street improvements. The Town awarded the bid to Earth Resources Corporation.

At the beginning of November, paving began on segments of Viewpoint Drive. Concrete retaining wall work neared completion on sections of Spouse Drive. Curb, gutter and sidewalk work on Spouse Drive began in early October. Substantial completion of the project and full roadway access is anticipated for the beginning of December.

Temporary delays, road closures and detours may be experienced as this project nears completion. Please use caution if traveling in the area.

For more information, please contact Ron Pine at Prescott Valley Public Works, 928-759-3035 or email [rpine@pvaz.net](mailto:rpine@pvaz.net).



Work continues on the Viewpoint/Spouse Drive intersection, and completion with full access is scheduled for December.

## Want to Volunteer? We have opportunities!

If you would like to give back to your community and be part of a vibrant, more than 270-person volunteer force, the Town of Prescott Valley has Volunteer Opportunities in the following areas:

• **Arts and Culture Commission member** (This is a Town Council appointed position, please call Executive Management at 928-759-3100).

• **Police VIPs:**

- Police Command Post Driver
- Library Security Volunteer
- Police Records Technician

• **Special Events Assistant**

• **Human Resources Admin Clerk**

• **Parks & Recreation Outdoor Adventure Guide**

• **Public Works Meeting Coordinator**

To apply, please visit [www.pvaz.net](http://www.pvaz.net) and click on Volunteer Opportunities and follow link. For more information on any of these positions or assistance in applying, please call Volunteer Central at 928-759-3123 or email Communications Coordinator Heidi Dahms Foster at [hfooster@pvaz.net](mailto:hfooster@pvaz.net).

SHARE YOUR LOVE OF READING

**Prescott Valley Public Library  
Book Club**

**3RD THURSDAYS  
10:30-12:00**

**2ND FLOOR KOOLE ROOM**

**NOVEMBER: 'THE LAST WHALERS: THREE YEARS IN THE FAR PACIFIC WITH A COURAGEOUS TRIBE AND A VANISHING WAY OF LIFE'**  
DOUG BOCK CLARK

**DECEMBER: 'A STUDY IN SCARLET WOMEN: THE LADY SHERLOCK SERIES', BOOK 1**  
SHERRY THOMAS

**JANUARY: 'WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING'**  
DELIA OWENS

**For more information  
call 928-759-3040**



# Four seats on PV Town Council up for election in 2020

Are you interested in guiding the future of your community? Prescott Valley will have four, four-year seats on the Town Council to be filled in 2020.

Seats open include those currently held by Vice Mayor Lora Lee Nye, and Council members Rick Anderson, Marty Grossman, and Lori Moss Hunt.

Town Clerk Diane Russell has announced that candidate packets and nomination petitions for the regularly scheduled Primary Council Election on August 4, 2020 are now available in the office of the Town Clerk at 7501 East Skoog Blvd.

Nomination petitions and the other initial paperwork must be filed with the Town Clerk no later than 5 p.m. on April 6, 2020.

Candidates must have a minimum of 337 and a maximum of 674 petition signatures. Write-in candidates for the Primary Election must file paperwork by June 26, 2020. Petition Signatures are not required for a write-in candidate.

Each candidate packet contains

the required forms for filing nomination petitions, a Statement of Organization form, Financial Disclosure Statement form and campaign finance forms. Potential candidates are asked to call the Town

Clerk's Office at 928-759-3028 to schedule an appointment to meet with the Town Clerk and pick up the Candidate Packet.

NOTE: All candidates must register as a candidate committee if the candidate receives contributions or makes expenditures, in any combination, of at least \$500 in connection with that candidacy [ARS §16-905(A)].

The General Election will take place on November 3, 2020, if necessary. Any candidate receiving a majority of all votes cast at the



Primary Election will be declared elected without running in the General Election.

A candidate for local office must be a qualified elector at the time of filing their nomination paper. Any such candidate, in addition to the other requirements, must be 18 years of age or over in general law cities and towns.

Candidates for local office must also have resided in the town for one year preceding the election. This one-year residency requirement also permits persons living in an area that is annexed to a city or town less than one year prior to the election to qualify as a candidate if they meet all other requirements for candidates.

For additional information, call the Town Clerk's Office at 928-759-3028 or 928-759-3135, or visit [www.pvaz.net/384/Election-Information/](http://www.pvaz.net/384/Election-Information/)

## Reduce water usage from November to March to save on overall charges

If you are a residential sewer customer served by the Town of Prescott Valley, here is some information that could help you reduce the cost of your monthly water/sewer bill.

Each April, the Town of Prescott Valley calculates a new Winter Quarter Average (WQA) which determines your monthly sewer charge for the following year. The WQA is 90 percent of your November to March average water usage.

For example, if your five month total water usage (Nov-March) is 25,000 gallons, the average water usage for this five month period is 5,000 gallons a month; 90 percent of that 5,000 gallon average equals 4,500 gallons. Therefore, 4,500 gallons of sewer usage is the highest sewer volume amount for which you would be charged per month from April until the new winter quarter calculation is figured for the following year.



This calculation acts as a cap for how much you can be billed in regards to sewer. For example, if you used 8,000 gallons of water, you would be billed only for 4,500 gallons of sewer usage, since that is your established WQA.

But, if you used less than 4,500 gallons of water in a month, you would be billed the corresponding volume amount for your sewer usage equal to the water usage.

For example, if your water usage for a given month during the year is 3,000 gallons, the sewer charge would be prorated to 3,000, not the 4,500 gallons calculated on your Winter Quarter Average. Your WQA works in your favor to provide you with the lowest possible sewer charge each month.

Since the WQA is based on water usage between November and March, any reduction in water usage during this time frame will also help reduce your overall water and sewer charges.

If you have questions, you can contact the Customer Accounts Division at 928-759-3020 or visit us at the Civic Center, located at 7501 E. Skoog Blvd.

# Mayor's Message *Prescott Valley Mayor Kell Palguta*

Greetings everyone! I hope this month's message finds you in good spirits and even better health. This time of the year is very busy for the Town of Prescott Valley with the Holiday Festival of Lights and Night Light Parade, and the ever popular Valley of Lights. If you have never experienced either one, please be sure to get out and enjoy what Prescott Valley has to offer.



both Senator Sinema and Congressman Gosar were very receptive and in support of a formal inquiry. Each one reached out to the United States Postmaster.

keep asking.

As I have said before, I want Town government to be as transparent as possible and I want you, the good citizens of Prescott Valley to be as well informed and up to date as possible, so if there are any questions you want answered or topics covered, be sure to email Community Relations at [comrel@pvaz.net](mailto:comrel@pvaz.net).

Please also join us for a spectacular New Year's Eve celebration on December 31 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at the Findlay Toyota Center parking lot, 3201 N Main Street. Games, hot chocolate, s'mores, and a big bonfire! Fireworks will be at 8:30 p.m. and midnight. Please leave your pets at home for their safety and yours.

Now at this point who knows what may happen, and if there is an actual review what the results may show, but at least we are getting noticed at the Federal level and there is a chance.

Also be sure to follow me on Facebook at Mayor Kell Palguta, and watch Mondays with the Mayor, a three-minute recap of the week's events on the Town of Prescott Valley's Facebook Page. You also can request to be added to my email list where each month you will receive an informal letter from me discussing recent events and activities.

As some of you may have read in the newspaper or online, I reached out last month to Congressman Gosar, Senator McSally and Senator Sinema's offices to request a formal review of our current Post Office situation. The good news is that

My philosophy is that it is worth a try to keep asking and bringing light to subjects such as this with hope of being successful once in a while. Hall of Fame basketball player Michael Jordan said, "You miss 100 percent of the shots you do not take." This is our chance to take a shot at requesting a new Post Office and until we are successful we need to

I am also of course available to attend any type of Block Watch or neighborhood gathering you may be having with friends and family.

Have an amazing month and I hope to hear from each of you!

## Bark Park, from page 1

helping to increase property values and quality of life.

"From one dog lover to another, thank you for your generous grant of \$4,500 in support of the Prescott Valley off-leash Dog Park," said Prescott Valley Parks and Recreation Director Brian Witt. "I am overjoyed to see such a generous first-time allocation from the National Association of Realtors, and am honored that the Prescott Area Association Realtors and its membership chose to partner in this community based effort."

For more information on the Bark Park or other PV Parks, please visit [www.pvaz.net](http://www.pvaz.net) or call 928-759-3090.



A great group of volunteers helps to renovate PV Bark Park

## FINDLAY TOYOTA CENTER

Dec	3	6:30pm	ADMIT ONE	NAZ Suns vs Memphis Hustle   NBA G-League Basketball
Dec	5	6:30pm	ADMIT ONE	NAZ Suns vs Memphis Hustle   NBA G-League Basketball
Dec	8	12:00pm Women 3:00pm Men	ADMIT ONE	Northern Arizona University vs University of Nebraska Women's and Men's NCAA Basketball
Dec	10	6:30pm	ADMIT ONE	NAZ Suns vs Texas Legends   NBA G-League Basketball
Dec	14	10:00am	FREE	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Graduation
Dec	15	3:00pm	ADMIT ONE	NAZ Suns vs Santa Cruz Warriors   NBA G-League Basketball
Dec	17	6:30pm	ADMIT ONE	NAZ Suns vs Salt Lake City Stars   NBA G-League Basketball
Dec	27	7:00pm	ADMIT ONE	A Magical Cirque Christmas
Dec	28	5:00pm	ADMIT ONE	NAZ Suns vs South Bay Lakers   NBA G-League Basketball

Schedule is subject to change. For updates, see [www.findlaytoyotacenter.com/](http://www.findlaytoyotacenter.com/)